

Mathematics, Applied Mathematics & Data Science

Assessment Report

2025-26

Learning Outcomes for Mathematics and Data Science:

1. Students will be able to demonstrate facility with analytical and algebraic concepts.
2. Students will be able to write proofs.
3. Students will be able to apply their mathematical knowledge and critical thinking to solve problems.
4. Students will be able to use technology to solve problems.
5. Students will be able to speak about their work with precision, clarity and organization.
6. Students will be able to write about their work with precision, clarity and organization.
7. Students will be able to identify, locate, evaluate, and effectively and responsibly use and cite information for the task at hand.
8. Students will collaborate effectively in teams.
9. Students will be able to understand and create arguments supported by quantitative evidence.
10. Students will understand the professional, ethical and social issues and responsibilities with the implementation and use of technology.

Assessment Data Mathematical, Information and Computer Sciences

Learning Outcome: Students will be able to demonstrate facility with analytical and algebraic concepts.

Outcome Measure: MTH2074 Signature Assignment (measured in even numbered falls).

Previous: ETS Major Field Test in Mathematics: Algebra and Calculus subscores (This has been discontinued).

Criteria for Success: 80% of the students will score above 2.5 on the relevant rubric.

Previous: The department subscore will be at the 50th percentile or higher.

Longitudinal Data:

	Percent of Students at 2.5 or Higher		
	Fall 2022	Fall 2023	Fall 2024
Students will be able to solve problems using the algebraic properties of vectors	73%	88%	82%
Students will be able to solve multivariable calculus problems using analytical techniques	67%	69%	71%
Students will be able to solve multivariable calculus problems involving algebraic, geometric and analytical techniques	100%	73%	65%

Year	Percentile
2010-11	90
2011-12	85
2012-13	72
2013-14	49
2014-15	*
2015-16	42
2016-17	8
2017-18	*
2018-19	32
2019-20	N/A
2020-21	N/A
2021-22	N/A

Previous: ETS MFT Data

Algebra:

Calculus:

Year	Percentile
2010-11	70
2011-12	99
2012-13	38
2013-14	72
2014-15	*
2015-16	16
2016-17	13
2017-18	*
2018-19	57
2019-20	N/A
2020-21	N/A
2021-22	N/A

*Insufficient students for score to be calculated.

Note the ETS changed the Mathematics test in 2012-13.

Conclusions Drawn from Data: ETS: Before the change in the exam in 2013, the students were meeting our expectations, since the exam changed they did not. The review of the exam indicated that it no longer met our needs. The department developed a signature assignment for MTH2074 Multivariate Calculus and pilot tested it in the 2022-23 academic year. Since then this is the assessment tool that we have been using. The students are coming close to meeting our benchmarks (the difference is often a matter of 1-2 students).

Changes to be Made Based on Data: We will continue to monitor data and will look at the assessment questions in the 2025-26 academic year to see if we can identify why students are missing our benchmark.

Rubric Used:

ETS: None. The scores are computed by ETS.

The MTH2074 rubric is given below.

MTH2074 Rubric

	Unsatisfactory (0)	Low Satisfactory (1)	Satisfactory (2)	High Satisfactory (3)	Outstanding (4)
Students will be able to solve problems using the algebraic properties of vectors	Completely Incorrect	Missed more than one key step or concept	Missed one key step or concept	Made a minor error	Completely correct
Students will be able to solve multivariable calculus problems using analytical techniques	Completely Incorrect	Missed more than one key step or concept	Missed one key step or concept	Made a minor error	Completely correct
Students will be able to solve multivariable calculus problems involving algebraic, geometric and analytical techniques	Completely Incorrect	Missed more than one key step or concept	Missed one key step or concept	Made a minor error	Completely correct

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Learning Outcome: Students will be able to write proofs.

Outcome Measure:

MTH3012 Signature Assignment (assessed in even springs)

MTH4024 Signature Assignment (assessed in odd falls)

MTH4044 Signature Assignment (assessed in even falls).

Criteria for Success: 80% of the students to score a 2.5 or higher (on a scale of 1-4) in each of the four areas:

- Statement of the problem
- Logic
- Symbolism
- Justification

Longitudinal Data:

	MTH3012 Percentage of Class at 2.5 or Higher							
	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025	2026
Statement of Problem	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Logic	100%	100%	100%	100%	83%	80%	80%	100%
Symbolism	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Justification	100%	100%	67%	50%	83%	90%	60%	50%

	MTH4024 Percentage at 2.5 or higher					
	2015	2017	2019	2021	2023	2025
Statement of Problem	100%	90%	83%	100%	100%	100%
Logic	89%	90%	83%	100%	67%	100%
Symbolism	100%	90%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Justification	67%	60%	100%	100%	83%	100%

	MTH4044 Percentage at 2.5 or higher						
	2012	2014	2016	2018	2020	2022	2024
Statement of Problem	92%	100%	83%	100%	67%	60%	100%
Logic	92%	100%	0%	100%	100%	40%	100%
Symbolism	100%	100%	67%	100%	100%	80%	100%
Justification	77%	100%	67%	100%	100%	60%	100%

Conclusions Drawn from Data: The students are generally meeting our benchmarks. Some of the variation comes from small sample sizes. The Fall 2022 MTH4044 question used for assessment was not well posed and that may have been part of the reason that students were not as successful as is typical.

