Institutional Learning Outcomes for Spring 2019 Imperial Valley College

Introduction:

The following Instructional Learning Outcomes (ILOs) survey was conducted by the Student Learning Outcomes Committee at the end of the Spring 2018 semester. This survey was sent to IVC students who were graduating that semester. The purpose of the ILO collection was to evaluate how these graduating students perceived IVC performed with its ability to meet the following ILOs:

- **ILO1-**communication skills
- ILO2 = critical thinking skills
- **ILO3** = personal responsibility
- ILO4 = information literacy
- ILO5 = global awareness
- Refer to Appendix 1 for comprehensive list of these ILOs.

Methodology:

Nearly 1,100 graduating students in the Spring 2018 semester were solicited to complete this anonymous online survey. Of that number, there were 232 who completed the survey. This survey was both quantitative and qualitative.

Discussion:

As you read through the data results, take notes on any part of the survey that you feel could be improved upon. For example, should some questions be rewritten, or should new questions be added? Also, do you have any general comments to add. The point here is to "Close the Loop", meaning how can we, as a college, make improvements on this data to have a more positive effect on student learning? Since these were ILOs, all members of the college community are asked to submit their constructive feedback. Please email me (Kevin.Howell@imperial.edu) with your feedback.

Results:

The first part of the survey is quantitative, and the second part is qualitative.

1. Through my educational experience at Imperial Valley College, I can apply theories or concepts to solving practical problems.

Responses	#	%
strongly agree	64	57%
agree	47	42%
disagree	1	1%
Total	112	100.0%

2. Through my educational experience at Imperial Valley College, I can analyze the basic elements of an argument, idea, or theory.

Responses	#	%
strongly agree	61	54%
agree	49	44%
disagree	2	2%
Total	112	100.0%

3. Through my educational experience at Imperial Valley College, I can select, evaluate, and use information to support a conclusion.

Responses	#	%
strongly agree	61	54%
agree	51	46%
disagree	0	
Total	112	100.0%

4. Through my educational experience at Imperial Valley College, I can draw from a variety of sources and inspirations to create unique, imaginative or innovative ideas or works.

Responses	#	%
strongly agree	48	43%
agree	59	53%
disagree	4	4%
strongly disagree	1	1%
Total	112	100.0%

5. Through my educational experience at Imperial Valley College, I can identify and evaluate multiple approaches to solving problems.

Responses	#	%
strongly agree	62	55%
agree	49	44%
disagree	1	1%
strongly disagree	0	NA
Total	112	100.0%

6. Through my educational experience at Imperial Valley College, I can apply the knowledge or skills that I acquired in one discipline to work that I do in another discipline.

Responses	#	%
strongly agree	66	5593.4%
agree	43	38%
disagree	3	3%
Total	112	100.0%

7. Through my educational experience at Imperial Valley College, I can speak clearly and effectively to convey an idea or set of facts.

Responses	#	%
strongly agree	56	50%
agree	53	47%
disagree	2	2%
strongly disagree	1	1%
Total	112	100.0%

8. Through my educational experience at Imperial Valley College, I can write clearly and effectively to convey an idea or set of facts.

Responses	#	%
strongly agree	60	54%
agree	51	46%
disagree	1	1%
Total	112	100.0%

9. Through my educational experience at Imperial Valley College, I can find and evaluate sources of information and cite sources appropriately according to institutional and discipline standards.

Responses	#	%
strongly agree	60	54%
agree	48	43%
disagree	4	4%
Total	112	100.0%

10. Through my educational experience at Imperial Valley College, I can integrate ideas or information from a variety of sources into a document or report.

Responses	#	%
strongly agree	62	55%
agree	48	43%
disagree	2	2 %
Total	112	100.0%

11. Through my educational experience at Imperial Valley College, I can understand the perspective of people who hold religious beliefs, political opinions, or personal values that substantially differ from my own.

Responses	#	%
strongly agree	70	63%
agree	38	34%
disagree	3	3%
Total	111	100.0%

12. Through my educational experience at Imperial Valley College, I can work effectively with diverse groups of people to accomplish a task or solve a problem.

