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### Save the Date

#### Brown Bag Brownie Breaks

Thursday, Feb. 19  
2:30-3:30 p.m.  
GEB 264

Wednesday, April 22  
3-4 p.m.  
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# Spotlight on **Assessment**

## Apply for the Excellence in Outcomes Assessment!

**Deadline March 1**



**2014 Award Winners, Practical Nursing**



**2013 Individual Award, Judy Runser**

The Office of Outcomes Assessment encourages all faculty who have completed assessment cycles and implemented meaningful changes serving student learning to apply for awards for **Excellence in Outcomes Assessment**.

Two awards, one for individual and one for team efforts, will be presented in recognition of the exemplary use of assessment to improve student learning at JCCC.

Have you integrated new teaching strategies in response to what your assessments told you? Have you tweaked your curriculum or played with your pedagogy? If so, visit the OOA for an application.

The award includes a monetary stipend of \$500 for the individual recipient and \$1,000 to be shared by team recipients.

This process allows for self-nomination or nomination by others. Nomination applications should be received by March 1.

Materials will be vetted through the Office of Outcomes Assessment for completeness before being forwarded to an external reviewer.

More information can be found at: [blogs.jccc.edu/outcomesassessment](http://blogs.jccc.edu/outcomesassessment) – under the Forms tab.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact the Office of Outcomes Assessment, ext. 7607, or Staff and Organizational Development, ext. 7654.

**SUMMER  
WORKSHOPS**

### ***Assessment by Design: A Comprehensive Overview***

Friday, June 12, 2015 and Friday, August 7, 2015

Information on enrollment options coming soon.

## Spring Professional Development Opportunities

### Brown Bag Brownie Breaks

“Building Your Assessment To-Do List.”

No matter where you are in the assessment cycle, you have a to-do list. Come to this session to build your timelines and assessment plans.

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“Lessons Learned and Next Steps after the *Moving Forward with Assessment Conference*”

Inspired by the keynote speaker and breakout sessions? Have that “ah ha” moment about assessment in your discipline? Still have questions about how this works for you? Coming to this BBBB and put everything in perspective, make plans, and hear what others have learned.

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### Coffee Breaks

Have OOA bring the coffee break to you! Call the office now to schedule a coffee break for you and your colleagues.

## Quote of the Month

New in the OOA Resource Library:

*“Formative assessment involves a series of carefully considered, distinguishable acts on the part of teachers or students or both. Some of those acts involved educational assessment, but the assessments play a role in the process – they are not the process itself.”*

*Transformative Assessment,*  
W. James Popham.

Check out this book today at the OOA resource library in GEB 262.

## 5th Annual Regional Community College Assessment Conference

April 10, 2015



The conference will be held from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Friday, April 10, 2015, at Johnson County Community College. The 2015 theme of “Moving Forward with Assessment” will be addressed in breakout sessions and workshops. Keynoter Dr. Tom Angelo will provide a hands-on workshop in addition to his compelling address.

JCCC faculty attend free – use code RCCAC at checkout.  
[www.jccc.edu/faculty-development/outcomes-assessment/conference/](http://www.jccc.edu/faculty-development/outcomes-assessment/conference/)

## Outcomes Assessment Mini-Grants

### Mini-Grants are Available on a Rolling Deadline

Submit by the 15th of the month to be considered in that month. Use mini-grants to jump start or continue your assessment projects. Funds may be used for assessment resources, travel for assessment related activities, equipment or software dedicated to assessment efforts, assessment retreats, costs associated with data input or external consultants, and more. Mini-grants are now available for up to \$750.

New guidelines/applications are available from the Office of Outcomes Assessment, GEB 262, on InfoShare (<https://infoshare.jccc.edu/communities/slo/default.aspx>) or on the Outcomes Assessment blog (<http://blogs.jccc.edu/outcomesassessment/forms/>).

### FAST-TRACK Option

Are you looking for assessment resources in your discipline? Need a resource on assessment for general education? The Office of Outcomes Assessment is now offering a fast-track mini-grant for up to \$100 to purchase books on assessment. The fast-track mini-grant does not require a dean’s signature and the assessment resources will be purchased and provided for your use. For more information contact the office.