Annual Assessment Report  
Academic Year: 2016-17  
Department: Education  
Program(s): Educational Leadership, Education Specialist (Ed.S) 
NWCCU Accreditation Narrative for Educational Leadership, Education Specialist (Ed.S.)

1. Question 1 - What did you do on assessment this year? 
We assessed the education specialist degree program in Educational Leadership using graduation rates and numbers of students selecting the Ed.S. option.

2. Question 2 - What data did you collect? 
We collected data on the number of students who chose the Ed.S. program and attempted to recruit summer superintendent candidates to consider continuing their education through the Ed.S. degree.

3. Question 3 – What did your review of the data indicate for you? 
We had few post-masters students who pursued an Ed.S. in the current cohort as evidenced by no graduates this academic year. Most students were satisfied with obtaining their Superintendent licensure and did not see the value in an additional degree with respect to enhancing their employability in Montana.

4. Question 4 – As a result of your review of the data, what did you do? 
We have begun advising students to consider the Ed.S. degree as an option for advanced graduate study beyond the master’s degree. The coursework and professional paper option provides students with valuable experience and may be more amenable to the circumstances of full-time working professionals.