

# *Quality Assurance: Validating Realistic Self Assessment Through External Evaluation*

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# Introduction

- What **theories undergird quality assurance** efforts?
- What is **self-assessment** and **reflective practice** and how might they influence **organizational quality**?
- How does **external evaluation** validate organizational self reflection?
- What **Industry 4.0 tools** support quality improvement and the assessment and evaluation processes.



By three methods we may learn wisdom: First, **by reflection, which is noblest**; Second, by imitation, which is easiest; and third by experience, which is the bitterest.

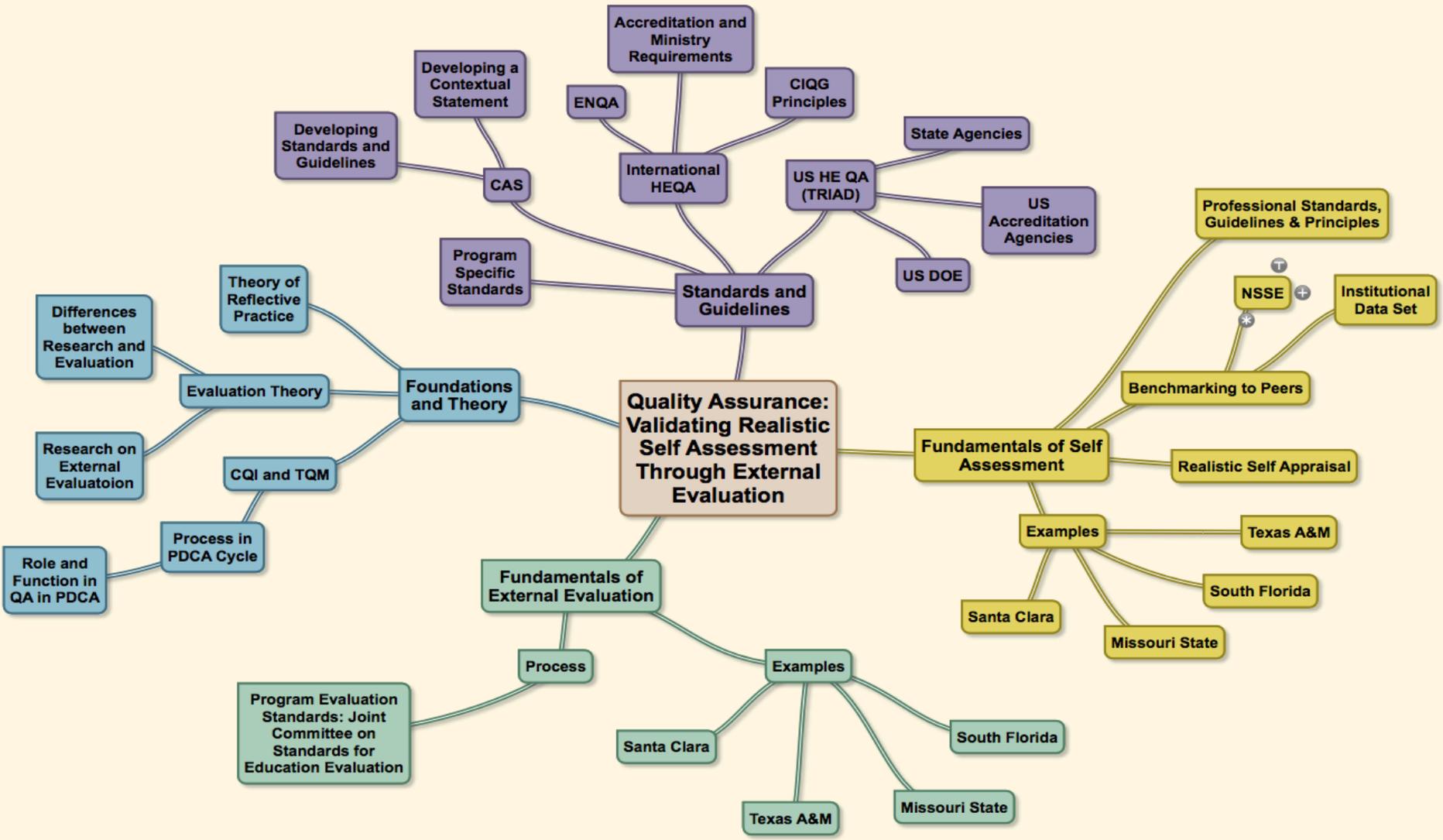
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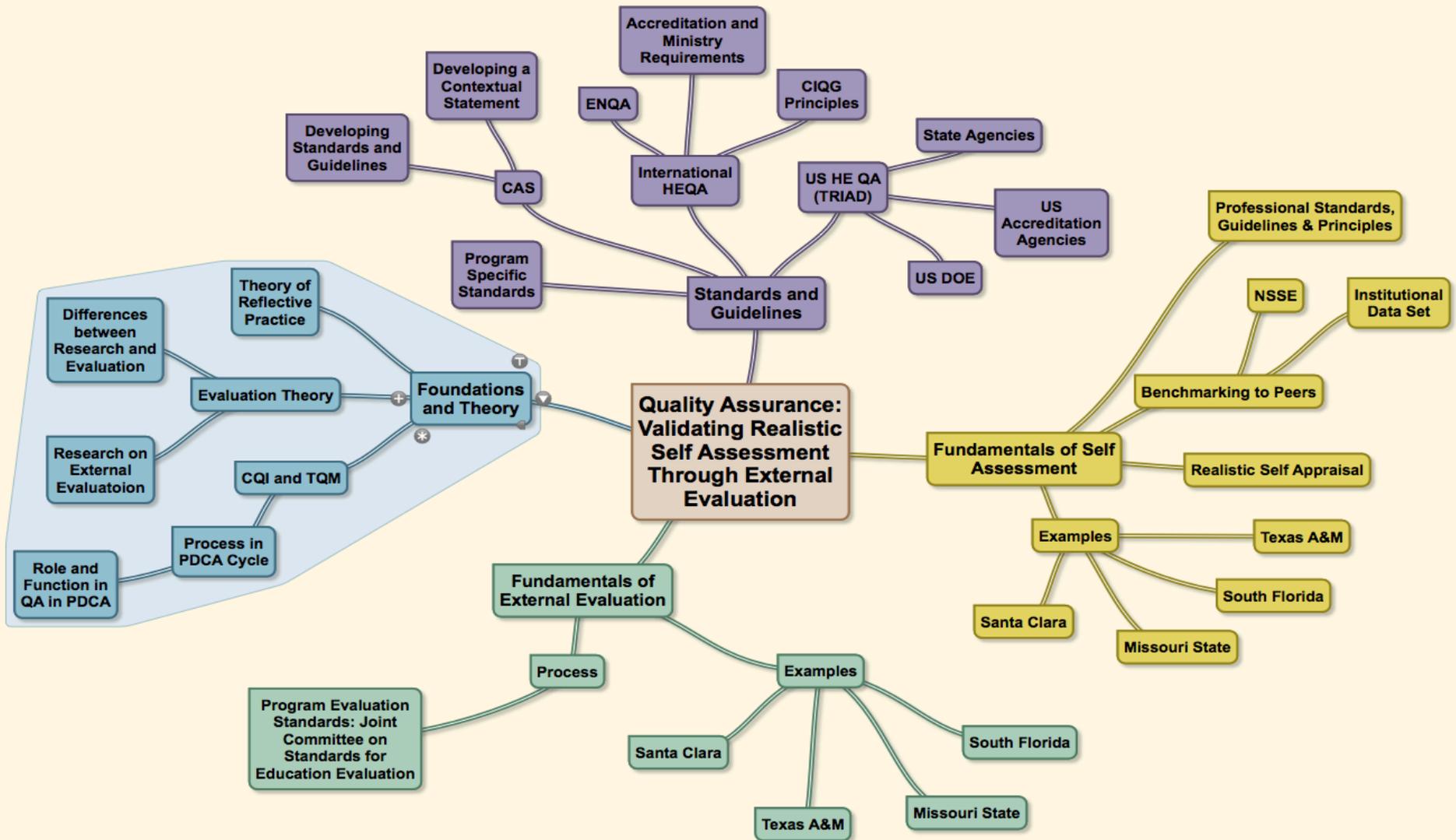
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# Quality Defined

- American Society for Quality
  - “the **planned** and **systematic** activities implemented in a quality **system** so that **quality requirements** for a product or service will be **fulfilled**”



American Society of Quality (ASQ)

*“Quality is never an accident; it is always the **result of high intention, sincere effort, intelligent direction and skillful execution**; it represents the wise choice of many alternatives.” William A. Foster*

Source: <http://asq.org/learn-about-quality/quality-assurance-quality-control/overview/overview.html>



# Quality Assurance

- UNESCO
  - the **systematic** review of educational programs to ensure that **acceptable standards of education**, scholarship and infrastructure are being maintained.



*“Quality is not an act, it is a **habit**. Aristotle*

<http://www.unesco.org/new/en/education/themes/strengthening-education-systems/higher-education/quality-assurance/>



# Quality Assurance

- ENQA
  - “a term imported into higher education from the world of business (and predominantly from the sector of manufacturing) as is the related term ‘quality control’. In France ‘quality management’ has been used often in place of ‘quality assurance’ in the translation of the ESG, with the intention of instilling a sense of responsibility to the academics to manage quality for themselves.”

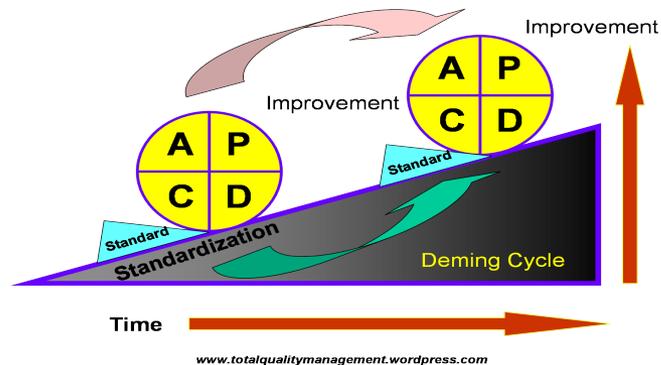
*“The term ‘quality assurance’ is ...to describe all activities within the continuous improvement cycle (i.e. assurance and enhancement activities).” ENQA 2015*

Crozier, F., Curvale, B., Dearlove, R., Helle, E. & Henard, F. (2006) ENQA Operational Papers 12: Terminology of quality assurance: toward shared European Values?



# General Concepts of Quality Management

- Approach to **quality management** that builds upon traditional quality assurance methods by **emphasizing the organization and systems that** focuses on:
  - **Process** rather than the individual;
  - Recognizes both **internal and external “customers”**;
  - Promotes the **need for objective data** to analyze & improve processes.



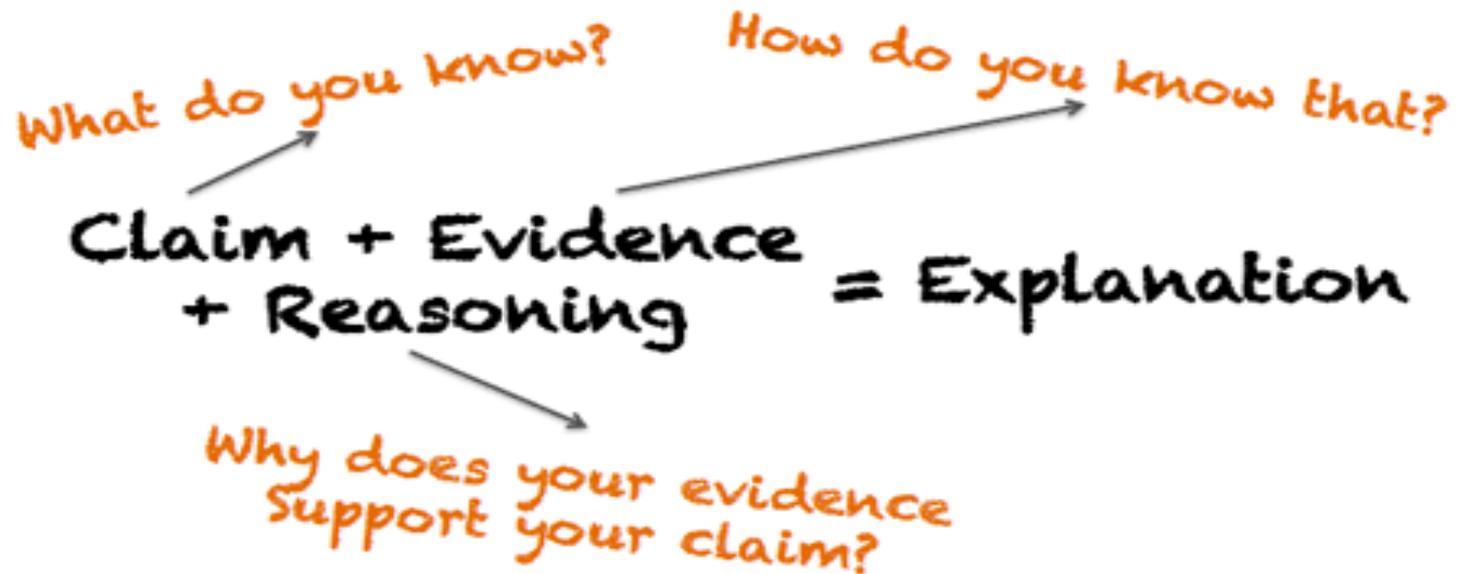
*"It is not enough to just do your best or work hard. **You must know what to work on.**"- W. Edwards Deming*

Deming, W.E. (1992) *Out of the Crisis*

<https://www.fpm.iastate.edu/worldclass/cqi.asp>



# Assessment Defined



*"the gathering of information concerning the functioning of students, staff and institutions of higher education. The information may or may not be in numerical form, but the basic motive for gathering it is to improve the functioning of the institution and its people."*

# Assessment



*"...any effort to gather, analyze, and interpret evidence which describes institutional, departmental, divisional, or agency effectiveness."*

Upcraft, M.L & Schuh, J.H. (1996). Assessment in Student Affairs: A Guide for Practitioners



# Maki Assessment Cycle



- "Assessment Is"
  - Evidence driven relying on multiple measures
  - Formative rather than simply summative
  - Focused on outcomes
  - A complex process of comparison
  - Always a process of reasoning from evidence
  - Always, to some degree, imprecise

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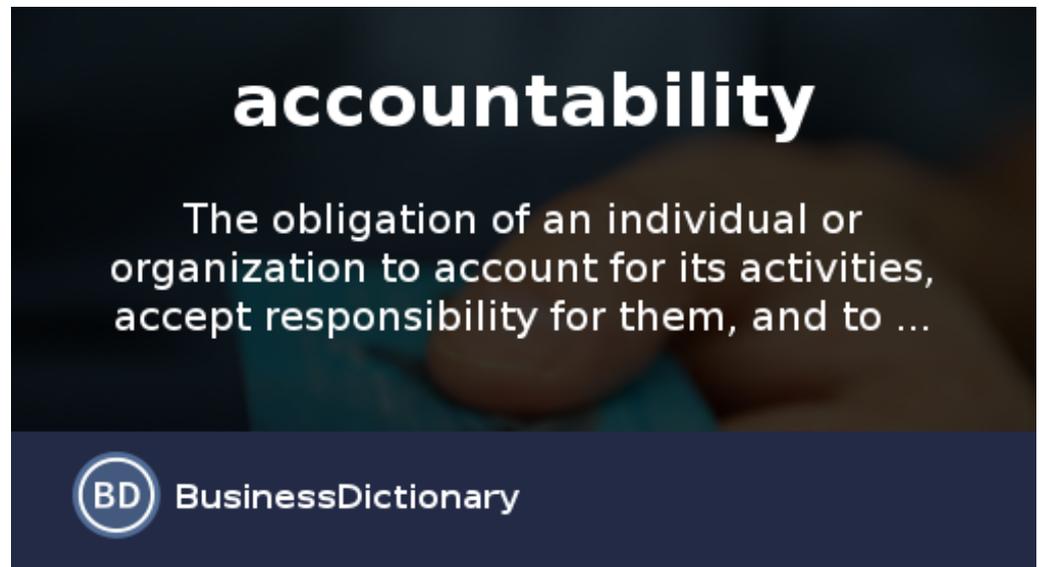
- "Assessment Is NOT"
  - Episodic
  - Just about measurement
  - About performance
  - Solely an administrative process
  - Easy or quick

# Self Assessment

- “questions of **accountability**, cost, **quality**, access, equity, and accreditation combine to make **assessment a necessity** in higher education.”

*“Accountability breeds response-ability.” Stephen Covey*

[https://www.brainyquote.com/quotes/quotes/s/stephencov636497.html?src=t\\_accountability](https://www.brainyquote.com/quotes/quotes/s/stephencov636497.html?src=t_accountability)



**accountability**

The obligation of an individual or organization to account for its activities, accept responsibility for them, and to ...

 BusinessDictionary

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# Self Assessment

- Why self assessment:
  - Establish a **culture** of realistic self appraisal and **quality**;
  - Determine the extent to which the organization/department/unit personnel perceive **achieving the organization's designed purpose**;
  - Identifying **evidence** to support achievement of purpose and **alignment with industry standards**

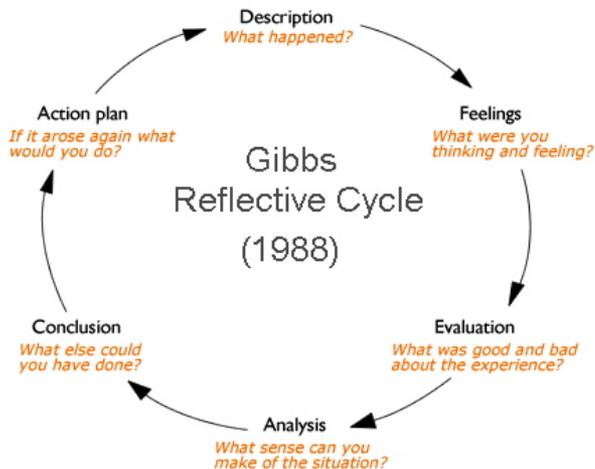
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what we've done."  
Author Unknown*

<https://ocmbocesis.wordpress.com/2016/04/26/a-time-for-reflection-we-dont-learn-by-doing-we-learn-by-reflecting-on-what-weve-done/>



# Self Assessment: Theory of Reflective Practice

- Reflective practice is:
  - Capacity to reflect on action to engage in **continuous learning** (Schon 1983:102-104)
  - Paying critical attention to **practical values and theories** which **inform everyday actions, by examining practice** life/work experiences reflectively and reflexively.”



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<http://www.businessballs.com/reflective-practice.htm>

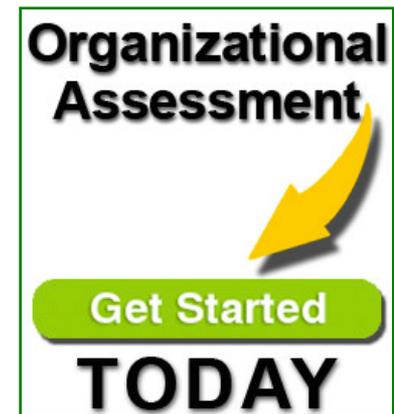


# Organizational Assessment

- **Systematic process** for obtaining valid information about the **performance of an organization** and the factors that affect performance.
- Conducted in order to **demonstrate areas of competence, areas for improvement, and possible risks**, help support investment and restructuring decisions.

[http://betterevaluation.org/en/theme/organizational\\_performance](http://betterevaluation.org/en/theme/organizational_performance)

<http://www.reflectlearn.org/discover/your-introductory-guide-to-oa>



# Assessing Quality in Higher Education

- Virtually everyone who has thought carefully about the question of **assessing quality** in higher education agrees that **"value added?" is the only valid approach. ... (or) what is improved about students' capabilities or knowledge** as a consequence of their education at a particular college or university.

*"Price is what you pay. **Value** is what you get."* Warren Buffett



*How Do You Define It?*

Bennett, D.C., 2001 AAC&U)



# Advantages of Self-Assessment

- Self assessment;
  - Provides recognition and rewards;
  - Is internally driven;
  - Is staff developed;
  - Creates shared vision;
  - **Requires self awareness.**



*"The first principle is that you must not fool yourself - and you are the easiest person to fool." [Richard Feynman](#) US educator & physicist (1918 - 1988)*

# Evaluation Theory (Models)

## Aikin's Prescriptive Model

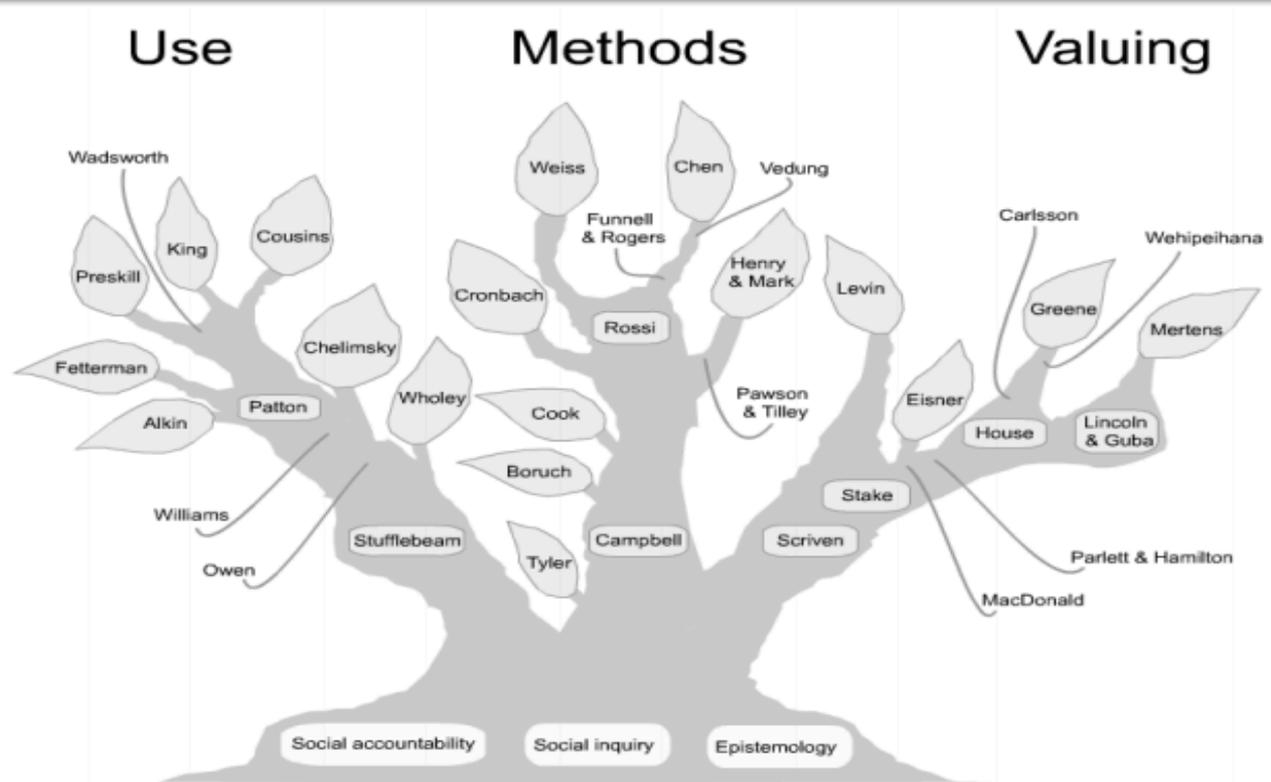


Figure 1. Evaluation Theory Tree

Source: Alkin, M. C. (2012). *Evaluation roots* (2nd ed.). Thousand Oaks, CA: Sage.

"set of rules, prescriptions, prohibitions, & *guiding frameworks that specify what a good or proper evaluation is and how evaluation should be done*" (e.g., empowerment evaluation, *Roots*, p. 4)

# Program Evaluation Defined

- Defined: The **systematic investigation of the worth or merit** of an object. (The Joint Committee on Standards for Educational Evaluation, 1994)

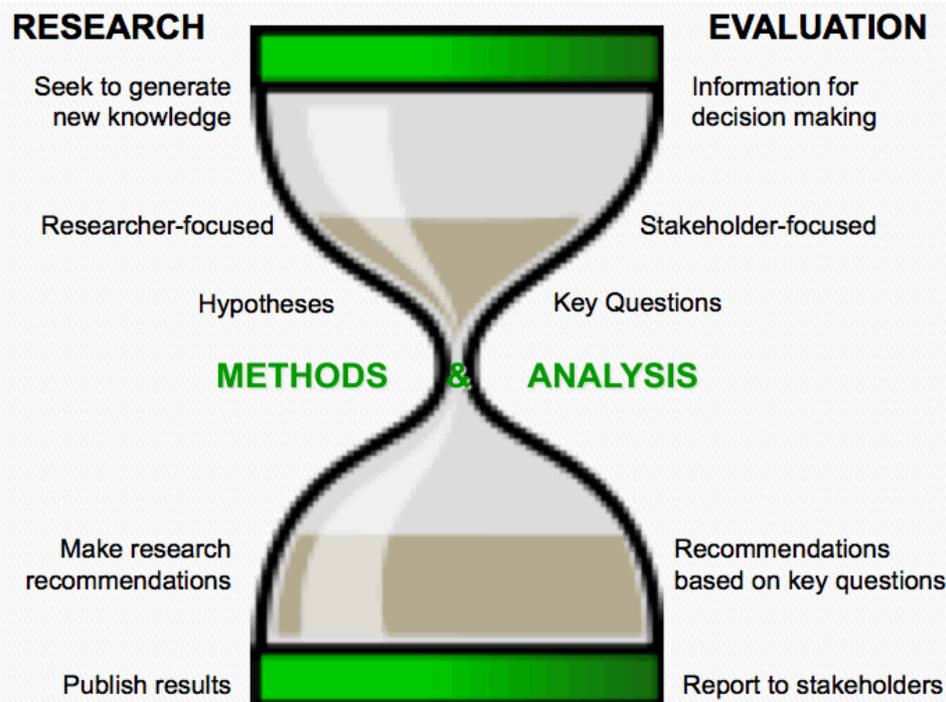


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# Differences in Evaluation and Research

- Purpose: Seek difference ends
  - Research: **Add knowledge** to the field and theory growth
  - Evaluation: **Help stakeholders in decision making**



Page 6 of Program Evaluation: Alternative Approaches and Practical Guidelines  
Fitzpatrick, Sanders, Worthen (2004)

# System

- Set of **detailed methods, procedures and routines** created to carry out a specific activity, perform a duty, or solve a problem.
  - Organized, **purposeful structure** that consists of **interrelated and interdependent elements** that continually influence one another (directly or indirectly) ...



*“94% of **problems are systems driven** and only 6% are people driven”*

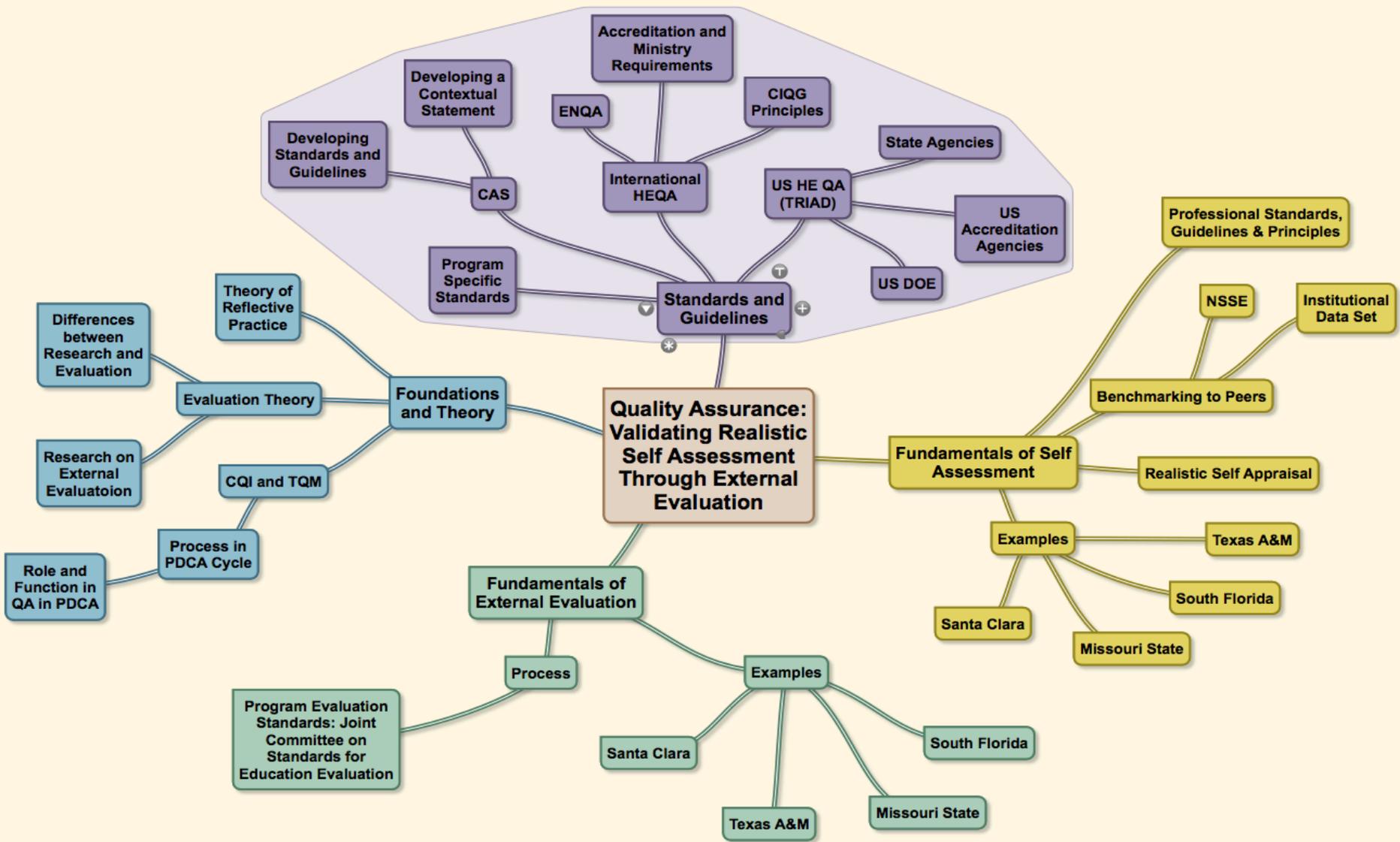


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# Standards and Guidelines

- US Accrediting Agencies and the Triad
- European Association for Quality Assurance in Higher Education (ENQA)
- Council for Higher Education Accreditation (CHEA)
  - International Quality Principles
- Council for the Advancement of Standards in Higher Education (CAS)
- Program Evaluation Standards (Joint Committee)



Joint Committee on Standards for Educational Evaluation

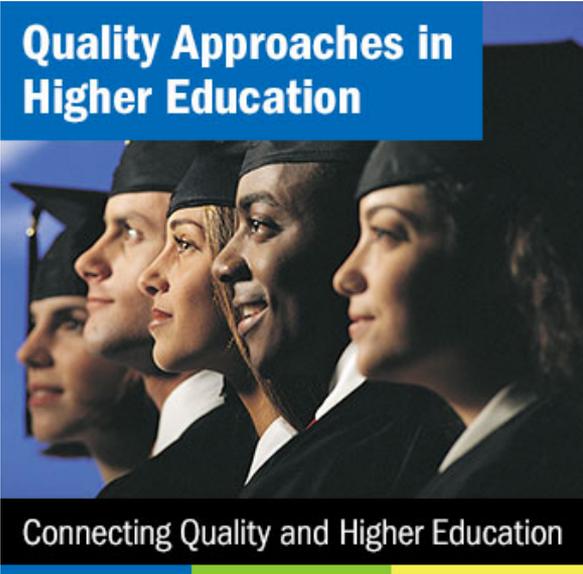
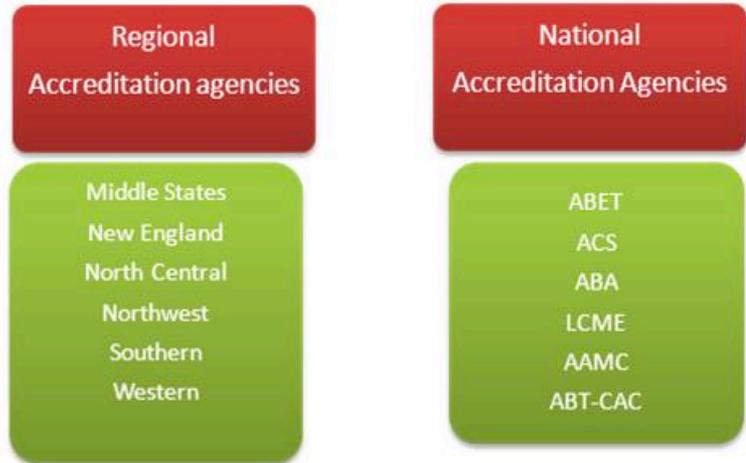




# US HE Quality Assurance

- Quality Assurance:
  - Accreditors
  - Agencies
  - Advocates
  - Applications

## US dept of Education



# US Regional Accrediting Agencies

1. Middle States Commission on Higher Education
2. North Central Association of Colleges and Schools
3. New England Association of Schools and Colleges
4. Northwest Commission on Colleges and Universities
5. Southern Association of Colleges and Schools
6. Western Association of Schools and Colleges



*"Self-regulation through accreditation embodies a traditional U.S. philosophy that **a free people can and ought to govern themselves through a representative, flexible, and responsive system.**"*

Source: Southern Association of Colleges and Schools, 2011



# Underlying Principles of Accreditation

- HEIs have **primary responsibility for academic quality**; colleges and universities are the leaders and the key sources of authority in academic matters.
- Institutional **mission drives academic quality**.
- Institutional **autonomy** is essential to **sustaining & enhancing academic quality**.

*"In the United States, accreditation is carried out by **private, nonprofit organizations designed for this specific purpose.**"*

Source: Eaton, J. ( 2012) An Overview of U.S. Accreditation, CHEA, p. 3

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# Underlying Principles of Accreditation

- **Academic freedom** flourishes in an environment of academic leadership of institutions.
- Higher education enterprise and our society thrive on **decentralization and diversity** of institutional purpose and mission.
- Process (**intentionality**) leads to **status**.

*"Accreditation...is a means to assure and improve higher education quality, assisting institutions and programs using a set of standards developed by peers."*

Source: The Value of Accreditation. CHEA, 2010 pg. 3.

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# CHEA International Quality Group (CIQG)

- Forum for colleges, universities, **accrediting and quality assurance organizations** and others worldwide to address issues and challenges **focused on quality and quality assurance** in an international setting. Provides service designed to:
  - Assist institutions and organizations in **further enhancing capacity for academic quality**
  - **Advance understanding** of international quality assurance
  - Provide **research and policy direction**



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### Context

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### Purpose

The guiding principles are intended to serve as a framework for international deliberation about quality in higher education. Their aim is to seek common ground and establish a foundation for understanding quality. The principles may be used to inform discussions of quality, quality assurance and qualifications at the country, regional or international level. The intended audiences include academics and other higher education professionals, students, employers, government officials and the public. They are invited to affirm and use these principles in the ongoing quest for effectiveness and quality in higher education.<sup>1</sup>

### Principles

1. **Quality and higher education providers:** Assuring and achieving quality in higher education is the primary responsibility of higher education providers and their staff.
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# Standards and Guidelines for Quality Assurance in European Higher Education (ESG)

- ESG are based on the following four **principles for quality assurance** in the EHEA:
  - Higher education **institutions have primary responsibility for the quality** of their provision and its assurance;
  - QA **responds to the diversity of higher education systems**, institutions, programmes and students;
  - QA supports the **development of a quality culture**;
  - QA takes into account the **needs and expectations** of students, all other **stakeholders and society**.



[http://www.eua.be/Libraries/quality-assurance/esg\\_2015.pdf?sfvrsn=0](http://www.eua.be/Libraries/quality-assurance/esg_2015.pdf?sfvrsn=0)

*ESG standards and guidelines are for internal and external quality assurance in higher education...not standards for quality, nor a prescription for how QA processes are implemented. They provide guidance, covering areas vital for successful quality provision and learning environments in higher education. (pg. 6).*



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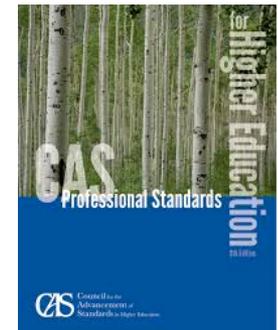
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Founded in 1979, CAS is the pre-eminent force for promoting standards in student affairs, student services, and student development programs. CAS creates and delivers dynamic, credible standards, guidelines, and Self-Assessment Guides ...designed to lead to a host of quality programs and services. CAS aims to foster and enhance student learning, development, and achievement.



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## GENERAL STANDARDS

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### Part 1. MISSION

Programs and services **must develop, disseminate, implement, and regularly review** their missions. The mission must be consistent with the mission of the institution and with professional standards. The mission must be appropriate for the institution's student populations and community settings. Mission statements must reference student learning and development.

### Part 2. PROGRAM

The formal education of students, including the curriculum, must promote student learning and development. The curriculum must be purposeful, contribute to students' realization of their potential, and prepare students for satisfying and productive lives.

The formal **education of students, consisting of the curriculum and co-curriculum** must promote student learning development outcomes that are purposeful ...