Responses	#	%
strongly agree	71	63%
agree	37	33%
disagree	4	4%
Total	112	100.0%

13. Through my educational experience at Imperial Valley College, I can identify the contributions of people from a different economic, social, racial or ethnic background than my own.

Responses	#	%
strongly agree	74	66%
agree	38	34%
Total	112	100.0%

14. Through my educational experience at Imperial Valley College, I can use equations to analyze and solve problems.

Responses	#	%
strongly agree	51	46%
agree	57	51%
disagree	4	4%
Total	112	100.0%

15. Through my educational experience at Imperial Valley College, I can critically analyze whether data, presented in graphs, tables or diagrams, support appropriate conclusions.

Responses	#	%
strongly agree	45	40%
agree	63	56%
disagree	4	4%
Total	112	100.0%

16. Including this year, how many years have you attended Imperial Valley College?

Years	#	%	
one year	2	2%	
two years	33	29%	
three years	34	30%	
four years	28	25%	
five years	5	4%	
six years	6	5%	
Over six years	4	4%	
Total	232	100.0%	

17. My ethnicity is-

Ethnicities	#	%
Asian	1	1%
Black	1	0.4%
Hispanic	98	88%
Multi Race	6	5%
Other	1	1%
White	6	5%
Total	112	100.0%

18. My gender is-

Genders	#	%
Female	90	80%
Male	22	26.0%
Total	112	100.0%

19. My age is-

Ages	#	%	
18-19	12	11%	
20-22	60	54%	
23-25	11	10%	
26-30	12	11%	
31-35	5	4%	
36-40	7	6%	
41-50	5	4%	
51-60	0	NA	
60+	0	NA	
Total	112	100.0%	

20. Type of Degree, Transfer, or Certificate (Mark all that apply)

Type of Degree, Transfer, or Certificate	#	%
AA	18	16%
AA,AA-T	11	10%
AA,AA-T,AS,Certificate	3	3%
AA,AA-T,AS-T	1	1%
AA,AA-T,AS-T,Certificate	2	2%
AA,AA-T, Certificate	2	2%
AA,AS	1	1%
AA,AS,Certificate	3	3%
AA,AS-T	1	1%
AA,Certificate	8	7%
AA,Transfer without a Degree	1	1%
AA-T	25	22%
AA-T,Certificate	4	4%
AS	16	14%
AS,AS-T	2	2%
AS,Certificate	2	2%
AS-T	10	9%
AS-T,Certificate	2	2%
Total	112	100%

Part II- Qualitative Question:

1. Do you have any comments about your learning experience at Imperial Valley College?

- 2. All of my teachers have given me the knowledge to pass my classes.
- 3. Best college Ever. You learn what you need to learn.
- 4. Buy more computers
- 5. Considering I was not in school for quite some time, IVC was a good place to come back to and complete my education
- 6. Do not make getting into nursing program so hard
- 7. During my time at IVC there were teachers who I had enjoyed learning from because I could see that those professors enjoyed what they taught. These are the professors I could see making changes for IVC in positive ways as well for the students they teach. I think it to be important that the school listens to the students and their learning outcomes from the professors they took classes with.
- 8. Everything is excellent!
- 9. everything was good
- 10. Excellent teachers congratulations
- 11. Going to IVC was the best decision. I learned many things in my classes and I am thankful for the experience.
- 12. Good experience. Meet very helpful professors, counsellors and peers. IVC had the proper necessities for me to progress and finish my education before transferring.
- 13. Good school, there are good professors (Dr. Benedicto, Dr. Madani, Mr. Voldman)
 - It's unfortunate that most students aren't aware of the opportunities offered by ivc, information is no7 well spread.
- 14. Great experience just glad to be done
- 15. Great place to get an education:)
- 16. I am really grateful for all the professors I had during my educational experience. There was no problem with them or the classes. The only negative thing I have to say about IVC is that it's campus is not as professional looking and does not have enough recreational resources as other community colleges.
- 17. I am very thankful for my experience at IVC . I had some great professors and I have learned a lot in all of the classes that I have had these past 3 years .
- 18. I appreciated the variety in programs like EOPS that helped me get my schedule in order every semester. I also really enjoyed all of the professors I had in my two years at IVC.
- 19. I believe everyone should just be involved more. I enjoyed joining clubs and leadership because it taught me to network and gain experience that i can use in my everyday life

