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Table 4.1 Outcomes Assessment Implementation Summary

GPMSL – Oceanography PhD

	Academic Year		
	2006-07	2007-08	2008-09
Assessment information collected	1. Student passing rate of qualifying exams 2. Completion of thesis 3. Quality of oral defense and written thesis 4. Student surveys	1. Student passing rate of qualifying exams 2. Completion of thesis 3. Quality of oral defense and written thesis 4. Student surveys	1. Student passing rate of qualifying exams 2. Completion of thesis 3. Quality of oral defense and written thesis 4. Surveys of graduates and alumni
Conclusions drawn from the information collected above and how are faculty collectively involved in drawing conclusions	1. 1students took qualifying exam and passed 2. 3 students completed thesis 3. Good oral defense quality, Publication rate can be improved. Time of degree completion can be improved 4. Low survey return; employment rate in degree-related jobs	1. 1 students took exams and passed 2. 2 student completed thesis 3. Good overall written and good oral skills. Improvement possible. Good research competence as shown in conference attendance and publications 4. Low survey return; employment rate in degree-related jobs	1. 4 students took exams and passed. 2. 1 student completed thesis 3. Good written thesis skills and performance on oral defenses. Good research competence as shown in conference attendance and publications 4. No students returned survey
Curricular changes resulting from conclusions drawn above	1. none 2. none 3. Encouragement to write thesis publication style. And increase conference presentations 4. Try to keep better track of alumni. Improvements of electronic database system.	1. none 2. none 3. Encouragement of major advisors for more stringent review of written thesis. Use of departmental seminar to practice oral presentations 4. Online version of survey. New faculty hires will increase class offerings	1. none 2. none 3. Encouragement of major advisors for more stringent review of written thesis 4. Try to involve previous advisors to encourage graduated students to answer surveys.

NOTE: Examples are in *italics*.