



# Outcomes-Based Curriculum Development

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## **Learning Outcomes**

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- Formulate and Write properly the statement of expected learning outcomes (ELO)
- Translate ELOs to programme structure and content
- Apply constructive alignment to curriculum development
- Develop properly teaching-learning activities and assessment methods co-ordinated with CLO
- Q&A

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#### **Ouestions**

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- ทำไมต้องทำ AUN QA
   (ขอเหตุผลเป็นรูปธรรมชัดเจน ถ้าเป็นไปได้ครับ)
- ประเทศต่างๆ ใน อาเชียนเป็นอย่างไร ไปถึงไหนบ้าง ตัวอย่างที่ดีคือมหาวิทยาลัยไหนบ้างครับ พอเทียบแล้วเราระดับไหน

#### **Higher Education systems by economic status:**

Economic status	Countries	Higher Education in Focus
Lower income Low-middle income	Cambodia, Lao PDR, Myanmar, Viet Nam	Higher Education Systems are primarily focused on  Policy reform & System expansion Increasing enrollment Infrastructure development Quality Assurance Development and Implementation
Middle-income	Indonesia Malaysia Philippines Thailand	Higher Education Systems are increasingly emphasis on  • Quality Improvement  • Internationalisation
High-income	Brunei	Higher Education System is developed more independent with global partnership
	Singapore	Higher Education System is <b>well-developed</b> with high international recognition





#### **Number of Higher Education Institutions in ASEAN**

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Country	#	Country	#
Brunei 0.42	<b>4</b> (by 2008)	Philippines 102	2299 (by 2013)
Cambodia 15	<b>105</b> (by 2014)	Singapore 5.7	<b>19</b> (by 2010)
Indonesia 259	<b>3800</b> (by 2014)	Thailand 68	<b>141</b> (by 2013)
Laos 6.8	<b>45</b> (by 2010)	Timor-Leste 1.2	<b>3</b> (by 2012)
Malaysia 30	488 (by 2010)	Vietnam 94	<b>376</b> (by 2009)
Myanmar 54	<b>169</b> (by 2014)		

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#### **QA Agencies in ASEAN**

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Philippines		PAASCU	1957
Indonesia	_	BAN-PT	1994
Malaysia		MQA	1997
Brunei	~	BDNAC	2000
Thailand		ONESQA	2000
Singapore	(Control of the Control of the Contr	CPE	2000
Cambodia		ACC	2003
Vietnam	*	GDETA	2003
Laos		QAC	2008

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## **Diversity of QA Agencies in ASEAN**

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Туре	Characteristics of QA Agency	Country	Remarks
1	Centralised Governmental Agency	<ul><li>Brunei</li><li>Myanmar</li><li>Lao PDR</li><li>Singapore</li></ul>	<ul> <li>Under Ministry of Education</li> <li>No autonomy</li> </ul>
2	Quasi Governmental Agency	<ul><li>Cambodia</li><li>Indonesia</li><li>Malaysia</li><li>Thailand</li><li>Viet Nam</li></ul>	<ul> <li>Sponsored by National Government</li> <li>Have <u>certain autonomy</u> to manage their QA activities</li> </ul>
3	Non-Governmental Agency	• Philippines	<ul> <li>Full autonomy</li> <li>Not related to any government bodies</li> </ul>

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## National Qualifications Frameworkscomparability-implementation expereince

Malaysian Qualifications Framework
Thai National Qualifications Framework
Indonesian Qualifications Framework
Philippines Qualifications Framework
Brunei D National Qualifications Framework
Cambodian Qualifications Framework
Vietnam National Qualifications Framework
Singapore (Workforce Skills Competency Framework)
Laos (in progress)
Myanmar (planning)

Similar features but not identical

Objectives

Scope/sectors

Levels -complexity

Learning outcomes-domains

Credits (learner centric)

Ownership/responsibility

Generally underpinned by MOE's regulations and quality assurance systems

Accreditation and comparability of qualifications

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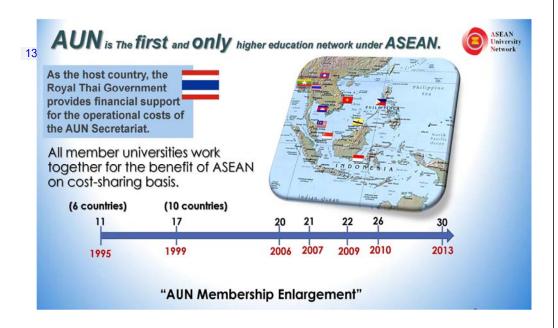


