

# TRACDAT USER GUIDE FOR OUTCOMES

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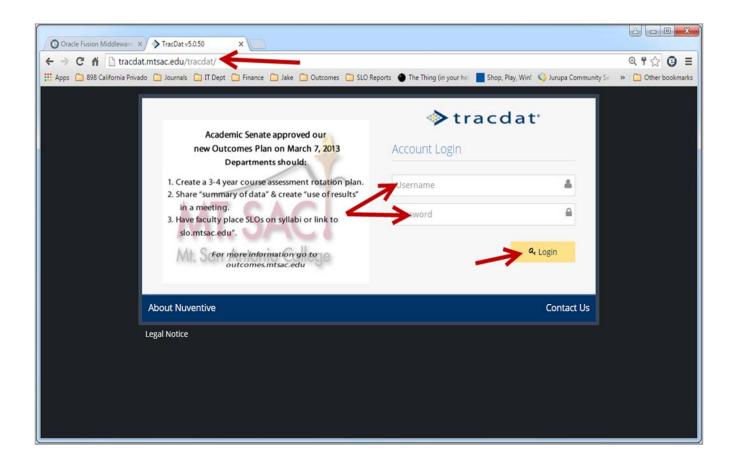
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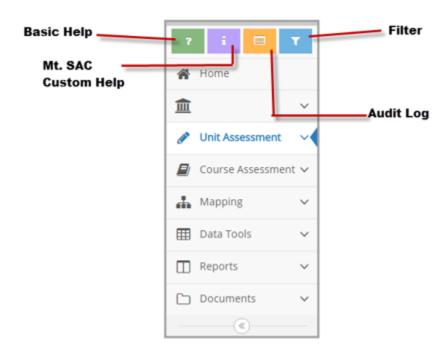
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# **PART 1: Logging in to TracDat**

- 1. Open any web browser and navigate to <a href="http://tracdat.mtsac.edu/tracdat">http://tracdat.mtsac.edu/tracdat</a>
- 2. Enter the username and password
- 3. Click Login



#### A: Tracdat Tool Bar Icons



Triangle: Click the Triangle to expand an item

Plus Sign: Click the Plus Sign to add a new entry

Wrench: Click the Wrench to add a feature

Basic Help – Navigation and tool assistance provided by vendor.

Mt. SAC Custom Help – Assistance and suggestions customized to Mt. SAC.

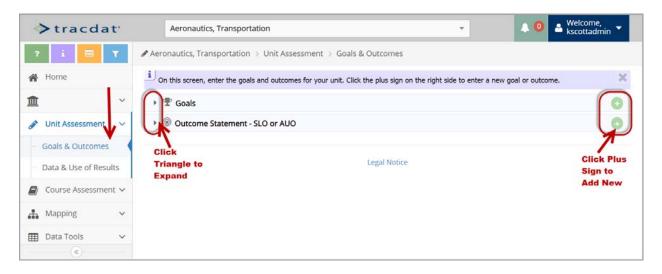
Audit Log – Details who made changes to a page, when the changes were made, and what text was changed.

Filter – Allows data to be filtered and hidden on a page. The icon is highlighted red when filters are active.

## PART 2: Entering a Unit Outcome

Unit Outcomes include administrative unit objectives, student learning outcomes, and student services outcomes. They describe what a client, customer or student will be able to do, know, or think upon receiving a service from your department. Begin each outcome with 'Students will be able to . . . ' OR 'Customers will be able to . . . '

#### A. Goals & Outcomes Screen

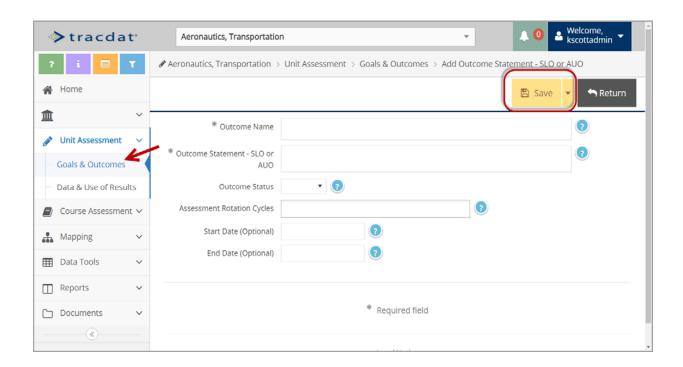


Click on Unit Assessment, then Goals & Outcomes

Triangle: Click the Triangle to expand an area

Plus Sign: Click the Plus Sign to add a new outcome

#### **B.** Unit Outcome



**Outcome Name:** Provide a 1 to 3 word description of the outcome

**Outcome Statement:** Enter the entire outcome statement

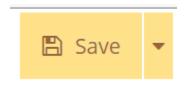
**Outcome Status:** Select the status of this outcome

