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## EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Guam Community College (GCC) has been administering the IDEA Center's ${ }^{1}$ Student Ratings of Instruction Survey since fall 2009. GCC opted to use the survey since its focus on student learning is customized to fit faculty teaching objectives ${ }^{2}$. Surveys are processed by the IDEA Center and copies of results are sent to the College. Results are subsequently shared with faculty to help guide improvement efforts at the classroom and program levels.

The fall 2011 survey results highlight the following conclusions which are similar to the spring 2011 IDEA survey results:

- GCC classes consistently perform well in terms of progress on relevant objectives.
- Participating GCC classes $(\mathrm{n}=316)$ made better progress on relevant objectives compared to classes in the IDEA database $(\mathrm{n}=44,455)$.
- GCC students continue to have a positive regard for faculty and courses.
- Compared to the IDEA database, GCC students place higher regard for faculty and perceive their courses more positively.
- In general, GCC students continue to have a positive perception of teaching effectiveness at the College.
- Compared to the classes included in the IDEA system ( $\mathrm{n}=44,455$ ), GCC students who responded to the survey perceive the teaching effectiveness of their professors in a more positive light.

[^0]The following recommendations are made based on the findings:

- Faculty should provide timely and frequent feedback on tests, reports, projects, etc. to help students improve. The Deans and Associate Deans (as faculty evaluators) must find ways and means to emphasize this faculty responsibility during annual evaluation sessions with each and every faculty member.
- For the enhancement of teaching processes, faculty evaluators (i.e. Deans and Associate Deans) must include the discussion of prompt feedback for student work in the annual evaluation sessions between them and individual faculty members.
- Students should continue to be made part of the process of administering the IDEA survey by being designated to administer the survey on their respective classes, and given the associated responsibility of collecting and submitting completed surveys along with blank forms and other survey materials in drop boxes designated by the Assessment, Institutional, Effectiveness and Research (AIER) office. By designating a student in each class to administer the survey, it fosters student involvement in the evaluation process.


## I. Introduction

In its quest to assess teaching effectiveness, GCC has been continuously administering the IDEA Student Ratings of Instruction Survey for the past six (6) semesters (fall 2009, spring 2010, summer 2010, fall 2011, spring 2011, and fall 2011). The survey is designed to assess teaching effectiveness by its impact on students. In particular, the focus is on student progress in achieving course objectives selected by faculty.

The IDEA Student Ratings of Instruction System is comprised of the Faculty Information Forms (FIF) ${ }^{3}$ (see Appendix A) and the Student Reactions to Instruction and Course Forms or Diagnostic Form (refer to Appendix B). The FIF consists of twelve learning objectives that are organized into six (6) groups including basic cognitive background, application of learning, expressiveness, intellectual development, lifelong learning, and team skills.

The IDEA Student Ratings of Instruction System includes the selection of three (3) to five (5) relevant (important or essential) learning objectives by faculty from a list of objectives listed in the FIF. Relevant objectives are those that require substantial effort towards their attainment and achievement. FIFs are completed by faculty prior to the administration of the Diagnostic Form.

The IDEA Student Ratings of Instruction System uses the self-report of student learning on relevant objectives as the principal means of measuring teaching effectiveness. Progress ratings for relevant objectives are based on the following five-point scale: 1=no apparent progress, $2=$ slight progress (I made small gains on this objective), $3=$ moderate progress (I made some gains on this objective), $4=$ substantial progress (I made large gains on this objective), and 5=exceptional progress (I made outstanding gains on this objective).

[^1]The overall measure of progress on relevant objectives is determined by combining the progress ratings of all relevant objectives. Double weight is applied to objectives identified as essential. Essential objectives count twice as much as important objectives in the calculation of progress on relevant objectives. Furthermore, teaching effectiveness is assessed by the average student agreement with statements related to faculty and the course. The summary evaluation is the average of these two (2) measures.

## II. Methodology

The AIER Office issued a memo (see Appendix C) dated September 26, 2011, advising faculty that the AIER Office will be administering the fall 2011 semester IDEA Student Ratings of Instruction Survey. The memo also informed faculty that AIER staff will be distributing survey packets directly to full time faculty. In the event fulltime faculty are not available, surveys will be given to their respective departments' support staff for distribution. Survey packets for adjunct faculty were made available for pick up at the Student Support Office, Building B, beginning October 17, 2011.

