



TECHNICAL ISSUES IN LARGE SCALE ASSESSMENTS (TILSA) SUMMER 2019 MEETING
JUNE 27-28, 2019
 ORLANDO, FL

Sessions are open to TILSA members.

Session locations subject to change

SCASS Overview: The TILSA collaborative focuses on technical issues states are facing in developing large-scale assessments. These issues could include psychometric challenges, innovative design approaches, comparability of scores, and validity of test results.

Meeting Objective: As with previous June SCASS meetings, the third SCASS meeting for the program year will continue to expand upon previous topics identified by TILSA membership and address a blend of technical and practical issues. States and partners will have a chance to engage in learning, discussion, and debate focused on assessment change, standard setting, and interoperability in large-scale assessment. Additional topics include discussion of pressing large-scale issues (e.g., reducing test length, standards validation vs. standard setting) and continuing workgroup activities.

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AGENDA

DAY ONE – Thursday, June 27th, 2019

7:00 am – 4:30 pm Event Location TBD	REGISTRATION
7:00 – 8:30 am Event Location TBD	BREAKFAST
8:30 – 9:15 am Event Location TBD	INTRODUCTIONS AND OPENING <i>TILSA members will have an opportunity to introduce themselves (state, member name, role). Members will be asked to present ONE and only one key update, issue, challenge, or exciting piece of assessment related news. Kirsten Carr, our CCSSO liaison, will share key updates from CCSSO.</i>



<p>9:15 – 10:30 am Event Location TBD</p>	<p>ASSESSING THE CHANGE WITHIN AND ACROSS ASSESSMENT SYSTEMS <i>TILSA members will have the opportunity to hear from presenters on how to use criteria to assess the degree of change that may trigger a standards validation vs. a full-blown standard setting. Topics will include a checklist for states to consider, a framework to organize it, and considerations for linking and equating. TILSA members will have the opportunity to ask clarifying questions and provide comments to the session.</i></p>
<p>10:30 – 10:45 am Event Location TBD</p>	<p>BREAK</p>
<p>10:45 am – 12:00 pm Event Location TBD</p>	<p>STANDARD SETTING APPROACHES AND THEIR USE IN ASSESSMENT DESIGN <i>Building on the previous session, TILSA members will hear from a separate set of presenters who will describe different approaches to setting standards and how they can be used in conjunction with managing change across assessment systems. Presenters from the previous session will serve as discussants.</i></p>
<p>12:00 – 1:00 pm Event Location TBD</p>	<p>LUNCH</p>
<p>1:00 – 3:00 pm Event Location TBD</p>	<p>MEASUREMENT ISSUE DEBATE <i>States will have the opportunity to hear from a panel of partners who will be given a scenario, present a strategy to address the challenges associated with the scenario, and options for monitoring the pros and cons of those strategies. A discussant will respond to the presented approaches and provide overall comments for the audience to consider.</i></p>
<p>3:00 – 3:30 pm Event Location TBD</p>	<p>BREAK</p>
<p>3:30 – 4:30 pm Event Location TBD</p>	<p>TECHNIAL ISSUES IN CAREER READINESS ASSESSMENT <i>After a brief description of what are traditionally considered college ready assessments, TILSA members will hear from a presenter and engage in discussion around career readiness assessments.</i></p>
<p>4:30 – 4:45 pm Event Location TBD</p>	<p>TILSA UPDATES AND SETTING THE STAGE FOR WORK GROUPS ON DAY 2 <i>TILSA facilitators will describe the status of finalized deliverables, provide members with general SCASS updates, and describe work strands for work groups tomorrow. Any future joint workgroup topics will be described at this time.</i></p>

DAY TWO – Friday, June 28th, 2019

<p>7:00 am – 4:30 pm Event Location TBD</p>	<p>REGISTRATION</p>
<p>7:00 – 8:30 am Event Location TBD</p>	<p>BREAKFAST</p>



<p>8:30 – 10:00 am Event Location TBD</p>	<p>STATE ONLY TIME <i>The TILSA advisors will facilitate topic-specific discussion groups for states who are soliciting advice or willing to offer advice to others. Small groups will also share with the large group to ensure state members are aware of current issues. The TILSA advisors will also provide a summary to states based on a brief update request to state members.</i></p> <p>Facilitator: Scott Marion, Center for Assessment</p>
<p>8:45 – 10:00 am Event Location TBD</p>	<p>PARTNER ONLY TIME <i>CCSSO staff and TILSA advisors will facilitate a similar topic-based discussion for TILSA partners during this partner-only time.</i></p> <p>Facilitator: Juan D’Brot, Center for Assessment</p>
<p>10:00 – 10:30 am Event Location TBD</p>	<p>BREAK</p>
<p>10:30 am – 12:00 pm Event Location TBD</p>	<p>WORK GROUP TIME <i>TILSA members will have the opportunity to continue working on the three concurrent workgroups. Workgroup 1 will continue working on assessment literacy and communicating with policy makers. Workgroup 2 will continue working on the Computer Adaptive Testing Research Agenda and product solicitation. Workgroup 3 will continue working on principles for alignment studies.</i></p>
<p>12:00 – 1:00 pm Event Location TBD</p>	<p>LUNCH</p>
<p>1:00 – 2:30 pm Event Location TBD</p>	<p>INTEROPERABILITY REVISITED <i>TILSA members will revisit the topic of interoperability and how it is operationalized in large-scale assessment. February’s SCASS meeting began the discussion around the state of interoperability, challenges with its operational implementation, and potential strategies to improve existing industry practice. This session will focus primarily on QTI 3.0, its application to large-scale assessment, vendor best practices, and principles to support interoperable practices.</i></p>
<p>2:30 – 3:00 pm Event Location TBD</p>	<p>BREAK</p>
<p>3:00 – 3:30 pm Event Location TBD</p>	<p>U.S. DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION UPDATE <i>TILSA members will hear a brief update from a U.S. Department of Education representative. In addition, states will have the opportunity to pose questions and ask clarifications.</i></p>



<p>3:30 – 4:30 pm Event Location TBD</p>	<p>OPEN FORUM AND HIGH NEED TOPICS FOR OCTOBER <i>Based on feedback from the prior meeting, states will have the opportunity to engage in open dialogue to raise any outstanding issues in an open group setting to obtain feedback, recommendations, or suggestions from others. States will have the opportunity to discuss ideas for high need topics in October. This will be a large group exercise so that states and partners can make recommendations in an open forum to build on others' ideas.</i></p>
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