Assessment Rotation Cycles: Select the years this outcome will be assessed

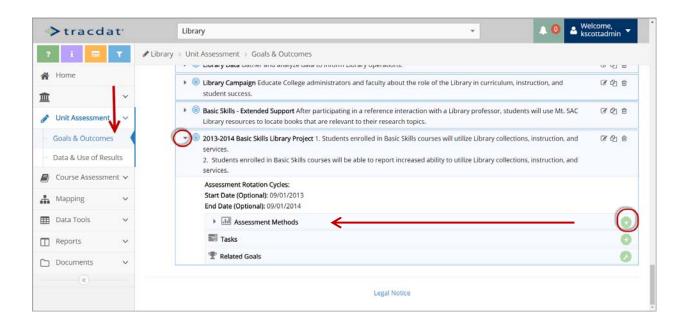
Hold down the ctrl key to select multiple years

**State Date (Optional):** Enter the date this outcome was created

**End Date (Optional):** Enter the date this outcome was no longer active



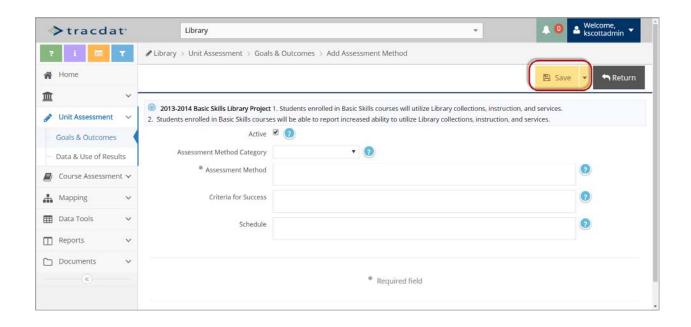
### C. Unit Outcome: Assessment Method



## Click on Unit Assessment, then Goals & Outcomes

Triangle: Click the Triangle to expand an outcome

Plus Sign: Click the Plus Sign to add a new assessment method



**Active:** Check the box if this assessment is currently used

to determine the results of an outcome

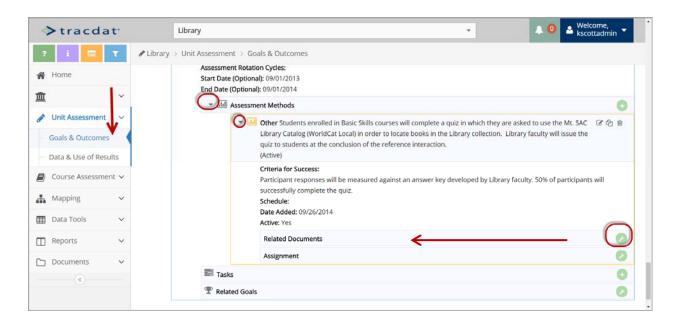
Assessment Method Category: Select the type of assessment tool

**Criteria for Success:** Enter the criteria for success

**Schedule:** Enter when the actual assessment occurs



## D. Unit Outcome: Assessment Method, Related Document

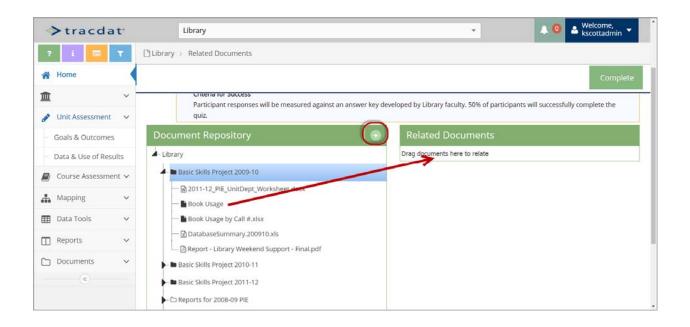


# Click on Unit Assessment, then Goals & Outcomes

Triangle: Click the Triangle to expand an outcome

Triangle: Click the Triangle to expand an assessment method

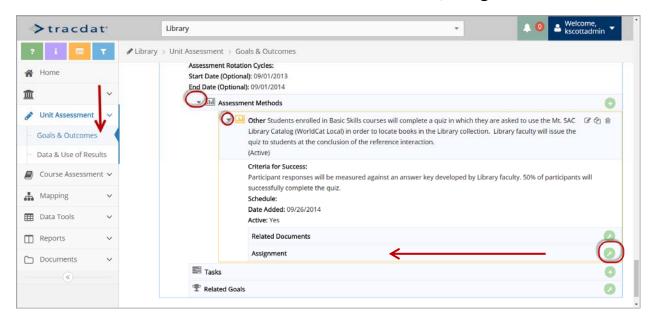
Wrench: Click the wrench to add Related Documents



Plus Sign: Click the Plus Sign to add a new document or link

Drag Documents: Click and drag an existing document to the Related
Documents box to link the document to an assessment
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## E. Unit Outcome: Assessment Method, Assignment