## **QA in Higher Education**









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#### Strength of AUN-QA

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- Only External QA (EQA) Systems and Mechanism for regional standard in ASEAN region
- The AUN network which is supported by 30 Core Member Universities of the 10 ASEAN member countries.
- A network of COOs and AUN-OA Assessors from 30 AUN-QA Members and **31** AUN-QA Associate Members
- Strong network in collaboration with both **European and Asian QA networks** including DAAD, HRK, ENQA, AQAN, SEAMEO RIHED

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## Strength of AUN-QA

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- Gained rich experiences in programme assessment in ASEAN
- QA certification at programme level is recognised by universities in ASEAN.
- Well recognised by national and regional bodies as well as NGOs funding AUN-QA projects

#### Brunei Darussalam

Universiti Brunei Darussalam

#### Cambodia

Royal University of Phnom Penh Royal University of Law and Economics

#### Indonesia

Universitas Gadjah Mada Universitas Indonesia Institut Teknologi Bandung Universitas Airlangga

#### Lao PDR

National University of Laos

#### Malaysia

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University of Malaya Universiti Sains Malavsia Universiti Kebangsaan Malaysia Universiti Putra Malaysia Universiti Utara Malaysia

#### Myanmar Myanmar

Institute of Economics, Yangon University of Yangon University of Mandalay

#### The Philippines

University of the Philippines De La Salle University Ateneo de Manila University

#### Singapore

National University of Singapore Nanyang Technological University Singapore Management University

#### Thailand

Chulalongkorn University **Burapha University** Mahidol University Chiang Mai University Prince of Songkla University

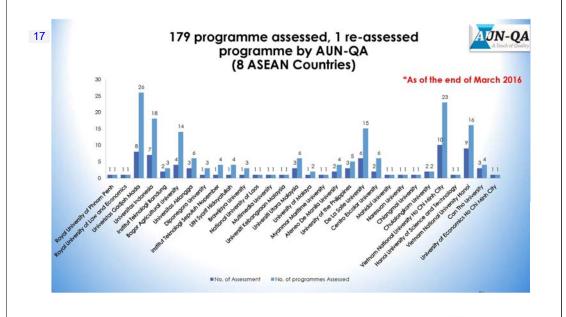
#### **Viet Nam**

Vietnam National University, Hanoi Vietnam National University, Ho Chi Minh City Can Tho University

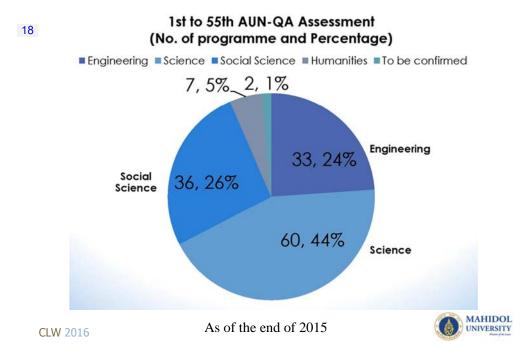




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## Classification of programme assessment by subject





## International recognition

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- Publicity of AUN-QA system (AUN-QA Guidelines & AUN-QA Manual) have been used as the examples of good practices among universities in ASEAN as well as East African Universities.
- Translation of AUN-QA Guidelines and Manual to Chinese, Vietnamese, Indonesian and Thai languages
- By being high recognition within ASEAN;



## International recognition

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- MOET, Vietnam already established the Regional QA Centre at VNU-Hanoi and VNU-HCMC based on AUN-QA System
- MORTHE, Indonesia has recognized AUN-QA System to be voluntary implemented among universities.
- Some universities in **Thailand** also adopted AUN-QA System for IQA and has implemented since 2015.





## International Collaboration with dialogue partners

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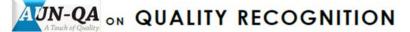


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#### What's next...

