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Call for Proposals

Thank you for considering submitting a proposal for GC's next QEP.

Your ideas are essential to this very important initiative. The new GC QEP will be determined by stakeholders of the university (faculty, staff, students, and administration) via a proposal submission and selection process, which will allow each university stakeholder to vote on the potential topics. All proposals that meet preliminary criteria will be presented to the university community for consideration. Criteria that all proposals must meet can be viewed in this **checklist**. If you need assistance or have questions regarding any items on the proposal form, please contact Dr. Cara Smith, x3530, **cara.smith@gcsu.edu**.

Proposals are due February 18th, 2022

Please submit your QEP proposal using this online form:

https://gcsu.co1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_a96qiVJDiua5ngy

Meet the OIRE Team

Now more than ever, it is so important to remember there is a face behind every name. Our team of 6 work together to provide you with accurate data and an abundance of resources to meet your research, development, and assessment needs. Click here to be directed to our website to learn more about our team members.

Chris Ferland

- Associate Vice President of Institutional Research and Effectiveness
- Started working in IR in 2014
- Fearlessly leads the OIRE team

Cara Smith

- Director of Institutional Effectiveness
- Started working in IR in 2014
- All things effectiveness and assessment

Doug Moore

- Associate Director of Institutional Research
- Started working in IR in 2005
- Website creation, data requests, Fact Book development

Justin Flachbarth

- Senior Business Intelligence Analyst and Data Warehouse Developer
- Started working in IR in 2010
- Maintains data warehouse, data requests, Fact Book development

Anita Fraley

- Coordinator of External Reporting
- Started working in IR in 1990
- Oversees official data reporting to federal, state, and select organizations.

Lauren Farmer

- Research Analyst
- Started working in IR in 2017
- Data requests, ad hoc report creation and projects, Fact Book development

Important Assessment Due Dates

- APRs: July 31, 2021 (past due)
- SMART Reports: October 15, 2021 (past due)
- Progress & Planning: November 30, 2021 (past due)
- Core Assessment, Fall 2021: December 17, 2021 (past due)
- CPRs: April 30, 2022
- Core Assessment, Spring 2022: May 13, 2022 *updated*

External Reporting Update

Our office is in the process of submitting data to the following organizations for external reporting purposes:

- Winter IPEDS Reports
- Princeton Review

Excel Tip of the Month

Use a shortcut to create a table

Tables are among the most useful features in Excel for data that is in contiguous columns and rows. Tables make it easier to sort, filter and visualize, as well as add new rows that maintain the same formatting as the rows above them. In addition, if you make charts from your data, using a table means the chart will automatically update if you add new rows.

If you've been creating tables from your data by going to the Excel ribbon, clicking Insert and then Table, there's an easy keyboard shortcut: After first selecting all your data with Ctrl-A (command-shift-spacebar for Mac), turn it into a table with Ctrl-T (command-T on Mac).