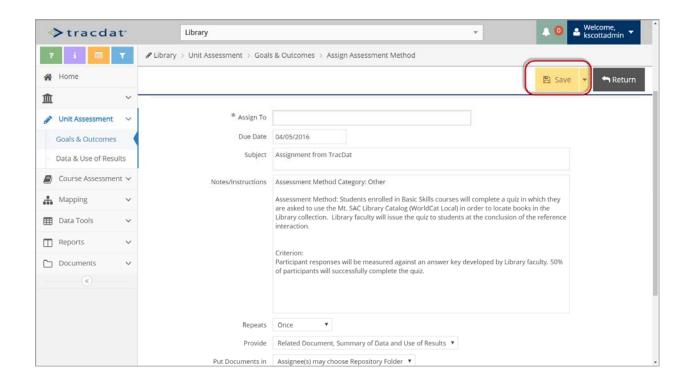


# Click on Unit Assessment, then Goals & Outcomes

Triangle: Click the Triangle to expand an outcome

Triangle: Click the Triangle to expand an assessment method

Wrench: Click the wrench to access the Assignment feature



Assign To: Select the name of the person to assign the assessment method\*

**Due Date:** Enter the date this assessment is due

**Subject:** Enter the subject for an email notification

**Notes:** Edit or enter the text for the body of the email notification

**Repeats:** Select how often the assessment data is due

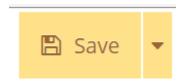
**Provide:** Select the items the assignee must complete

Put Documents In: Select the folder the assignee will put the related documents in

**Email Assignment to Assignee(s):** Click this box to send the email notification

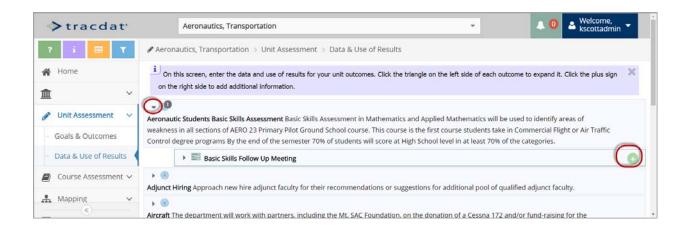
**Send CC to Person Assigning:** Click this box to send a copy of the email

notification to yourself



<sup>\*</sup> If the person's name doesn't appear in the list, contact Kate Morales at ext. 5562 to have it added.

PART 3: Entering Unit Outcome Data & Use of Results



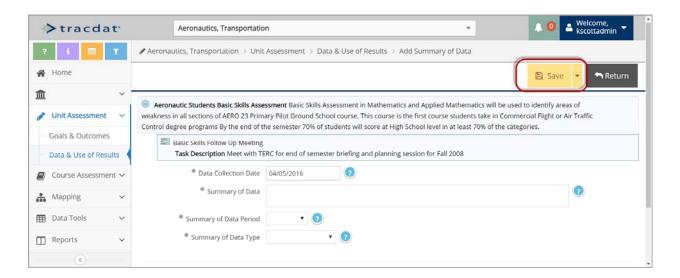
## Click on Unit Assessment, then Data & Use of Results

Triangle: Click the Triangle to expand an outcome\*

Plus Sign: Click the Plus Sign to add a new summary of data

<sup>\*</sup> If the Triangle does not expand an outcome, then no assessment method was entered. See page 8 and 9.

## A. Unit Outcome: Summary of Data



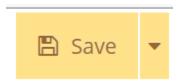
**Data Collection Date:** Enter the current date

**Summary of Data:** Enter the summary of data

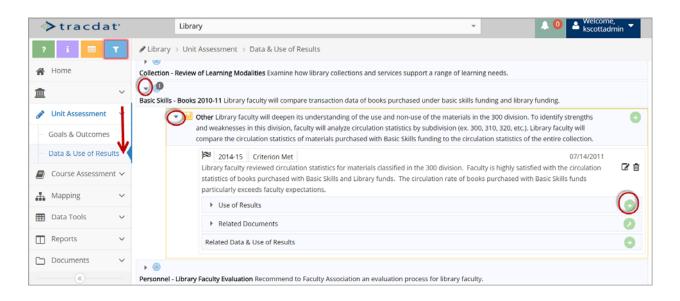
**Summary of Data Period:** Select the academic year the assessment