Changes to be Made Based on Data: We continue to emphasize the need for strong justification of every step in a proof and to more clearly reinforce that in assignments in all proof writing classes. Since making those changes, we seem to be seeing fewer weak justifications in proofs in the later classes (MTH4024 and MTH4044).

Proof Writing Rubric (MTH3012, MTH4024, MTH4044)

	Unsatisfactory	Low Satisfactory	High Satisfactory	Outstanding
Statement of the Problem	Can not determine what is given and what needs to be proved	Misses one part of the hypothesis or the conclusion	Makes one minor error in identifying the hypothesis or the conclusion	Understands what is given and what is to be proved
Logic	Proof has major flaws that make it invalid	Proof misses more than one major element	Proof has the main flow of the logic correct but misses one major element	Statements flow logically from one to another
Symbolism	There are many errors in the use of symbolic notation	There are more than two errors in symbolic notation	There are two or fewer minor errors in symbolic notation (e.g. missing parentheses)	All symbols are used correctly
Justification	There are several errors in the justification	There is one major mistake in the justification or more than two minor errors	There are two or fewer minor errors in the justification for the steps	Every logical step has the appropriate reason (theorem, definition, lemma, etc.)

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Learning Outcome: Students will be able to apply their mathematical knowledge and critical thinking to solve problems (Mathematics, Applied Mathematics, Data Science).

Outcome Measure: Signature assignment in MTH2033 Linear Algebra (assessed in odd numbered springs)

*Previous:
ETS Proficiency Profile – Reading/Critical Thinking (Annual).*

Criteria for Success: 80% of the students will be at a 2.5 or higher on the rubric.

*Previous:
ETS Proficiency Profile: 85% of the students will be marginal or proficient at Level 2*

Longitudinal Data:

	Percentage of Students at 2.5 or Higher		
	2022-23	2023-24	2024-25
Computing Eigenvalues	71%	100%	75%
Understanding Mutually Orthogonal	71%	100%	88%

ETS Proficiency Profile	Percentage of Students Marginal or Proficient								
	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18	2018-19	2019-20	2020-21	2021-22
ETS Proficiency Profile Level 2 Critical Thinking	92%	100%	84%	92%	76%	79%	80%	88%	79%

The department discontinued the use of the ETS Proficiency Profile in the fall of 2022.

Conclusions Drawn from Data: The students consistently met our expectations using the ETS PP. We became concerned about the consistency of the questions in the ETS MFT and resulted in the department discontinuing the use of that measure. In spring of 2023 we pilot tested the new assessment in MTH2033. The students nearly met our benchmark; if one more student had been successful, we would have crossed the threshold. In 2024, the students met our benchmark and in 2025, missing the benchmark was a matter of a single student.

Changes to be Made Based on Data: None at this time. We will continue to monitor the use of our new assessment.

Rubric Used:
See the next page.

MTH2033 Signature Assignment Rubric**Students will be able to apply their mathematical knowledge and critical thinking to solve problems (CC:CT)**

	Unsatisfactory (1)	Low Satisfactory (2)	High Satisfactory (3)	Outstanding (4)
Computing Eigenvectors	More than one major error including completely incorrect.	Made a major error	Made a minor error	Completely correct
Understanding mutually orthogonal	More than one major error including completely incorrect.	Made a major error	Made a minor error	Completely correct

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Learning Outcome: Students will be comfortable using technology to solve problems.

Outcome Measure: MTH3083 Signature Assignment. Starting in 2025-26, this class is assessed in even number springs.

Criteria for Success: MTH3083: 80% of the students should have an average score of at least 2.5 in each of the major areas.

Longitudinal Data:

	MTH3083 Percentage of Students at 2.5 or Higher							
	2017-18	2018-19	2019-20	2020-21	2021-22	2022-23	2023-24	2025-26
Students will be able to use technology to solve problems	100%	100%	100%					
Computational Correctness				100%	60%	80%	58%	89%
Graphical Tool				86%	100%	80%	N/A	78%
Interpretation				86%	60%	60%	42%	57%

Note that the assignment and rubric were changed in 2019-20.

Conclusions Drawn from Data: Students have been able to satisfactorily analyze data using technology. The students had some challenges in the post-covid years, but the sample size was relatively small, so an improvement on the part of 1-2 students would have had the students meet our benchmark. The place of the most consistent weakness is interpreting the output of their use of technology

Changes to be Made Based on Data: MTH3083: The signature assignment was updated to better measure students' facility with the current technology that we are using in the course. That change can be seen in the data. We have had some inconsistency in the assessment questions but have regularized them in 2025-26. We will look at our curriculum to identify additional opportunities for students to interpret the output of the technology tools being used in this class.

