

Q9: What would you change to improve the 2008 Northern Nevada Assessment Conference (e.g. content, format, logistics, facilities, time of year)? (N=31)

Content is constantly changing naturally. The length of the presentations is, to me, just right--not too short and not too long. UNR's facilities (classrooms and cafeteria) are top-of-the-line and parking is hassle-free. The time of the year works well because the semester has not yet escalated to fever pitch.

Nothing

A magnet (?) for improved networking with colleagues from other institutions.

Include a session on how to use program assessment results to generate changes in the status quo of teaching practices by faculty of a program.

More variety and more workshops to choose from

More research data

None

UNR is a good host site, good time of year.

Everything seemed to flow nicely. I think you've really improved everything over the years. -j

Too many sessions at once

One of my modules was held in Auditorium. The laptop projector didn't work, so we had to use handouts to present. This wasn't the end of the world, but having unrelated groups of people wandering in and out and standing in the back and talking was really disruptive and disrespectful of our efforts to present. It appeared that some of the folks who were responsible for the administration of the conference were some who were talking in the back. Please have these people model the respectful behavior expected from all participants.

Content: Something for every kind of department Format: was overall good: Logistics: Offering sessions more than once so a person can attend one session if they had conflict with another session. Time of Year, Summer. Lots still happening 3rd week of school.

I thought the conference ran smoothly. I preferred one 2006 session where it was more of a working session on portfolios (By Trudy Banta). The Embedded Assessment workshop was similar, but little new material for me.

I thought it was well-planned and organized.

Like it! Thanks!

It was very well organized, the content was first rate. Keep going and growing. Congratulations on a job well done.

Seems like the auditorium is an awful big place for this conference. The lunch was an excellent addition - thank you!

Nothing

Good format, excellent cuisine, fine facilities.....data is helpful. Sincere thanks to all who made this happen!

No ideas--sorry

Content more to the actual work being done would be great. But, you all have done a great job.

No suggestions--this was great!

I liked the way it was set up and would not change any of the items listed.

I thought it was a very strong conference. Facilities were excellent and convenient for all participating institutions. Time of year is convenient; Fridays work better than most days for most persons. Maybe a session on "assessment basics for new faculty?"

I would recommend loading the powerpoint on the computers before the conference, to make it easier and more reliable for presenters to get started...no fiddling with memory sticks and CDs.

Nothing. I am not a teaching faculty so this is more geared for them.

Good work!

Conference has improved each year, no specific recommendations. I like that you didn't schedule a speaker during lunch because many people (from UNR) had to return to their offices during that time and would have missed the speaker. Nice to just have the time free to visit with colleagues, check email, etc.

More information directly related to contexts outside the classroom setting

As mentioned, expanded content. Format was good (with workshop or concurrent sessions) all else ok. Auditorium too big though for sessions.

Not a thing!