data was collected in

**Summary of Data Type:** Select if the Criterion was met or not



#### **B.** Unit Outcome: Use of Results

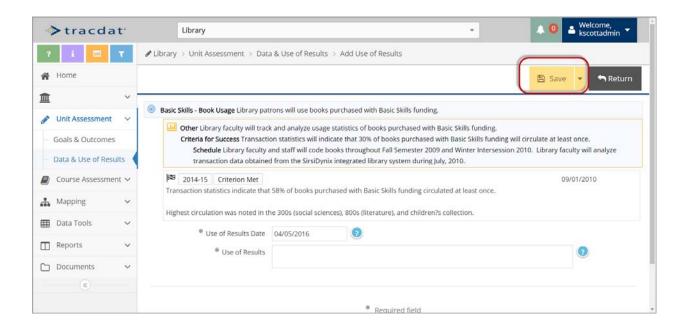


# Click on Unit Assessment, then Data & Use of Results

Triangle: Click the Triangle to expand an outcome

Triangle: Click the Triangle to expand an assessment method

Plus Sign: Click the Plus Sign to add a new use of results

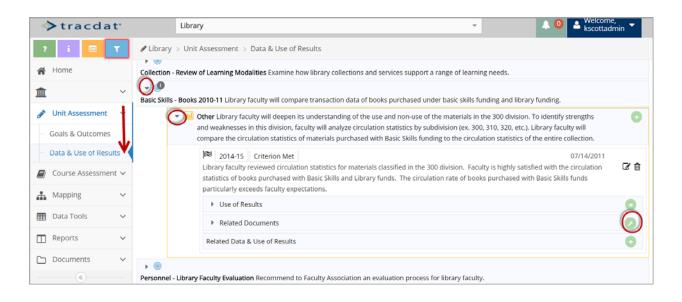


**Use of Results Date:** Enter the current date

**Use of Results:** Enter the use of results



# C: Unit Outcome: Use of Results, Related Documents

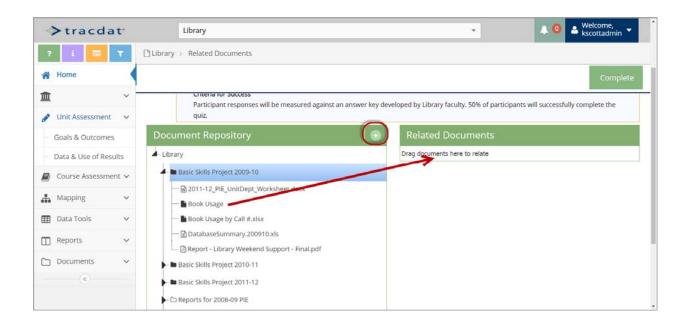


## Click on Unit Assessment, then Data & Use of Results

Triangle: Click the Triangle to expand an outcome

Triangle: Click the Triangle to expand an assessment method

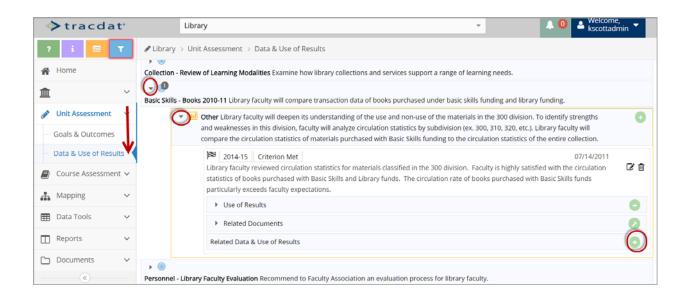
Wrench: Click the wrench to add Related Documents



Plus Sign: Click the Plus Sign to add a new document or link

Drag Documents: Click and drag an existing document to the Related
Documents box to link the document to an assessment
method

#### D. Unit Outcome: Related Data & Use of Results

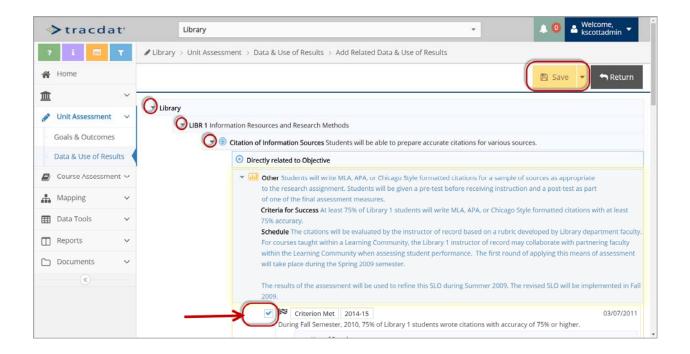


# Click on Unit Assessment, then Data & Use of Results

Triangle: Click the Triangle to expand an outcome

Triangle: Click the Triangle to expand an assessment method

Plus Sign: Click the Plus Sign to add related data and use of results



Triangle: Click the Triangle to expand a unit to show courses

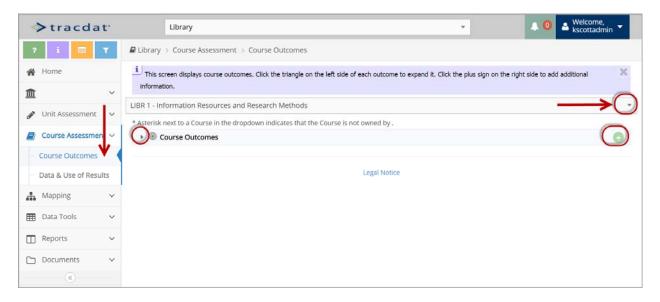
Triangle: Click the Triangle to expand a course to show outcomes

Check the box to link course level data and use of results to a unit level outcome assessment.

