



“Accreditation, Institutional Effectiveness,
& Strategic Planning:
How They Work at Rice
& How They Can Work for You”

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Session Objectives

- Gain an understanding of changes and reporting strategies used at Rice.
- Identify cultural characteristics at your and other organizations.
- Obtain new ideas for strategies appropriate for your organization.

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What Accreditation means to
IE & Strategic Planning

- **SACS Requirements**
- 3.3.1 The institution identifies expected outcomes, assesses the extent to which it achieves these outcomes, and provides evidence of improvement based on analysis of the results in each of the following areas: (Institutional Effectiveness)
 - 3.3.1.1 educational programs, to include student learning outcomes
 - 3.3.1.2 administrative support services
 - 3.3.1.3 educational support services
 - 3.3.1.4 research within its educational mission, if appropriate
 - 3.3.1.5 community/public service within its educational mission, if appropriate

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- SACS Requirements
- 3.5.1 The institution identifies college-level general education competencies and the extent to which graduates have attained them. (College-level competencies)



- Vision for the Second Century (V2C)
 - [Vision](#)
- Office of Institutional Effectiveness (OIE)
 - [Mission](#)



- Culture at Rice
- IE cycle
 - 1. Mission/Purpose
 - 2. Desired Outcomes
 - 3. Assessment Plan
 - 4. Assessment Results
 - 5. Action Plan for Improvement
 - 6. Resource Allocation for Actions
 - 7. Evaluation of Action Implementation
 - 8. Continue the Cycle



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Integration of V2C into planning & resource allocation

- **Year A:**
Rice Outcomes Assessment Reporting Outline (ROARS)
<https://my.rice.edu/ROARS/>
 - 1. OUTCOME
 - 2. METHODS
 - 3. RESULTS
 - 4. CONCLUSIONS
 - 5. ACTION PLAN
 - 6. FOLLOW UP EVALUATION
- **Year B:**
Report on Improvement Plan's Effectiveness (RIPE)
 - 7. ACTUALIZED PLAN
 - 8. EVALUATION
 - 9. CONTINUED ACTION PLAN
 - 10. PROCESS

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Culture & Change

We are creatures of habit. Be sure to create programs that:

- Decrease resistance
- Increase success

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Strategies

- Make strategies user & culture friendly
 - ROARS & RIPE
 - Support systems
 - Patience & reflection
 - Meet accreditation requirements

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