

Student Evaluation of Course and Instructor

This questionnaire is being distributed to provide you with an opportunity to express anonymously your opinions of this course and the way it has been taught. A summary of results will be made available to the instructor and department head after grades are turned in at the end of the semester.

Unless other choices are given, use the following basis for evaluation of the statements in the multiple choice section:

A. strongly agree, B. agree, C. neutral, D. disagree, E. strongly disagree.

Darken the most appropriate response for each statement on the provided OPSCAN form; if a statement is not applicable, do not respond.

Context of Evaluation

1. My present class is (A = Fr, B = So, C = Jr, D = Sr, E = Gr).
2. This course is: (A) required for CSC major (B) required for CSC minor (C) required for CPE major (D) required for other major or minor (E) elective.
3. The size of this class is (A = < 20, B = 20 - 70, C = > 70)
4. I made an effort to learn the material presented in this course.

Administration of Course

5. Instructor explains how final grades will be determined.
6. Instructor begins and ends class on time.
7. Instructor evaluates and returns tests and papers within a reasonable time.
8. Instructor informs the students of course prerequisites, course objectives, and the lecture and exam schedules.
9. Instructor follows the course description of distributed course outline.

Course

10. Course is challenging and stimulates independent thinking.
11. The knowledge gained in previous courses prepared me sufficiently for this one.
12. The degree of difficulty you associate with this course is
(A) very difficult (B) difficult (C) average (D) easy (E) trivial.
13. The number of hours required outside of class per week is
(A) >12 (B) 8-12 (C) 5-8 (D) 2-5 (E) <2.

Exams

14. The exams are representative of the material in the course.
15. The exams are clearly worded.
16. The grading of tests is fair and reasonable.

Text

17. The textbook is useful to the course.

Instructor

18. Instructor demonstrates enthusiasm for teaching the course.
19. Instructor is well prepared for lectures.
20. Instructor writes legibly.
21. Instructor speaks clearly.
22. Instructor is receptive to student questions and comments.
23. Instructor is available during posted office hours.
24. Instructor is knowledgeable of the subject matter.
25. Lectures are interesting and stimulating.
26. Lectures are of value in understanding the course material.

Summary

27. The overall rating for this course is:
(A) truly outstanding (B) clearly above average (C) average (D) clearly below average (E) poor.
28. I would recommend this instructor to other students.
29. The overall effectiveness of this instructor as a teacher is:
(A) truly outstanding (B) clearly above average (C) average (D) clearly below average (E) poor.

Computer Science Specific

30. Homework is of value in understanding the course material.
31. Programming assignments are of value in understanding the course material.
32. Computing facilities are conducive to learning.
33. The classroom environment established by the instructor is conducive to learning.

Teaching Assistant(s)

Your instructor will write your TAs' names on the board. If there is only one TA, answer 34-38 and leave 39-43 blank. If there are two TAs, answer 34-38 for TA #1 and 39-43 for TA #2.

- 34/39. Teaching Assistant #1/#2 is available during posted office hours.
- 35/40. TA #1/#2 is well informed about current assignments and projects.
- 36/41. TA #1/#2 understands the subject matter of the course.
- 37/42. TA #1/#2 understands the computing platforms for the course.
- 38/43. The overall effectiveness of Teaching Assistant #1/#2 is:
(A) truly outstanding (B) clearly above average (C) average (D) clearly below average (E) poor.

Short Answer

1. How would you describe this course to other students?

Required. Can be useful, but might have already heard some of this.

2. What do you like best about the instruction?

It's thorough.

3. What do you like least about the instruction?

Professor is bland. Had trouble paying attention. Some days I might as well have stayed home.

4. Elaborate on any other aspects of the course, especially those rated very positively or negatively in the multiple choice section.

TAs were great, sometimes they knew more of what was going on in the class than the professor did.

5. Instructor Specific Question: