Learning Analytics Data Use Subcommittee of Data Stewardship Council

The Purpose

The Learning Analytics Data Use Subcommittee (LADUS) is an ad hoc committee convened by the Data Stewardship Council (DSC) and will also seek endorsement from the Learning Analytics Roadmap Committee (LARC). A confluence of activities across campus, some central and others operating at local levels, dictates that the University needs to establish policy regarding the appropriate use of data for the educational practice of learning analytics. The creation of policy around data use for learning analytics will provide transparency to all stakeholders about data use and learning analytics practices.

The Learning Analytics Roadmap Committee has contextually defined learning analytics as the undertaking of activities designed to improve student outcomes by informing structure, content, delivery, or support of the learning environment. It is within this context that LADUS will reside. The charge, deliverables, timeline, and membership are detailed below.

The Charge

The Learning Analytics Data Use Subcommittee will establish guidelines for the use of data for learning analytics as an educational practice. The guidelines will serve as a foundation for future policy.

The Deliverables

The Learning Analytics Data Use Subcommittee will develop guiding principles regarding the use of data for learning analytics purposes. Additionally, the subcommittee will present a recommendation on how to integrate learning analytics data principles into the newly established teaching and learning data domain. LADUS should also consider how the guidelines may be informed by existing technology governance groups.

Timeline

LADUS was established in the fall of 2018 with expected delivery of recommendations to DSC by late spring. Other important timelines are below:

April 2 Listening session #1 (faculty, instructors, support staff) to Blended Learning Faculty Fellowship on Learning Analytics – BLFP LA
April (date TBD) Listening session #2 (administrative) to Policy, Planning, and Analysis Team – PAT
May 13 LADUS presents recommendations to LARC for endorsement
May 16 Listening session #3 (faculty, instructors, support staff, administrators) at Teaching & Learning Symposium
May 28 LADUS presents recommendations to DSC

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Membership

Beth Martin, Pharmacy (co-chair)
Kim Arnold, DoIT AT (co-chair)
Steve Cramer, Provost Office
McKinney Austin, Office of Data Management & Analytics Services
Scott Owczarek, Office of the Registrar
Wren Singer and Jeff Shokler, Office of Undergraduate Advising
Sara Hagen, Engineering
Timothy Paustian, Microbiology
Brian Yandell, Biometry, Horticulture, and Statistics