TESTING AND RESEARCH

Mission Statement

It is the mission of the Testing & Research office to enhance students' learning environment at CSU, Chico by providing for them the admission, placement, and competency testing that measures their academic needs and successes, helping faculty provide timely feedback by offering a classroom test scoring service, and enabling students to have input in their educational process by conducting the Student Evaluation of Teaching. The Testing & Research office is also committed to providing the university community with unique information about the students who attend CSU, Chico and expertise in test construction, measurement and assessment techniques, and data acquisition and interpretation.

General Program Goals

1. Provide a full range of testing information, high quality and technologically advance test administrations, and current score databases to make required testing accessible to students and useful to the University.

2. Provide fast and accurate multiple-choice classroom test scoring services for faculty so that students may benefit from timely faculty feedback on exam performance.

3. Provide students with an opportunity to influence their education through submission of confidential Student Evaluation of Teaching forms and accurately handling the evaluation data to produce a meaningful summary of each class' results for faculty feedback and for the University's retention, tenure, and promotion decisions.

4. Conduct research to identify unique characteristics of CSU, Chico students throughout their academic experience. Communicate the research results to the campus community to enhance the student's learning environment.

5. Provide expertise to the university and local community on testing, measurement, and assessment through personal communication, workshops, or presentations.

6. Maintain an overall program that is efficient and effective in its organization and operation.