The University of Texas at Austin

Course Instructor Survey - Expanded Form + Substantial Writing Component

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. Note: In the scales below, “Neutral” means “no strong opinion one way or another.” “Neutral” does not mean “Not applicable/cannot rate.”

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.

Instructor’s Name: _______________________
Course Abbreviation and Number: _______________________
Course Unique Number: _______________________
Semester and Year: _______________________

Questions 1-18 use the same response scale.

1. The instructor clearly defined and explained the course objectives and expectations.
   Strongly Disagree □  Disagree □  Neutral □  Agree □  Strongly Agree □
2. The instructor was prepared for each instructional activity.
   Strongly Disagree □  Disagree □  Neutral □  Agree □  Strongly Agree □
3. The instructor communicated information effectively.
   Strongly Disagree □  Disagree □  Neutral □  Agree □  Strongly Agree □
4. The instructor encouraged me to take an active role in my own learning.
   Strongly Disagree □  Disagree □  Neutral □  Agree □  Strongly Agree □
5. The instructor was available to students either electronically or in person.
   Strongly Disagree □  Disagree □  Neutral □  Agree □  Strongly Agree □
6. The course was well organized.
   Strongly Disagree □  Disagree □  Neutral □  Agree □  Strongly Agree □
7. The instructor made me feel free to ask questions, disagree, and express my ideas.
   Strongly Disagree □  Disagree □  Neutral □  Agree □  Strongly Agree □
8. The instructor encouraged class participation.
   Strongly Disagree □  Disagree □  Neutral □  Agree □  Strongly Agree □
9. The instructor’s presentations and contributions in class engaged me.
   Strongly Disagree □  Disagree □  Neutral □  Agree □  Strongly Agree □
10. The instructor showed a thorough knowledge of the course material.
    Strongly Disagree □  Disagree □  Neutral □  Agree □  Strongly Agree □
11. The instructor’s explanations were clear.
    Strongly Disagree □  Disagree □  Neutral □  Agree □  Strongly Agree □
12. The instructor seemed genuinely interested in teaching the course.
    Strongly Disagree □  Disagree □  Neutral □  Agree □  Strongly Agree □
13. The course materials (e.g., text and supplemental materials) were helpful to me.
    Strongly Disagree □  Disagree □  Neutral □  Agree □  Strongly Agree □
14. The instructor gave adequate instructions concerning assignments.
    Strongly Disagree □  Disagree □  Neutral □  Agree □  Strongly Agree □
15. The tests/assignments were usually graded and returned promptly.
    Strongly Disagree □  Disagree □  Neutral □  Agree □  Strongly Agree □
16. In my opinion, the assignments, presentations, projects or papers required in this course were worthwhile learning experiences.
    Strongly Disagree □  Disagree □  Neutral □  Agree □  Strongly Agree □
17. My performance in this course has been evaluated fairly.
    Strongly Disagree □  Disagree □  Neutral □  Agree □  Strongly Agree □
18. Overall, I learned a great deal in this course.
    Strongly Disagree □  Disagree □  Neutral □  Agree □  Strongly Agree □

For questions 19-23, choose the appropriate response from those given for each question.

19. Overall, this instructor was
    □ Very Unsatisfactory  □ Unsatisfactory  □ Satisfactory  □ Very Good  □ Excellent
20. Overall, this course was
    □ Very Unsatisfactory  □ Unsatisfactory  □ Satisfactory  □ Very Good  □ Excellent
21. In my opinion, the workload in this course was
    □ Excessive  □ Somewhat high  □ About right  □ Somewhat light  □ Insufficient
22. My overall GPA to date at UT is
    □ Less than 2.00  □ 2.00 - 2.49  □ 2.50 - 2.99  □ 3.00 - 3.49  □ 3.50 - 4.00
23. My probable grade in this course is
    □ A  □ B  □ C  □ D  □ F

For question 24, choose the appropriate response from those given.

24. The non-graded, informal writing assignments were relevant to what I learned in this course.
    Strongly Disagree □  Disagree □  Neutral □  Agree □  Strongly Agree □

Questions 25-26 use the same response scale.

25. The graded, formal writing assignments were relevant to what I learned in this course.
    Strongly Disagree □  Disagree □  Neutral □  Agree □  Strongly Agree □
26. My instructor provided expectations and criteria for grading in written form for each assignment.
    Strongly Disagree □  Disagree □  Neutral □  Agree □  Strongly Agree □
Questions 27-30 use the same response scale.

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<td>27.</td>
<td>My instructor provided sufficient, useful comments about my writing.</td>
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<td>The writing assignments in this class helped me to understand the course material (e.g., Victorian literature, microbiology, government).</td>
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<td>As a result of taking this class, I have improved my ability to organize what I write.</td>
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<td>As a result of taking this class, I can better express what I mean to the reader.</td>
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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.