## **PART 4: Entering a Course Outcome**

Course Outcomes describe what a student will be able to do, know, or think upon receiving instruction during a class. Begin each outcome with 'Students will be able to . . . ' Departments may use course measureable objectives as SLOs.

#### A. Course Outcome

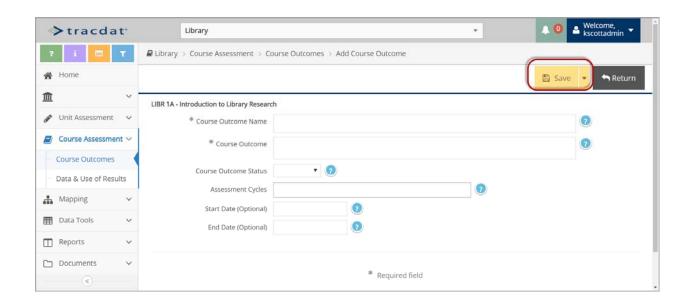


Click on Course Assessment, then Course Outcomes

Course Selection: On the right side of the screen, use the drop down box to select the course

Triangle: Click the Triangle to expand existing Course Outcomes

Plus Sign: Click the Plus Sign to add a new course outcome



**Course Outcome Name:** Provide a 1 to 3 word description of the outcome

**Course Outcome:** Enter the entire outcome statement

**Course Outcome Status:** Select the status of this outcome

**Assessment Cycles:** Select the years this outcome will be assessed

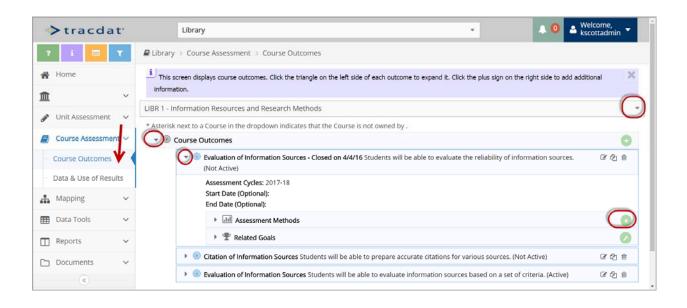
Hold down the ctrl key to select multiple years

**State Date (Optional):** Enter the date this outcome was created

**End Date (Optional):** Enter the date this outcome was no longer active



## **B: Course Outcome: Assessment Method**



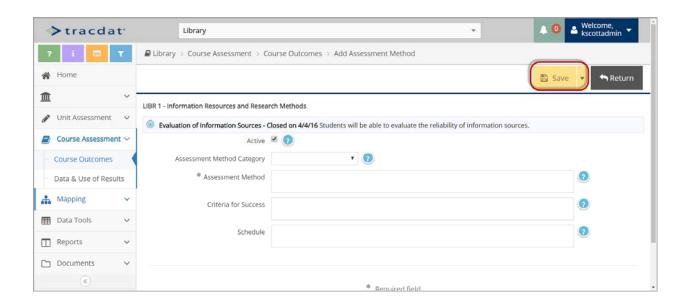
Click on Course Assessment, then Course Outcomes

Course Selection: On the right side of the screen, use the drop down box to select the course

Triangle: Click the Triangle to expand the list of outcomes

Triangle: Click the Triangle to expand the course outcome

Plus Sign: Click the Plus Sign to add a new assessment method



**Active:** Check the box if this assessment is currently used

to determine the results of an outcome

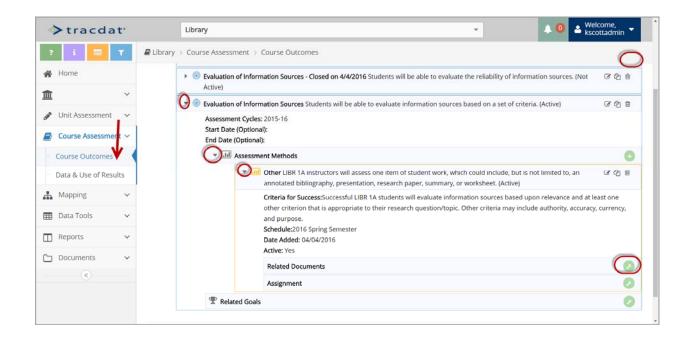
Assessment Method Category: Select the type of assessment tool

**Criteria for Success:** Enter the criteria for success

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### C. Course Outcome: Assessment Method, Related Documents



