

Mapping Learning Outcomes to University Outcomes

While not required, you can align (called Mapping in Watermark) your student learning outcomes to the [University Wide Learning Outcomes](#) (UWLO) or other strategic priorities of the University. For this example, we are going to show you how to map a program outcome to a UWLO. To begin mapping, click **EDIT OUTCOME MAP**.

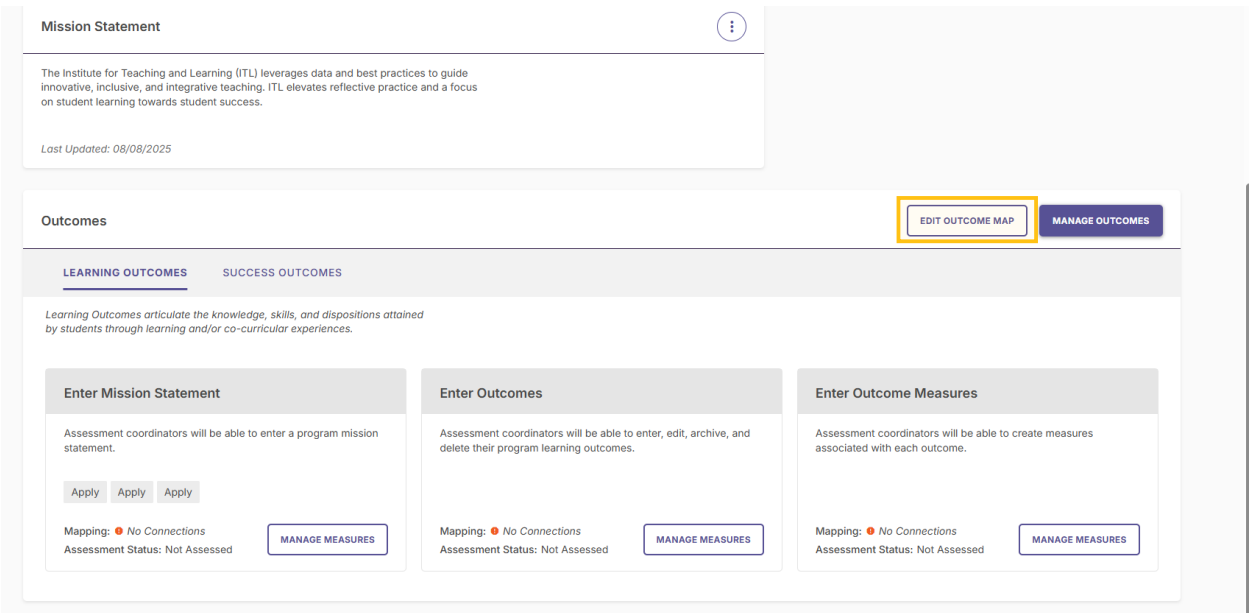


Figure 1

An outcome map screen will pop-up. On the left side of the screen are your program learning outcomes that you previously entered. Along the top are the organizational outcomes that are shared with your program. You cannot edit the organization outcomes available to your program, but if you need something added in this area, please email ysuitl@ysu.edu to request the outcome set.

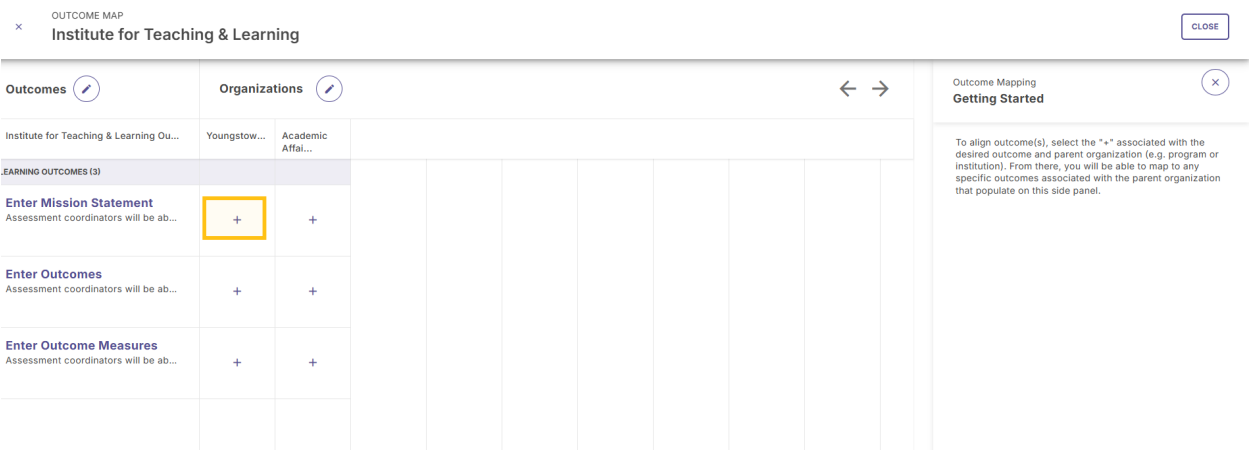


Figure 2

If you click the + (plus sign) in any of the boxes on the map, you can create an alignment between a program outcome and an organization outcome. In this example, you are going to click the + (plus sign)

aligning the first program outcome with the UWLOs. After clicking the + (plus sign), a pop-up appears on the right side of the screen that lists your outcome and the organizational outcomes you can align with.

You will need to toggle the “Aligned” option to **YES** to be able to check any of the UWLOs.

The screenshot shows the 'Outcome Map' for the 'Institute for Teaching & Learning'. The main table has columns for 'Outcomes' and 'Organizations'. Under 'Outcomes', there are three rows: 'Enter Mission Statement', 'Enter Outcomes', and 'Enter Outcome Measures'. Under 'Organizations', there are two columns: 'Youngstown...' and 'Academic Affai...'. The 'Enter Mission Statement' row has a '+' sign in the 'Youngstown...' column. On the right side, a pop-up titled 'Institute for Teaching & Learning Outcomes' is displayed. It contains the 'Enter Mission Statement' text, a 'Map to:' field with 'Youngstown State University', and an 'Aligned:' toggle set to 'NO'. Below this, a list of 'University Wide Learning Outcomes' is shown, including 'Critical, Creative, and Integrative Thinkers', 'Dimensions of Health', 'Global Communicators', and 'Civically Engaged Mindset'.

Figure 3

After you toggle alignment to **YES**, you can use the checkbox to align to one or several of the UWLOs by checking the checkbox next to the outcome. After you check the box next to the aligned UWLO(s) a checkmark will auto populate in the main Outcome Map.

The screenshot shows the 'Outcome Map' for the 'Institute for Teaching & Learning' after the 'Aligned' toggle has been switched to 'YES'. The 'Enter Mission Statement' row now has a checkmark in the 'Youngstown...' column. On the right side, the 'Aligned:' toggle is now set to 'YES'. The 'Dimensions of Health' UWLO is now checked, and a yellow arrow points from this checkbox to the checkmark in the main table. Another yellow arrow points from the 'Enter Mission Statement' row in the table to the right side of the interface.

Figure 4

You can continue this mapping process for each of your program learning outcomes.