



**Middle Georgia
State University**

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Middle Georgia State University Administrative Assessment

Instructions. This form is used to collect administrative assessments for each budgeted unit at Middle Georgia State University (academic and nonacademic units). Departments should include a brief mission statement (describing what they do and who they serve), goals the department or unit is working to accomplish (in a 5 year time frame. Your goals and objectives should be reported out individuals, linked to the plan imperatives and strategies, align with the measurable objectives from the previous year , and defined and measurable objectives for the upcoming year. This form should be completed by each budgeted unit no later than the end of July. NOTE: All fields are required, please place NA or O in response field ONLY if the numbered objective is not being utilized, otherwise full responses are required. Provide ALL necessary information requested to the fullest extent possible, such that a peer reviewer is not required to assume any information not provided. Utilize the provided assessment scoring rubric drafting guideline to evaluate your report prior to submission. https://www.mga.edu/institutional-research/docs/IEB_Administrative_Score_Card.pdf

****Please SUBMIT the form within 30 minutes of opening this page. If you wait too long to submit you may lose your work**** In the event that you need to edit your submission, you may contact the Faculty Affairs Manager to secure a custom link to edit and resubmit.

Q1. Submitters Email

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Q2. Who is the person responsible for this report?

Christy Colvin

Q3. For which year are you completing this report?

- ☐ FY 23 (July 2022-June 2023)
- ☐ FY 24 (July 2023-June 2024)
- ☒ FY 25 (July 2024-June 2025)

Q4. To which division of the University is your unit assigned?

- ☐ Office of the President
- ☐ Advancement
- ☐ Academic Affairs
- ☒ Fiscal Affairs
- ☐ Enrollment Management
- ☐ Student Affairs

Q5. For which department or area are you reporting? (Ex. Financial Aid, Library, OTR, Athletics, etc)

Accounting; Bursar; Procurement

Q6. The mission and goals of the department should be consistent over a 5 year period, although some institutional changes may necessitate and prompt a change in mission or goals for specific departments. In this section, report the mission statement for your department.

The Middle Georgia State University Office of Accounting Services promotes the mission of the University by providing students with the necessary services to fulfill their financial obligations to the University while maintaining the University's commitment to an affordable education. These services are provided in accordance with the policies and procedures of the University, the USG, and the State of Georgia to ensure sound fiscal responsibility.

Q7. What are the goals for this department? These should be the "big things" the department/area intends to accomplish within 5 years.

To maintain full staffing in order to implement appropriate processes and programs to ensure that the resources in the Office of Accounting Services are being utilized effective and efficiently. Also, to more evenly distribute duties among staff and to provide back-up support for processes.

0. Each year, every department should identify objectives the department hopes to accomplish in the next year. These should align with departmental goals and the MGA strategic plan. In the next section you will be reporting on the objectives you set and whether or not you achieved them in FY25. Later in the document you will report on objectives you hope to accomplish in the coming fiscal year, FY26.

8. Objective 1: What was this department's first objective for this fiscal year? Objectives should be specific, measurable, and achievable within one year.

The Office of Accounting Services (Bursar's Office) will process refunds via the "auto-refunding" process in Banner so that financial aid refunds can be delivered three days sooner than the federally mandated 14-day deadline each semester.

9. Objective 1: Detail specifically how your department measured this objective? (Survey, budget number, number of participants, jobs completed, measurable time and/or effort, etc)

University business calendars and bank wire reports

10. Objective 1: What was your target outcome for this objective? (1.e. 80% participation, 5% enrollment growth, 7% change in engagement)

21% decrease in financial aid refund transmission time.

11. Objective 1: Provide details for your target performance level established (i.e. accreditation requirement, past performance data, peer program review, etc)

USDOE guidelines

12. Objective 1: At what level did the department/area achieve on this objective? (This should be a number, i.e. 82%, 6%, 345 attendees, 75% engagement)

0%

13. Objective 1: Did your department meet this objective?

- ☒ The department did not meet this objective.
- ☐ The department met this objective.
- ☐ The department exceeded this objective.

14. Objective 1: Improvement Plans and Evidence of changes based on an analysis of the results: What did your department learn from working toward this objective? What changes will you make based on this effort next year?

While the auto-refund process did not reduce the number of student accounts that needed to be analyzed manually, the trend was to continue to use the time available to analyze refunds. During the next year, staff will again be encouraged to utilize the refund window more efficiently as well as determine other student account attributes that can be included in the auto-refund process. This objective will be continued for the next year to measure the benefit of a full auto-refund implementation.

15. Objective 2: What was this department's second objective for this fiscal year? Objectives should be specific, measurable, and achievable within one year.

The Office of Accounting Services (Accounting) will ensure that 100% of bank reconciliations are completed by the 15th of each month.