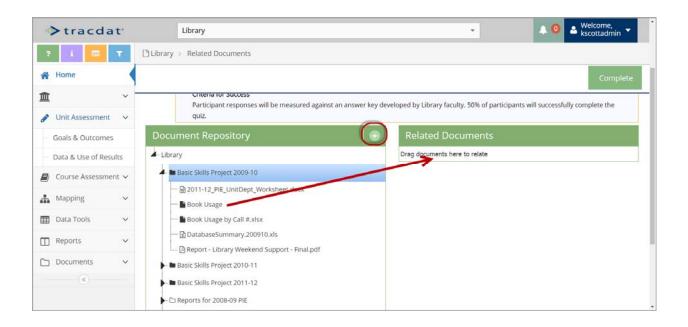
Click on Course Assessment, then Course Outcomes

Course Selection: On the right side of the screen, use the drop down box to select the course

Triangle: Click the Triangle to expand an outcome

Triangle: Click the Triangle to expand an assessment method

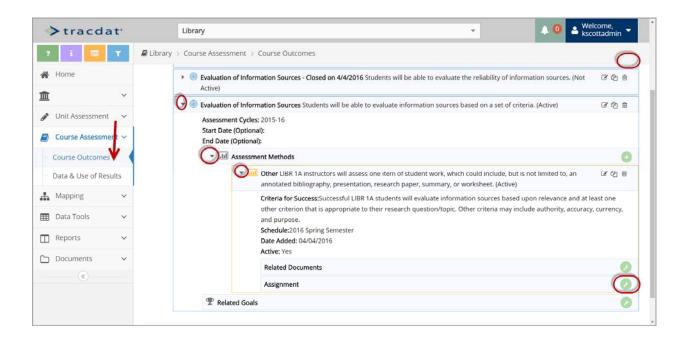
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## D: Course Outcome: Assessment Method, Assignment



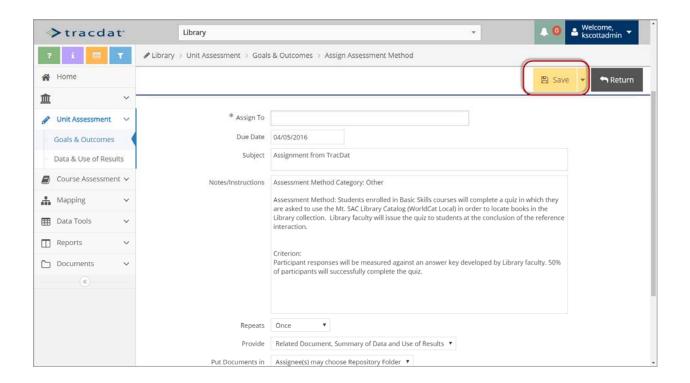
Click on Course Assessment, then Course Outcomes

Course Selection: On the right side of the screen, use the drop down box to select the course

Triangle: Click the Triangle to expand an outcome

Triangle: Click the Triangle to expand an assessment method

Wrench: Click the wrench to access the Assignment feature



**Assign To:** Select the name of the person to assign the assessment method

**Due Date:** Enter the date this assessment is due

**Subject:** Enter the subject for an email notification

**Notes:** Edit or enter the text for the body of the email notification

**Repeats:** Select how often the assessment data is due

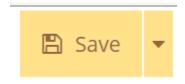
**Provide:** Select the items the assignee must complete

Put Documents In: Select the folder the assignee will put the related documents in

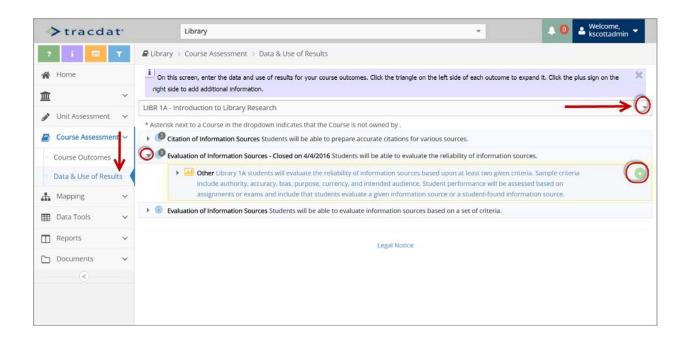
**Email Assignment to Assignee(s):** Click this box to send the email notification

**Send CC to Person Assigning:** Click this box to send a copy of the email

notification to yourself



**PART 5: Entering Course Outcome Data & Use of Results** 



Click on Course Assessment, then Data & Use of Results

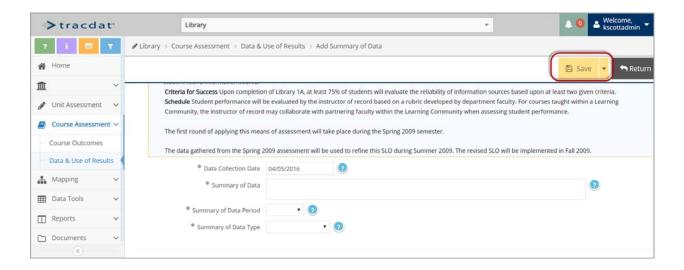
Course Selection: On the right side of the screen, use the drop down box to select the course

Triangle: Click the Triangle to expand an outcome\*

Plus Sign: Click the Plus Sign to add a new summary of data

<sup>\*</sup> If the Triangle does not expand an outcome, then no assessment method was entered. See pages 24 and 25.