The AIER memo was part of the packet which was hand delivered to faculty by AIER staff. The packet included the Directions to Faculty (refer to Appendix E), the IDEA Discipline Codes for GCC Classes (located in Appendix F), and the Faculty Information Forms (FIFs) (see Appendix A). The intent was to survey all classes listed in the College's fall 2011 schedule of classes provided by the Office of Admissions and Registration. ${ }^{4}$ To ensure consistency in the survey administration, each survey packet included an instruction for the Student Rating of Instruction Survey (refer to Appendix L) and a script (see Appendix D) for the designated survey

[^2]administrator (staff or designated student volunteer) to read to each class prior to administering the survey.

In addition to the memo, an AIER announcement (refer to Appendix I) addressed to faculty, was posted on MyGCC ${ }^{5}$ on October 10, 2011, informing them about the administration of the GCC Fall 2011 Student Ratings of Instruction Survey from October 17, 2011 to October 31, 2011. The announcement included a description of the survey. The announcement also stated that the results of the survey will be sent off-island for processing and will be used for institutional assessment reporting.

In addition to the MyGCC announcement (refer to Appendix G), a student-focused poster announcement was placed throughout the campus on October 3, 2011. The notification included the dates for survey administration and a brief description of the survey and its purpose. Additionally, a faculty-focused MyGCC announcement (see Appendix H) was posted on October 13, 2011. The announcement contained information similar to the student announcement.

Three hundred eighty-three (383) classes were listed in the Master Schedule of Classes provided by the Office of Admissions and Registration. Forty-seven (47) practicum classes were excluded from the target population. Classes ending prior to the fall start date of the survey administration were also excluded. Another six (6) classes were excluded because faculty did not submit their FIF, did not complete their FIF correctly, or did not return packet surveys to AIER. Fourteen (14) classes were excluded due to schedule changes that were not reflected in the Master Schedule or Classes. The total number of classes that were actually surveyed was three hundred and sixteen (316).

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## III. Results and Discussion

Of the three hundred sixteen (316) classes surveyed, 11 were included in the institutional Group Summary Report (GSR) (Appendix J) for fall 2011. The GSR combines information from the individual student ratings given by students from the three hundred and sixteen (316) participating classes. Information reported in the GSR is useful for program review, curricular review, institutional planning and the identification of local norms.

Of the three hundred and sixteen (316) classes that were included in the Group Summary Report (GSR) for the College, one hundred and eleven (111) had a response rate below 65\%. According to the IDEA Center, $65 \%$ is the minimum response rate necessary for dependable results. The average response rate for participating classes is $69 \%$; thus, results are considered dependable. The average class size of participating classes is twenty (20). The average number of objectives selected as important or essential is 4.3. This falls within the IDEA Center's recommended range of three (3) to five (5) important or essential objectives for each class.

The following discussion focuses on results reported in the GSR. This report conducts a comparison between the Group of participating classes, the institution (GCC) and the IDEA System.

Table 1 on page 6 provides information about the extent various learning objectives are emphasized in courses. The percent of classes for which each objective was selected helps assess whether or not program objectives are addressed with appropriate frequency. As shown in Table 1, the most frequently selected objective considered important or essential for the Group is Objective 3 (Learning to apply course material to improve thinking, problem solving, and decisions). Seventy-five percent (75\%) of the 316 participating classes selected this objective followed by $67 \%$ who selected Objective 1 (Gaining factual knowledge-terminology,
classifications, methods, trends), $63 \%$ who selected Objective 2 (Learning fundamental principles, generalizations, or theories), $61 \%$ who selected Objective 4 (Developing specific skills, competencies, and points of view needed by professionals in the field most closely related to this course), $29 \%$ who selected Objective 8 (Developing skill in expressing myself orally or in writing) $28 \%$ who selected objective 9 (Learning how to find and use resources for answering questions or solving problems), $28 \%$ who selected Objective 12 (Acquiring an interest in learning more by asking my own questions and seeking answers), $25 \%$ who selected Objective 5 (Acquiring skills in working with others as a member of a team), $23 \%$ who selected Objective 11 (Learning to analyze and critically evaluate ideas, arguments, and points of view), $15 \%$ who selected Objective 6 (Developing creative capacities-writing, inventing, designing, performing in art, music, drama, etc.),13\% who selected Objective 7 (Gaining a broader understanding and appreciation of intellectual/cultural activity-music, science, literature, etc.), and 7\% who selected Objective 10 (Developing a clearer understanding of, and commitment to, personal values).

