

TEACHING IMPROVEMENT MIDTERM SURVEY – Studio Course

This survey is for you to provide your instructor feedback on a variety of course-related issues.

Instructor: _____ Semester/Year: _____

Course: _____ Section Number: _____

SPECIFIC STRENGTHS (Check all that apply)

SPECIFIC CONCERNS (Check all that apply)

OVERALL RATING (Check one for each category)

Course Content

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- appropriately challenging
- good breadth of topics and techniques
- other strengths: _____

- does not relate to material learned in prior courses
- other concerns: _____

- above average
- average
- needs improvement
- not applicable

Organization

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- useful syllabus
- instructor well prepared and organized
- class time managed well
- other strengths: _____

- seems disorganized
- difficult to see purpose of some activities
- not enough time to write reports
- other concerns: _____

- above average
- average
- needs improvement
- not applicable

Studio Atmosphere

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- appropriately challenging
- appropriate amount of independent work
- responds well to student questions
- helpful amount of individual feedback
- feedback delivered in a constructive and encouraging manner
- helpful amount of group feedback and discussion of student work
- other strengths: _____

- speech is hard to understand
- language used is too complex
- unclear explanations
- poor use of visual aids
- other concerns: _____

- above average
- average
- needs improvement
- not applicable

SPECIFIC STRENGTHS

(Check all that apply)

Exercises and Projects

- well designed to fit course goals
- clearly stated goals
- appropriately challenging
- ample opportunities to ask questions
- thorough follow-through on questions
- other strengths:

Course Materials and Supplies

- good variety
- helpful
- clear directions given
- other strengths:

Lectures/Presentations

- excellent explanations
- provided good preparation for work in studio
- good use of visual aids
- dynamic, engaging style
- other strengths:

SPECIFIC CONCERNS

(Check all that apply)

Exercises and Projects

- unclear instructions
- individual attention not available when needed
- underlying rationale for techniques not explained
- instructors or TAs not adequately familiar with exercises or tools
- too few opportunities to interact with other students
- other concerns:

Course Materials and Supplies
(e.g. slides, sample work, materials, etc.)

- confusing
- needs more connection to theory
- needs more information about where and how to get supplies
- difficult to access needed information
- other concerns:

Lectures/Presentations

- speech is hard to understand
- language used is too complex
- need more explanations
- unclear explanations
- insufficient visual aids
- too much time devoted to lecture
- too little time devoted to lecture
- other concerns:

OVERALL RATING

(Check one for each category)

Exercises and Projects

- above average
- average
- needs improvement
- not applicable

Course Materials and Supplies

- above average
- average
- needs improvement
- not applicable

Lectures/Presentations

- above average
- average
- needs improvement
- not applicable

SPECIFIC STRENGTHS

(Check all that apply)

Grading

- clear criteria for grading
 work returned in a reasonable time
 helpful feedback
 other strengths:
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Attitude towards Students

- personable and approachable
 patient with students
 genuine interest in individual students
 welcomes student involvement
 provides individual attention
 other strengths:
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SPECIFIC CONCERNS

(Check all that apply)

Grading

- not enough feedback
 unclear feedback
 unfair grading
 unclear grading criteria
 not connected to course goals
 other concerns:
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Attitude towards Students

- little encouragement provided
 unresponsive to student requests
 disinterested in difficulties with tools, software or equipment
 other concerns:
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OVERALL RATING

(Check one for each category)

Grading

- above average
 average
 needs improvement
 not applicable

Attitude towards Students

- above average
 average
 needs improvement
 not applicable

OVERALL EVALUATION

(Circle one for each question)

How heavy/light is the workload for this course compared with other courses you have taken?

Much lighter

Lighter

About the same

Heavier

Much Heavier

How is the pace in this course?

Too slow

A bit slow

Just right

A bit too fast

Too fast

How challenging do you find this course?

Too easy

A bit easy

Just right

A bit difficult

Too difficult

How much do you think you are learning in this course compared with other courses you have taken?

Almost nothing

Little

A fair amount

Much

A great deal

How well is this course meeting your expectations?

Not at all

Not very well

Adequately

Well

Very Well

What are the important features to retain the next time this course is taught?

What are the most important changes you would suggest the next time this course is taught?

STUDENT INFORMATION

(Circle one for each question)

Main reason for taking course:

Required Interested Required and Interested Other

Current student classification:

Freshman Sophomore Junior Senior Masters Ph.D. Other

Current grade in the course:

A B+ B C+ C D+ D E Don't know

Number of classes missed:

none 1 - 3 4 - 6 7 - 9 more than 9

How many hours are you registered for this semester?

Thank you for this information. You will be asked to fill out this form again at the end of the semester for comparative purposes.