16. Objective 2: Detail specifically how your department measured this objective? (Survey, budget number, number of participants, jobs completed, measurable time and/or effort, etc)

Bank reconciliation date

17. Objective 2: What was your target outcome for this objective? (1.e. 80% participation, 5% enrollment growth, 7% change in engagement)

100%

18. Objective 2: Provide details for your target performance level established (i.e. accreditation requirement, past performance data, peer program review, etc)

USG BPM Requirement

19. Objective 2: At what level did the department/area achieve on this objective? (This should be a number, i.e. 82%, 6%, 345 attendees, 75% engagement)

91%

20. Objective 2: Did your department meet this objective?

- ☒ The department did not meet this objective.
- ☐ The department met this objective.
- ☐ The department exceeded this objective.

21. Objective 2: Improvement Plans and Evidence of changes based on an analysis of the results: What did your department learn from working toward this objective? What changes will you make based on this effort next year?

Timely completion of bank reconciliations ensure that errors are identified sooner and therefore, can be addressed sooner. We feel that this is an extremely important objective and control measure so implemented policies and procedures will remain in place to try to regain a 100% completion rate.

22. Objective 3: What was this department's third objective for this fiscal year? Objectives should be specific, measurable, and achievable within one year.

The Office of Accounting Services (Procurement Office) will ensure that 100 % of P-Card holders and approvers attend training and ePro training is provided to users at least two times through Microsoft Teams

23. Objective 3: Detail specifically how your department measured this objective? (Survey, budget number, number of participants, jobs completed, measurable time and/or effort, etc)

Training sign-in sheets

24. Objective 3: What was your target outcome for this objective? (1.e. 80% participation, 5% enrollment growth, 7% change in engagement)

100%

25. Objective 3: Provide details for your target performance level established (i.e. accreditation requirement, past performance data, peer program review, etc)

DOAS guidelines

26. Objective 3: At what level did the department/area achieve on this objective? (This should be a number, i.e. 82%, 6%, 345 attendees, 75% engagement)

100%

27. Objective 3: Did your department meet this objective?

- ☐ The department did not meet this objective.
- ☒ The department met this objective.
- ☐ The department exceeded this objective.

28. Objective 3: Improvement Plans and Evidence of changes based on an analysis of the results: What did your department learn from working toward this objective? What changes will you make based on this effort next year?

Training is provided to both PCard and ePro users through the year. PCard training is required for both PCard holders and their approvers but ePro training is not required (although it is strongly encouraged). During the 2020-2021 assessment cycle, all training sessions were provided during the year through Microsoft Teams. This delivery method worked well and will be continued during the next assessment cycle to monitor continued success. The Procurement team will be offering monthly drop in sessions for questions and assistance with ePro to better assist users.

29. Objective 4: What was this department's fourth objective for this fiscal year? Objectives should be specific, measurable, and achievable within one year.

N/A

30. Objective 4: Detail specifically how your department measured this objective? (Survey, budget number, number of participants, jobs completed, measurable time and/or effort, etc)

N/A

31. Objective 4: What was your target outcome for this objective? (1.e. 80% participation, 5% enrollment growth, 7% change in engagement)

N/A

32. Objective 4: Provide details for your target performance level established (i.e. accreditation requirement, past performance data, peer program review, etc)

N/A

33. Objective 4: At what level did the department/area achieve on this objective? (This should be a number, i.e. 82%, 6%, 345 attendees, 75% engagement)

N/A

34. Objective 4: Did your department meet this objective?

☐ The department did not meet this objective.

☒ The department met this objective.

- ☐ The department exceeded this objective.

35. Objective 4: Improvement Plans and Evidence of changes based on an analysis of the results: What did your department learn from working toward this objective? What changes will you make based on this effort next year?

N/A

36. Based on your goals and objectives listed above please indicate their connection with MGA's Strategic Plan (https://www.mga.edu/about/strategic-plan/docs/Strategic_Plan_2023-2028.pdf) by checking all associated and relevant Strategies from the list below. (Check all the apply)

- ☐ Champion Student Success 1. Demonstrate standards of excellence in all academic programs
- ☐ Champion Student Success 2. Grow student engagement at all degree levels
- ☐ Champion Student Success 3. Expand enrollment and graduation
- ☐ Lead Innovation and Economic Opportunity 4. Ensure high-demand programs for workforce and career alignment
- ☐ Lead Innovation and Economic Opportunity 5. Use Center for Middle Georgia Studies to drive University outreach
- ☐ Lead Innovation and Economic Opportunity 6. Coordinate faculty scholarship and grant awards to build University reputation
- ☐ Build Culture and Identity 7. Plan, resource, and promote campus roles and identities
- ☐ Build Culture and Identity 8. Pursue great-place/college -to-work designation
- ☐ Build Culture and Identity 9. Promote culture of wellness throughout the MGA community
- ☐ Build Culture and Identity 10. Compete and win at the NCAA Division II level
- ☒ Sustain Fiscal Resilience and Brand Value 11. Apply data-driven accountability to all operations
- ☐ Sustain Fiscal Resilience and Brand Value 12. Maintain access, affordability and value for all students
- ☐ Sustain Fiscal Resilience and Brand Value 13. Grow and diversity streams of revenue