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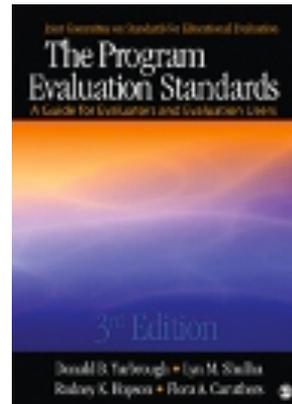
## Student Learning Outcomes

<b>Interpersonal competence</b>	Meaningful relationships	Establishes healthy, mutually beneficial relationships with others; treats others with respect; manages interpersonal conflicts effectively; demonstrates appropriately assertive behavior
	Interdependence	Seeks assistance from others when needed and offers assistance to others; shares a group or organizational goal and works with others to achieve it; learns from the contributions and involvement of others; accepts supervision and direction as needed
Domain= Interpersonal competence Dimension= Meaningful relationships		Works effectively with others, including people Establishes healthy, mutually beneficial relationships with others; treats others with respect...
		exhibits democratic principles as a leader or group member; communicates a vision, mission, or purpose that encourages commitment and action in others

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# Evaluation Standards

- Utility Standards
- Feasibility Standards
- Propriety Standards
- Accuracy Standards
- Evaluation Accountability Standards



*Joint Committee on Standards for Educational Evaluation: Created in 1975 is a coalition of major professional associations in the United States and Canada concerned with the quality of evaluation.*

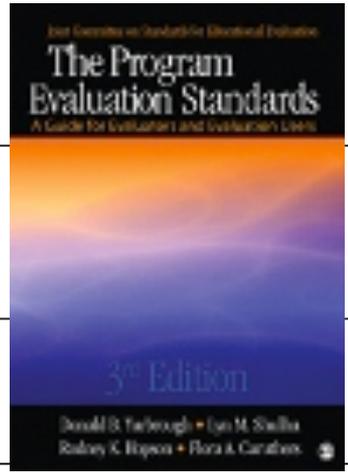


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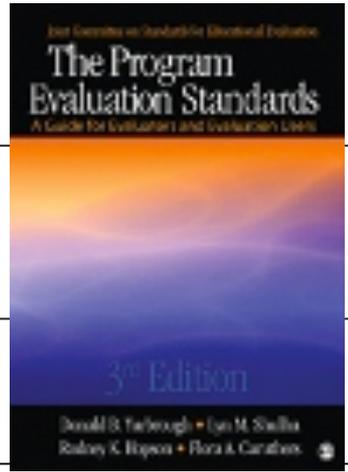
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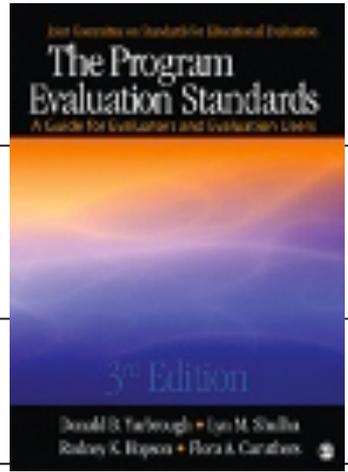
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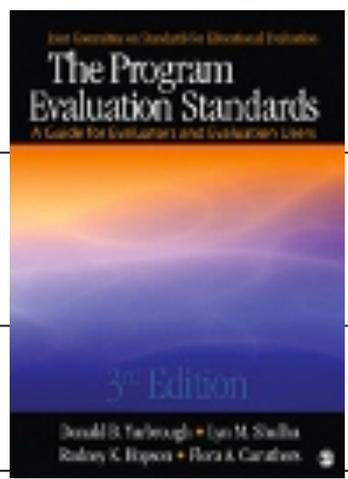
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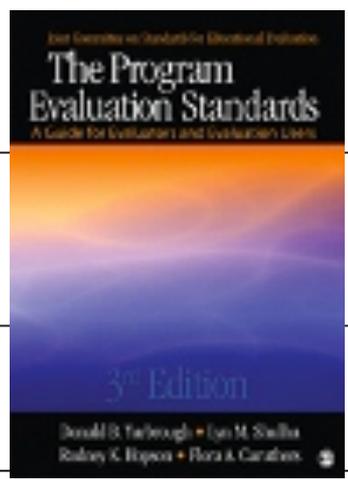
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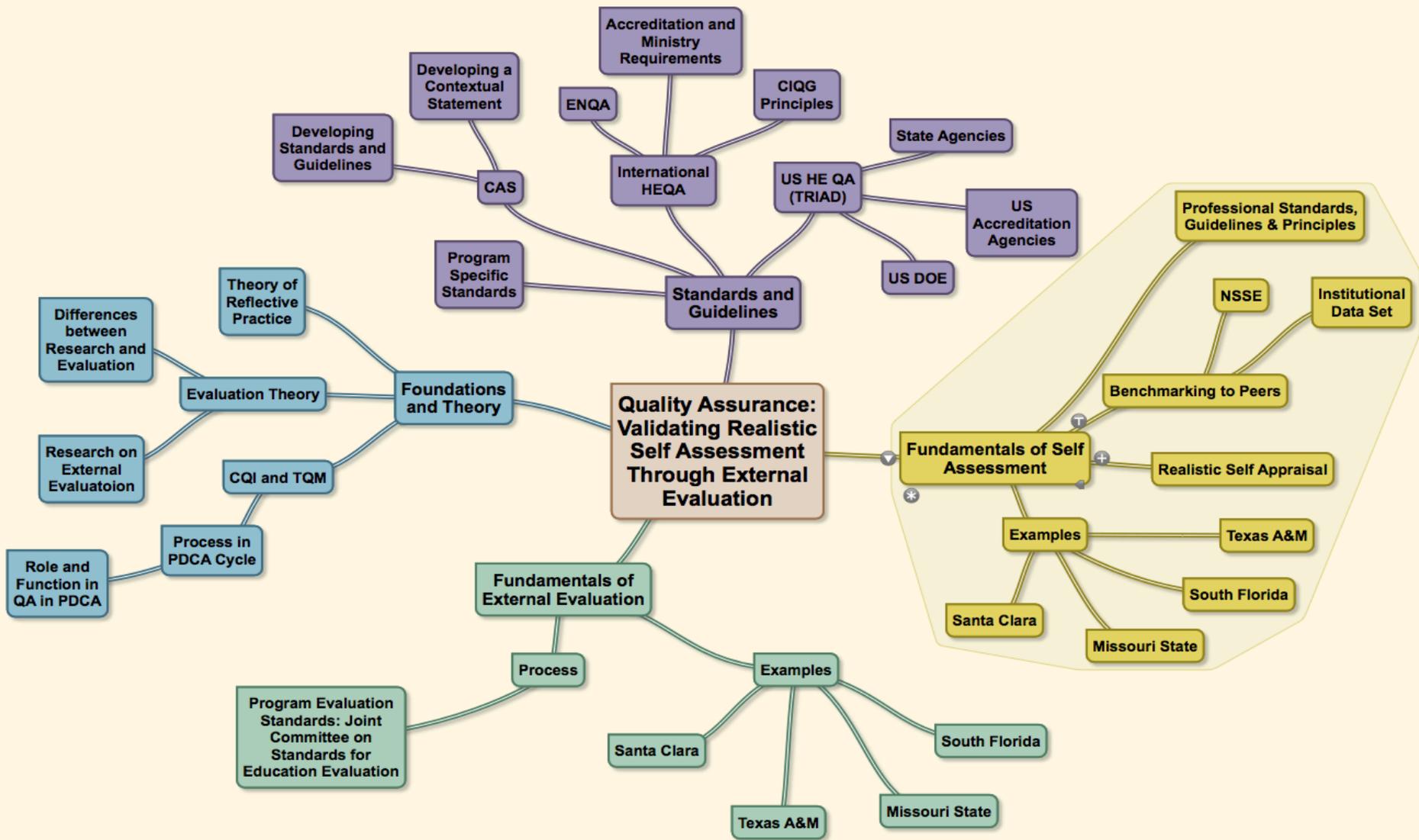
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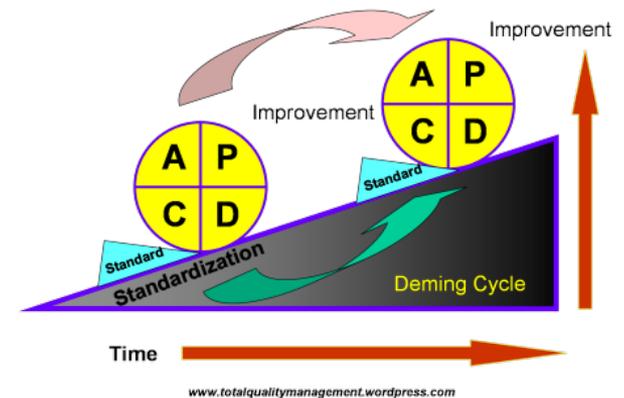
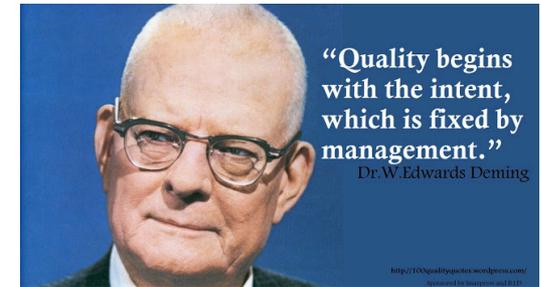
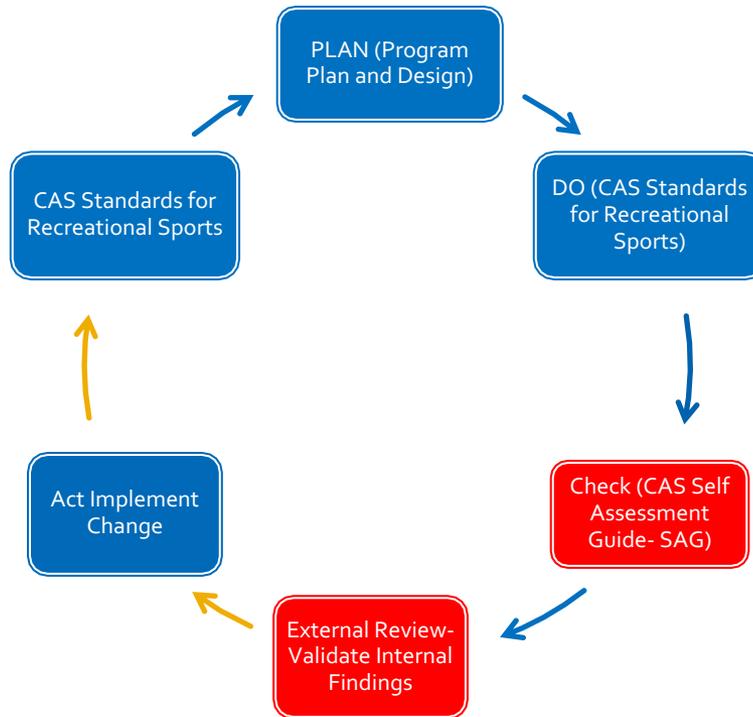


# Quality Assurance: Validating Realistic Self Assessment Through External Evaluation





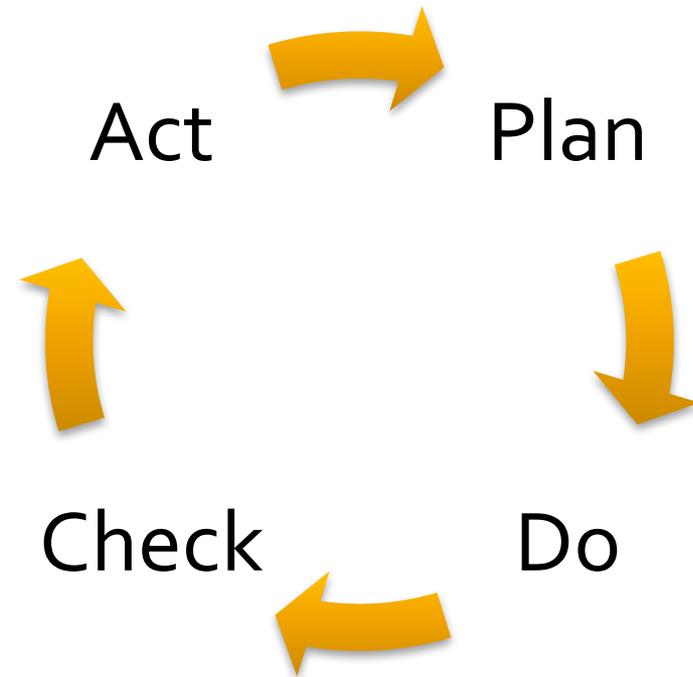
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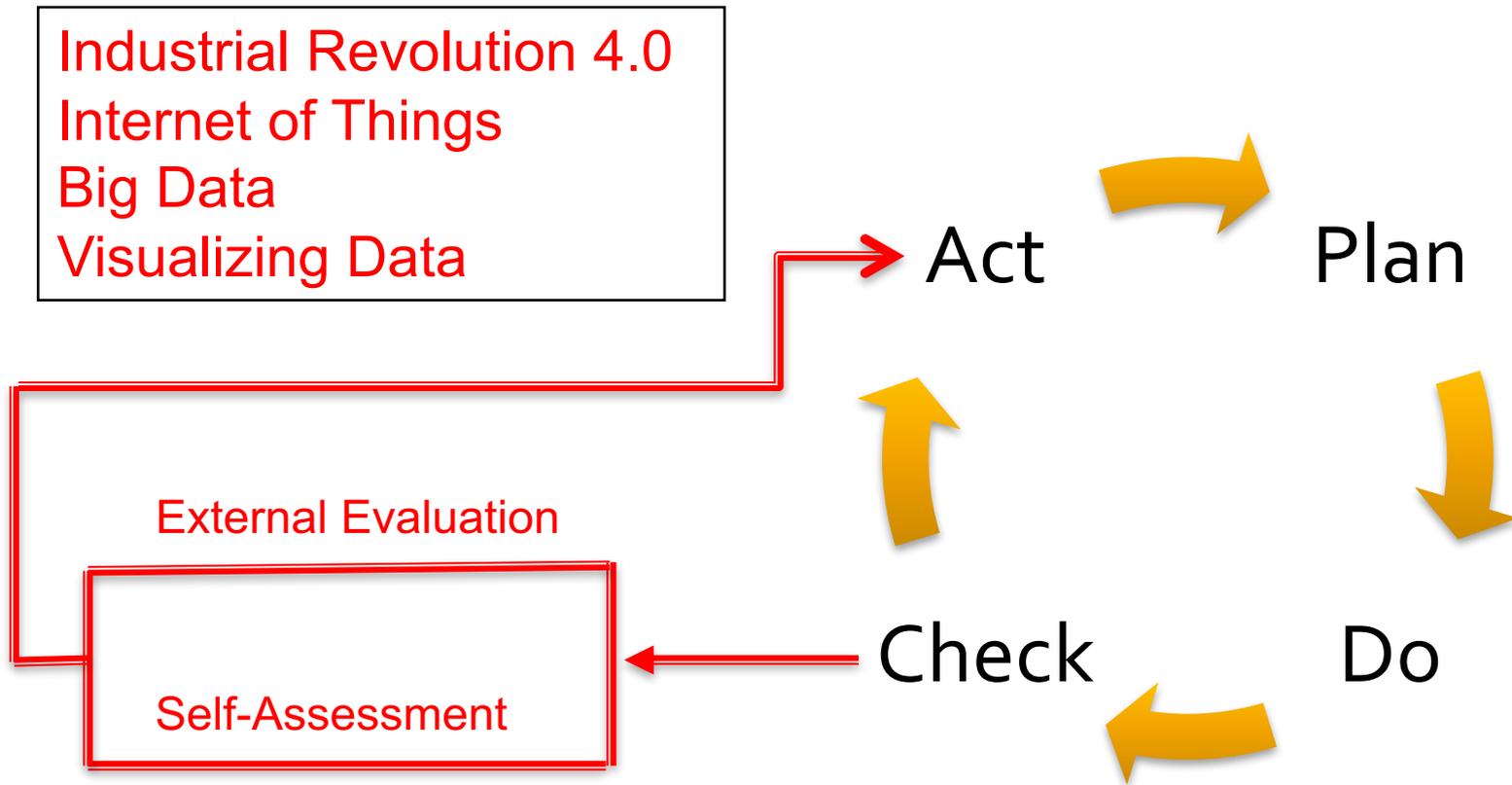
*Quality begins with the intent, which is fixed by management."- W. Edwards Deming*



# Self Assessment for Quality



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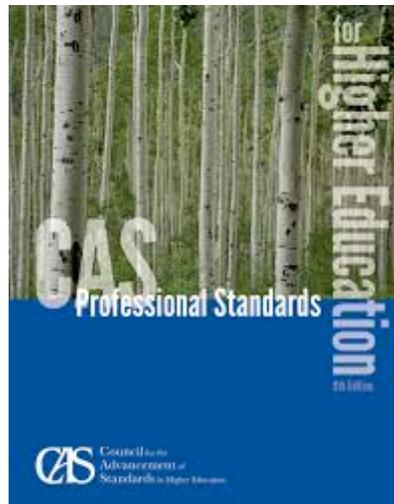


# CAS Self-Assessment Process

- Understand the CAS Standards and Guidelines
  - Must and Shall
  - Should and May
  - **Criterion measures internal ratings**
- Establish and prepare the team
  - As a group, examine the standards

## CAS Parts

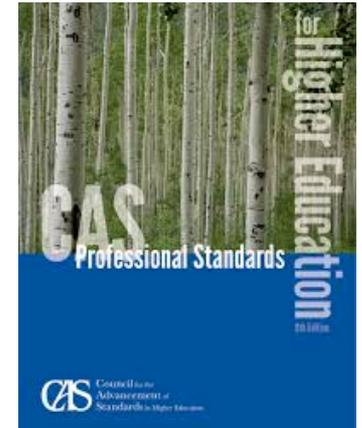
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# CAS Self-Assessment Process

- Compile and review evidence
  - Student Recruitment and Marketing Materials
  - Program Documents
  - Institutional Administrative Documents
  - Research, Assessment and Evaluation Data
  - Staff Activity Reports
  - Student Activity Reports

*"Facts are stubborn things; and whatever may be our wishes, our inclinations, or the dictates of our passion, they cannot alter the state of facts and evidence."* **John Adams**, US diplomat & politician (1735 - 1826)



# CAS Self-Assessment Process

- Judge Performance
  - 5-Point rating scale
  - Rationale for rating

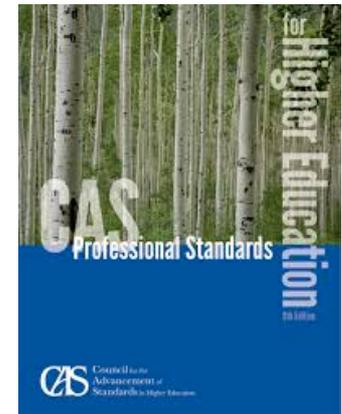


CAS Criterion Measure Rating Scale

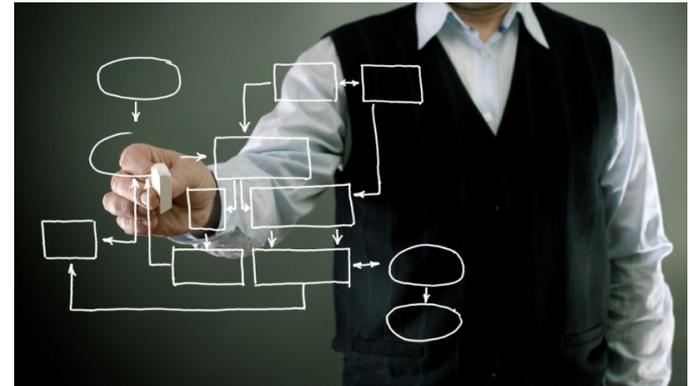
ND	0	1	2	3	4	5
Does Not Apply	Insufficient Evidence/Unable to Rate	Does Not Meet	Partly Meets	Meets	Exceeds	Exemplary

# CAS Self-Assessment Process

- Complete the Assessment Process
  - Explain mission, purpose and philosophy
  - Review the outcome of the assessment
  - Make recommendations for action

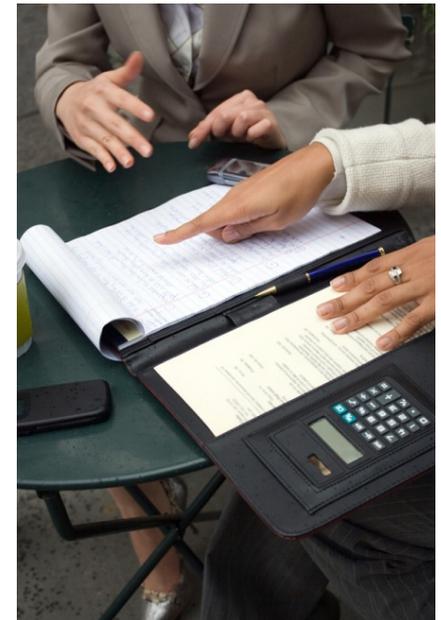


*"In preparing for battle I have always found that plans are useless, but planning is indispensable."* [Dwight D. Eisenhower](#)  
34th president of US 1953-1961 (1890 - 1969)



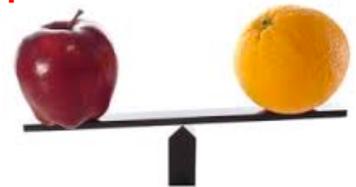
# Answer Qualitative Overview Questions

- Stimulate **summary** thinking
- Identify **overarching issues**
- Interpret ratings
- Develop report
- Identify Program **Strength**
- Identify Program **Weakness**



# Benchmarking

- Measurement of the quality of an organization's policies, products, programs, strategies, etc., (compared with) with standard measurements, or similar measurements of its peers.
- Objectives:
  - Determine what and where **improvements** are called for;
  - **Analyze** how **other organizations** achieve **high performance** levels;
  - Use this information to **improve performance**



Read more:

<http://www.businessdictionary.com/definition/benchmarking.html>



124 Results

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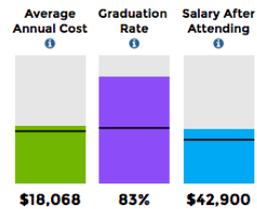


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## Ohio State University-Main Campus

Columbus, OH  
43,733 undergraduates

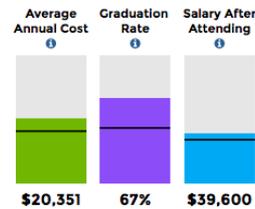


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## Ohio University-Main Campus

Athens, OH  
23,390 undergraduates

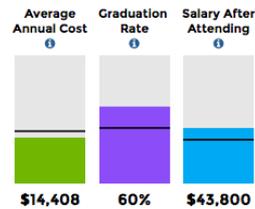


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Stillwater, OK  
20,636 undergraduates

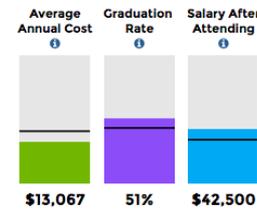


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## Old Dominion University

Norfolk, VA  
19,842 undergraduates

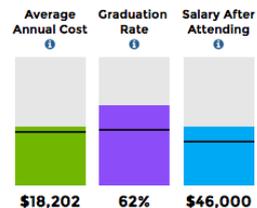


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## Oregon State University

Corvallis, OR  
22,925 undergraduates

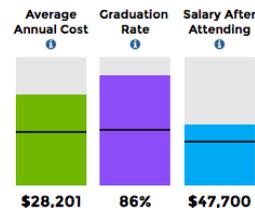


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## Pennsylvania State University-Main Campus

University Park, PA  
39,958 undergraduates

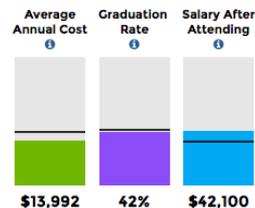


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## Portland State University

Portland, OR  
19,662 undergraduates

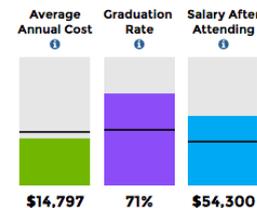


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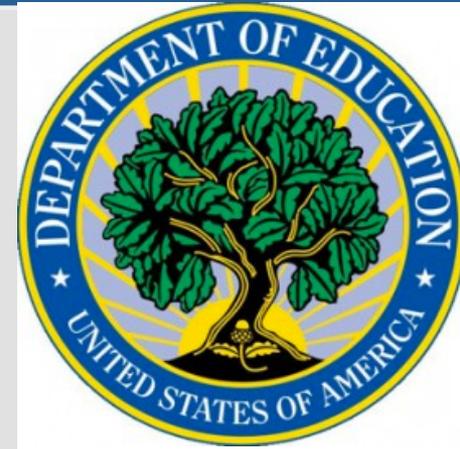
## Purdue University-Main Campus

West Lafayette, IN  
29,977 undergraduates



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# OHIO Peer University Peer Study 2012

- Comparison Variables
  - SAT/ACT 25<sup>th</sup>-75<sup>th</sup> Percentile
  - Freshman in Top 10% of HS Class
  - Freshman Acceptance Rate
  - Freshman Retention Rate
  - Actual Graduation Rate
  - US News Predicted Grad. Rate
  - US News Performance Rate
  - % of Classes under 20
  - % of Classes with 50 or more
  - Student Faculty Ratio
  - % Living on Campus
  - Tuition & Fees
  - Government Grants
- Comparison Variables
  - Capital Grants and Contracts
  - Gifts including contributions
  - Auxiliary Sales & Services
  - Federal Appropriations
  - State Appropriations
  - Capital Appropriations
  - Investment Income
  - Other Revenues



# NSSE 2014 Frequencies and Statistical Comparisons

## Ohio University

### First-Year Students

				Frequency Distributions <sup>a</sup>								Statistical Comparisons <sup>b</sup>								
				Ohio University				Peer Institutions				Ohio University		Peer Institutions		Carnegie Class		NSSE 2013 & 2014		
				NSSE 2013 & 2014								Your first-year students compared with								
Item wording or description	Variable name <sup>c</sup>	Values <sup>d</sup>	Response options	Count	%	Count	%	Count	%	Count	%	Mean	Mean	Effect size <sup>e</sup>	Mean	Effect size <sup>e</sup>	Mean	Effect size <sup>e</sup>		
d. Examined the strengths and weaknesses of your own views on a topic or issue	Rlowview	1	Never	31	6	218	5	1,513	5	10,075	5	2.7	2.7		2.8	-.08	2.8 *	-.10		
		2	Sometimes	104	37	1,481	35	10,452	32	73,075	32									
		3	Often																	
		4	Very often																	
		Total																		
e. Tried to better understand someone else's views by imagining how an issue looks from his or her perspective	Rlperspect	1	Never	18	3	157	4	1,188	4	10,075	4									
		2	Sometimes	152	30	1,400	33	9,157	30	73,075	30	2.9	2.8 *	.11	2.9	.05	2.9	.04		
		3	Often	221	40	1,722	42	12,768	42	100,000	42		Δ							
		4	Very often	14	3	100	3	700	3	5,000	3									
		Total			530	100	4,120	100	30,100	100	233,050	100								
f. Learned something that changed the way you understand an issue or concept	Rview	1	Never	1	0	8	0	60	0	400	0									
		2	Sometimes	17	3	120	3	800	3	5,000	3									
		3	Often	213	40	1,772	43	12,674	42	94,388	42		2.8 *		2.8	.05	2.9	.02		
		4	Very often	131	24	857	20	6,949	23	53,352	23		Δ							
		Total			530	100	4,120	100	30,100	100	233,050	100								
g. Connected ideas from your course with prior experience and knowledge	Rknow	1	Never	6	1	47	1	360	1	2,700	1									
		2	Sometimes	21	4	157	4	1,188	4	10,075	4									
		3	Often	42	8	315	8	2,364	8	18,075	8									
		4	Very often	36	7	272	7	2,056	7	15,420	7									
		Total			100	100	794	100	6,060	100	46,270	100								
3. During the semester...	Rotherwork	1	Never	19	4	141	4	1,089	4	8,295	4									
		2	Sometimes	47	10	353	10	2,700	10	20,700	10									
		3	Often	22	5	165	5	1,260	5	9,720	5									
		4	Very often	12	3	90	3	696	3	5,352	3									
		Total			528	100	4,113	100	30,015	100	222,806	100								
b. Worked with a faculty member on activities other than coursework (committees, student groups, etc.)	SOtherwork	1	Never	256	49	2,020	49	16,001	53	113,835	52									
		2	Sometimes	164	31	1,320	32	8,854	29	66,782	29	1.8	1.8	.04	1.7 *	.10	1.7	.07		
		3	Often	68	12	507	12	3,408	12	27,238	12									
		4	Very often	39	8	249	6	1,603	6	14,011	6									
		Total			527	100	4,096	100	29,866	100	221,866	100								

Examined strengths & weaknesses of own views on topics and issues

Ohio University

Peer Institutions

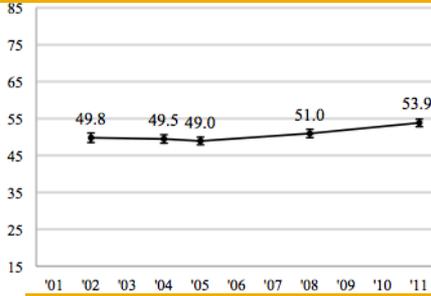
Carnegie Class

NSSE 2013&14

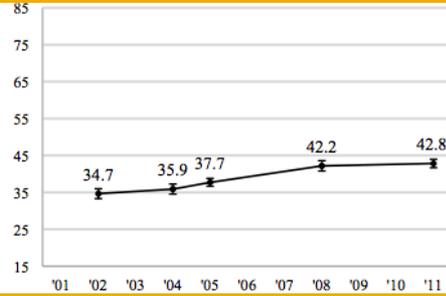
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### First-year Students

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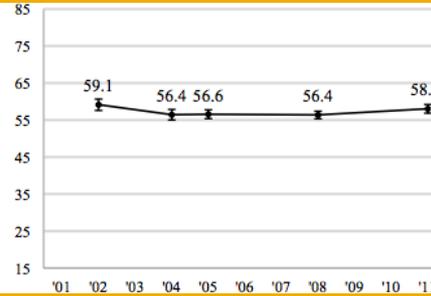


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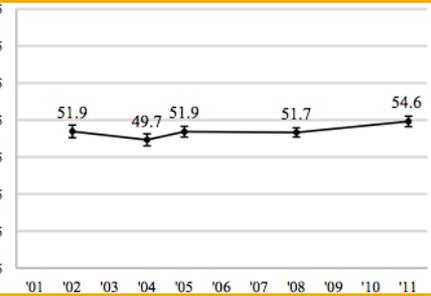


### Seniors

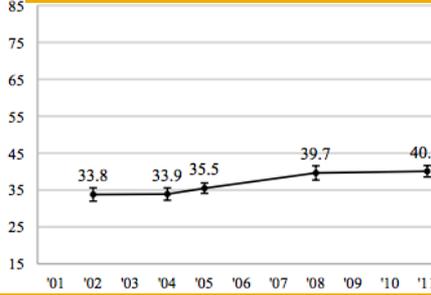
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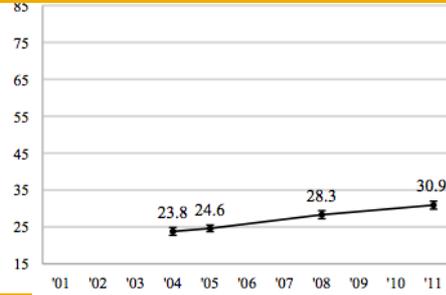
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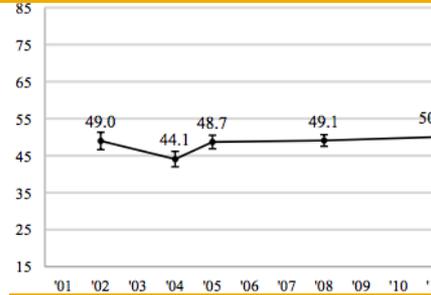
#### Student-Faculty Interaction



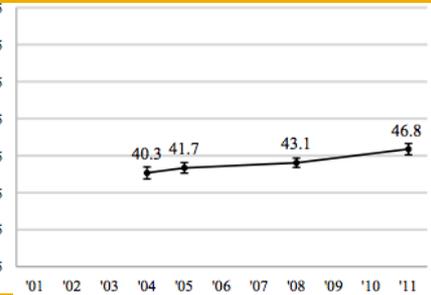
#### Enriching Educational Experiences



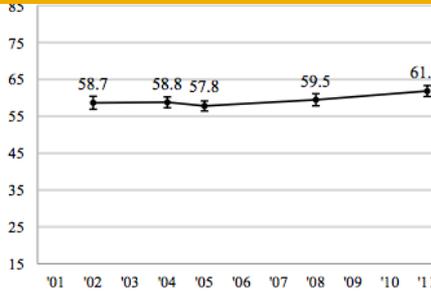
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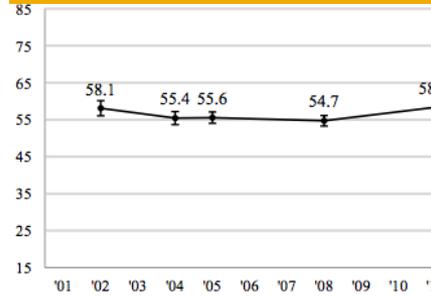
#### Supportive Campus Environment



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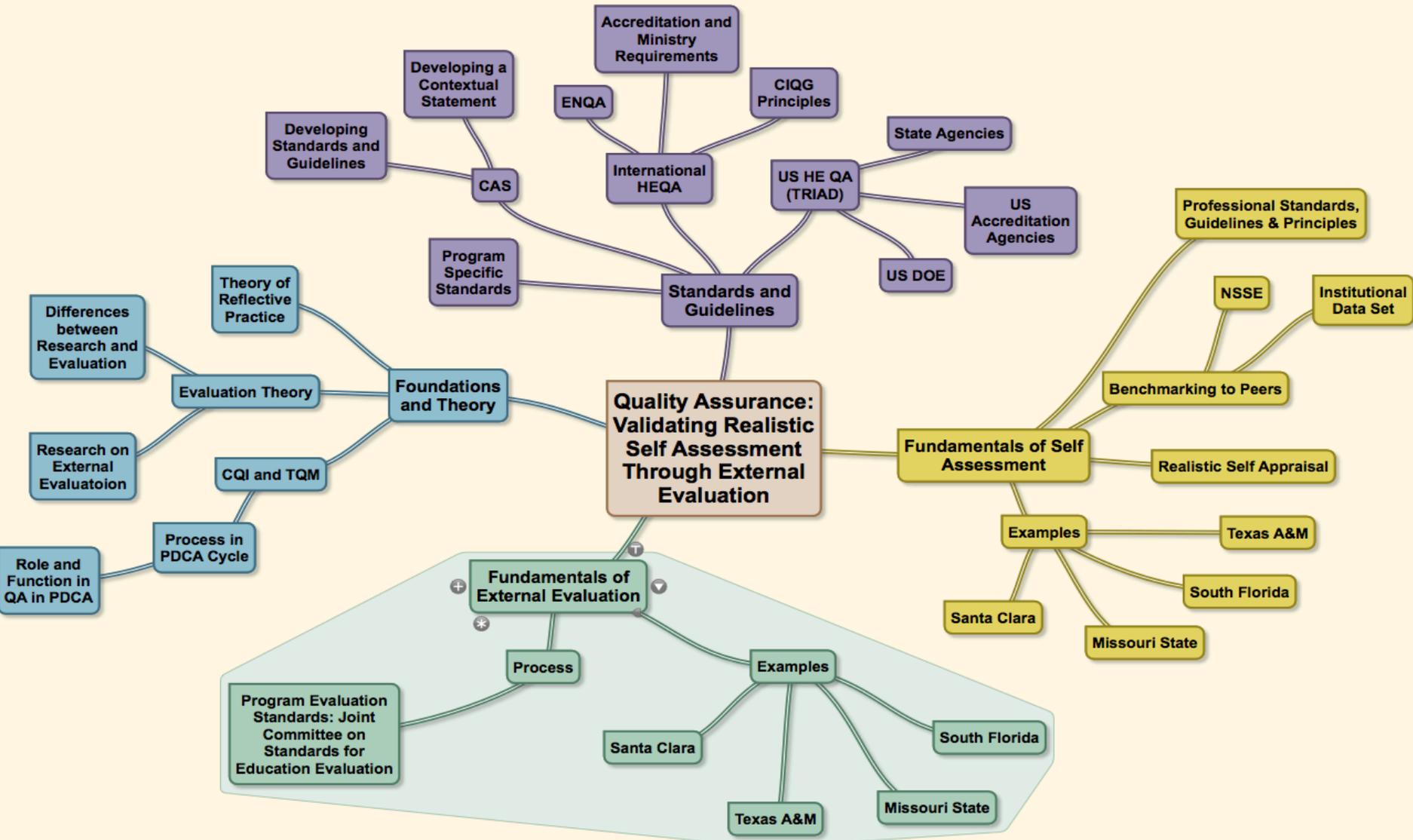


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# Quality Assurance: Validating Realistic Self Assessment Through External Evaluation





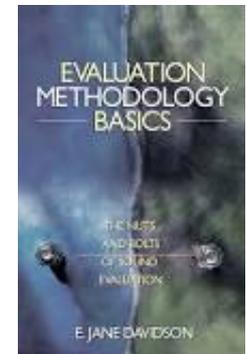
# Program Evaluation Defined

- “A form of appraisal using valid and reliable research methods, that examines the process of outcomes of an organization that exists to fulfill some social need.” (Grinnel and Unrau, 2008, pg. 553)

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# Potential Evaluation Checklist (Modified from Scriven, 2003)

- Executive Summary
- Preface
- Methodology
- Background and Context
- Descriptions and Definitions
- Consumers
- Resources
- Values
- Process Evaluation
- Outcome Evaluation
- Comparative Cost-effectiveness
- Exportability
- Overall Significance
- Recommendations
- Responsibilities
- Reporting and Follow-up
- Meta Evaluation



# External Evaluation Process

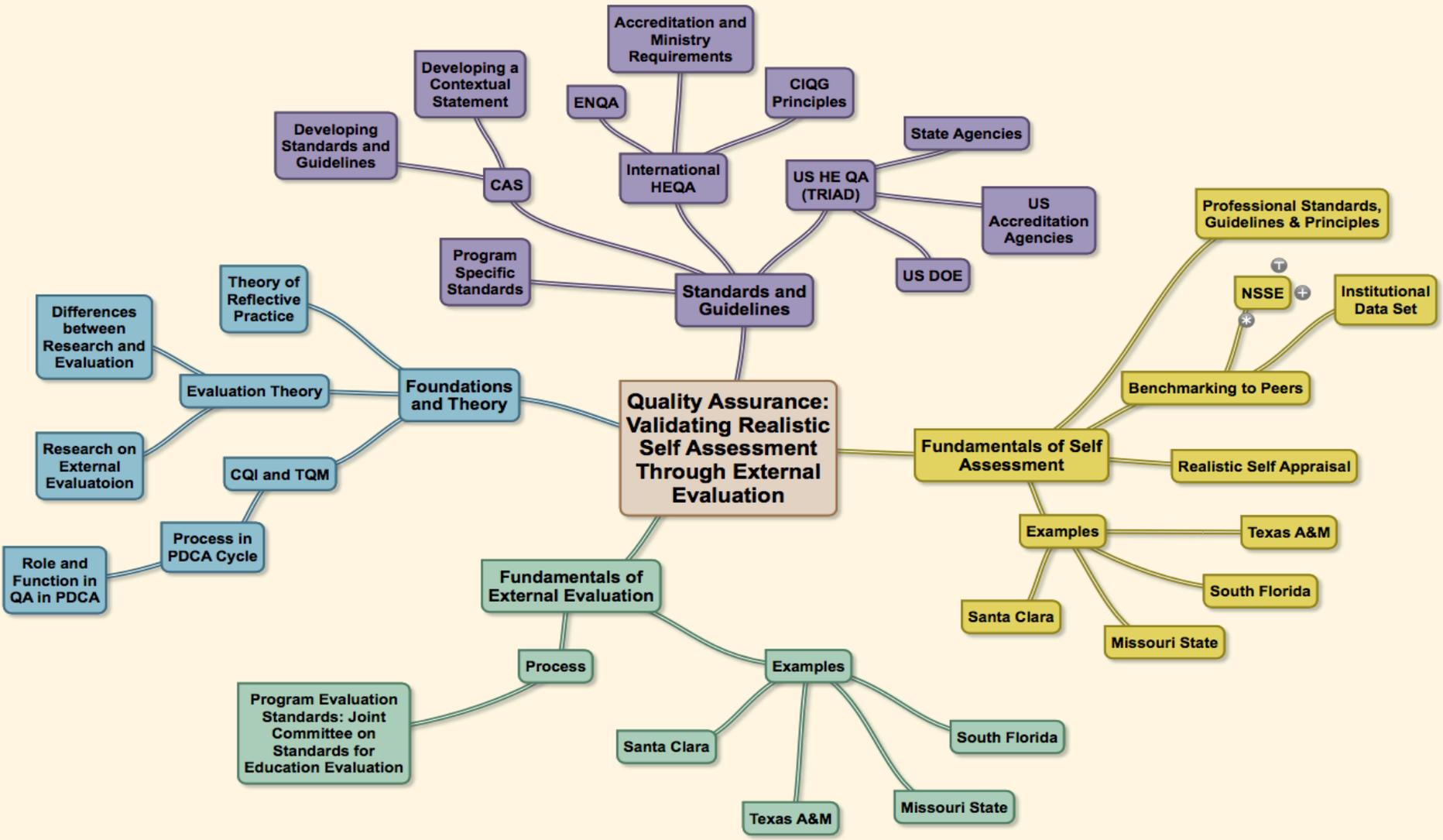
- Organizational **data were triangulated** using a variety of methods and sources, including:
  - Review of documentary **evidence including, department's CAS-self assessment;**
  - Externally developed **survey of employees** and;
  - Onsite **interviews and focus groups** of employees and participants.
- External program review of the program, including analysis the documents and evidence, a survey of employees, and focus groups **finalized the data collection** portion of the comprehensive review.