- 20. I enjoyed learning and growing as an individual here. My experience at imperial valley college allows me to use my skills to a 4-year university.
- 21. i enjoyed most classes but very stress full attempting to finish difficult classes and finals one day after another. But the experience was great and memorizing.
- 22. I enjoyed my experience at imperial valley College and there were many instructors who I really appreciate and that made my experience at ivc a great one.
- 23. I enjoyed my experience at IVC because class sizes were not too big and that made it possible to have a better understanding of the subject.
- 24. I feel like the psychology classes could have been more rigorous to prepare for university instead of having all the answers given to us for guizzes and exams.
- 25. I genuinely enjoy time at IVC. It took me a while to finish but I finally did it and I am proud! I'll be coming back in the fall for the cross and roll program at for SDSU and since 6 units are required at IVC anyway, I'll be killing two birds with one stone and getting another degree.
- 26. I had a fun and safe environment while I was at Imperial Valley College. My learning experience was good and all the staffs and teachers were very helpful throughout my time at Imperial Valley College that made get to this day for graduation. I have learned a lot in this college and would recommend all high school seniors to attend.
- 27. I had a great experience learning with great professors.
- 28. I had a great experience with great professors
- 29. I had not been in school for a very long time and at first, I was scared to return, but once I was in the classes the professor's made me feel better and that I can do this and I did. Thank you to IVC.
- 30. I have enjoyed my college experience at Imperial Valley College due to the nice staff and professors. The education given here is very useful, and will definitely help with future situations.
- 31. I just feel like the DSPS counselor could be more helpful as well as evaluation for teachers there's some that never show up or really don't do anything besides PowerPoints.
- 32. I learned a lot.
- 33. I loved being a port of the clubs on campus and working with ASG to make events happen. It reminded me of my military career. I am hoping to return and possibly get my AA in Agriculture business.
- 34. I loved my IVC experience. It was a very homely environment, and all the teachers I got were outstanding, very inclined to help, very respectful and kind.
- 35. I really enjoyed my experience here at IVC even though the work was hard at times.

- 36. I really liked how flexible IVC was to work schedule. I work full-time and there was a variety of classes I was able to take online. The professors were really knowledgeable and helpful in my opinion.
- 37. I really liked the small community.
- 38. I recommend to everyone no matter the situation
- 39. I think IVC is a great school and has a lot to offer its students.
- 40. I am glad I stayed in the Valley to attend IVC
- 41. Imperial Valley College has a great education system that enables students to receive the best training and preparation for what life has to offer. Thanks to the variety of majors we are able to strive in what we want to pursue.
- 42. Imperial Valley College has really helped me with public speaking.
- 43. Imperial Valley College helped me grow as a student of life. Not only did my knowledge in specific subject expand, but I also learned a lot about personal growth. Although I was a student here longer than I intended to be, I do not regret any moment of it.
- 44. Imperial Valley College should prepare transfer students for university better.
- 45. Imperial Valley College was nice and had good professors that taught material well.
- 46. it has been an adventure
- 47. It took me a long time to complete my college education, I finished when I was mature and ready for a better life and opportunity in my life. The last semester was the most challenging and rewarding because I met incredible staff and classmates. I will cherish the moments spent in this school so much. It was definitely a struggle as I got older. I thank the teachers and counselors willing to help me in this college journey. I feel so ecstatic that this Saturday June 8th I finally completed my first college degree. " you can't go back and change the beginning, but you can start where you are and change the ending" C,S Lewis. Thank you IVC.
- 48. it was a good experience
- 49. it was a great experience
- 50. It was a great experience and now I am ready to further my education.
- 51. It was a great experience at times challenging but overall made me become a better student
- 52. it was a great experience that helped me grow not only as a student but also as a person due to the great teachers that work at IVC.
- 53. It was a great experience
- 54. It was a long, but great experience.
- 55. It was all a great experience

56. It was an amazing learning experience; I have learned to apply my critical thinking skills in my day to day activities.