37. Please indicate which of the following actions you took as a result of the 2023/2024 Assessment Cycle (**prior cycle**) (Note: These actions are documented in reports, memos, emails, meeting minutes, or other directives within the reporting area)(Check all the apply)

- ☐ Disseminating/Discussing Assessment Results/Feedback to Appropriate Members of the Campus Community
- ☐ Disseminating/Discussing Assessment Results/Feedback to Appropriate External Stakeholders
- ☐ Faculty or Staff Support: Professional Development Activities, Trainings, Workshops, Technical Assistance
- ☒ Process Changes: Improve, Expand, Refine, Enhance, Discontinue, etc Operational Processes
- ☒ Request for Additional Financial or Human Resources
- ☐ Customer Service Changes: Communication, Services, etc
- ☐ Making Improvements to Teaching Approach, Course Design, Curriculum, Scheduling, other
- ☐ Evaluating and/or Revising the Reporting Lines Internal Assessment Processes

☐ Other

38. Please indicate which of the following actions you will take as a result of the 2024/2025 Assessment Cycle (**current cycle**) (Note: These actions must be documented in reports, memos, emails, meeting minutes, or other directives within the reporting area)(Check all the apply)

- ☐ Disseminating/Discussing Assessment Results/Feedback to Appropriate Members of the Campus Community
- ☐ Disseminating/Discussing Assessment Results/Feedback to Appropriate External Stakeholders
- ☐ Faculty or Staff Support: Professional Development Activities, Trainings, Workshops, Technical Assistance
- ☒ Process Changes: Improve, Expand, Refine, Enhance, Discontinue, etc Operational Processes
- ☒ Request for Additional Financial or Human Resources
- ☐ Customer Service Changes: Communication, Services, etc
- ☐ Making Improvements to Teaching Approach, Course Design, Curriculum, Scheduling, other
- ☐ Evaluating and/or Revising the Reporting Lines Internal Assessment Processes
- ☐ Other

39. Please provide a **comprehensive narrative** outlining how assessment results are utilized for continuous improvement in this field. Your narrative **should be of sufficient length and detail** to address the past, present, and future aspects of assessment, with specific emphasis on how these results inform decision-making and drive improvement efforts.

Objective outcome are continuoulsy monitored to ensure that the results are consistent with expected outcomes, taking into account both past and present assemnents, as well as potential impacts on future assessments. Any significant deviations are analyzed and appropriate adjustments are made.

40. Please indicate (if appropriate) any local, state, or national initiatives (academic or otherwise) that are influential in the operations, or goals, and objectives of your unit. (Complete College Georgia, USG High Impact Practice Initiative, LEAP, USG Momentum Year, Low-Cost No-Cost Books, etc)

N/A

41. Please identify and detail three to four measurable objectives for the next fiscal year. In listing the objectives, please use the format shown in these examples.1) The Department of X will improve services levels by 5% as measured by our satisfaction survey. 2) The department of X will provide training in ABC for at least 73 MGA faculty and staff.

Objective 1 - The Office of Finance & Business (Bursar's Office) will process refunds via the "auto-refunding" process in Banner so that financial aid refunds can be delivered three days sooner than the federally mandated 14-day deadline each semester. Objective 2 - The Office of Finance & Business (Accounting) will ensure that 100% of bank reconciliations are completed by the 15th of each month. Objective 3 - The Office of Finance & Business (Procurement Office) will ensure that 100 % of P-Card holders and approvers attend training and ePro training is provided to users at least two times through Microsoft Teams

42. Optional Mindset Update (Academic Deans ONLY) Please provide an update on the implementation of your school based mindset plan/strategy. Include any adjustments to metrics for the FY24 as well as outcomes associated with your appraisal of your schools activities.

N/A

43. Did you use any of the following resources to support your data collection, analysis, and planning efforts? Please check all that apply and/or list any others you utilized:

- ☐ MGA Dashboards
- ☐ USG Dashboards
- ☐ MGA Institutional Reports
- ☐ USG System-Level Reports
- ☐ MGA Internal Surveys
- ☐ USG-Administered Surveys
- ☐ Academic Program Reviews
- ☐ Strategic Planning Documents (MGA and/or USG)
- ☐ Enrollment Reports (term-over-term, year-over-year)
- ☐ Retention/Graduation/Success Rate Reports
- ☐ Budget or Financial Reports
- ☐ Assessment Reports of Institutional Effectiveness Documents
- ☐ Faculty/Staff Workload Data
- ☐ Peer Institution Comparisons or Benchmarking Reports
- ☐ External Accreditor Data or Standards
- ☐ National or State Data Sets (IPEDS, NCES, Georgia Data System, etc.)
- ☐ Custom Data Requests (OIRDS or other offices)
- ☐ Other (please specify):

44. Optional: The following upload portal is available to supplement your report with supportive documentation should you wish to provide any (instruments, data, etc).