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- Strengthen University QA Professionals in ASEAN
  - Uplift quality education at programme level by AUN-QA Assessment Services
  - Develop and implement "AUN-QA Institutional Assessment"



- Engage with the international/national QA networks for system-development and
- Partnering with AQAN to develop "ASEAN Quality Assurance Framework (AQAF)"



- Expand AUN-QA Cooperation with dialogue partners (ASEAN+3)
- Cooperate with EU partners in "Institutional Assessment" under "EU-SHARE Programme"

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#### **AUN-QA Model at Programme Level**

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- Design based on OBE Framework
- PDCA Approach to Assessment
- Principles-based assessment system designed for Improvement to Best practice

#### Why the shift to outcomes-based education?

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> International trends in education show a shift from the traditional 'teacher-centered' approach to a 'student-centered approach'. This approach is commonly referred to as outcome-based approach. The model focuses on what the students are expected to be able to do at the end of the module or programme.

(Kennedy, D. 2007)





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# Learning Outcomes at more than 80% Higher Education Institutions 7% Idon't know Yes, for some courses

Reichert S: AAC&U Conference,

Washington D.C., 2010

## Why Urgent?

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- Significant worldwide Higher Education Reform and acceptance
- Global competetiveness
- · Labour market will require it

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#### Questions

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- การกำหนด ELO ของหลักสูตร (PLO)
  - คืออะไร ทำไมต้องมี ELO
  - มีแล้วเอาไปทำอะไร ต่อบ้าง
     เช่น กำหนด specification ของหลักสูตร
     รายวิชา และ ELO รายวิชา (CLO)
  - วิธีการสร้าง ทำอย่างไรบ้าง
  - ตัวอย่าง ELO ของที่ต่างเป็น วิศวกรรมศาสตร์ ก็จะดีครับ



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#### What is outcome-based education?

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#### **Outcome-based education (OBE)**

is a **learner-centered** learning philosophy that focuses on measuring **students' performance** (the intended learning outcomes). OBE itself is **not** a **teaching style** or method, it is a principle for **designing your teaching** in an effective way that enables learning happen and **helps students to** achieve the intended learning outcomes. Therefore, what matters most in OBE is "what is learnt" rather than "what is taught".

http://celt.ust.hk/learner-centered-course-design



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## "Product (ELOs) defines process (SCL)"

Harden RM, et.al. Med Teacher 21(1): 7-14, 1999

**Expected Learning Outcomes** (ELOs) is what the student should be able to know, understand and to do at the end of the programme.

**SCL**: "Student-Centered-Learning"

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#### **OBE Concept**

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#### **Expected Learning Outcomes**

Statements specifying what the learners will know and be able to do at the end of the programme.





#### **Learning Activities**

The teaching and learning methods which the teachers use to achieve each of the Learning Outcomes. Students will know exactly why they are being asked to engage in certain teaching and learning activities in their courses.

**Assessments** 

An on-going process aims improving students' learning by measuring the learning outcomes they have achieved. Feedback will be given so that students know what they need to do in order to get better grades.

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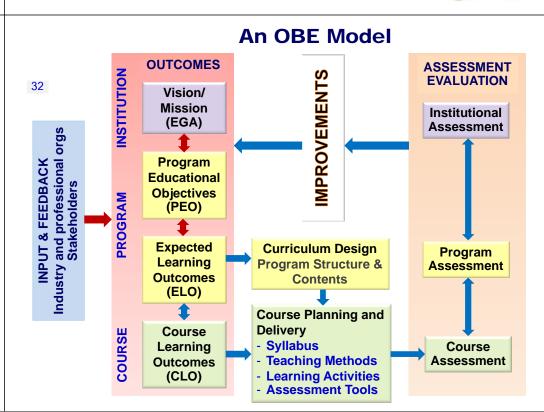


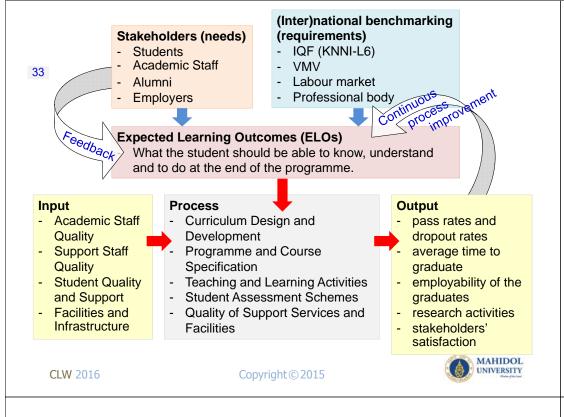
## **Key Concepts and Principles of OBE**