MTH3083 Signature Assignment Rubric (Spring 2021)

	Unsatisfactory (1)	Low Satisfactory (2)	High Satisfactory (3)	Outstanding (4)
Computation correctness	More than one major error including completely incorrect.	Made a major error	Made a minor error	Completely correct
Use of graphical tool	Graph is not connected to the data	Poor choice of graph and not well-labeled	One of: Correct choice of graph Graph well-labeled	Graph is correct and is well- labeled
Interpretation	Explanation is not connected to the information	Explanation is partially correct and partially clear	Explanation is correct but not clear	Explanation is clear and correct

Criterion: 80% of students will score at or above 2.5.

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Learning Outcome: Students will be able to speak about their work with precision, clarity and organization (Oral Communication).

Outcome Measure: Annual: Each student will be required to give an oral presentation on a topic in their field as a part of their participation in the Senior Seminar. The audience for this talk will include department faculty, fellow students and possibly some alumni. The students will be given the evaluation criteria in advance of their presentation and will be rated by the faculty using a rubric with a scale of 4 (outstanding) to 1 (unsatisfactory) in the following areas:

- Command of background material
- Organization
- Oral presentation skills (added as part of the new rubric in the spring of 2010)
- Use of presentation tools
- Ability to field questions from the audience

Criteria for Success: 80% of the students should have an average score of at least 2.5 in each of the major areas in the department rubric.

Longitudinal Data:

Oral Presentation	Percentage of Students at 2.5 or Higher							
	2018-1 9	2019-2 0	2020-2 1	2021-2 2	2022-2 3	2023-2 4	2024-2 5	2025-2 6
Background	95%	100%	100%	95%	100%	100%	96%	100%
Organization	100%	100%	94%	100%	94%	100%	100%	100%
Depth of Information							96%	
Bibliography							96%	
Oral Presentation Skills	95%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Presentation Tools	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	97%
Ability to Field Questions	94%	94%	100%	100%	100%	100%	96%	100%

Note that we tried using a different rubric in 2024-25.

Conclusions Drawn from Data: In general, the students have been performing reasonably well in the area of giving oral presentations. We attribute this to the fact that we intentionally have students presenting technical material in front of others starting in their freshman year. We changed the expectations for this presentation and the rubric in 2025. The main changes were to move some elements about depth of information and the use of references to the oral presentation. We didn't find this change satisfactory and returned to our previous rubric.

Changes to be Made Based on Data: Over time we have increased our standards and expanded the rubric to increase clarity for students and to push them to speak at a professional level.

Oral Presentation Rubric

Criteria	Outstanding	High Satisfactory	Low Satisfactory	Unsatisfactory
Command of background material	<input type="checkbox"/> Clearly knows material and key facts by memory <input type="checkbox"/> Expands on PPT slides <input type="checkbox"/> Content appropriate for audience	<input type="checkbox"/> Clearly knows key facts with a few memory slips <input type="checkbox"/> Some expansion on PPT slides <input type="checkbox"/> Partial audience adaptation of content	<input type="checkbox"/> Reads some information; knows some facts from memory <input type="checkbox"/> No expansion on PPT slide content <input type="checkbox"/> Little audience adaptation of content	<input type="checkbox"/> Reads sentences from slides <input type="checkbox"/> Dependent on notes <input type="checkbox"/> Lacks audience adaptation of content
Organization	<input type="checkbox"/> Clear and concise outline <input type="checkbox"/> Relevant graphics and key text items on slides <input type="checkbox"/> Presentation is between 10-15 minutes	<input type="checkbox"/> Clear outline <input type="checkbox"/> Too much information on slides (not concise) <input type="checkbox"/> Presentation 1 minute outside of the range (10-15 minutes)	<input type="checkbox"/> Some sense of outline <input type="checkbox"/> Too much detailed information on slides <input type="checkbox"/> Presentation 2 minutes outside of the range (10-15 minutes)	<input type="checkbox"/> No clear outline <input type="checkbox"/> Slides are in paragraphs; too much detailed information on one slide <input type="checkbox"/> Presentation 3 minutes outside of the range (10-15 minutes)
Oral presentation skills	<input type="checkbox"/> Clearly has practiced several times; smooth transitions <input type="checkbox"/> Engages audience in content multiple times and engagement is well connected to talk (questions, examples, etc.) <input type="checkbox"/> Free of disfluencies (ah, umh) <input type="checkbox"/> Is clearly heard in the room and uses inflection for emphasis <input type="checkbox"/> Engages audience through eye contact <input type="checkbox"/> Engages audience through gestures	<input type="checkbox"/> Has practiced but transitions are not smooth <input type="checkbox"/> Engages audience at least twice in content (questions, examples, etc.) <input type="checkbox"/> A few disfluencies (ah, umh, er) <input type="checkbox"/> Can be understood most of the time and uses some inflection <input type="checkbox"/> Some engagement of audience through eye contact <input type="checkbox"/> Some engagement of audience through gestures	<input type="checkbox"/> Has practiced presentation but cannot verbally make transitions between slides <input type="checkbox"/> Audience engagement at least once with content (questions, examples, etc.) <input type="checkbox"/> Many disfluencies (ah, umh, er) <input type="checkbox"/> Can sometimes be understood and uses little inflection <input type="checkbox"/> Infrequent eye contact <input type="checkbox"/> Distracting gestures or mannerisms	<input type="checkbox"/> Clearly did not practice presentation; Does not anticipate content of next slide <input type="checkbox"/> No audience involvement <input type="checkbox"/> Disfluencies (ah, umh, er) detract from presentation <input type="checkbox"/> Can not be heard and/or speaks in a monotone <input type="checkbox"/> Little audience awareness or eye contact <input type="checkbox"/> Frequent distracting gestures or mannerisms
Use of presentation tools	<input type="checkbox"/> PPT background is matched to content, legible font, seamless transitions <input type="checkbox"/> Graphics imbedded and matched to topic, necessary hyperlinks work	<input type="checkbox"/> Appropriate PPT slide backgrounds, transitions & font <input type="checkbox"/> Most graphics imbedded and matched to topic, most necessary hyperlinks work	<input type="checkbox"/> Distracting PPT slide backgrounds and transitions, font hard to read <input type="checkbox"/> Some inappropriate graphics or use of PPT embellishments, necessary hyperlinks don't work	<input type="checkbox"/> No attention given to PPT slide backgrounds and transitions, font illegible <input type="checkbox"/> Distracting use of embellishments, graphics not connected to topic

