The University of Texas at Austin
Course Instructor Survey - Teaching Assistant Form + Foreign Language 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.

1. The teaching assistant was available for scheduled office hours.
   - Strongly Disagree
   - Disagree
   - Neutral
   - Agree
   - Strongly Agree

2. The teaching assistant was knowledgeable about the subject matter.
   - Strongly Disagree
   - Disagree
   - Neutral
   - Agree
   - Strongly Agree

3. The teaching assistant seemed interested in the subject matter.
   - Strongly Disagree
   - Disagree
   - Neutral
   - Agree
   - Strongly Agree

4. The teaching assistant explained the material clearly.
   - Strongly Disagree
   - Disagree
   - Neutral
   - Agree
   - Strongly Agree

5. The teaching assistant was kind and respectful of me.
   - Strongly Disagree
   - Disagree
   - Neutral
   - Agree
   - Strongly Agree

6. The teaching assistant was patient with my questions.
   - Strongly Disagree
   - Disagree
   - Neutral
   - Agree
   - Strongly Agree

7. The teaching assistant was receptive to my questions.
   - Strongly Disagree
   - Disagree
   - Neutral
   - Agree
   - Strongly Agree

8. The teaching assistant provided helpful comments and feedback on assignments.
   - Strongly Disagree
   - Disagree
   - Neutral
   - Agree
   - Strongly Agree

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 10-19 use the same response scale.

10. My reading skill in this language has improved.
   - Strongly Disagree
   - Disagree
   - Neutral
   - Agree
   - Strongly Agree

11. My writing skill in this language has improved.
   - Strongly Disagree
   - Disagree
   - Neutral
   - Agree
   - Strongly Agree

12. My speaking skill in this language has improved.
   - Strongly Disagree
   - Disagree
   - Neutral
   - Agree
   - Strongly Agree

13. My listening comprehension of this language has improved.
   - Strongly Disagree
   - Disagree
   - Neutral
   - Agree
   - Strongly Agree

14. I feel I have a greater understanding of a culture other than my own.
   - Strongly Disagree
   - Disagree
   - Neutral
   - Agree
   - Strongly Agree

15. The instructor gave useful suggestions about how to study a foreign language.
   - Strongly Disagree
   - Disagree
   - Neutral
   - Agree
   - Strongly Agree

16. In general, I found the readings in the course interesting.
   - Strongly Disagree
   - Disagree
   - Neutral
   - Agree
   - Strongly Agree

17. I have attended the language laboratory in the course regularly, and I feel that I have profited from the laboratory. (If you have not attended the laboratory regularly, please omit this section.)
   - Strongly Disagree
   - Disagree
   - Neutral
   - Agree
   - Strongly Agree

18. I feel well-prepared for the next course in this language.
   - Strongly Disagree
   - Disagree
   - Neutral
   - Agree
   - Strongly Agree

19. In my opinion, the departmental examinations covered the course content adequately.
    (If there were no departmental examinations please omit this question.)
    - Strongly Disagree
    - Disagree
    - Neutral
    - Agree
    - Strongly Agree

For questions 20-26, choose the appropriate response from those given for each question.

20. This is the first time I have taken a course in this language at UT Austin, and my decision to take this course was made: (If this is not your first semester of this language at UT Austin, please mark not applicable.)
    - entirely on the basis of my foreign language placement test results
    - in part on the basis of my foreign language placement test results
    - not applicable
    - despite the results of my language placement test
    - without taking the language placement test

21. I now feel that this semester I should have taken in this language: (If this is not your first semester of this language at UT Austin, please mark not applicable.)
    - no course, because my knowledge was already sufficient to satisfy my degree requirements
    - a course at least one level higher than this one
    - a course at least one level lower
    - not applicable

22. The instructor used the foreign language in class:
    - None of the time
    - Some of the time
    - Most of the time
    - All of the time
    - Not applicable

23. The level of difficulty of the foreign language use in the classroom by the instructor was:
    - Much too difficult
    - Too difficult
    - About right
    - Too easy
    - Not applicable

24. I feel that I have understood the spoken foreign language in the classroom:
    - None of the time
    - Some of the time
    - Most of the time
    - All of the time
    - Not applicable

25. In terms of difficulty, the written assignments in this course were generally:
    - Much too difficult
    - Too difficult
    - About right
    - Too easy
    - Not applicable

26. In terms of difficulty, the readings in this course were generally:
    - Much too difficult
    - Too difficult
    - About right
    - Too easy
    - Not applicable
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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.