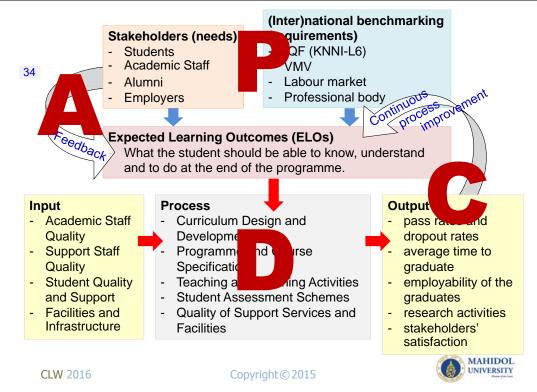
Focus on results of learning (ELOs)

- Backwards curriculum design design down (from the performances expected of graduates) and deliver up.
- Create learning opportunities to help different learners achieve learning outcomes
- Constructive alignment (assessment learning activities – learning outcomes)

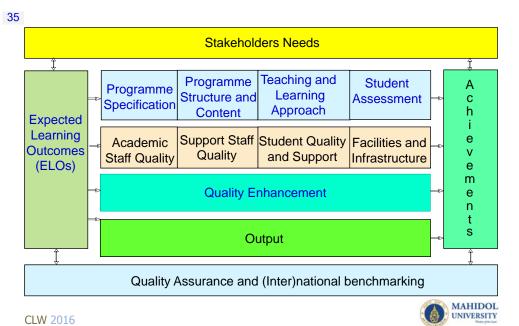








#### **AUN-QA Model at Programme Level (V.3 2015)**

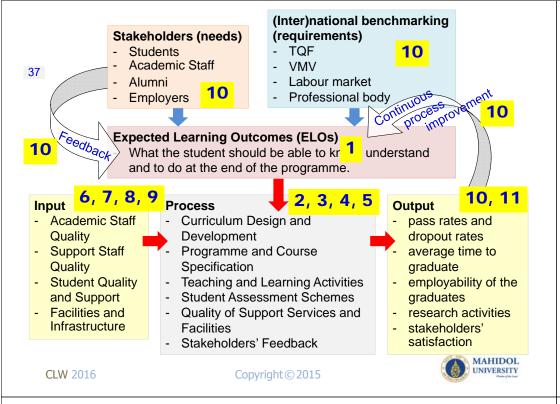


## Criteria

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- Expected Learning Outcomes
- Programme Specification
- 3. Programme Structure and Content
- Teaching and Learning Approach
- Student Assessment
- 6. Academic Staff Quality
- Support Staff Quality
- 8. Student Quality and Support
- Facilities and Infrastructure
- 10. Quality Enhancement
- 11.Output





	TQF	AUN-QA Criteria	Documents
38	มคอ 1	1, 2	ELOs (+5 TQF Domains)
	มาตรฐานสาขาวิชา		
	มคอ 2	2, 3	Curriculum mapping,
	หลักสูตร		Programme specification,
			Course specification
	มคอ 3-4	3, 4, 5	Syllabus, Study plan,
	ประมวลรายวิชา/ภาค		T&L activities
	สนาม + แผนการสอน		
	มคอ 5-6	5, 10	Course assessment
	ประเมินรายวิชา/		schemes
	ภาคสนาม		
	มคอ 7	5, 10	Programme assessments,
	ประเมินหลักสูตร		Exit assessments
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## **Programme (Expected) learning outcomes**

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- The PLO (ELO) is the starting point of the Programme design and improvement.
- ELO is what the student should be able to know, understand and to do at the end of the programme.
- EOLs should be formulated from the needs of the stakeholders.
- ELOs should be written in a way where learning is translated into observable and measurable results which can be demonstrated and assessed.

## **Learning Outcomes (EQF 2008)**

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 Learning outcomes means statements of what a learner knows, understands and is able to do on completion of a learning process, which are defined in terms of knowledge, skills and competence.





- Knowledge means the body of <u>facts</u>, <u>principles</u>, <u>theories and practices</u> that is related to a field of work or study.
  - Skills means the ability to <u>apply knowledge</u> and use know-how to complete tasks and solve problems.
     Skills are described as <u>cognitive</u> or <u>practical</u>.
  - Competence means the proven <u>ability to use</u> <u>knowledge</u>, <u>skills and personal</u>, <u>social and/or</u> <u>methodological abilities</u>, in work or study situations and in professional and personal development.

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#### **Categories of Learning Outcomes**

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Specific outcomes:

The outcomes that relate to the subject discipline and the knowledge, skills and/or competences particular to it;

 Generic outcomes (sometimes called transferable skills)

The outcomes that relate to any and all disciplines e.g. written, oral, problem-solving, information technology, and team working skills, etc.

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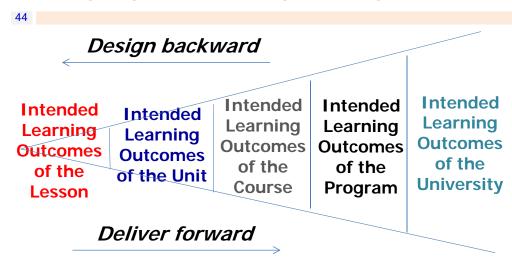
## **Generic learning outcomes**

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Generic learning outcomes are the transferrable, non discipline specific skills a graduate may achieve through learning that have application in study, work and life contexts. The four broad categories of generic learning outcomes recognised in the AQF are:

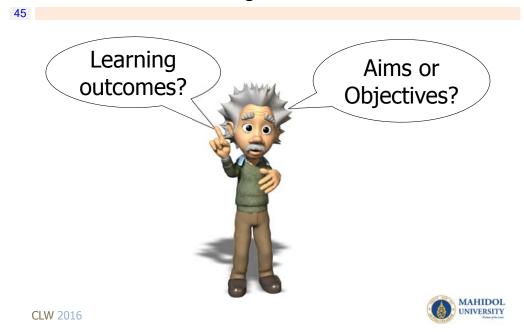
- fundamental skills, such as literacy and numeracy appropriate to the level and qualification type
- people skills, such as working with others and communication skills
- thinking skills, such as learning to learn, decision making and problem solving
- personal skills, such as self direction and acting with integrity.

#### **Designing and Delivering Learning Outcomes**





## Aims (Goals), Objectives and LOs



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Aims (Goals) or objectives are more concerned with teaching, the <u>teacher's intentions</u> and the management of learning.

Learning outcomes are concerned with the <u>achievements or results of the learner</u> rather than the intentions of the teacher.

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#### **Translate Aims and Objectives to PLO**

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- Aim "To implement the undergraduate education to master the concepts of modern biology".
- Objectives "To empower community through the application of modern biological innovations"
- Learning outcome "Students should be able to apply the modern biological innovations underpinning the use of molecular biology to community.

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## Easy Syntax..... PLO Statement

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Upon completion of this **programme**, the student will be able to:

- Action verb (Bloom's Taxonomy)
  - + Objects + Modification (T&L / Assessment)

#### Example

- Apply + Modern Biology + especially related to molecular biology and nano-biology
- Relate + modern biology + concept to conserve the biodiversity

## **Bloom's Taxonomy**

BLOOM'S TAXONOMY provides verbs that are useful for articulating student learning outcomes in each of the three domains.



Benjamin Bloom (1913 - 1999)

**Cognitive**: Mental Skills (Knowledge)

 Affective: Growth in Feelings or Emotional Areas (Attitude)

**Psychomotor**: Manual or Physical Skills (Skills)

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#### Cognitive: Verb

Remembering: Choose, Describe, Define, Identify, Label, List, Locate, Match, Memorize, Name, Recite, Select, State, Count, Draw, Outline, Point. **Understanding**: Classify, Defend, Demonstrate, Distinguish, Explain, Express, Extend, Give, Examples, Illustrate, Indicate, Interrelate, Interpret, Judge, Match, Paraphrase, Represent, Restate, Rewrite, Select, Show, Summarize, Tell, Translate, Associate, Compute, Convert, Discuss, Estimate Applying: Apply, Choose, Dramatize, Explain, Generalize, Judge, Organize, Prepare, Produce, Select, Show, Sketch, Solve, Use, Add, Calculate, Change, Classify, Complete, Compute, Discover, Divide, Examine, Graph, Interpolate, Manipulate, Modify, Operate, Subtract Analyzing: Analyze, Categorize, Classify, Compare, Differentiate, Select, Distinguish, Identify, Point out, Subdivide, Survey, Arrange, Breakdown, Combine, Design, Detect, Diagram, Develop, Discriminate, illustrate, Utilize Evaluating: Appraise, Judge, Criticize, Defend, Compare, Assess, Conclude, Contrast, Critique, Determine, Grade, Justify, Measure, Rate Creating: Combine, Construct, Create, Design, Develop, Formulate, Hypothesize, Invent, Make, Originate, Organize, Plan, Produce, Generate, Group, Integrate, Reconstruct, Revise, Rewrite, Transform MAHIDOL UNIVERSITY CLW 2016

