

Template for Creating an Assessment Plan

Below you will find examples of aligning a formative assessment and a summative assessment to a learning outcome. In the table provided, identify a summative or formative assessment possibilities for each of your course learning outcomes. You can create as many copies of the table template as you need.

Formative Assessment Example

Learning Outcome	Students will trace the evolution of media monopolies in the U.S.
Purpose of Assessment	Review course materials prior to a summative exam.
Description of Assessment	Students work in pairs to create a timeline of major events in media monopolies.
Feedback Method	Students exchange their timeline with another pair, who provide feedback about thoroughness. No formal grade.

Summative Assessment Example

Learning Outcome	Students can compare the pros and cons of censorship in the media to a broad audience.
Purpose of Assessment	Students construct a thesis defending their position on censorship.
Description of Assessment	Student must create a podcast in which they argue their position on censorship to a public audience.
Feedback Method	Instructor uses rubric to determine student's grade. The rubric assesses the strength of their argument, quality of the persuasive writing, and understanding of the audience.

Your Turn

Learning Outcome

Purpose of Assessment

Description of Assessment

Feedback Method