

The *Connex*® Postsecondary Assessment System

Universal Guidance Assessment for College and University Students

The CAPE Network *Connex* Assessment System provides college advisors and support professionals with data that inform student support services, specifically –

- Academic and career advising
- Interventions to improve the student’s educational experience
- Efforts to improve student retention and graduation
- Identification of candidates for specific campus services or programs

Connex assessments are brief online questionnaires directed to students to collect key data on the student’s collegiate experience. Most students will complete the standard forms of the assessments in 20 minutes or less. Student and group data reports are available to advisors and support professionals as soon as the students submit their information.

Assessment Forms

Connex standard assessment forms are available for students in community colleges and two-year institutions (Form 1) and institutions that grant Bachelor’s Degrees (Form 2). The forms collect student reports of the following:

- Demographic information
- Education experiences, perceptions, and involvement
- Information about participation in classes and relationships with instructors
- Career interests and experiences
- Interest in career and academic services
- Student satisfaction with their collegiate experience
- Student intentions and plans for future enrollment, transfer, and graduate school
- Veteran status and need for services

Form Customization and Costs

Annual subscription to *Connex* enables complete customization of the standard forms (adding/deleting items) and creation of additional custom forms. The annual subscription cost is \$950 for four-year colleges and universities, \$600 for two-year and community colleges, and \$600 for Education Support Programs. To license the fully customizable service, go to www.connex.us/PurchaseLicense.aspx. The license fee for multi-campus institutions is \$500 per year per campus. Multi-campus institutions receive the *Connex* group package, which enables standardizing the assessment for member campuses and global reporting.

Previews

Previews of the assessment forms are available at www.connex.us/forprofessionals.aspx.

Individual and Group Assessment Reports

The online reporting tools enable easy generation of both individual and group reports that

- Identify gaps in postsecondary and career preparation
- Identify students who may leave the institution prematurely
- Identify transfer issues
- Indicate student plans and preparation for graduate education
- Reveal guidance and support programming needs and opportunities
- Indicate progress in meeting student support objectives
- Enable targeted communications with students

View sample reports at www.connex.us/docs.htm.

Group reports aggregate student responses, providing advisors and support professionals with detailed group and subgroup portraits that inform and provide rationale for program development, service delivery, and advocacy. Group reports may be used to examine student subgroups or to compare populations at different points in time. Individual reports summarize a student’s academic strengths and weaknesses, education and career interests, planning experiences, and interest in specific advising and supportive services.