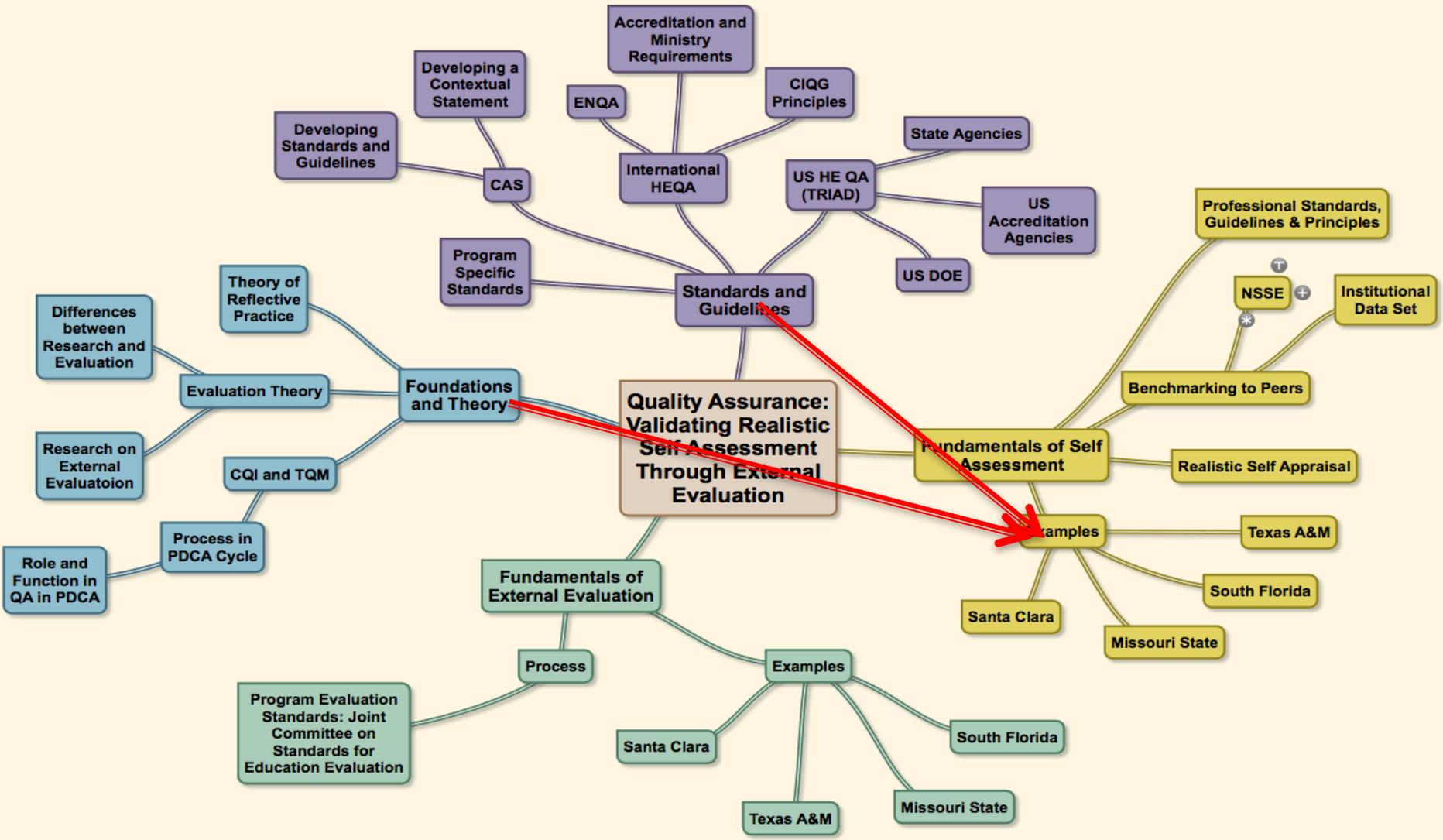


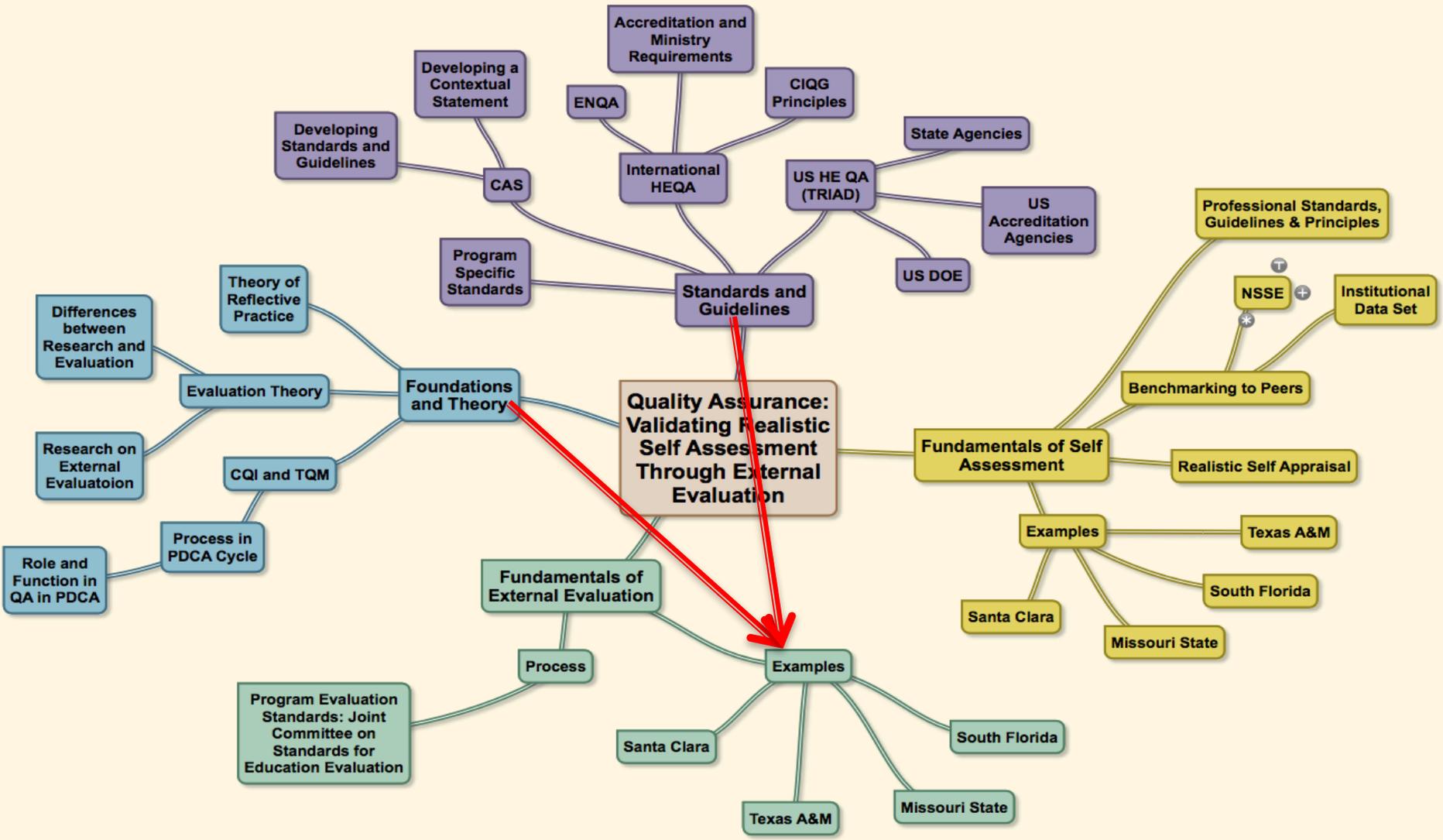
# DSF Evaluation Process

- Review of Evidence
  - **Align with CAS Standards** and identified benchmarks
- Conduct and analyze **survey**
- **Site visit** for interviews and focus groups
- Create **report** focused on:
  - General findings
  - Specific findings
  - Recommendations









# Validation of Self Assessment through External Evaluation

- Texas A&M University (Large Research)
- Missouri State University (Mid size regional)
- University of South Florida (Large Mid-tier)
- Santa Clara University (Small Private)



# Texas A&M: CAS Self Assessment

- Part 1. Mission:
  - The mission of Recreational Sports Programs (RSP) **must be to enhance the mind, body and spirit** of students and other eligible individuals by providing programs, services and facilities that are responsive to the physical social, recreational and lifelong educational needs of the campus community.
  - TAMU Response: Department of Recreational Sports Mission is **to provide quality programs, services and facilities to a diverse Texas A&M community.** We encourage the **lifelong pursuit of active healthy lifestyles and enhance student development** by providing leadership and employment opportunities.



# Texas A&M: External Evaluation

- **Mission:** The mission addresses the fundamental purpose of the organization and emphasizes that the program need for enhancing the mind, body, and spirit of students and other eligible individuals by providing programs, services, and facilities that are responsive to the physical, social, recreational, and lifelong educational needs of the campus community as they relate to health, fitness, and learning.
- **Finding:** The department's mission aligns well with relevant standards as well as with the Division and Institutional mission. Review of the department's mission is irregular and there is no evidence of any review or revision. The lack of review of the mission was viewed as limited and supported by statement "there is no documentation to support that a regular, systematic process is utilized to review the mission statement."

**Recommendation:** The department would benefit from regularly reviewing its mission and to consider a revision to include the term "student learning."



# Missouri State: CAS Self Assessment

## ■ Part 2. Program

- The RSP **must contribute to student learning and development** outcomes that are purposeful:
- MSU Response:
  - Personal Training is designed for participants who seek assistance in developing exercise routines. **Trainers can increase or decrease the difficulty of the workout to maximize participant effort and satisfaction.**
  - Swimming lessons **classes are designed for participants who are unable to swim or swim well.** Three levels of lessons are offered to accommodate most participants.
  - Intramurals offers **programming for various skill levels.**



# Missouri State: External Evaluation

- **Program:** ... program area focuses on the promotion of student learning and development outcomes that are purposeful,...
- **Finding:** ...programming efforts are up-to-date and inclusive of varying interests and abilities. Operational and program policy/procedure are well-written and available to participants in easy-to-find places on the department's website. Many student-employees articulated a learning value associated with their employment that exceeded what they had learned in the classroom and alignment of student employment with academic preparation was not harnessed.

**Recommendation:** The department should explore co-curricular collaborations that provide experiential learning opportunities as well as academic partnerships with units closely associated with student employment.

# University of South Florida: CAS Self Assessment

- Part 4. Human Resources: RSP must be **staffed adequately by individuals qualified to accomplish mission and goals.**
- USF Response:
  - **USF CR is staffed adequately to meet the mission and goals.** One area identified as **lacking support is office administrative assistance.** USF CR intentionally reclassified an office manager position to emphasize the importance of membership services (coordinator), the result is a hybrid position that still handles limited office management and administrative support.
  - USF CR has **advanced its efforts in ensuring appropriate marketing messaging,** campaigns, and program advertisement through a reclassification of a senior clerk (reception and administrative support) into a Marketing officer. This **move has improved marketing** but again challenges the department by removing administrative support. The marketing officer

Criterion Measures:

DNA	IE	0	1	2	3
Does Not Apply	Insufficient Evidence/ Unable to Rate	Does Not Meet	Partly Meets	Meets	Exceeds

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#### 4.1 Adequate Staffing and Support

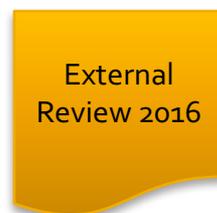
- → **Recreational Sports Programs (RSP) is staffed adequately to accomplish mission and goals.**
- → **RSP has access to technical and support personnel adequate to accomplish the mission.**



# University of South Florida: External Evaluation

- **Human Resources:** The department appears to be **staffed by experienced and qualified professionals**. With the exception of “hiring practices are fair”, survey responses in all areas related to human resources **showed some growth**. There was **no evidence presented that hiring practices were “unfair.”** Training and performance evaluation could be enhanced to improve performance.
  - **Finding:** Professional **development and training for departmental personnel is irregular and does not include continuing education** in the development of student learning outcomes and assessment.

**Recommendation:** **Education and training in student learning outcomes and assessment would enhance department personnel’s ability** to create an enhanced learning environment for student participants and employees.



# Santa Clara University

- Part 8. Institutional and External Relations
  - Recreational Sports Programs (RSP) **must reach out to relevant individuals, groups, communities, and organizations internal and external to the institution** to establish, maintain, and promote understanding and effective relations with those that have a significant interest in or potential effect on the students or other constituents served by the programs and services
- SCU Response
  - The SCU CR **program maintains effective relations with the institutional offices** of Risk Management, Athletics, Student Life, Center for Student Leadership, Wellness Ctr., Healthy and Safety, Facilities, Development, Alumni, General Counsel, and Center for Sustainability. **Outside of campus – SCU CR works with other universities in the Bay Area, and NIRSA** friends and colleagues.



# Santa Clara University

- **Internal and External Relations:**

- **Finding:** Relationship building is a key strength of Campus Recreation as evidenced by the large number of focus group participants representing a variety of partner organizations. Survey responses indicate the perception that campus and external relationships were valued (86.30%; 3.26). A great example of collaboration by Campus Recreation has been exhibited by their leadership role in achieving institutional goals related to sustainability (94%; 3.70). Focus group discussions with partners revealed professional staff are actively engaged throughout campus and perceived as leaders in collaboration.

Recommendation: Maintain current collaborative engagement practices with internal and external partners. Address partner needs during the facility expansion process.

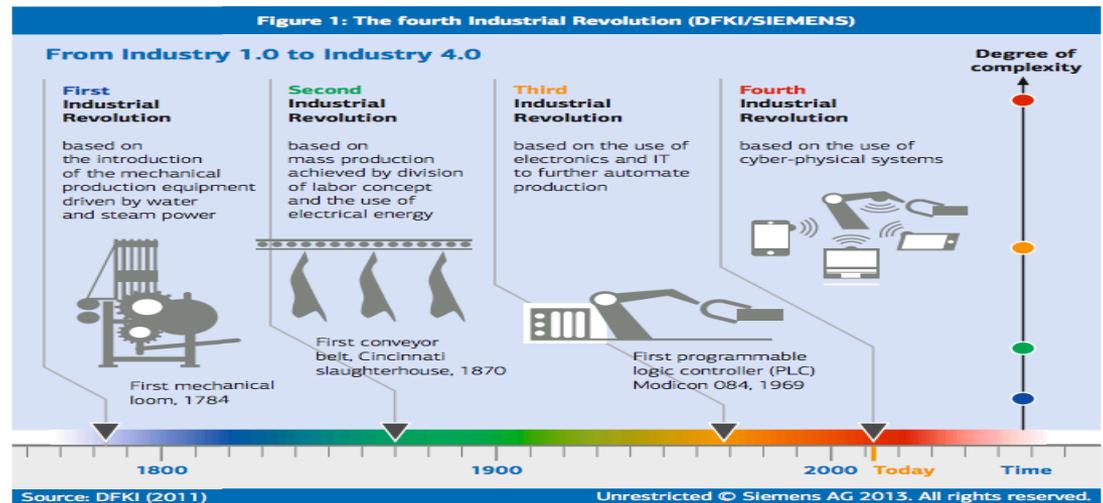


# Quality Assurance: Validating Realistic Self Assessment Through External Evaluation



# Industrial Revolution 4.0

- Higher Education and Industrial Revolution 4.0
  - Potential Impact on Higher Education
    - Institutional Processes
    - Content-Knowledge Triangle
    - Support in CQI and QA



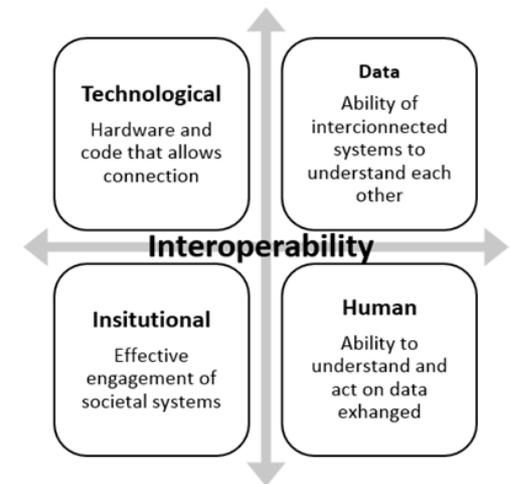
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<sup>4</sup> <http://www.smart-systems-integration.org/public>

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# Principles in Industry 4.0

- Interoperability: Ability of machines, devices, sensors, and people to **connect and communicate with each** other via the **Internet of Things (IoT)** or the Internet of People (IoP).



<http://www.forbes.com/sites/bernardmarr/2016/06/20/what-everyone-must-know-about-industry-4-0/#bb5aacd4e3b9>

# Principles in Industry 4.0

- Technical assistance:
  - Systems to support humans by **aggregating and visualizing information comprehensibly for making informed decisions**, solving urgent problems on short notice and conducting a range of tasks that are unpleasant, too exhausting, or unsafe for their human co-workers.



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# Principles in Industry 4.0

- Decentralized decisions: ability of **cyber physical systems to make decisions on their own** and to perform their tasks as **autonomous** as possible. Only in case of exceptions, interferences, or conflicting goals, tasks are delegated to a higher level.



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# Industry 4.0 Applications for HE

- IoT devices already on campus today
  - HVAC controls
  - Smart washing machines
  - Sprinkler controls
  - Door locks/security systems
  - Alarms
  - Sustainable trash cans
  - Temperature alerts for lab freezers
  - Robots for distance education
  - Supply inventory tracking
  - Parking Sensors

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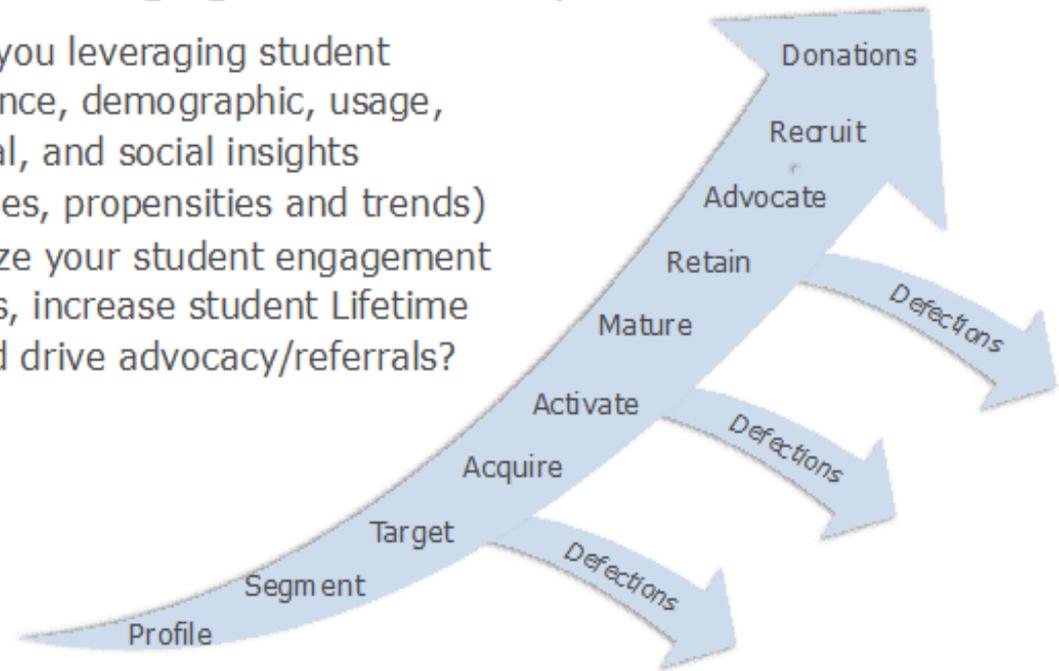


# Industry 4.0 Applications for HE

- Acquisition
- Course/Major Selection
- Performance Effectiveness
- Work Groups
- Retention
- Teacher Effectiveness
- Value/Booster Effectiveness
- Advocacy

## Student Engagement Lifecycle

How are you leveraging student performance, demographic, usage, behavioral, and social insights (tendencies, propensities and trends) to optimize your student engagement processes, increase student Lifetime Value and drive advocacy/referrals?



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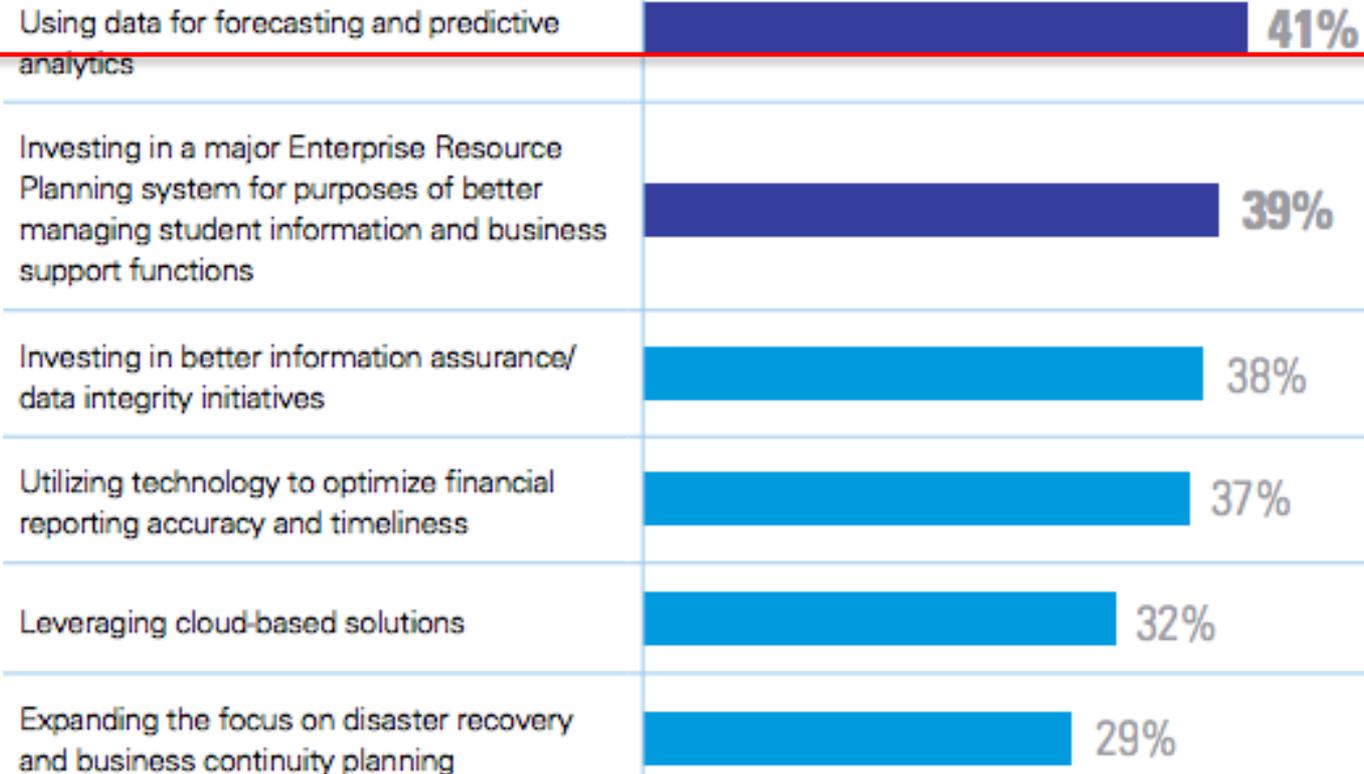
# Industry 4.0 Applications for HE

- **Predictive Analytics** in HE: **Data-Driven decision-making** for the student life cycle
  - Improve student learning outcomes
  - Improve retention and graduation rates
  - Improve institution ROI on recruitment costs
  - **Increase operational efficiency**
  - Demonstrate **success in a key area of focus for accrediting agencies and governments**

*“an area of **statistical analysis** that deals with extracting information using various technologies **to uncover relationships and patterns** within large volumes of data that can be used to **predict behavior and events.**” (Source: Educause)*

## Technological change and innovation are major challenges for higher education

Q: Which of the following apply to your institution?



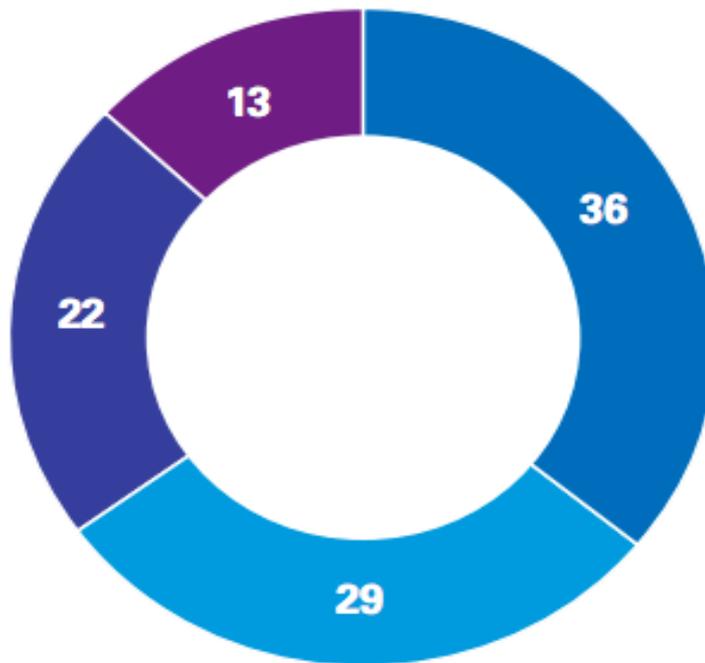
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# Data and analytics

## Statements describing institution with respect to data and analytics.



Q: Which of the following statements best describes your institution regarding data and analytics?



**36** We have sufficient access to data, but we do not have sufficient analytical resources within the institution and are using outside vendors and partners to conduct analysis for us

**29** We have sufficient access to data and resources to analyze and use it for strategic and operating decisions

**22** We have sufficient access to data, but we are not using it for decision making as effectively as we could

**13** Other

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# Industry 4.0 Applications in HE: Findings from EDUCAUSE Study (2012)

- Analytics:
  - **Investment** should be made in area which HE institutions are making the least progress;
  - Institutions should **focus investments on expertise, process and policies** before acquiring new tools;
  - Institutions that have made **more progress** in investment, culture/process, data tools, expertise and governance are **more likely to use data to make predictions or projections** or to trigger action in a variety of areas.

# Industry 4.0 Applications in HE: EDUCAUSE Study (2005)

- Advancement/fundraising
- Business and Finance
- Budget and Planning
- Institutional Research
- Human Resources
- Research Administration
- Academic Affairs & Student Services

Outcome	Mean	SD
Improved institution's financial results	3.09	0.928
Managed workforce more productively	2.78	.0928
Managed grants effectively	2.61	0.984
Improved ability to obtain grant funding	2.47	.0962
Improved admissions/enrollment mgmt. results	3.43	1.012
Improved fundraising results	2.93	1.087
Improved retention results	3.16	0.952

- Characteristics of Institutions with Successful Outcomes
  - Effective Training
  - Staff skilled at academic analytics
  - Leadership committed to evidence-based decision making

<https://er.educause.edu/articles/2007/7/~media/27801b66e5ba4ade864120add7fe129d.ashx>



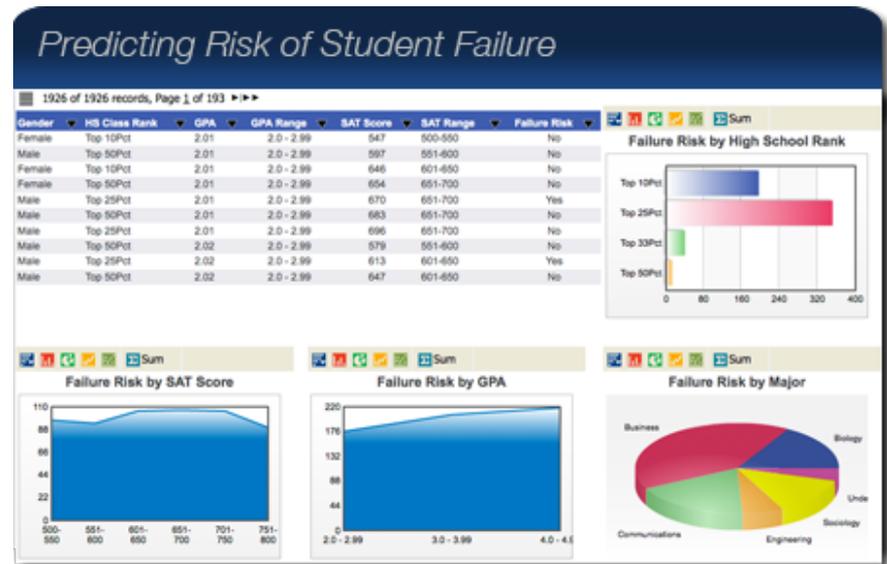
# What Types of HE Data Are There?

## WHAT TYPES OF HE DATA ARE THERE?



Figure 1. "Types of HE Data." Source: Deloitte, 2014

## How is the Data Translated?



<http://www.slideshare.net/UniversitiesUK/open-data-potential-into-practice-harvey-lewis-research-director-analytics-deloitte-london>



# Big Data and Analytics Applications



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# Industry 4.0 Evaluation Question

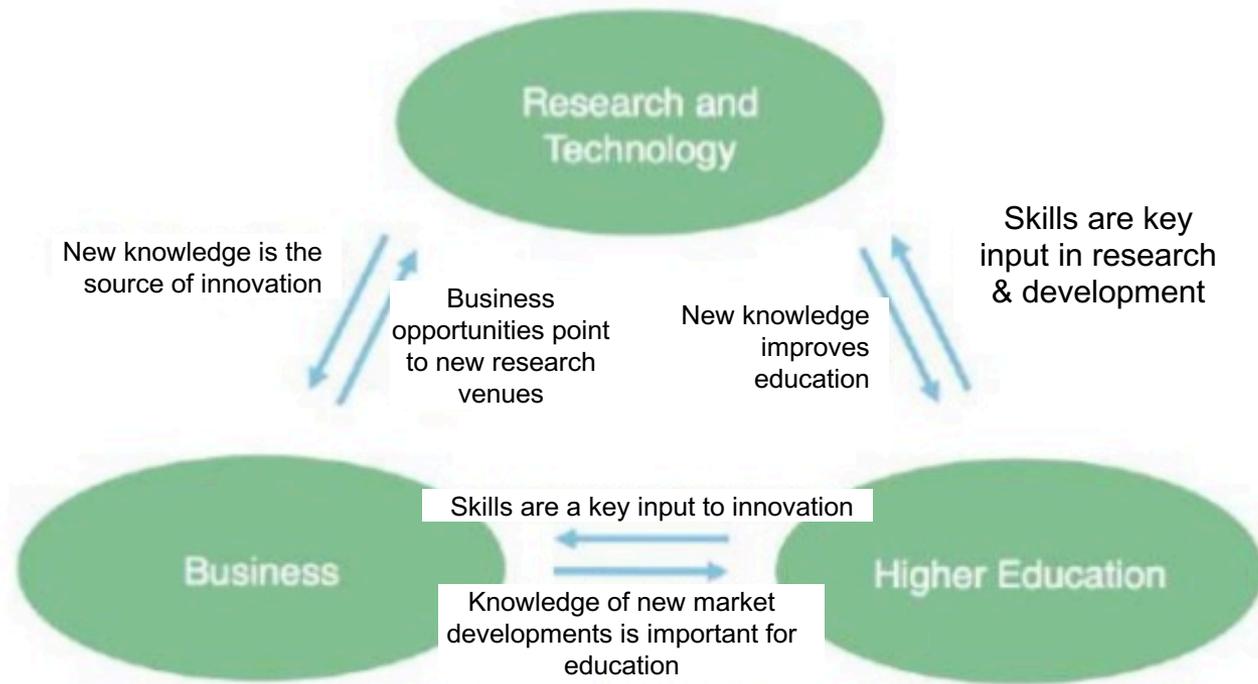
- How is the institution:
  - Educating students to live and work in the 4<sup>th</sup> industrial age?
  - Using using big data in making data driven decisions in support of CQI?
  - Using the IoT to achieve efficiencies and effectiveness in achieving its academic mission?

*"The Fourth Industrial Revolution urges us to think creatively about the manufacturing process, value chain, distribution and customer service processes. In the meanwhile, the future of education emphasizes the immense need to look beyond these areas and strategically utilize the "Internet of Things" to prepare the coming workforce for the challenges ahead."*  
Mezied, A.A. (2016)



# Knowledge Triangle & Innovation

## Knowledge Triangle



<https://www.oecd.org/sti/inno/knowledge-triangle.htm>



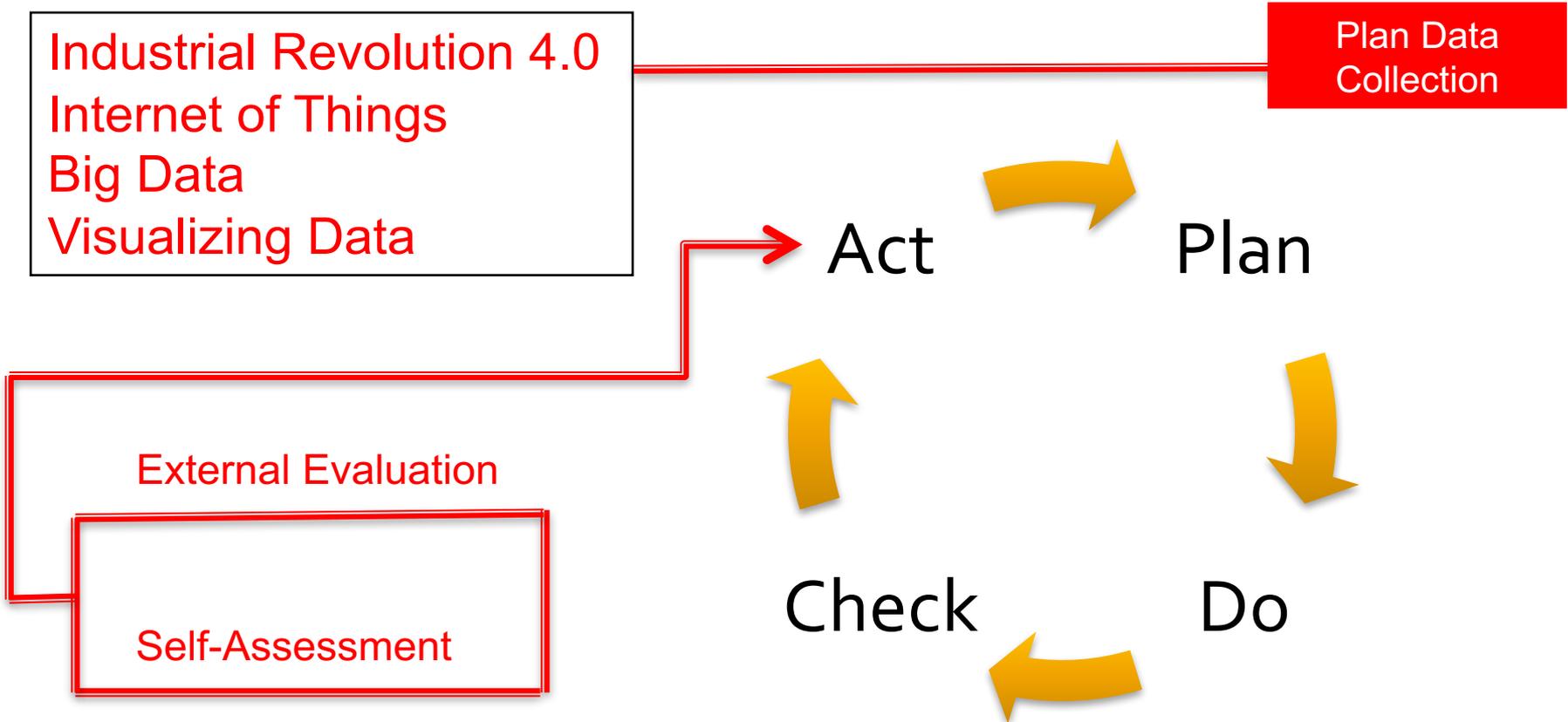
**FIGURE 5**  
**WHAT SKILLS UNIVERSITY LEADERS AND HIRING MANAGERS SAY ARE**  
**MOST IMPORTANT FOR COLLEGES AND UNIVERSITIES TO DEVELOP IN THEIR GRADUATES**



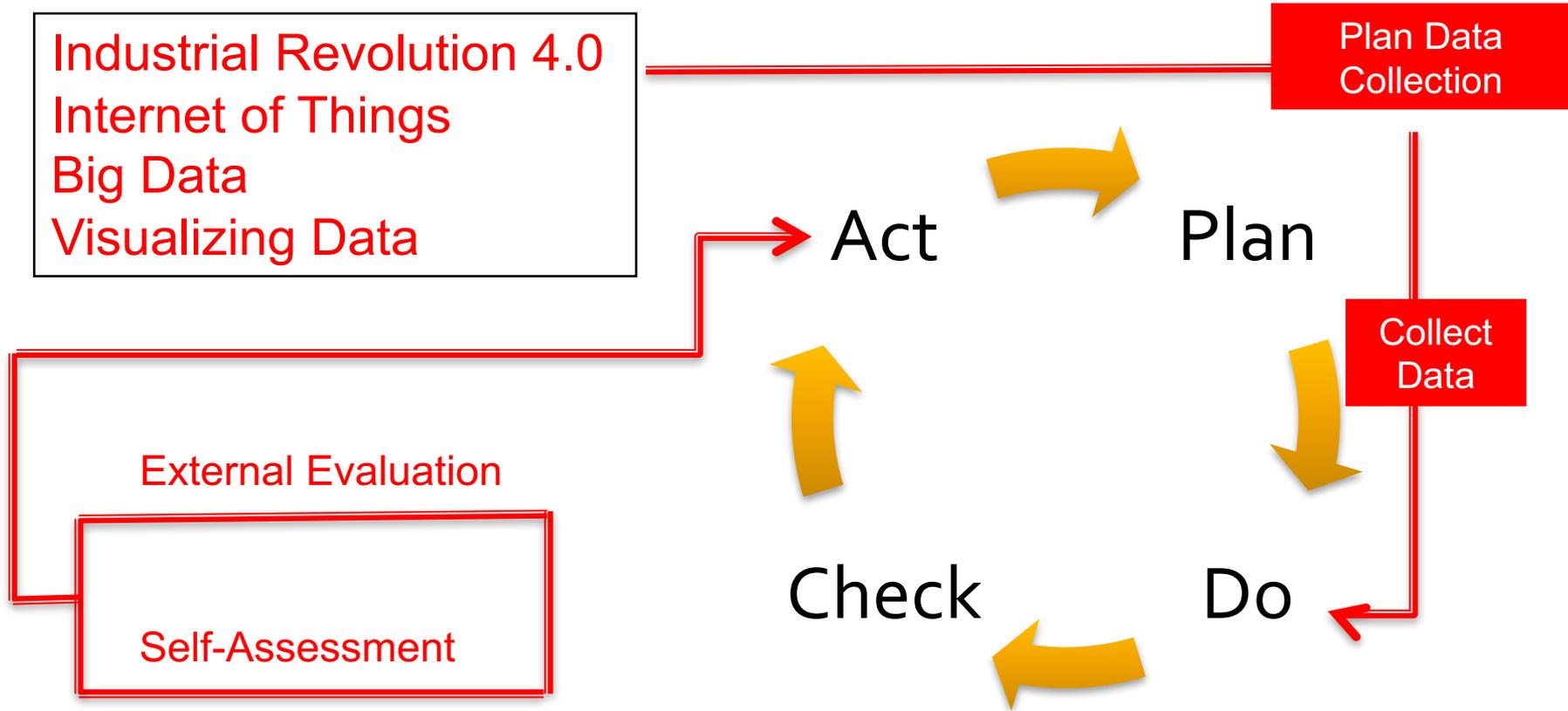
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UNIVERSITY LEADERS  
HIRING MANAGERS

