

## Course Instructor Survey - Teaching Assistant Form + Discussion Form

The major objective of this survey is to aid in improving teaching effectiveness. Your responses provide valuable feedback to instructors, administrators, and other students. The results are used by administrators to make promotion and salary decisions, and responses to some of the items are also made available on the Web for students to use in selecting classes. Your responses to the questions are extremely important, so please respond honestly and fairly. Consider the semester as a whole and try not to focus on isolated incidents.

### Instructions:

Please complete this form using a #2 pencil.  
 Complete the course information in the box to the right.  
 Make sure your marks are complete, as in the example.  
 Make sure any erasures are complete.



Teaching Assistant's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Course Abbreviation and Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Course Unique Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Semester and Year: \_\_\_\_\_

Questions 1-8 use the same response scale. The term "teaching assistant" refers to the person who led your discussion section.

Strongly Disagree    Disagree    Neutral    Agree    Strongly Agree

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| 1. The teaching assistant was available for scheduled office hours.              | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| 2. The teaching assistant was knowledgeable about the subject matter.            | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| 3. The teaching assistant seemed interested in the subject matter.               | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| 4. The teaching assistant explained the material clearly.                        | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| 5. The teaching assistant was kind and respectful of me.                         | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| 6. The teaching assistant was patient with my questions.                         | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| 7. The teaching assistant was receptive to my questions.                         | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| 8. The teaching assistant provided helpful comments and feedback on assignments. | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |

For question 9, choose the appropriate response from those given.

9. Compared with other teaching assistants I have had, I would rate this teaching assistant as:
- Very Unsatisfactory     Unsatisfactory     Satisfactory     Very Good     Excellent

Questions 10-24 use the same response scale.

Strongly Disagree    Disagree    Neutral    Agree    Strongly Agree

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| 10. The discussion sessions were relevant to and supplemented the lecture part of the course.   | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| 11. The discussion sessions were interesting to me.   | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| 12. The discussion sessions were helpful to me in understanding the lecture content.            | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| 13. There was enough time devoted to discussing the lecture content in the discussion sessions. | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| 14. The discussion sessions helped clarify the readings and lectures.                           | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| 15. The discussion leader carried out the objectives of the discussion section.                 | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| 16. The discussion leader was usually able to handle effectively the problems and questions.    | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| 17. The discussion leader raised challenging questions.   | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| 18. The discussion leader guided the discussion rather than lectured.                           | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| 19. The discussion leader spoke as much as he/she should have in the discussion sessions.       | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| 20. The discussion leader was helpful to me when I talked with him/her outside of class.        | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| 21. The discussion leader was able to encourage broad student participation.                    | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| 22. The discussion leader demonstrated the ability to conduct discussions.                      | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| 23. The discussion leader provided the right amount of structure and guidance.                  | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| 24. Tests and papers were adequately discussed in discussion sessions.                          | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |

For questions 25-30, choose the appropriate response from those given for each question.

25. With regard to the contribution the discussion section made to the course, I feel that the discussion section was:
- Very unimportant     Moderately unimportant     Average in importance     Moderately important     Very important
26. The general attitude and preparedness of students in the discussion section was:
- Poor     Below average     Average     Very good     Excellent
27. The discussions were usually:
- Much more theoretical than practical     Somewhat more theoretical than practical
- About equally theoretical and practical     Somewhat more practical than theoretical     Much more practical than theoretical
28. Compared with other students in the discussion section, my preparedness was:
- Well below average     Below average     Average     Above average     Well above average
29. Compared with other students in the discussion section, my degree of participation was:
- Well below average     Below average     Average     Above average     Well above average
30. Compared with what I expected to learn in the discussion section, I feel I learned:
- Far less than I expected     Less than I expected     About as much as I expected     More than I expected     Far more than I expected

Optional questions provided by instructor

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Comments

In many ways your written comments can be the most important part of your evaluation of the course and instructor. In the space provided, please indicate what aspects of the course content and instruction were best, how the instructor could improve his or her teaching, and how the content of the course might be improved. The instructor will receive this form after the semester is over.

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