

Defining Program Outcomes

Program outcomes describe what students should know, do, or value upon completing a program. In Nuventive, outcomes form the foundation of your assessment plan and must be created before you can add methods or findings.

You cannot add **Methods** or **Findings** until at least one **Outcome** has been created and saved.

Video Tutorial

Watch: Defining Program Outcomes

This short video explains how to create and manage program outcomes in Nuventive.

Key Features

Accessing Outcomes

- Navigate to your program using the **selection menu**.
- From the **left-hand menu**, select **Assessment > Outcomes, Methods, and Findings**.

Creating an Outcome

- If no outcomes exist, you'll see blank fields for **Outcome Short Name** and **Outcome Description**.
- Click the **green and white plus button** to add a new outcome.
- Complete the following fields:
 - **Outcome Short Name:** A brief label (e.g., *Communication*).
 - **Outcome Description:** Full text of the outcome statement.
 - **Status:** Defaults to *Active* unless archiving an old outcome.
 - **Assessment Schedule:** Select the academic years for assessment.
Institutional requirement: All outcomes must be assessed within a four-year cycle.
 - **Outcome Type:** Typically *Program-Level Outcome*.

Saving and Managing Outcomes

- Click **Save** in the top-right corner to finalize your outcome.
 - After saving:
 - Reorder outcomes using the **six-dot handle**.
 - Edit, copy, or delete outcomes using the **vertical ellipses (⋮)** menu.
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