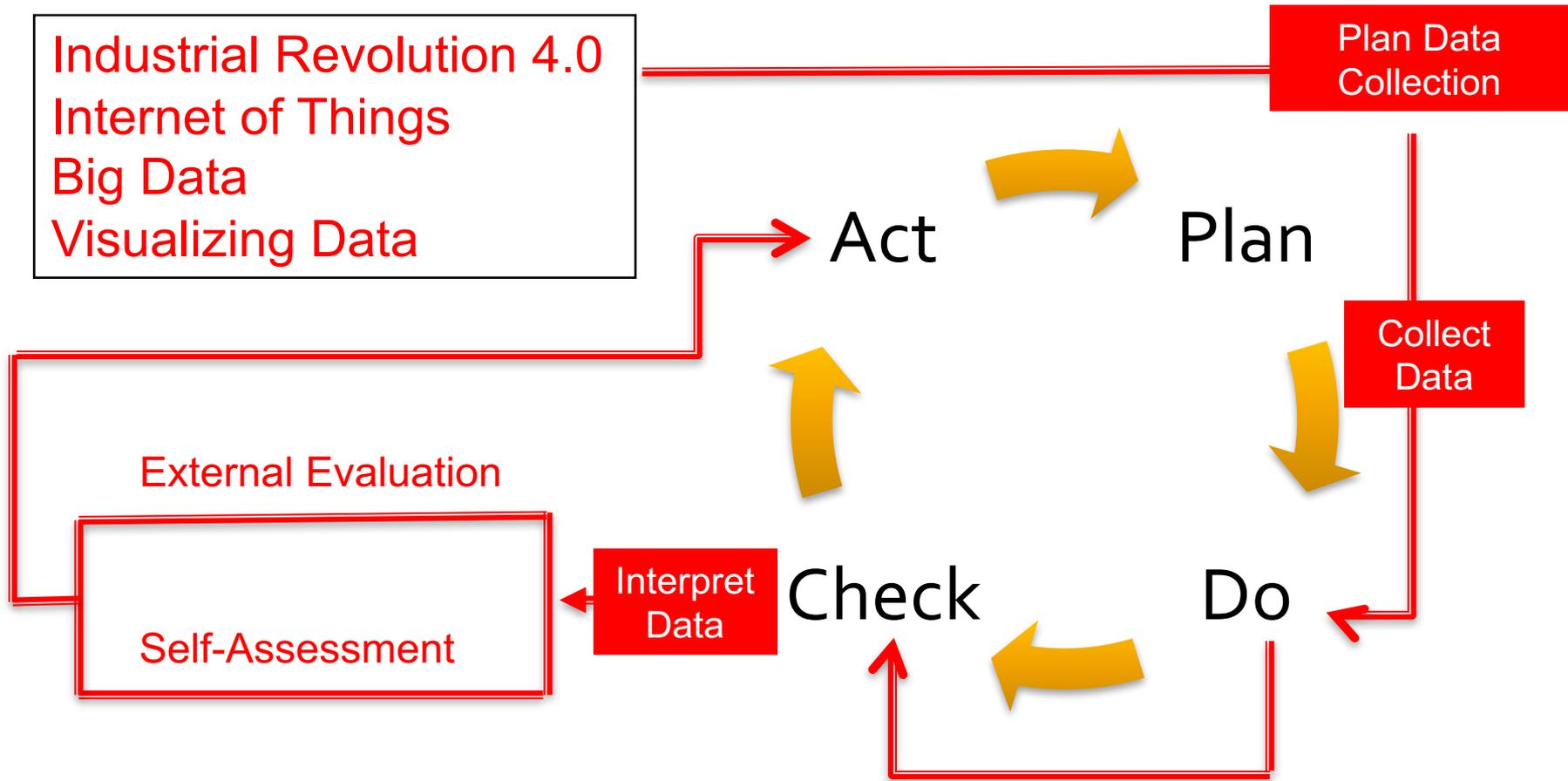
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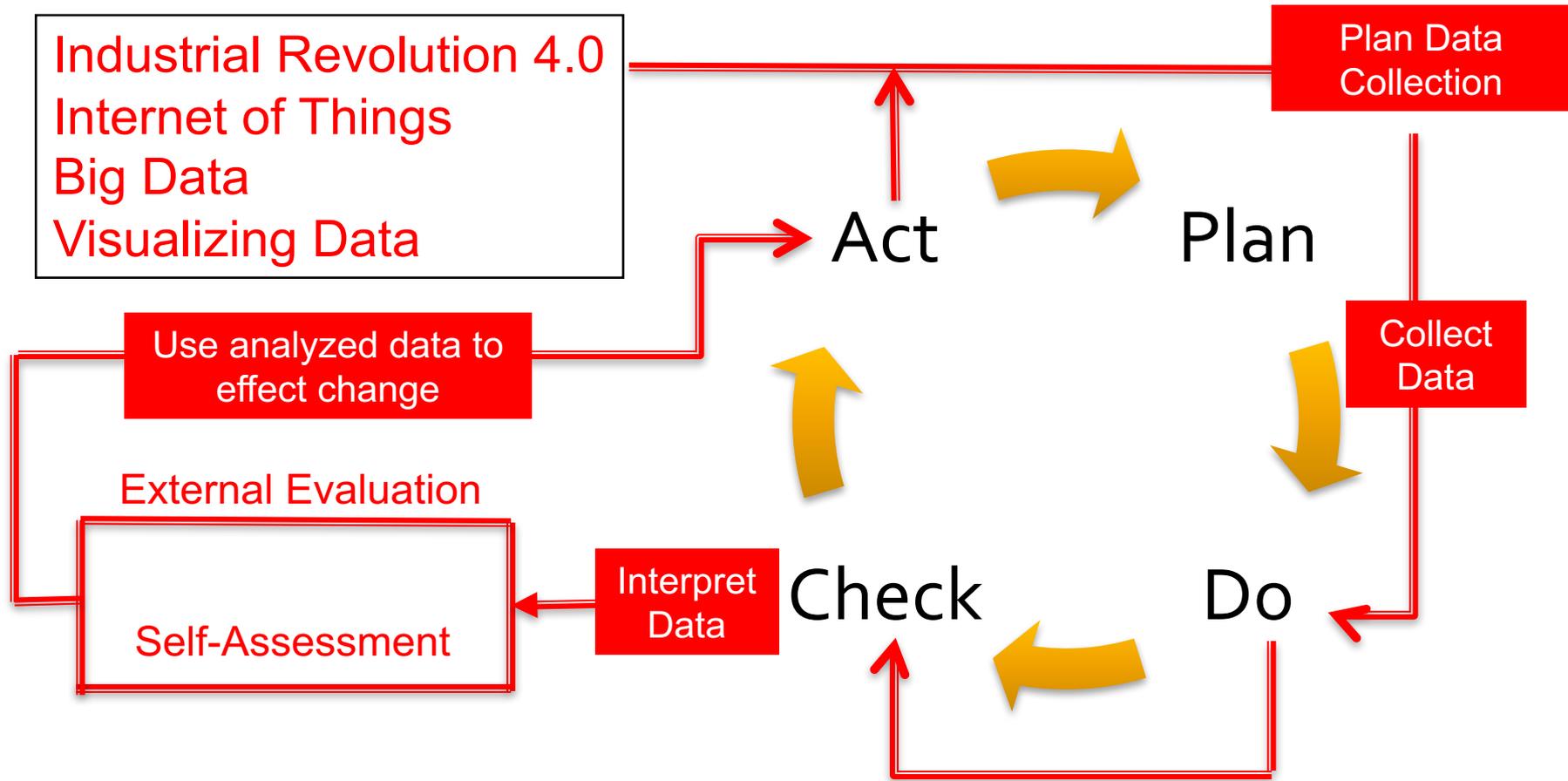
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# Thank You

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# Fundamentals of Self Assessment

- Defined process
- Realistic Self Appraisal
- Benchmarking With Peers
- Professional Standards, Guidelines & Principles



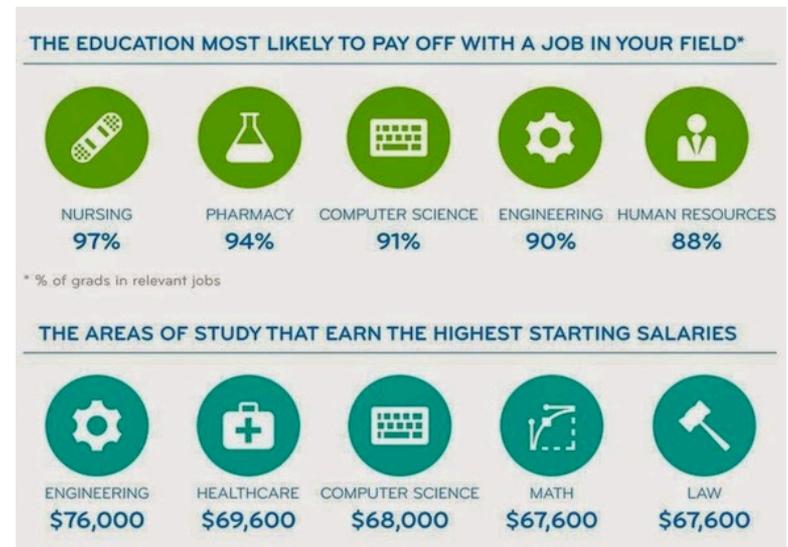
Joint Committee on Standards for Educational Evaluation



# Industry 4.0

- **Potential Impact**
  - Services and Business Models
  - Workers Education and skills
  - Reliability and continuous productivity
  - IT security
  - Machine safety
  - Product lifecycles
  - Industry value chain
  - Socio-economic

*"There has never been a time of greater promise, or greater peril." Schwab, K. Founder and Executive Chairman of the World Economic Forum (2016)*



# Principles in Industry 4.0

- Information transparency: Ability of information systems to create a virtual copy of the physical world by enriching digital plant models with sensor data.
  - Requires aggregation of raw sensor data to higher-value context information.

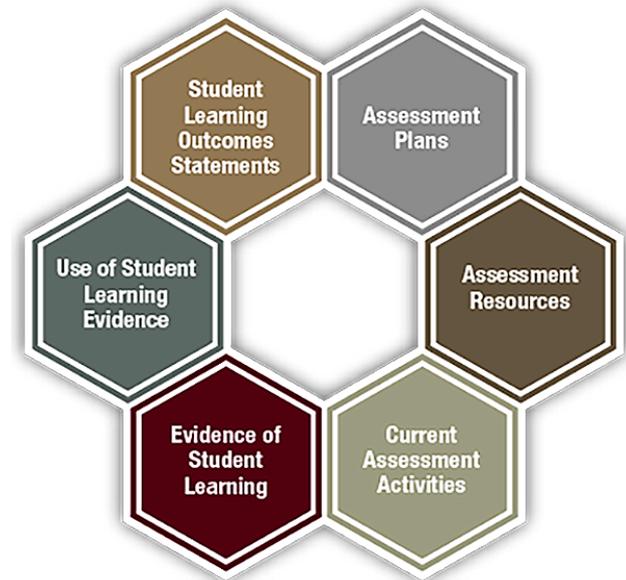
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**Transparency Framework**

Introduction Framework in the Field Overview Components Definitions Using the Framework NEW: Excellence in Assessment Designation	Component Descriptions & Examples: Student learning outcomes statements Assessment plans Assessment resources Current assessment activities Evidence of student learning Use of student learning evidence
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<http://www.forbes.com/sites/bernardmarr/2016/06/20/what-everyone-must-know-about-industry-4-0/#bb5aacd4e3b9>



# Industry 4.0 Applications in HE: Findings from EDUCAUSE Study (2012)

- Analytics:
  - Widely used but data still limited at most institutions;
  - Efforts should start by defining strategic questions and developing a plan;
  - Programs require neither perfect data nor data culture-should start when institution is ready to invest and commit;
  - Programs are most successful when various constituents work in partnership;

# OHIO Peer University Peer Study 2012

- Selection Variables
  - US News Peer Assessment
  - Freshman Admissions Selectivity
  - Retention and Graduation Rates
  - Faculty Salary/Compensation
  - Institutional Characteristics
  - Student Body Race/Ethnicity
  - Tuition & Financial Aid
  - Student Experience
  - Institutional Finances

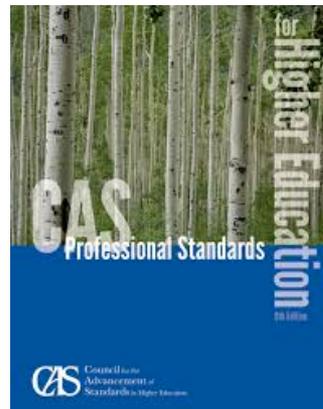


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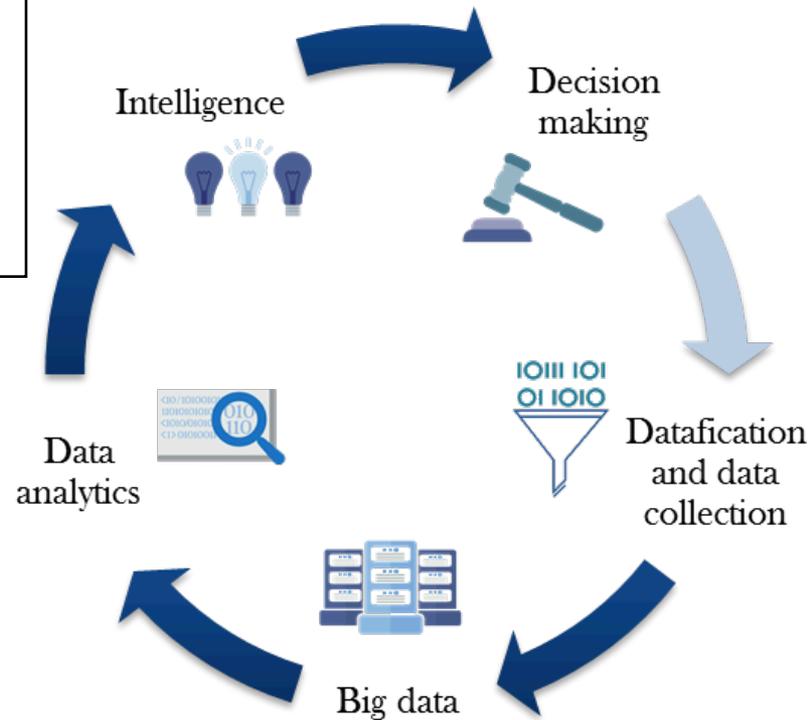
# Formulating an Action Plan

- Answer qualitative overview questions
  - Describe Practices Requiring Follow-up
  - Summarize Actions Required to Meet Standards
  - Summarize program enhancement actions
  - Write program action plan



# Data Driven Innovation: Data Value Cycle

Industrial Revolution 4.0  
Internet of Things  
Big Data  
Visualizing Data

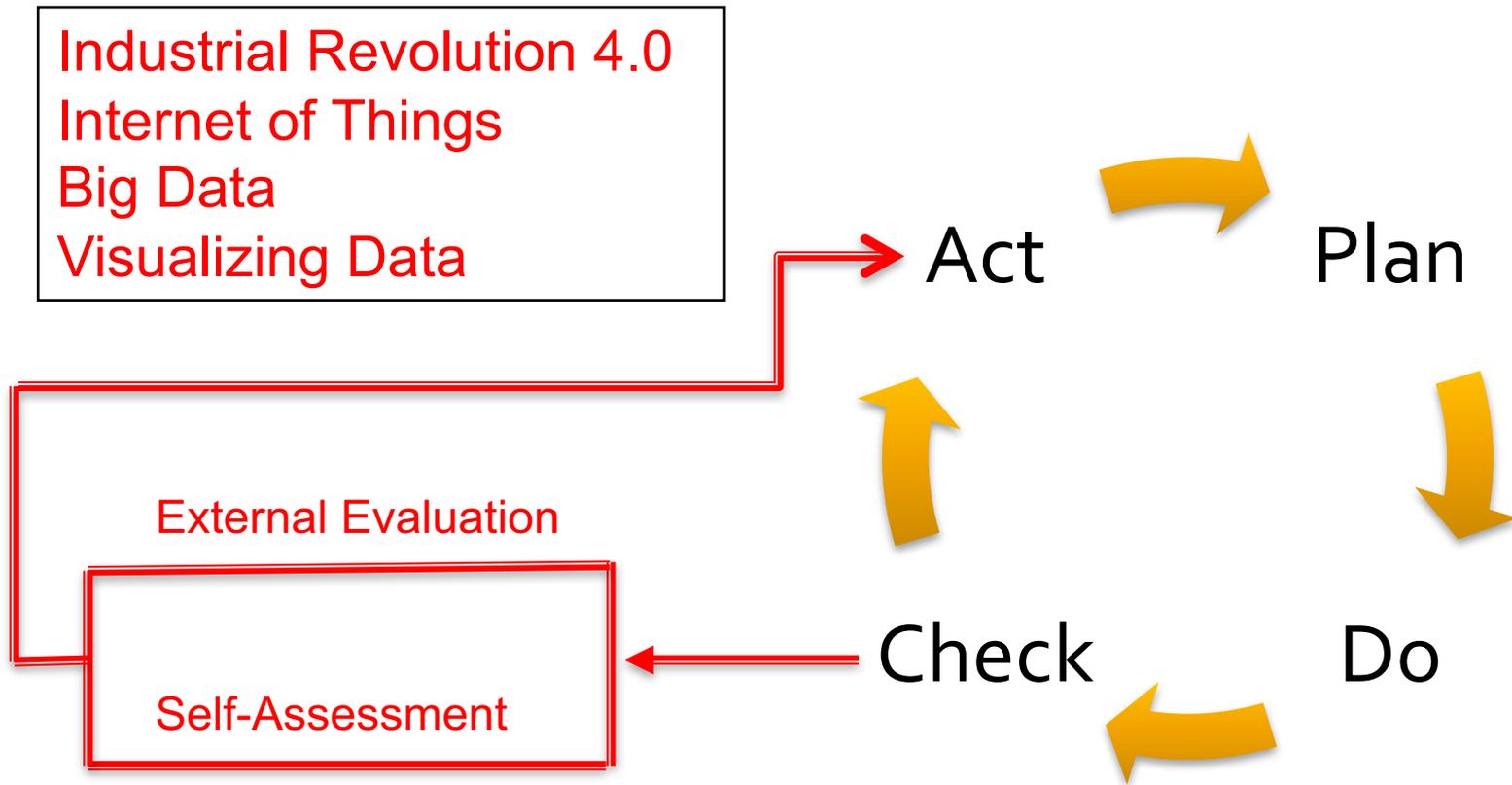


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# Self Assess for Quality



### A Summary of Student Engagement Results

Student engagement represents two critical features of collegiate quality. The first is the amount of time and effort students put into their studies and other educationally purposeful activities. The second is how institutional resources, courses, and other learning opportunities facilitate student participation in activities that matter to student learning. NSSE surveys first-year and senior students to assess their levels of engagement and related information about their experience at your institution.

#### Comparison Group

The comparison group featured in this report is

#### GLC Peers

See your *Selected Comparison Groups* report for details.