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- 57. It was great and essay!!
- 58. It was great overall, but what really helped me was all the online courses, without them I wouldn't be able to graduate. Thank you.
- 59. it was hard but great
- 60. It was such a wonderful experience these past 10 years. I will miss
- 61. It would have been nice if there were less required classes in order to advance in one's education.
- 62. It's a great community college for people who want to enter into law enforcement.
- 63. IVC has and is still helping me reach my goals!
- 64. IVC is a very educational school but needs more priority in space.
- 65. IVC isn't as bad as everybody makes it seem like. Going here you safe a lot of money instead of going to a university.
- 66. IVC staff has been helpful and I enjoyed the Professors.
- 67. IVC was a fun college experience
- 68. My experience at IVC was a very good one. I would say that about 95% of the instructors were very professional and knew the subject they were teaching very well. The WIFI is great and the veterans center is amazing along with the DSPS lab.
- 69. My experience in this college was the best I learned a lot of skills for my career in psychology.
- 70. My learning experience at Imperial Valley College has been one of the best ones. The professors are super considerate and are always available in case someone needs extra help with absolutely anything. From my personal experience I have never felt like I have no one to ask help for because there are so many resources that the campus provides. EOPS counselors, Study Skills student tutors, Math Lab tutors everyone plays a key role in this educational journey. Therefore, I am glad that I decided to stay in the Imperial Valley Campus and attain my educational goals locally surrounded by my most loved ones.
- 71. My learning experience has been great at IVC.
- 72. My only comments would be is that I wish all teachers would use canvas and input our grades as we go. It really helps us students see our progress as we go. Instead of stressing the end of the semester because we don't know our accurate grade
- 73. N/a
- 74. No

- 75. no comment
- 76. No comments
- 77. No questions
- 78. No, I enjoyed my time here,
- 79. None
- 80. not really
- 81. Overall a great school to attend and I had a great learning experience with IVC. The science department did an excellent job, the SSS TRIO were excellent and helped me in every way they could to offer and create better learning experiences for myself. Also, the student learning center in the library has excellent tutors that helped me benefit my learning experience!
- 82. Overall, I was pretty satisfied but I believe that there should be a push for more school events.
- 83. Overall, it was a good experience, the humanities professors are the best versus the biology professors who sometimes give students a hard time.
- 84. Overall, I felt my learning experience was great. The college had great resources that helped me finish my studies and had an excellent team within the resources. Imperial Valley College helped me decide on a career path when I did not know what I wanted.
- 85. Really evaluate who you get as professors at IVC, some of them are not at all helpful or there to teach.
- 86. Really good.
- 87. The different resources made school much easier. EOPS. Student Equity. LEAP program.
- 88. The original plan was to take the Pharmacy Technician certificate. But because of these great educators and staff of IVC, I have decided to keep on going and the next thing I knew, I will be included in this batch 2019-degree graduates.
- 89. The professor were great.
- 90. The teachers I had were very helpful both in and out of the classroom. Whenever I needed help regarding the class work, they were able to clarify and provide extra assistance. They also provided advice on becoming a teacher once I had gotten my degree. I really loved my time at IVC.
- 91. There are a few professors who actually stood out and made a difference in my learning experience at IVC and for that I am grateful.

- 92. There were some professors who went above and beyond to help and understand when a student is struggling with the subject or with personal issues. There were some professors who encouraged students instead of putting them down even more. There are some professors who took their time teaching to make sure the students left lecture with the basics of that day's lectures.
 - The student learning center is a great place for additional help. Having tutors in class is great because sometimes the professor can become busy. The math lab is excellent. IVC should have the student learning center and math lab under one roof.
- 93. There are some teachers that should be evaluated again! Some are very hard to understand and work with. But overall great school, very friendly and helpful.
- 94. Throughout the years I have attended Imperial Valley College, I consider that I have learned important concepts. I have learned how to express my ideas by writing essays and apply my knowledge in different situations.
- 95. very great environment. I would highly recommend to anyone planning on getting a higher education.
- 96. Wish I could do it liner Love IVC!!

Appendix 1-

Institutional Student Learning Outcomes

The graduates of Imperial Valley College will demonstrate communication skills, critical thinking skills, personal responsibility, information literacy, and global awareness as a result of their educational experience at this institution.