## A. Course Outcome: Summary of Data



**Data Collection Date:** Enter the current date

**Summary of Data:** Enter the summary of data

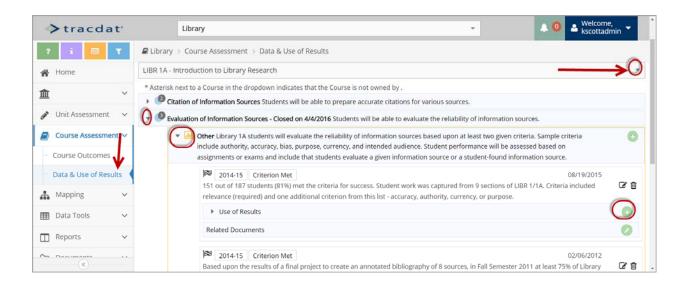
**Summary of Data Period:** Select the academic year the assessment

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**Summary of Data Type:** Select if the Criterion was met or not



#### **B. Course Outcome: Use of Results**



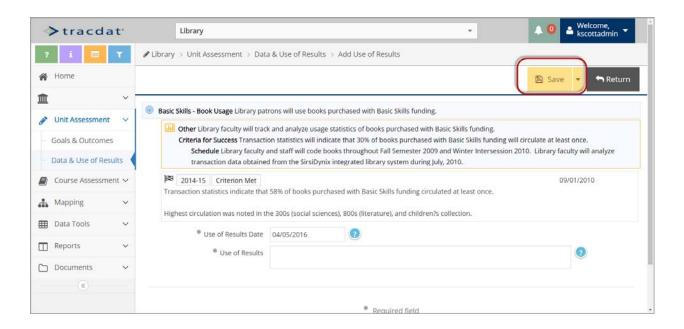
Click on Course Assessment, then Data & Use of Results

Course Selection: On the right side of the screen, use the drop down box to select the course

Triangle: Click the Triangle to expand an outcome

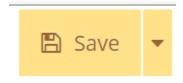
Triangle: Click the Triangle to expand an assessment method

Plus Sign: Click the Plus Sign to add a new use of results

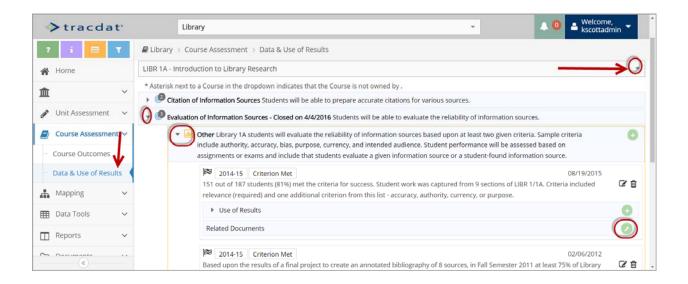


**Use of Results Date:** Enter the current date

**Use of Results:** Enter the use of results



### C. Course Outcome: Use of Results, Related Documents



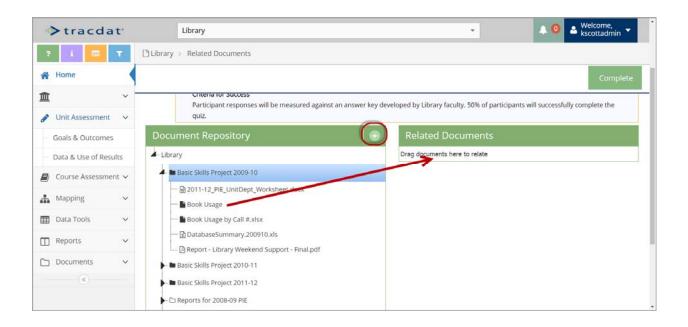
Click on Course Assessment, then Data & Use of Results

Course Selection: On the right side of the screen, use the drop down box to select the course

