CIOS revision efforts - recent history (GT Executive Board, 4/5/11)

Exploring our options (new instrument and features needed)

Sp08 - Fa10 − CIOS Task Force efforts → redesigned instrument

Fa07 - Fa10 − CETL investigates hosting alternatives and costs (GT, Sakai, external vendors) → DigitalMeasures

<u>Pilot testing</u> (using tenured or non-tenure track faculty only)

Su08 – small internal PILOT Test: instrument Platform: Survey Monkey
Fa08 – larger revised internal PILOT Test: instrument Platform: Survey Monkey

Su10 – small externally hosted PILOT Test: delivery Platform: DigitalMeasures "Course Response" Sp11 – larger externally hosted PILOT Test: delivery Platform: DigitalMeasures "Course Response"

Su11 – anticipating potential FULL SCALE implementation with DigitalMeasures

NEW INSTRUMENT

Item	Scale	
Student Effort		
1. On average, how many hours did you spend on this course per week (total in class, on homework, etc.)?	0-3, 3-6, 6-9 0-30, 30-50, 50-70, 70-80, 80-90, 90-	
2. What percentage of classes did you attend?	100	
3. What percentage of the homework did you complete?	0-30, 30-50, 50-70, 70-80, 80-90, 90- 100	
4. Comments about your responses in this section (eg., - were expected and expended effort appropriate for this course?). There is space for other overall comments later.	open-ended	
Quality of Teaching		
Instructor's clarity in discussing or presenting course material:	very poor exceptional	
2. The instructor clearly communicated what it would take to succeed in this course.	strongly disagreestrongly agree	
3. Instructor's respect and concern for students:	very poor exceptional	
4. Instructor's level of enthusiasm about teaching the course:	detached extremely enthusiastic	
5. Instructor's ability to stimulate my interest in the subject matter:	ruined my interest made me eager to learn more	
6. Instructor's availability for consultation:	hard to findhighly accessible	
7. Helpfulness of feedback on assignments:	not helpful extremely helpful	
8. Considering everything, the instructor was an effective teacher.	strongly disagreestrongly agree	
9. What was the greatest strength?	open-ended	
10. What is the most needed improvement?	open-ended	
11. Other comments about your responses in this section (quality of teaching). There is space for other overall comments later.	open-ended	
Quality of Course	completely unprepared extremely	
1. Rate how prepared you were to take this subject.	well prepared almost nothing an exceptional	
2. How much would you say you learned in this course?	amount	
3. Degree to which activities and assignments facilitated learning:	very poor exceptional	
4. Degree to which exams, quizzes, homework (or other evaluated assignments) measured your knowledge and understanding:	very poor exceptional	
5. Considering everything, this was an effective course.	strongly disagreestrongly agree	
6. What was the best aspect?	open-ended	
7. How could it be improved?	open-ended	
8. Other comments about your specific responses in this section (quality of course). There is space for other overall comments later.	open-ended	
1. Overall Comments	Open-ended	

GT CIOS and DigitalMeasures Feature Comparison

Survey Feature	cios	CIOS - Notes	Digital Measures	Digital Measures - Notes
Survey Set-up				
Data Import Method	✓	direct banner draw	in development	CETL is working with OIT staff to develop a procedure for this
Optional questions - added by department	✓		Х	this functionality is not supported by Digital Measures at this time
Optional questions - added by instructor	✓		✓	
Coordinator setup access (to tailor list of surveyable courses)	✓	done within the CIOS system	✓	coordinators cannot login to Digital Measures to tailor course lists - this will be faciliated via e-mail with CETL staff
Designation of surveyable courses	✓	done within the CIOS system	✓	coordinators cannot login to Digital Measures to designate surveyable courses - this will be faciliated via e-mail with CETL staff
Survey Administration				
Survey of TAs	Χ		✓	
Multiple survey periods	Х		✓	
Student/Instructor access with regular GT login	✓		√ *	*Digital Measures login used LDAP, but is not integrated with CAS
Comments allowed	✓	comments available for each <i>question</i> (200 character limit) and overall (4000 character limit)	√	comments available for each section and overall; no character limits
Survey Reporting				
Reporting Hierarchy	✓		in development	
Staggered reporting dates	✓	Instructors 5 days after grades due; administrators one week into next term	Х	
Single Course/Instructor Survey Summary Report	✓		✓	is run within the report titled "Student Survey Responses Report" with customizable options
Single Instructor, Multiple Term/Course Survey Summary Report	√		✓	is run within the report titled "Student Survey Responses Report" with customizable options
Single Subject, Multiple Course/Instructor Survey Summary Report	✓		√	is run within the report titled "Student Survey Responses Report" with customizable options
Response Rate Report	✓		√	is not technically a report, but response rate data can be accessed in real time through the "View Respondents" tab (no student-level data is provided)
Item 10 Report	✓		✓	
Cross-Listed Courses Report	✓		✓	
Ad hoc reports	Х		✓	highly flexible and customizable reporting feature
Reports - formatting options	х	report is only displayed in one format, on the website itself - difficult to download, transfer formats, manipulate data	√	reports can be generated in Excel, Word, PDF, or HTML formats (selected from a drop-down menu on report set-up screen)