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Benchmark Definition

The student learning outcomes are compared to a benchmark, or minimum level of performance as decided by the respective faculty, staff, or other party, which must be met for the SLO to be reached or attained. Although the specific benchmark is left to the respective area to decide, typically, **70% is the standard benchmark** used for SLOs established by the Board of Trustees (BOT) with a stretch goal or **aspirational benchmark of 80%**.