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Ability to field questions	<input type="checkbox"/> Able to answer questions clearly and without hesitation and prepared material to answer anticipated questions	<input type="checkbox"/> Can answer all questions with some hesitation	<input type="checkbox"/> Able to answer half of the questions with hesitation	<input type="checkbox"/> Unable to answer any questions
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Assessment Data Mathematical, Information and Computer Sciences

Learning Outcome: Students will be able to write about their work with precision, clarity and organization (Written Communication).

Outcome Measure: Annual: Each student will be required to write a paper on a topic in their field as a part of their participation in the Senior Seminar. The audience for this talk will include department faculty, fellow students and possibly some alumni. The students will be given the evaluation criteria in advance of their presentation and will be rated by the faculty using a rubric with a scale of 4 (outstanding) to 1 (unsatisfactory) in the following areas:

- Bibliography and other supporting documentation
- Organization
- Grammar and spelling
- Depth of information
- Clarity of writing

Criteria for Success: 80% of the students should have an average score of at least 2.5 in each of the major areas in the department rubric.

Longitudinal Data:

	Percentage of Students at 2.5 or Higher							
Written Report	2018-1	2019-2	2020-2	2021-2	2022-2	2023-2	2024-2	2025-2
	9	0	1	2	3	4	5	6
Bibliography and Support	89%	81%	88%	58%	81%	69%	70%	100%
Organization	100%	100%	100%	100%	88%	85%	93%	100%
Grammar and Spelling	94%	94%	94%	89%	88%	92%	56%	93%
Depth of Information	83%	94%	94%	95%	94%	62%		100%
Clarity of Writing	94%	88%	100%	89%	94%	85%	85%	93%

Note that we experimented with a different rubric in 2024-25.

Conclusions Drawn from Data: In general, the students have been performing reasonably well in writing technical reports. We saw some weakness in both references/support and depth of the information in the papers this year. However, the sample size was 13, so the “miss” of the benchmark is the performance of 2-3 students. We made significant changes in the prompt during the 2024-25 academic year. The assignment was changed to having the students write a shorter paper and also to describe the use of AI in the preparation of both their oral presentation and their paper. That assignment did not produce the desired outcome, so the assignment was modified again for the 2025-26 year. The updated assignment seems to have worked more effectively.

Changes to be Made Based on Data: Over time we have increased our standards and expanded the rubric to increase clarity for students and to push them to write at a professional level. The current rubric has been in use for the last 11 years. We have instituted more formal faculty reviews of their draft papers and are trying to give more specific feedback, particularly about the use of references and that seems to be helping with the quality of the papers. In the 2024-25 year the significant changes in the prompt were probably part of the reason that the scores were lower. We did not have student work through our usual three phases to write the paper (outline, draft and final paper) and not having those steps clearly led to weakness in the area of grammar and spelling. In 2025-26 we returned to the multistage process of paper preparation while still incorporating a structured use of AI. This assignment produced papers that we found more consistent with our expectations.