Triangle: Click the Triangle to expand an outcome

Triangle: Click the Triangle to expand an assessment method

Wrench: Click the wrench to add Related Documents



Plus Sign: Click the Plus Sign to add a new document or link

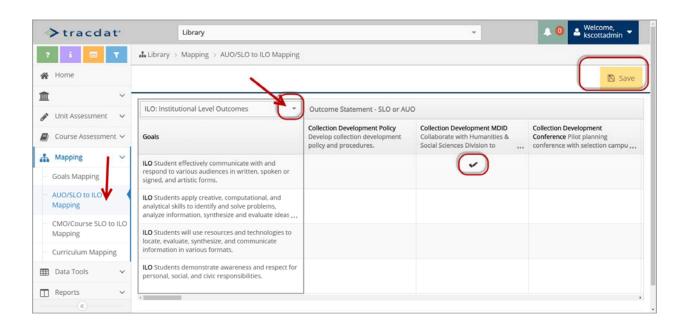
Drag Documents: Click and drag an existing document to the Related
Documents box to link the document to an assessment
method

# Part 6: Mapping

The College's Institutional Level Outcomes (ILOs) are:

- Communication
  - Students effectively communicate with and respond to various audiences in written, spoken or signed, and artistic forms.
- Critical Thinking
  - Students apply creative, computational, and analytical skills to identify and solve problems, analyze information, synthesize and evaluate ideas, and transform existing ideas into new forms.
- Information & Technology Literacy
  - Students use resources and technologies to locate, evaluate, synthesize, and communicate information in various formats.
- Personal, Social, Civic, and Environmental Responsibility
  - Students demonstrate awareness and respect for personal, social, and civic responsibilities.

#### A. Unit Outcome to ILO



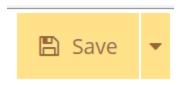
Click on Mapping, then AUO/SLO to ILO Mapping

ILO Selection: At the top of the grid, use the drop down box to select ILO:

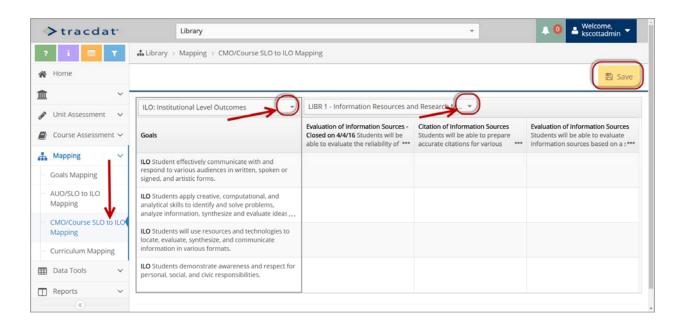
**Institutional Level Outcomes** 

Mapping: Click in the box to make a checkmark for those unit outcomes

that link to the ILO.



#### **B.** Course Outcome to ILO



Click on Mapping, then CMO/Course SLO to ILO Mapping

ILO Selection: At the top of the grid, use the drop down box to select ILO:

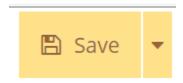
**Institutional Level Outcomes** 

Course Selection: At the top of the grid, use the drop down box to select the

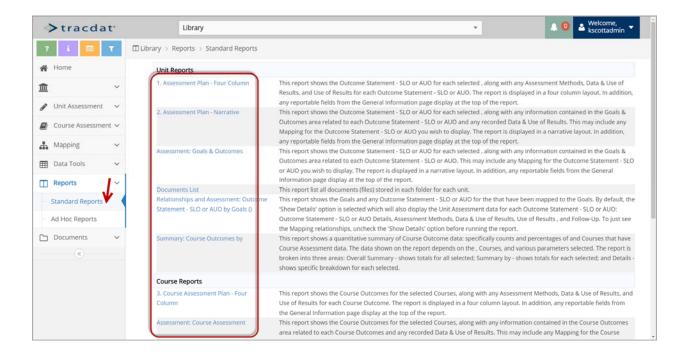
courses so the outcomes display.

Mapping: Click in the box to make a checkmark for those course

outcomes that link to the ILO.

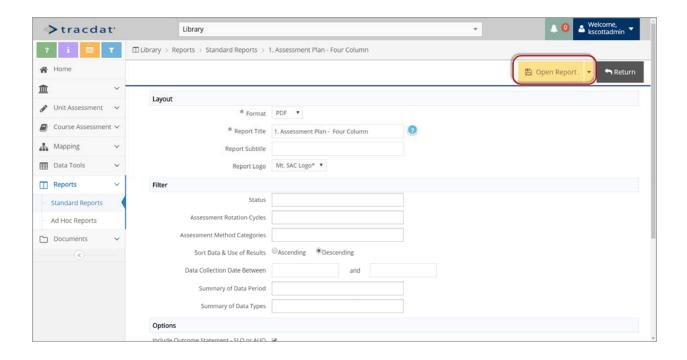


### **Part 7: Standard Reports**

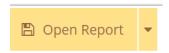


Click on Reports, then Standard Reports

Click the blue link for the name of the requested report to display options for running the standard reports



# Select the desired report layout and filters



Click the yellow open report button to generate the requested report.