This *Snapshot* is a concise collection of key findings from your institution's NSSE 2016 administration. We hope this information stimulates discussions about the undergraduate experience. Additional details about these and other results appear in the reports referenced throughout.

#### Engagement Indicators

Sets of items are grouped into ten Engagement Indicators, organized under four broad themes. At right are summary results for your institution. For details, see your *Engagement Indicators* report.

#### Key:

 Your students' average was significantly higher ( $p < .05$ ) with an effect size at least .3 in magnitude.

 Your students' average was significantly higher ( $p < .05$ ) with an effect size less than .3 in magnitude.

-- No significant difference.

 Your students' average was significantly lower ( $p < .05$ ) with an effect size less than .3 in magnitude.

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Theme	Engagement Indicator	Your students compared with GLC Peers	
		First-year	Senior
Academic Challenge	Higher-Order Learning	--	
	Reflective & Integrative Learning	--	--
	Learning Strategies	--	
	Quantitative Reasoning		--
Learning with Peers	Collaborative Learning		--
	Discussions with Diverse Others	--	--
Experiences with Faculty	Student-Faculty Interaction		
	Effective Teaching Practices	--	
Campus Environment	Quality of Interactions	--	
	Supportive Environment	--	

### Item Comparisons

By examining individual NSSE questions, you can better understand what contributes to your institution's performance on the Engagement Indicators. This section displays the five questions<sup>a</sup> on which your first-year and senior students scored the highest and the five questions on which they scored the lowest, relative to students in your comparison group. Parenthetical notes indicate whether an item belongs to a specific Engagement Indicator or is a High-Impact Practice. While these questions represent the largest differences (in percentage points), they may not be the most important to your institutional mission or current program or policy goals. For additional results, see your *Frequencies and Statistical Comparisons* report.

#### First-year

##### Highest Performing Relative to GLC Peers

About how many courses have included a community-based project (service-learning)?<sup>e</sup> (HIP)

Talked about career plans with a faculty member<sup>b</sup> (SF)

Discussions with... People with political views other than your own<sup>b</sup> (DD)

Instructors provided feedback on a draft or work in progress<sup>c</sup> (ET)

Used numerical information to examine a real-world problem or issue (...)<sup>b</sup> (QR)

##### Lowest Performing Relative to GLC Peers

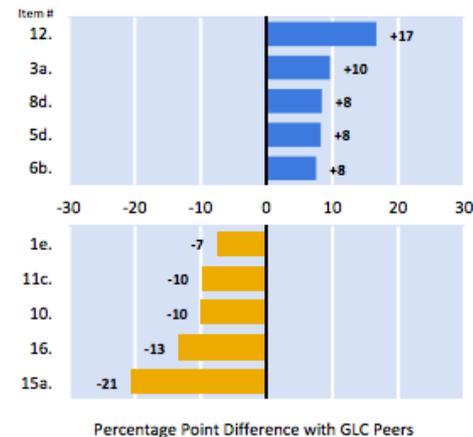
Asked another student to help you understand course material<sup>b</sup> (CL)

Participated in a learning community or some other formal program where... (HIP)

Extent to which courses challenged you to do your best work<sup>d</sup>

Spent more than 10 hours per week on assigned reading<sup>f</sup>

Spent more than 15 hours per week preparing for class



#### Senior

##### Highest Performing Relative to GLC Peers

Discussed your academic performance with a faculty member<sup>b</sup> (SF)

About how many courses have included a community-based project (service-learning)?<sup>e</sup> (HIP)

Reviewed your notes after class<sup>b</sup> (LS)

Institution emphasis on encouraging contact among students from different backgrounds...<sup>c</sup> (SE)

Instructors provided prompt and detailed feedback on tests or completed assignments<sup>c</sup> (ET)

##### Lowest Performing Relative to GLC Peers

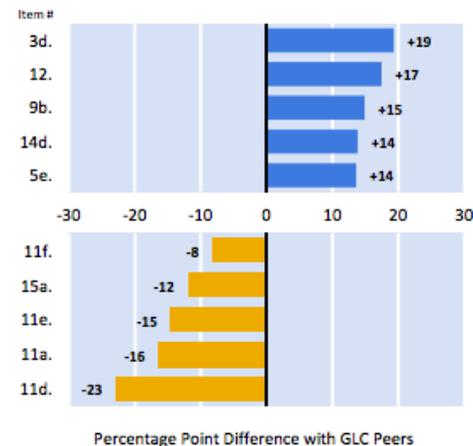
Completed a culminating senior experience (...)<sup>b</sup> (HIP)

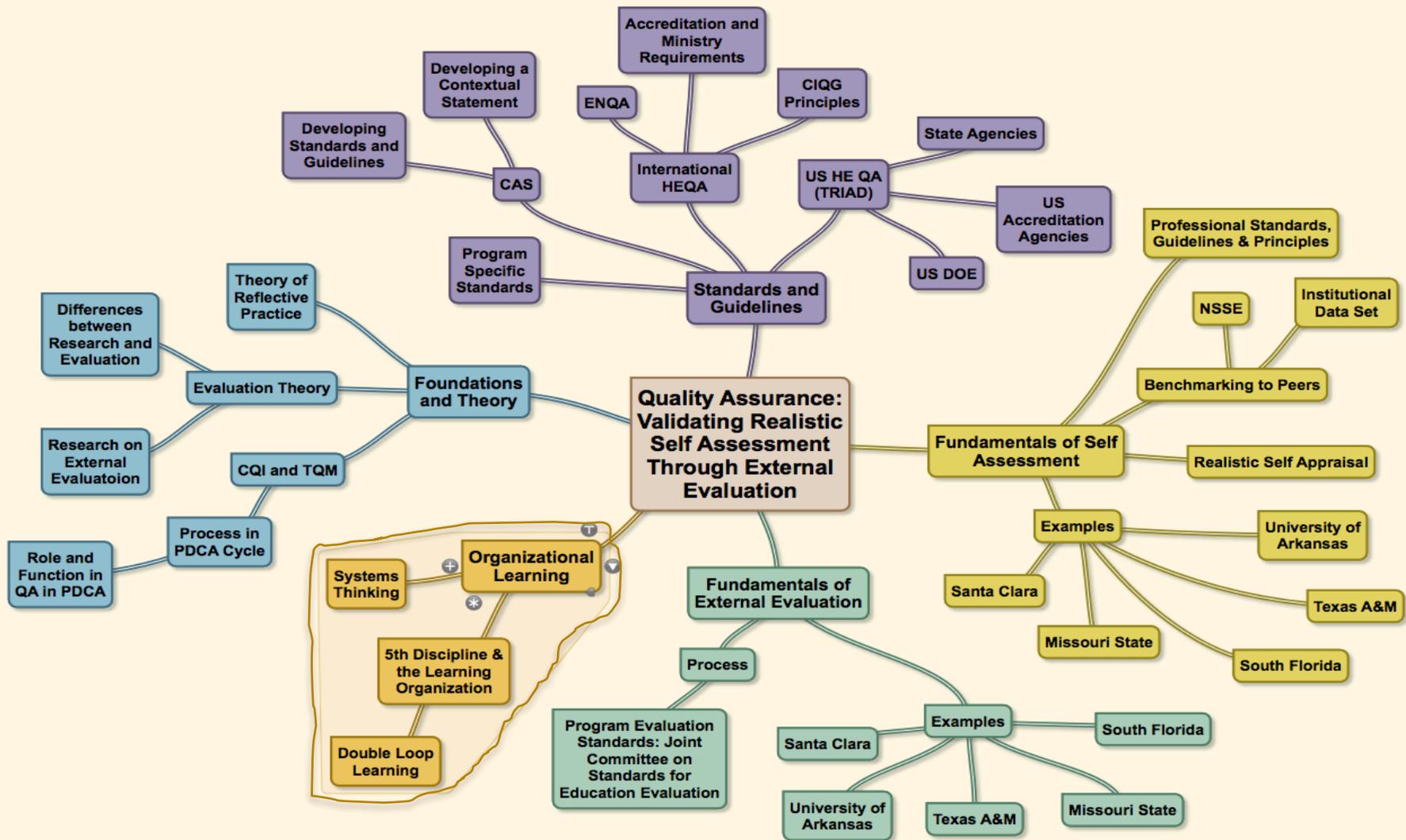
Spent more than 15 hours per week preparing for class

Worked with a faculty member on a research project (HIP)

Participated in an internship, co-op, field exp., student teach., clinical placement. (HIP)

Participated in a study abroad program (HIP)

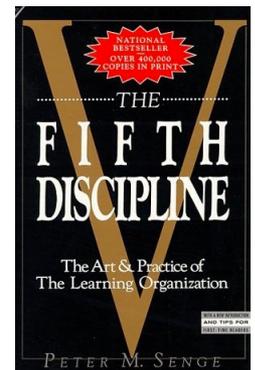




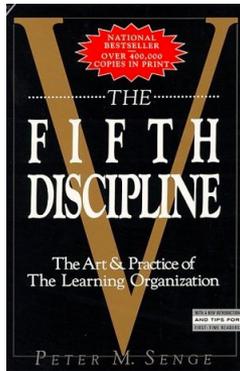
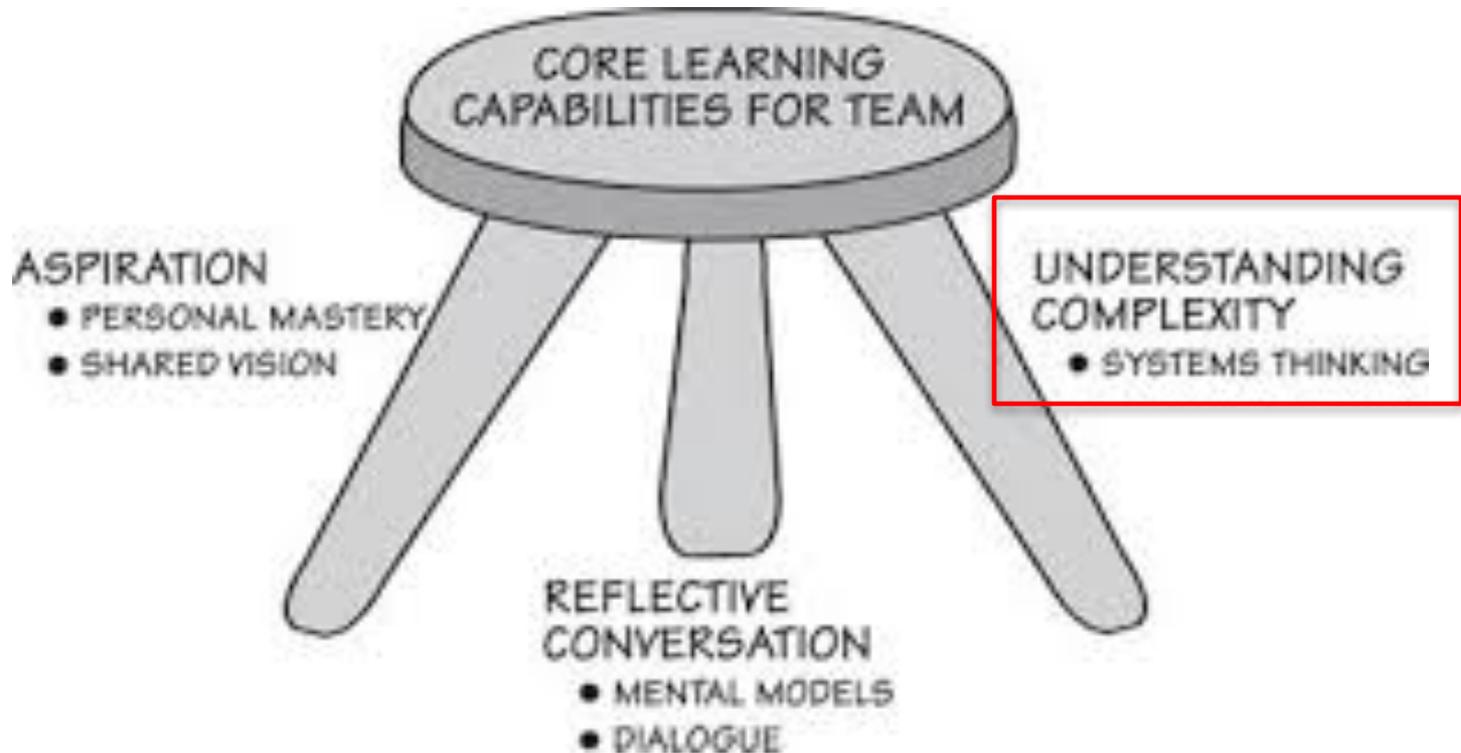
# Learning Organizations

- Personal Mastery
- Mental Models
- Building Shared Vision
- Team Learning
- **Systems Thinking**

*"Business and human endeavors are systems...we tend to focus on snapshots of isolated parts of the system. And wonder why our deepest problems never get solved." Peter M. Senge*

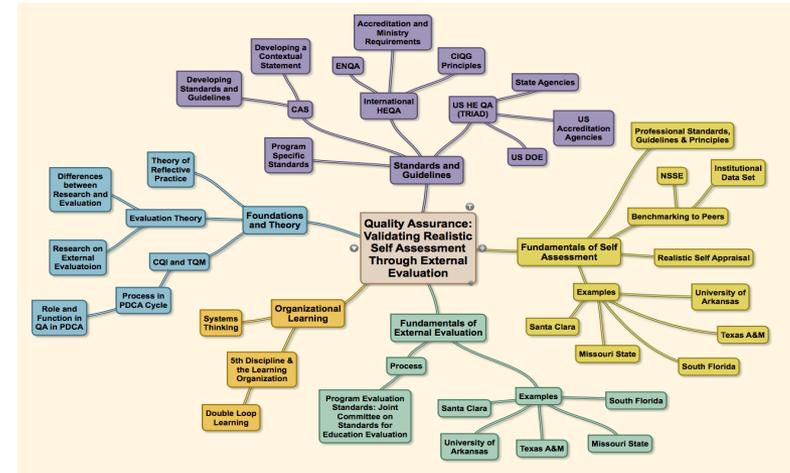
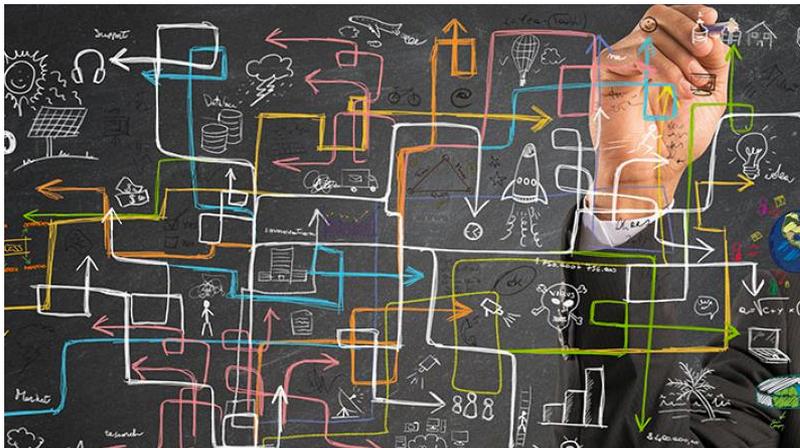


# Learning Organizations



# Learning Organizations

- Complex
  - State of being complex or intricate



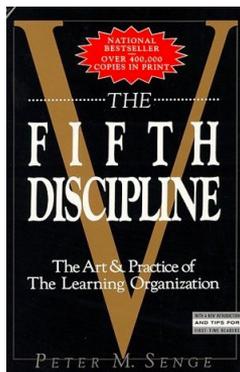
Read more:

<http://www.referenceforbusiness.com/management/Bun-Comp/Complexity-Theory.html#ixzz4QJEk1JMI>



# Learning Organizations

- Systems Thinking: discipline for seeing:
  - Wholes rather than parts;
  - Patterns of change rather than static snapshots
  - Understanding subtle interconnectedness that gives living systems their unique character.

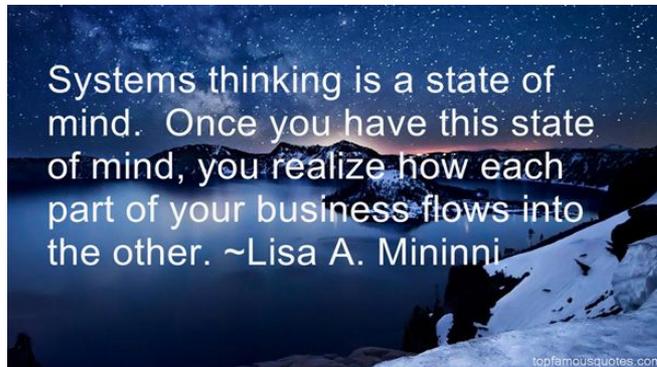


Peter Senge, Author of *The Fifth Discipline: The Art and Practice of the Learning Organization*



# System

- All systems have:
  - inputs, outputs and feedback mechanisms;
  - maintain an internal steady-state (called homeostasis) despite a changing external environment;
  - display properties different than the whole (called emergent properties) but not possessed by any of the individual elements, and have boundaries usually defined by the system observer.



Read more:  
<http://www.businessdictionary.com/definition/system.html>

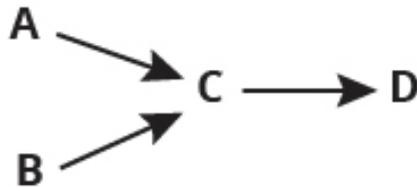


# Systems Thinking

- What is system thinking and how does it play out in ensuring organizational quality?

## Event Oriented Thinking

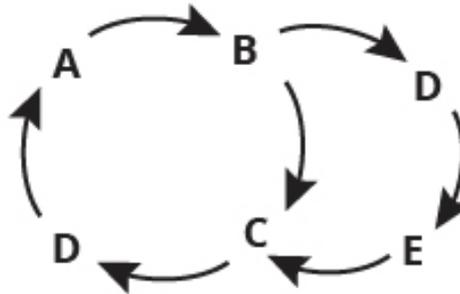
Thinks in straight lines



In event oriented thinking everything can be explained by causal chains of events. From this perspective the **root causes** are the events starting the chains of cause and effect, such as A and B.

## Systems Thinking

Thinks in loop structure



In systems thinking a system's behavior emerges from the structure of its feedback loops. **Root causes** are not individual nodes. They are the forces emerging from particular feedback loops.

<http://www.thwink.org/>

*“Systems thinking is a management discipline that **concerns an understanding of a system by examining the linkages and interactions between the components that comprise the entirety of that defined system.**”*

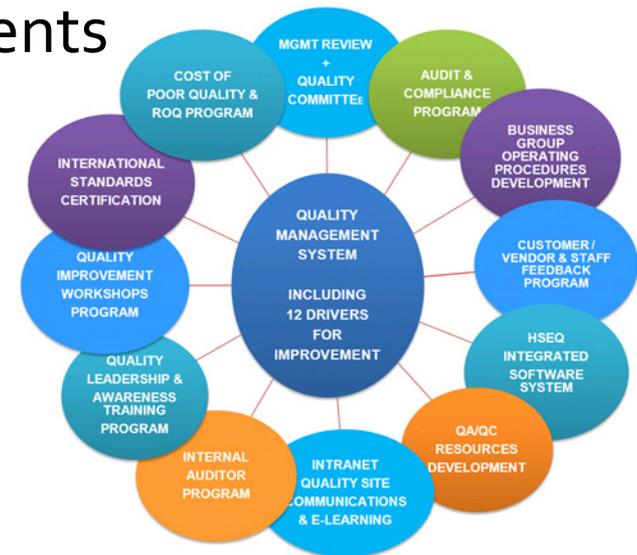
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# Quality Management System

- “Formalized system that documents processes, procedures, and responsibilities for achieving quality policies and objectives...helps coordinate and direct an organization’s activities to meet customer and regulatory requirements and improve its effectiveness and efficiency on a continuous basis.”



American Society of Quality (ASQ)



Source: <http://asq.org/learn-about-quality/quality-management-system>



# Quality Assurance: Validating Realistic Self Assessment Through External Evaluation