MICS Written Presentation Rubric (4/23/26)

Criteria	Outstanding	High Satisfactory	Low Satisfactory	Unsatisfactory
Bibliography and supporting documents	<input type="checkbox"/> Multiple references from distinct reputable sources	<input type="checkbox"/> Most references from distinct reputable sources	<input type="checkbox"/> Some references from reputable sources	<input type="checkbox"/> No bibliography or all references from untrusted sites on the internet
	<input type="checkbox"/> References cited in the body of the document	<input type="checkbox"/> Some citation of references in the body of the document	<input type="checkbox"/> Limited citation of references in the body of the document	<input type="checkbox"/> No citation of references in the body of the document
Organization	<input type="checkbox"/> Conveys a central theme with all ideas connected, arrangement of ideas clearly related to topic	<input type="checkbox"/> Conveys a central idea or topic with some ideas connected to the topic	<input type="checkbox"/> Attempts to focus on an idea or topic with many ideas not connected to the topic	<input type="checkbox"/> Has little or no focus on central idea or topic
	<input type="checkbox"/> Clear introduction, body (with sections), and conclusion includes summary and closure	<input type="checkbox"/> Includes introduction, body and conclusion	<input type="checkbox"/> Introduction, body, conclusion detectable but not clear	<input type="checkbox"/> Introduction, body or conclusion absent
Grammar and spelling	<input type="checkbox"/> No use of first-person tense	<input type="checkbox"/> Few uses of the first-person tense	<input type="checkbox"/> Several uses of the first-person tense	<input type="checkbox"/> Written in first-person tense
	<input type="checkbox"/> No grammatical or spelling errors	<input type="checkbox"/> Few grammatical and spelling errors	<input type="checkbox"/> Some grammatical and spelling errors	<input type="checkbox"/> Many grammatical and spelling errors
Depth of information	<input type="checkbox"/> Highly accurate and substantive content	<input type="checkbox"/> Content is accurate, though key concepts are missing	<input type="checkbox"/> Content is flawed, and/or a significant amount of key concepts are missing	<input type="checkbox"/> Content is significantly flawed and/or content is trivial
	<input type="checkbox"/> Appropriately synthesizes information from 3 or more distinct sources	<input type="checkbox"/> Synthesis of information from two distinct sources	<input type="checkbox"/> Synthesis of information from one distinct sources	<input type="checkbox"/> Summary reporting of information without synthesis
	<input type="checkbox"/> Draws conclusions insights from synthesis	<input type="checkbox"/> At least two insights or conclusions stated	<input type="checkbox"/> At least one insight or conclusion stated	<input type="checkbox"/> No personal insights
	<input type="checkbox"/> Subject coverage is excellent	<input type="checkbox"/> Subject coverage is good	<input type="checkbox"/> Subject coverage is adequate	<input type="checkbox"/> Subject coverage is poor.
Clarity of writing	<input type="checkbox"/> Sentences flow	<input type="checkbox"/> Good sentence structure	<input type="checkbox"/> Occasional poor sentence structure	<input type="checkbox"/> Frequent poor sentence structure
	<input type="checkbox"/> Smooth transitions between paragraphs	<input type="checkbox"/> Adequate transitions between paragraphs	<input type="checkbox"/> Transitions between paragraphs unclear	<input type="checkbox"/> Lacked transitions between paragraphs
	<input type="checkbox"/> Any and all terms and acronyms are defined	<input type="checkbox"/> Most terms and acronyms are defined	<input type="checkbox"/> Some terms and acronyms are defined	<input type="checkbox"/> Many terms and acronyms are undefined

	<input type="checkbox"/> Provides evidence to support points	<input type="checkbox"/> Lacks support for some points	<input type="checkbox"/> Provides minimal support for points	<input type="checkbox"/> Ideas not supported
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Assessment Data Mathematical, Information and Computer Sciences

Learning Outcome: Students will be able to identify, locate, evaluate, and effectively and responsibly use and cite information for the task at hand (Information Literacy).

Outcome Measure: Annual: Each student will be required to write a paper on a topic in their field as a part of their participation in the Senior Seminar. The audience for this talk will include department faculty, fellow students and possibly some alumni. The students will be given the evaluation criteria in advance and their paper will be rated by the faculty using a rubric with a scale of 4 (outstanding) to 1 (unsatisfactory) in the following areas:

- References: Multiple references from distinct reputable sources
- Citation: References cited in the body of the document
- Synthesis: Appropriately synthesizes information from multiple distinct sources

Criteria for Success: 80% of the students should have an average score of at least 2.5 in each of the major areas.