**SOLO TAXONOMY** (after Biggs and Collis 1982)

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Structure of **Observed** Learning Outcomes

Prestructural

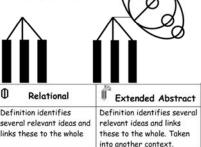
Needs assistance

Define Identify Do simple procedure

Define Describe List Do algorithm Combine

Compare/contrast Explain causes Sequence Classify Analyse Part/whole Relate Analogy Apply Formulate questions

Evaluate Theorise Generalise Predict Create **Imagine** Hypothesise Reflect



Prestructural Unistructural Multistructural

I Unistructural

relevant idea

Definition identifies one

Multistructural

Definition identifies

several relevant ideas

Relational

Extended abstract



#### **Example**

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 Programme aims to produce graduates who possess in-depth knowledge and skills for scientific decision making, and are able to construct models and analyse the problems accordingly. The possessed knowledge and skill should also be integrated in the other field areas such as economy, accounting and management.

#### **Programme Learning Outcomes**

LOD 1	Apply knowledge of mathematics, probability, statistics, operational research/decision science and operation management, as well as information and communication technology (ICT).
LOD 2	Design, model and solve real world and hypothetical problems, and thus able to analyse and interpret data using contemporary computer tools.
LOD 3	Use quantitative techniques, modelling skills and contemporary decision science tools for industries, public institution and society.
LOD 4	Communicate effectively orally, graphically and in writing, and function in culturally diverse, gender-diverse and multi-disciplinary teams.
LOD 5	Integrate and synthesize organisational issues, and evaluate potential solutions in the broader context of the organisation or society.
LOD 6	Participate in lifelong learning, career advancement activities, and keep up-to-date with knowledge of emerging technologies.
LOD 7	Commercialise tangible and intangible decision making products, in the form of written, oral and electronic media.
LOD 8	Carry out professional and ethical responsibility.
LOD 9	Portray leadership and accountability, and exercising management and decision making skills.

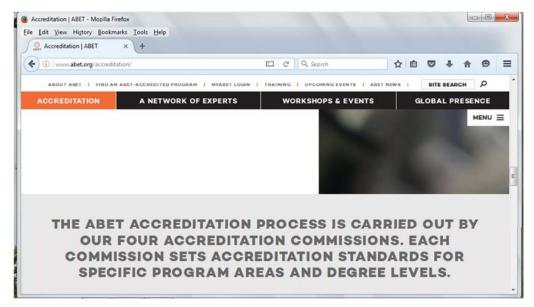
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# Learning Outcomes for Engineering Programs ABET: 2016-2017 - Proposed Changes

- 1. **Identify, formulate, and solve** engineering problems by applying principles of engineering, science, and mathematics.
- Apply both analysis and synthesis in the engineering design process, resulting in designs that meet desired needs.
- Develop and conduct appropriate experimentation, analyze and interpret data, and use engineering judgment to draw conclusions.
- 4. **Communicate** effectively with a range of audiences.

#### **ABET Accreditation**



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- 5. **Recognize** ethical and professional responsibilities in engineering situations and make informed judgments, which must consider the impact of engineering solutions in global, economic, environmental, and societal contexts.
  - Recognize the ongoing need for additional knowledge and locate, evaluate, integrate, and apply this knowledge appropriately.
  - Function effectively on teams that establish goals, plan tasks, meet deadlines, and analyze risk and uncertainty.





