**East Central College Department-Division : Env. Science Department – Science Division**

**Program Assessment Planning Document Semester & Academic year: Updated Spring 2013**

**East Central College learning objectives** **(general education objectives and CLOs)** **& program objectives that this assessment will support.**

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| 1. **General Education Objectives**
 | 1. **Common Learning Objectives**
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| 1. Life and Physical Science
 | 1. Creative and critical thinking
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| 1. Higher order thinking
 | 1. Ethics and social responsibility
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| 1. Managing information
 | 1. Global
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|  | 1. **Program objectives** (Unit specific)
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***Unit I*: Consists of General Education Courses from Biology (I A) and Environmental Science (I B) Departments**

***Report cycle*:** This unit report will be submitted every 3 years alternating with the other units in the BS and HS departments

***Unit IB*: General Education Courses in the Environmental Science Department (ES)**

1. **Program objectives:**

*a. Describe and apply basic biological concepts*

*b. Apply the scientific method of creating and testing hypotheses.*

*c. Apply new understanding of biology in novel ways that are useful to humans or that solve problems faced by humans*

*d. Gather and analyze numerical information appropriate including creating and interpretation of graphs and diagrams.*

*e. Demonstrate appropriate technical skills related to biology.*

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| Target Course | Objectives met  | Assessment Tool | Assessment Cycle  |
| **Environmental Science** (ES 1023) | I.a, & I.b | Semester exams, online discussion forums on environmental issues & departmental pre-test and post-test  | Semester of course offering |
| II.c. | Under development | To be determined by the college. |
| III.b, III.c,& III.d | Appropriate assessment tool for the objective chosen will be used | Start with III.c. in Fall 2013 |

**Note: Refer to Biology Department for Unit IA course assessment plans.**