Longitudinal Data:

Information Literacy	Percentage of Students at 2.5 or Higher							
	2017-18	2018-19	2019-20	2020-21	2021-22	2022-23	2023-24	2024-25
References (Paper)	89%	81%	94%	74%	81%	69%	92%	100%
Citation (Paper)	89%	81%	88%	74%	75%	69%	72%	100%
Synthesis	78%	81%	94%	95%	81%	92%	96%	100%
References (Talk)							96%	
Citation (Talk)							85%	

Conclusions Drawn from Data: The students are generally meeting our expectations. This is still one of the areas with which the students have some challenges particularly with citation. In 2025 we expanded the information literacy assessment to also gather data on the depth of information and the use of references in the students' oral presentations. This is because we reduced the length of the required paper and because we are trying to find new ways to assess students given the proliferation of the use of AI. In 2025-26 we returned to a more structured paper assignment that made use of AI. This seems to have been effective in helping students meet our standards.

Changes to be Made Based on Data: We found that we needed to be very specific about our expectations for the use and citation of information in both papers and their talk. We continue to work with students in giving them clear feedback about the need to do a better job with references in technical papers. Our 2025-26 approach to written and oral presentations leveraging AI, seems to have been more effective than the assignment used in the previous year.

Rubric:

Data is taken for the Written Rubric above.

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Learning Outcome: Students will collaborate effectively in teams.

Outcome Measure: MTH3052 Signature Assignment – evaluation of group while working on a project. Measured in odd numbered spring.

Criteria for Success: 80% of the students should have an average score of at least 2.5 in each of the major areas.

Longitudinal Data:

	MTH3052 Percent of students with average at least 2.5					
	Spring 2015	Spring 2017	Spring 2019	Spring 2021	Spring 2023	Spring 2025
Contributes to team meetings	86%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Encourages team members	93%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Contributes individually outside of team meetings	93%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Attitude	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Fosters constructive team climate	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Responds to conflict	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%

Conclusions Drawn from Data: The students are performing well as members of teams. This class will not be taught again until the spring of 2027.

Changes to be Made Based on Data: Continue to make use of group activities throughout the curriculum.

MICS Teamwork Rubric

Definition

Teamwork is behaviors under the control of individual team members (effort they put into team tasks, their manner of interacting with others on team, and the quantity and quality of contributions they make to team discussions).

Evaluators are encouraged to assign a zero to any work sample or collection of work that does not meet unsatisfactory (cell one) level performance.

The purpose of this is to evaluate individual team members. Although no team member will ever see your evaluation of them, please take it seriously.

Directions:

- **Do not put your own name anywhere on this form, the evaluations are to be anonymous.**
- **Please write the name of the person you are evaluating here _____**
- **Please fill out one copy of this form for every person who was on your team, including one for yourself.**
- **For each row, place a checkmark in the box that best describes your teammate’s performance.**

	Outstanding	High Satisfactory	Low Satisfactory	Unsatisfactory
Contributes to team meetings	<input type="checkbox"/> Helps the team move forward by articulating the merits of alternative ideas or proposals.	<input type="checkbox"/> Offers new suggestions to advance the work of the group.	<input type="checkbox"/> Shares ideas but does not advance the work of the group.	<input type="checkbox"/> Sits quietly in team meetings and does not contribute.
Encourages members of the team	<input type="checkbox"/> Actively seeks to find opportunities to encourage all members of the team.	<input type="checkbox"/> Offers encouragement to all members of the team.	<input type="checkbox"/> Offers words of encouragement to friends.	<input type="checkbox"/> Does not offer word of encouragement to anyone.
Individual contributions outside of team meetings	<input type="checkbox"/> Completes all assigned tasks by deadline; work accomplished is thorough. Proactively helps other team members complete their assigned tasks.	<input type="checkbox"/> Completes all assigned tasks by deadline; work accomplished is thorough.	<input type="checkbox"/> Completes all assigned tasks by deadline.	<input type="checkbox"/> Does not complete all assigned tasks by deadline.
Attitude	<input type="checkbox"/> Demonstrates (comments, facial expressions, etc.) a negative attitude rarely and helps others to become more positive.	<input type="checkbox"/> Demonstrates (comments, facial expressions, etc.) a negative attitude rarely .	<input type="checkbox"/> Demonstrates (comments, facial expressions, etc.) a negative attitude less often than a positive attitude.	<input type="checkbox"/> Demonstrates (comments, facial expressions, etc.) a negative attitude more often than a positive attitude.

