

Assessment of Non-Academic Outcomes (Fall 2003 and Spring 2004)

Please provide the information below about how your unit assesses the extent to which it meets its expected outcomes. If you need assistance, please contact Dr. Virginia Wheelless at 565-2085 or on Groupwise email. This information is due in the Planning Office no later than February 2, 2004 and will be updated annually.

Unit: Center for US/Mexico Alliances for Community Renewal Date January 31, 2004

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Head of the Unit: Syl Flores- Email _____

I. Mission: Provide the mission of the unit and a statement about how it relates to the university's mission.

The mission of the Center for U.S./Mexico Alliances for Community Renewal, in cooperation with UNT Office of International Programs, is to provide a structure for the development, expansion, and coordination of research, teaching, and service opportunities that strengthen community building and collaborative bi-national activities in Mexico and the United States. These activities will include, among others: the development and implementation of faculty led service learning and research based study abroad opportunities in Mexican communities; the development and implementation of service learning study abroad opportunities in the Metroplex for Mexican students; the exchange of faculty involved in providing technical assistance and research based activities that are linked to community renewal projects; the promotion of student exchange between universities in the two nations. The center will provide opportunities for community renewal activities for faculty in the School of Community Service; faculty from other colleges and schools at UNT; and collaboration with community colleges and universities elsewhere.

II. Previous Evaluations of the Unit: Provide a description of the evaluations/assessments conducted in your unit over the last 5 years and changes that have been made based on the results of these assessments.

The Director of the Center for US/Mexico Alliances for Community Renewal submits a list of goals for the upcoming year to the Dean. The Dean, in conjunction with the Center's director agree on the goals. At the conclusion of the year, the Director submits a status report to the Dean. The Dean evaluates and assesses the Center and provides a final analysis to the Director.

III. Statement of Expected Outcomes: Provide a brief list of the expected outcomes for your unit for 2002-03 or 2003-04 as of this date. Each outcome listed must be capable of being measured by the means noted in IV below. Please number the outcomes (1 to x). After each outcome, describe how the outcome supports student learning and student development.

- **The current number of field schools will be expanded in the US by forming partnerships with US colleges and high schools. The goal will be to have two US universities and colleges, and two high schools participating within 2003-04.**

Measurement: First, did we meet our quantitative goal? Second, a qualitative survey will be administered to assess our effectiveness and identify areas needed to improve.

- **We will also form a partnership with at least two Mexican university partners and two Mexican high schools.**

Measurement: First, did we meet our quantitative goal? Second, a qualitative survey will

be administered to assess our effectiveness and identify areas for improvement.

- **The goal of having additional field school opportunities for Mexican students in the Dallas-Ft. Worth area will be done by pursuing partnerships with area community colleges. Since several area community colleges have open admissions, a field school will be mutually beneficial for their students and from a recruiting standpoint. We will have a partnership with a minimum of one DFW community college.**

Measurement: First, did we meet our quantitative goal? Second, a qualitative survey will be administered to assess our effectiveness and identify areas for improvement.

- **The goal of obtaining at least two partnerships with a national non-profit and a national corporation.**

Measurement: First, did we meet our quantitative goal? Second, a qualitative survey will be administered to assess our effectiveness and identify areas for improvement.

International conferences will be held in each country. The first international conference will be held in Mexico this June 2004.

Measurement: First, did we meet our quantitative goal? Second, a qualitative survey will be administered to conference attendees and participants to assess our effectiveness.

IV. Measuring Expected Outcomes: Describe how the unit measures how the outcomes have been achieved and provide a list of methods and/or tools with the following information:

Name of assessment method or tool

If the method/tool is copyrighted, provide the name of the company who "owns" the tool.

Frequency of use - how often is this tool/method used, e.g., every spring semester students, staff, and faculty are surveyed about parking at UNT; customers are asked to complete evaluation forms when services are rendered; or each fall, the Enrollment Management Committee reviews the results of the Graduating Student Survey produced by the IR&A Office.

V. Use of Assessment Results: Describe how the results of the assessments described in IV above are shared with staff in the unit? How are the results used to improve the unit? Help improve student learning? Enhance student development? Meet the university's vision?

The evaluations will be utilized in a yearend analysis and review of the center. The results will be utilized in the planning of the following years goals and objectives. In addition, the results from each goal will be used to plan for future activities and utilized in the operations of the activities.

VI. Changes Made Based on Assessment Results: Describe how the unit has changed (or why it has not changed) based on the results of the assessment of outcomes. Indicate the year the change was implemented. Please indicate how the expected outcomes have changed if applicable.

The year 2003-04 will be the first year that the plan will be utilized.

Signature of Person Completing the Form:

_____ Date _____

Signature of Unit Head after Reviewing the Form:

_____ Date _____