#### Learning Outcomes of Masters Degree specified in AQF

AQF level 9 criteria				
Summary	Graduates at this level will have specialised knowledge and skills for research, and/or professional practice and/or further learning			
Knowledge	Graduates at this level will have advanced and integrated understanding of a complex body of knowledge in one or more disciplines or areas of practice			
Skills	Graduates at this level will have expert, specialised cognitive and technical skills in a body of knowledge or practice to independently:  • analyse critically, reflect on and synthesise complex information, problems, concepts and theorie research and apply established theories to a body of knowledge or practice  • interpret and transmit knowledge, skills and ideas to specialist and non-specialist audiences			
Application of knowledge and skills	Graduates at this level will apply knowledge and skills to demonstrate autonomy, expert judgement, adaptability and responsibility as a practitioner or learner			

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#### Learning Outcomes of Doctoral Degree specified in AQF

AQF level 10 criteria Summary Graduates at this level will have systematic and critical understanding of a complex field of learning and specialised research skills for the advancement of learning and/or for professional practice Knowledge Graduates at this level will have systemic and critical understanding of a substantial and complex body of knowledge at the frontier of a discipline or area of professional practice Skills Graduates at this level will have expert, specialised cognitive, technical and research skills in a discipline area to independently and systematically: · engage in critical reflection, synthesis and evaluation develop, adapt and implement research methodologies to extend and redefine existing knowledge or disseminate and promote new insights to peers and the community generate original knowledge and understanding to make a substantial contribution to a discipline or area of professional practice Application Graduates at this level will apply knowledge and skills to demonstrate autonomy, authoritative judgement, adaptability and responsibility as an expert and leading practitioner or scholar of knowledge and skills

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## **Considerations for Developing PLOs**

- Information need to understand as input:
  - 1. VMV, ULOs, Accreditation & benchmarking, Professional requirements (target what),
  - 2. Stakeholders' requirements (feedbacks what),
  - 3. Understand TQF (translate What)
  - 4. Understand EQA-AUNQA Criteria (What works?)
  - 5. Issue/problem/need is identified (issue what, why do?),
- Development Team
- Do the Strategic Plan

# When writing learning outcomes:

Writing of PLOs

- use only action verbs of the same level of taxonomy per learning outcome and target specific aspects of expected performance include action verbs
- avoid vague verbs such as know and understand
- write in terms of what the learner will do, not what the instructor will do
- for PLOs, check that they fit within the programme aims and/or TQF1&2
- SMART characteristics





#### **SMART**

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SMART helps to check an LO that required characteristics:

- Specific: accurately states what the successful student is expected to achieve
- Measurable: open to assessment which accurately assesses whether or not the outcome has been achieved
- <u>A</u>chievable: should be within the range of abilities of the student
- Relevant: should be relatable to the key aims of the programme
- <u>Time scaled</u>: must be achievable within the duration of the study-unit/programme

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# **Exercise 1: Formurating Programme Learning Outcomes**

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#### **Procedures:**

- Formulate your Programme Learning Outcomes (PLO) in related to:
  - 1. TQF/Programme Objectives (Aims)
  - 2. VMV-MU, VMV-PH, GA
  - 3. Key Stakeholders' requirements
  - 2. Bloom's Taxonomy
- Write the statement of PLOs

**Documents: D1-D3** 

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# **Exercise 2: Categorise the Programme Learning Outcomes**

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#### **Procedures:**

- From the Results of exercise 1 please classify each PLO as Specific or Generic learning outcomes and/or competency
- Identify the level of Bloom's taxonomy for each PLO

**Documents:** Results from Exercise 1



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#### **Categories of ELOs**

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PLO	Statement	Generic LO	Specific LO	Competency
1			Α	
2			Α	
3			Е	
4		R	Е	
5			Е	

**Blooms' Taxonomy** R = Remembering / Understanding

A = Applying / Analyzing

E = Evaluating / Creating

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Exercise 3: Align Stakeholders' Needs or **Requirements to the PLOs** 

#### Procedures:

- Aligning the stakeholders' needs or requirements to the formulated PLOs of your programme
- Use the checklist template

#### Documents:

- 1. PLOs
- 2. Checklist template

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#### Aligning Stakeholders' Needs to Learning Outcomes

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No	LO	TQF	VMV	Alumni	Employer	ect.
1		X	X			?
2			X			
3		X	X	X		
4		Х	X	X	X	
5		X	X		X	
6			X	X		
7		X	X	X	X	
8		Х	Х	X	X	?







Time for Questions