

## **Institutional Research Annual Report 2007-08**

Carol Trosset, Director

### Wabash National Study

- Analyzed data, made connections with other research on Hampshire College
- Wrote reports summarizing data in non-technical language
- Presented data to deans, faculty, and trustees
- Met by invitation with three schools (CS, HACU, SS) to present and discuss the data and its implications
- Conducted classroom version of survey questions on teaching quality

### Fact Book

- Prepared and distributed new edition of Hampshire College Fact Book

### End-of-Course Evaluations

- Worked with Donahue Institute to produce and scan forms
- Distributed and collected forms from students and faculty each term
- Produced and distributed statistical reports summarizing results for each course
- Provided School Deans with copies of evaluations for all non-regular faculty

### Enrollment Management

- Worked with Director of Central Records to provide regular population reports
- Provided enrollment predictions used to set admission targets

### External Reporting

- Worked with other offices to collect all data needed for external reporting
- Completed, or ensured the completion of, all external reports

### Teagle Assessment Grant

- Directed reader norming session and analyzed data for Hampshire, Hope, Hobart & William Smith, and Wabash Colleges' writing assessment activity

### Teagle Work Grant

- Analyzed data collected by participating colleges

### Miscellaneous

- Taught January term course CS 136, Welsh Language, Linguistics, and Sociolinguistics
- Hired half-time Research Associate to start July 2008
- Provided data support to Finance office
- Fact-checking for NEASC self-study document
- Completed training for Intercultural Development Inventory and administered instrument to staff and trustees

### *External Professional Activity*

Teagle Assessment Scholar, Wabash Center of Inquiry in the Liberal Arts

Higher Education Data Sharing Consortium, Member of Board of Directors and Co-chair of Research Advisory Committee

American Association of Colleges and Universities, Board of Directors, Core Commitments project

Knox College, consultant, Title III grant on improving data-driven decision-making

Hartwick College, conduct assessment workshop with David Paris

### *Publications*

Discovering What Students and Professors Expect from Advising Relationships. 2007. Association for Institutional Research Volume on Mixed Methods.

Qualitative Research Methods for Institutional Research. 2007. Association for Institutional Research Volume on Mixed Methods.

The Essential Features of Undergraduate Research. 2008. Carol Trosset, David Lopatto, and Sarah Elgin. In To Think and Act Like a Scientist: Undergraduate Research Experiences and Their Effects, Taraban and Blandon, eds. Teachers College Press, Columbia University: New York.

### *Presentations*

Using Assessment Data to Understand Experiences with Diversity. With Charlie Blaich, Lee Cuba, and Steven Weisler. New England Association of Schools and Colleges 2007, American Association of Colleges and Universities 2008.

Connecting Inputs to Outcomes: Academic Motivation and Performance. 2008. With Steven Weisler. American Association of Colleges and Universities.

What to do with Qualitative Data. 2008. Mixed-Methods Workshop at Wabash Center for Inquiry in the Liberal Arts.

Liberal Arts Education: Preparing for a Life of Work. 2008. With Steven Weisler and Rick Vaz. American Association of Colleges and Universities.

Analyzing and Presenting Hampshire College's Wabash National Study Data. 2008. Teagle Scholars' Workshop at Wabash Center for Inquiry in the Liberal Arts.

Using Wabash National Study Data to Understand Hampshire College. 2008. Higher Education Data Sharing Consortium.