<p>Fosters constructive team climate</p>	<p><input type="checkbox"/> Supports a constructive team climate by doing all of the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Treats team members respectfully by being polite and constructive in communication. • Uses positive vocal or written tone, facial expressions, and/or body language to convey a positive attitude about the team and its work. • Motivates teammates by expressing confidence about the importance of the task and the team's ability to accomplish it. 	<p><input type="checkbox"/> Supports a constructive team climate by doing any two of the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Treats team members respectfully by being polite and constructive in communication. • Uses positive vocal or written tone, facial expressions, and/or body language to convey a positive attitude about the team and its work. • Motivates teammates by expressing confidence about the importance of the task and the team's ability to accomplish it. 	<p><input type="checkbox"/> Supports a constructive team climate by doing any one of the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Treats team members respectfully by being polite and constructive in communication. • Uses positive vocal or written tone, facial expressions, and/or body language to convey a positive attitude about the team and its work. • Motivates teammates by expressing confidence about the importance of the task and the team's ability to accomplish it. 	<p><input type="checkbox"/> Supports a constructive team climate by doing none of the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Treats team members respectfully by being polite and constructive in communication. • Uses positive vocal or written tone, facial expressions, and/or body language to convey a positive attitude about the team and its work. • Motivates teammates by expressing confidence about the importance of the task and the team's ability to accomplish it.
<p>Responds to conflict</p>	<p><input type="checkbox"/> Identifies and acknowledges conflict and acknowledges that relationships can be damaged. Seeks to restore relationships.</p>	<p><input type="checkbox"/> Identifies and acknowledges conflict and acknowledges that relationships can be damaged.</p>	<p><input type="checkbox"/> Identifies and acknowledges conflict but will not acknowledge that relationships can be damaged.</p>	<p><input type="checkbox"/> Will not acknowledge that conflict has occurred or that relationships can be damaged.</p>

Assessment Data Mathematical, Information and Computer Sciences

Learning Outcome: Students will be able to understand and create arguments supported by quantitative evidence (Quantitative Reasoning).

Outcome Measure:

MTH3083 Mathematical Probability and Statistics Signature Assignment (Mathematics, Applied Mathematics, and Data Science Majors). Assessed in even numbered springs.

ISS4014 Database and Web Signature Assignment (Computer Science, Information Systems and Data Science Majors). Assessed in odd numbered falls.

Previous: Annual: Each student will participate in the ETS Proficiency Profile exam.

Criteria for Success: 80% of the students will score a 2.5 or higher on the 5-point rubric for MTH3083 and 2.5 or higher on the 4-point rubric for ISS4014

Previous: 90% of the students will be Marginal or Proficient at Level 2.

Longitudinal Data:

ISS4014:

	Percentage of Class at 2.5 or Higher						
	2015-16	2017-18	2019-20	2021-22	2023-24	2024-25	2025-26
Relevant Information Chosen	88%	89%	88%	76%	88%	80%	85%
Query Correctness	48%	41%	83%	82%	79%	80%	60%

This class became annual in 2024.

MTH3083:

	MTH3083 Percentage of the Class with Average Score of 2 or Higher		
	2022-23	2023-24	2025-26
Students will be able to formulate a mathematical model from a verbal description of a problem.	100%	75%	89%
Students will be able to construct solutions to problems using computational techniques.	100%	67%	78%
Students will be able to interpret visual data.	20%	50%	67%

Due to low enrollment, this class was not taught in 2024-25.

Previous:

ETS Proficiency Profile	Percentage of Students Marginal or Proficient									
	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18	2018-19	2019-20	2020-21	2021-22
ETS Proficiency Profile Level 2 Mathematics	100%	100%	100%	100%	92%	82%	95%	93%	81%	90%

Conclusions Drawn from Data: Students are in general meeting our criteria. The variation often comes down to a single student because of small sample sizes. The Spring of 2021 was during COVID and students were exhausted by the time that they took the ETS exam, so this may explain the lower score for that year. In spring of 2023 we pilot tested the new assessment in MTH3083 and the results were mixed. We repeated it in 2024 and 2025 and still have mixed results. We have moved to using an assessment in ISS4014 to assess quantitative reasoning. Students in that class often have some challenges with query correctness. The student scores are improving but there are still some challenges.

Changes to be Made Based on Data: We do not believe that the ETS exam was accurately measuring student quantitative ability in the department disciplines. In the 2022-23 academic year we began measuring quantitative reasoning in the following classes: Computer Science, Information Systems and Data Science: ISS4014 Data Base Systems and Web Integration. We are making use of an ongoing assessment so have past values that have been inserted here. For Mathematics, Applied Mathematics and Data Science: MTH3083 Mathematical Probability and Statistics. We are monitoring the new assessment to see what adjustments we need to make in either the assessment or the curriculum. We need to evaluate the MTH3083 assessment to determine if the scores are the result of a poorly worded assignment or if there is an issue with students quantitative reasoning, particularly when it comes to interpreting visual data. We suspect that the problem may be how the question is being asked.