1. Communication Skills-

- Definition: Communication is the activity of conveying information through the exchange of ideas and information through speech, visuals, signals/symbols, writing, or behavior. It's the meaningful exchange of information from one person to another. Communication may be intentional or unintentional and may take linguistic or nonlinguistic forms.
- Goal: Students will develop effective communication skills for diverse situations.
- Students will be able to:
 - Recognize that communication and expression may be written or oral,
 - verbal or nonverbal, informational or artistic.
 - Develop analytical reading, writing, speaking, and listening skills including evaluation, synthesis, and research.
 - Create substantially error-free writing using appropriate vocabulary.
 - Convey ideas clearly, accurately and logically.
 - Recognize cultural differences in communication and nonverbal cues. Speak effectively to deliver focused and coherent presentations.
 - Apply interpersonal communication skills to work in a team structure.

2. Critical Thinking-

- Definition: Critical thinking is the disciplined process of actively analyzing, synthesizing, and evaluating information gathered from observation, reasoning, and communication, used to draw conclusions and take action.
- Goal: Students will be able to gather and synthesize relevant information, evaluate alternatives, and implement creative and effective solutions.
- Students will be able to:
 - Define and analyze problems clearly.
 - o Think independently, creatively, logically, and effectively.
 - o Apply appropriate problem-solving methods.
 - Analyze and synthesize information from multiple perspectives.
 - Identify purpose and bias in communication.
 - o Identify further problems for study.

3. Personal Responsibility-

 Definition: Personal responsibility is the development of one's personal character and skills designing a life that honors values and purpose. It includes recognizing that the choices and obligations we make in life impact us and others mentally, physically, and emotionally. Personal responsibility includes learning how to respond wisely to opportunities and challenges. It can also involve learning how to recognize and correct mistakes; monitor and judge our own actions and motivations; and develop respect for ourselves and others.

- Goal: Students will become independent learners who understand and demonstrate the lifelong skills necessary for physical, social, economic, mental, and emotional health.
- Students will be able to:
 - Set clear personal, educational, and career goals. Identify and implement lifestyle choices that promote self-reliance, financial
 - literacy, and physical, mental/emotional, and social health.
 - Develop a strong work ethic consciously doing one's very best. This
 - includes the practice of honesty and ethical behavior in the academic
 - environment and effective time management that honors the self and
 - others
 - Recognize and act on the obligation to form one's own judgment and engage diverse perspectives as a resource for learning, citizenship.
 - and work.
 - Develop and demonstrate reasoning in ways that incorporates ethics, goals, and priorities.
 - Demonstrate intellectual exploration skills to include the use of all
 - available resources.
 - Develop and use a clear set of values and an ethical framework in
 - their personal, educational, and professional endeavors.
 - Demonstrate an understanding of the diversity of human perspectives,
 - along with the causes and effects of individual decisions and actions.

4. Information Literacy-

- Definition: Information literacy is the ability to identify an
 information need, and locate, analyze, evaluate, and effectively use
 that information. Information literacy forms the basis for lifelong
 learning. It is common to all disciplines, to all learning environments,
 and to all levels of education.
- Goal: Students will know when information is needed and have the ability to locate, analyze, evaluate, and effectively use it.

- Students will be able to:
 - o Determine the nature and extent of information needed.
 - o Access print and electronic information technologies.
 - Use appropriate search strategies to access information.
 - Critically evaluate the accuracy, credibility and relevance of sources and information.
 - Coherently, ethically and legally incorporate information into projects and assignments.
 - Effectively utilize libraries as a multiplatform information resource.

5. Global Awareness-

- Definition: Global awareness is the acknowledgement that we live and work with people with diverse backgrounds. It includes an understanding of how the individual fits within evolving social, cultural, and economic contexts at global, national, and local levels.
- Goal: Students will define and understand their role and responsibilities as global citizens.
- Students will be able to:
 - Compare and contrast groups of different backgrounds, beliefs, appearances, and lifestyles.
 - Analyze and synthesize cultural products (e.g., art, literature, newspaper articles, and cinema).

Communicate, interact, and work with individuals from other cultural and ethnic groups.