ASSESSING COURSES AND INSTRUCTION

Student Instructional Report II

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Report No.: 713092 Report: CLASS College: HOWARD UNIVERSITY, SCHOOL OF C

Class: THOMAS J 311 02

Class Enrollment: 15 No. of Respondents: 13

Suggestions for Improving Your Teaching

Educational Testing Service offers an on-line set of suggestions for improving instruction. This Compendium of suggestions includes practices that highly rated teachers say they use as well as research-based effective teaching practices. The suggestions are grouped according to the SIR II scales and are linked to additional sources of information.

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(The percentages and means are based on the total number of respondents, not class enrollment.)

A. Course Organization and Planning

This scale speaks to how well the instructor has made requirements clear and is prepared for each class. It also reflects whether students view the instructor as being in command of the subject matter and able to emphasize the important points to be learned.

Overall Mean		4.31
Comparative Mean		4.31
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	Very 5 Effective	4 Effective	Moderately 3 Effective	Somewhat 2 Ineffective		Omitted	N/A	Mean
1. The instructor's explanation of course requirements	46	38	-	15	-			4.15
2. The instructor's preparation for each class period	54	38	8	_			_	4.46
3. The instructor's command of the subject matter	54	38	-		8	_	_	4.31
4. The instructor's use of class time	46	31	15	8			_	4.15
5. The instructor's way of summarizing or emphasizing important points in class	62	31	-	8	Page 1			4.46

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B. Communication

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Making clear and understandable presentations and using examples or illustrations when necessary are important looks for communicating with students. Communication is also facilitated by an instructor's enthusiasm for the material and use of challenging questions or problems in class.

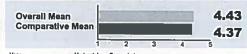
Overall Mean	4.49
Comparative Mean	4.37

	Very 5 Effective	4 Effective	Moderately 3 Effective	Somewhat 2 Ineffective		Omitted	N/A	Mean
6. The instructor's ability to make clear and understandable presentations	46	38	15		-	_		4.31
7. The instructor's command of spoken English (or the language used in the course)	77	23				_	-	4.77
8. The instructor's use of examples or illustrations to clarify course material	54	38	8	_		-	_	4.46
9. The Instructor's use of challenging questions or problems	46	46	8		_		***	4.38
10. The instructor's enthusiasm for the course material	62	31	8					4.54

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C. Faculty/Student Interaction

Students prefer instructors who are helpful, responsive and show concern for their students' progress. Highly rated teachers are available to give students extra help if needed and show a willingness to listen to students' meetings, and the



	Very 5 Effective	4 Effective	Moderately 3 Effective	Somewhat 2 Ineffective		Omitted	N/A	Mean
11. The instructor's helpfulness and responsiveness to students	69	8	15	8			-	4.38
12. The instructor's respect for students	69	15		15	_	_	_	4.38
13. The instructor's concern for student progress	77	8	8	8	-		_	4.54
14. The availability of extra help for this class (taking into account the size of the class)	77	8	8	8	-		_	4.54
15. The instructor's willingness to listen to student questions and opinions	62	15	15	8	_			4.31

⁺ This mean is reliably at or above the 90th percentile. See page 4.
- This mean is reliably at or below the 10th percentile. See page 4.

For explanation of flagging (*), see "Number of Students Responding," page 4 To download a PDF of the Compendium go to: www.ets.org/siril/interaction

ts, Exams, and Grading

this scale is the quality of feedback students receive from instructors on their assigntes. Instructors choose assignments and textbooks that are helpful in understanding



	Very 5 Effective	4 Effective	Moderately 3 Effective		1 ineffective	Omitted	N/A	Mean		
given to students about how they would be graded	38	31	23	8	_		_	4.00		
cam questions	46	15	31	8	***			4.00		
erage of important aspects of the course	46	23	31				_	4.15		
comments on assignments and exams	38	31	31					4.08		
lity of the textbook(s)	38	23	31	8		0	-	3.92		
s of assignments in understanding course material	38	38	23		_			4.15		

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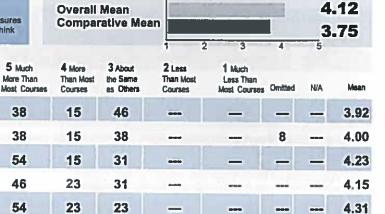
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	Very 5 Effective	4 Effective	Moderately 3 Effective	Somewhat 2 ineffective		Omitted	N/A	Mean
estions presented by the instructor for small group discussions	38	46	15	***	***	-		***
r project(s)	62	23	15		***			***
cises for understanding important course concepts	62	23	8		-		8	***
cts in which students worked together	54	23	15	8	_			***
mulations, or role playing	31	31	15				23	***
or logs required of students	38	31	15	-		_	15	***
of computers as aids in instruction	46	15	23	8		-	8	***

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comes

is to increase student learning. Making progress toward course objectives and rest in the subject area are important corollaries to this outcome. This scale measures if their learning in the course, as well as to what extent the course helped them think



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ort and involvement

reased in this course

s toward achieving course objectives

ively involved me in what I was learning

ne subject area has increased

determined by how much effort is put into the course. How much time students spend g assignments, how well prepared they are for each class, and their attitudes toward by partially under the teacher's control.

ped me to think independently about the subject matter



	5 Much More Than Most Courses	4 More Than Most Courses	3 About the Same as Others	2 Less Than Most Courses	1 Much Less Than Most Courses	Omitted	N/A	Mean
it effort into this course	62	15	15	8				4.31
for each class (writing and reading assignments)	46	31	23			_	_	4.23
d by this course	54	23	15	8				4.23

H. Course Difficulty, Workload and Pace Students who feel overwhelmed by a course will find it difficult to experience any feelings of success or reinforcement for their efforts. On the other hand, if they achieve success too quickly and are unchallenged, it is unlikely they will work to their capacity and/or value their learning highly. Very Difficult Somewhat Difficult Omitted 37. For my preparation and ability, the level of difficulty of this course was: 15 15 69 Much About Lighter Much Lighter Heavier the Same 23 38. The work load for this course in relation to other courses of equal credit was: 15 54 Somewhal Just Somewhat Very Very About Right Slow Slow Omitted 15 15 69 39. For me, the pace at which the instructor covered the material during the term was: Means are not appropriate for COURSE DIFFICULTY, WORKLOAD AND PACE To download a PDF of the Compendium go to: www.ets.org/sirii/coursedifficulty Review the distribution of students' responses I. Overall Evaluation † **Overall Evaluation Ratings:** 40. Rate the quality of instruction in this course as it contributed to your learning. (Try to set aside your feelings about the course content.) Graph % Rating 23% 31% 46 % Very Effective 31 % Effective **Overall Mean** 4.23 Moderately Effective 23 % 0 % Somewhat Ineffective 4.01 **Comparative Mean** 0 % Ineffective 0 % Omitted 46% † This is not a summary of items 1 through 39 J. Student Information A Major/Minor A College Other Omitted 41. Which one of the following best describes this course for you? 92 8 Senior/ Freshman/ Sonbomore/ Junior/ Graduate Other Omitted 3rd Year 1st Year 2nd Year 23 77 42. What is your class level? **Equally Well** In English and Another Language Another English Language 92 8 43. Do you communicate better in English or in another language? Male Female 92 44. Sex 8 B 8-C Below C Omitted 4 A 23 31 R 23 8 8 45. What grade do you expect to receive in this course? K. Supplementary Questions 5 4 3 2 1 MA Omitted 47. 51. 53. 55. .