Rubrics:

ETS Proficiency Profile (no rubric involved)
ISS4014: Rubric below
MTH3083: Rubric below

ISS4014 Rubric Used

	Unsatisfactory (1)	Satisfactory (2)	Good (3)	Excellent (4)
Recognition of relevant information	3 errors (an error is defined as missing a relevant database field or listing an irrelevant field)	2 errors (an error is defined as missing a relevant database field or listing an irrelevant field)	1 error (an error is defined as missing a relevant database field or listing an irrelevant field)	All relevant database fields are listed and no irrelevant fields are listed for both queries
Query correctness	3 mistakes in the 2 queries	2 mistakes in the 2 queries	1 mistake in the 2 queries	No mistakes in the two queries

MTH3083 Rubric

	Unsatisfactory (0)	Low Satisfactory (1)	Satisfactory (2)	High Satisfactory (3)	Outstanding (4)
Students will be able to formulate a mathematical model from a verbal description of a problem.	Completely incorrect	Missed more than one key step or concept	Missed one key step or concept	Made a minor error	Completely correct
Students will be able to construct solutions to problems using computational techniques.	Completely incorrect	Missed more than one key step or concept	Missed one key step or concept	Made a minor error	Completely correct
Students will be able to interpret visual data.	Completely incorrect	Missed more than one key step or concept	Missed one key step or concept	Made a minor error	Completely correct

Assessment Data Mathematical, Information and Computer Sciences

Learning Outcome: Students will understand the professional, ethical and social issues and responsibilities with the implementation and use of technology.

Outcome Measure: Signature assignment in MTH3083 Mathematical Probability and Statistics, MTH4072 Internship in Data Science, MTH4152 Data Science Project II and MTH4133 Service Learning in Mathematics. Starting in 2025-26 all of these will be measured in years that have an odd numbered fall.

Criteria for Success: 80% of the students should have an average score of at least 2.5 in each of the major areas.

Longitudinal Data:

	MTH3083 Percentage of students at 2.5 or higher			
	2021-22	2022-23	2023-24	2025-26
Explain the problem with the graph	60%	100%	92%	100%
Explain how to make the graph truthful	60%	100%	83%	100%

	MTH4072 and MTH4151 Percent of Students at 2.5 or Higher		
	2023-24	2024-25	2025-26
Can identify an ethical issue in a problem or scenario.	50%	100%	100%
Can apply an ethical framework to ethical issue (virtue, utilitarianism, deontology, analogies) to scenario.	50%	100%	100%
Can make and support plausible ethical decision(s).	50%	100%	100%

	CSC-ISS-MTH4133 Percent of Students at or Above 2.5			
	2022-23	2023-24	2024-25	2025-26
Can identify an ethical issue in a problem or scenario.	73%	82%	100%	100%
Can apply an ethical framework to ethical issue (virtue, utilitarianism, deontology, analogies) to scenario.	67%	73%	81%	100%
Can make and support plausible ethical decision(s).	100%	91%	94%	100%

Conclusions Drawn from Data: We are seeing improvement in scores as we are including ethics modules in many classes in the curriculum and are becoming more familiar with the ideas and the ways that we are assessing their knowledge of the ideas. In cases where we miss the benchmark (e.g. MTH4151), it is generally due to small sample size.

Changes to be Made Based on Data: We continue to construct a set of modules that are or will be embedded in several MICS classes and the intent that students will have multiple exposures to ethics-related issues and case studies. Our hope is that this scaffolding will ultimately support well-developed ethical responses in the classes where we gather assessment data.

MTH3083 Ethics Rubric

	Unsatisfactory (1)	Low Satisfactory (2)	High Satisfactory (3)	Outstanding (4)
Explain the Problem with the Graph	Indicates that there is no problem with the graph	Identifies a problem that does not exist	Identifies the error	Correctly and clearly identifies the key error
Explain How to Make the Graph Truthful	Explanation is not connected to the information	Explanation is partially correct and partially clear	Explanation is one of clear or correct	Explanation is both clear and correct

Learning Outcome:

For Engineering: Students will demonstrate an ability to recognize ethical and professional responsibilities and make informed judgements, which must consider the impact of engineering solutions in global, economic, environmental, and societal contexts.

Courses evaluated: EGR 1023, EGR 2014/ PHY 3004, EGR 3023, EGR 4072

For MICS: Student will understand the professional, ethical and social issues and responsibilities with implementation and use of technology.

Courses evaluated: MTH 3083, MTH 4072, MTH 4151, CSC/ISS/ MTH4133, CSC3023, ISS 3042, ISS 4012

	Unsatisfactory (1)	Satisfactory (2)	Good (3)	Excellent (4)
Can identify an ethical issue in a problem or scenario. (Ethical Issue Recognition)	Student is unable to identify the core ethical issue of the scenario.	Student identifies a concern of the scenario, but not a core ethical issue.	Student identifies a core ethical issue, but not a secondary concern.	Student identifies a core ethical issue along with secondary concerns
Can apply an ethical framework to ethical issue (virtue, utilitarianism, deontology, analogies) to scenario. (Application of Ethical perspectives/concepts)	Student is unable to state an ethical framework.	Student states an ethical framework and makes an attempt to apply to the scenario.	Student states an ethical framework and is mostly correct in applying it to the scenario.	Student states an ethical framework and can correctly apply it to the scenario.
Can make and support plausible ethical decision(s). (Informed judgement)	Student is unable to form and support a plausible ethical decision.	Student forms a plausible ethical decision, however no support is given.	Student forms a plausible ethical decision and provide minimum support.	Student forms a plausible ethical decision and provide strong support.