As illustrated in Table 1, the top four (4) objectives identified as important or essential are similar for both the Group of GCC classes, the institution and the IDEA System: Objective 1 (Gaining factual knowledge -terminology, classifications, methods, trends)-Group-67\%, institution $75 \%$ and IDEA-78\%; Objective 2 (Learning fundamental principles, generalizations, or theories)-Group-63\%,, institution $72 \%$ and IDEA-75\%; Objective 3 (Learning to apply course material to improve thinking, problem solving, and decisions)-Group-75\%, institution $78 \%$ and $I D E A-75 \%$; and Objective 4 (Developing specific skills, competencies, and points of view needed by professionals in the field most closely related to this course) Group-61\%, IDEA$55 \%$. This reveals a similar emphasis between the Group of GCC classes, institution and the IDEA System. The three (3) objectives that are least frequently identified as important or
essential are also similar for the Group, institution and the IDEA System: Objective 6
(Developing creative capacities-writing, inventing, designing, performing in art, music, drama, etc.) -Group-15\%, institution $24 \%$ and IDEA-25\%, Objective 7 (Gaining a broader understanding and appreciation of intellectual/cultural activity-music, science, literature, etc.) Group $13 \%$, institution $25 \%$ and IDEA $27 \%$, and Objective 10 (Developing a clearer understanding of, and commitment to, personal values)-Group-7\%, institution $21 \%$ and IDEA$23 \%$.

Table 1. Faculty Selection of Important and Essential Objectives

|  |  | Percent of Classes Selecting Objective as <br> Important or Essential |  |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | This Group <br> $(\mathrm{n}=316)$ | Institution <br> $(\mathrm{n}=579)$ | IDEA System <br> $(\mathrm{n}=44,455)$ |
| Objective 1: Gaining factual <br> knowledge (terminology, <br> classifications, methods, trends) | $67 \%$ | $75 \%$ | $78 \%$ |
| Objective 2: Learning fundamental <br> principles, generalizations, or <br> theories | $63 \%$ | $72 \%$ | $75 \%$ |
| Objective 3: Learning to apply <br> course material (to improve <br> thinking, problem solving, and <br> decisions) | $75 \%$ | $78 \%$ |  |
| Objective 4: Developing specific <br> skills, competencies, and points of <br> view needed by professionals in the <br> field most closely related to this <br> course | $61 \%$ | $61 \%$ |  |
| Objective 5: Acquiring skills in <br> working with others as a member of <br> a team | $25 \%$ |  | $55 \%$ |
| Objective 6: Developing creative <br> capacities (writing, inventing, <br> designing, performing in art, music, <br> drama, etc.) | $15 \%$ | $36 \%$ |  |
| Objective 7: Gaining a broader <br> understanding and appreciation of <br> intellectual/cultural activity (music, <br> science, literature, etc.) | $13 \%$ | $24 \%$ | $32 \%$ |


|  |  | Percent of Classes Selecting Objective as <br> Important or Essential |  |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | This Group <br> $(\mathrm{n}=316)$ | Institution <br> (n5579) | IDEA System <br> $(\mathrm{n}=44,45)$ |
| Objective 8: Developing skill in <br> expressing myself orally or in <br> writing. | $29 \%$ | $35 \%$ | $47 \%$ |
| Objective 9: Learning how to find <br> and use resources for answering <br> questions or solving problems. | $28 \%$ | $44 \%$ | $41 \%$ |
| Objective 10: Developing a clearer <br> understanding of, and commitment <br> to, personal values | $7 \%$ | $21 \%$ | $23 \%$ |
| Objective 11: Learning to analyze <br> and critically evaluate ideas, <br> arguments, and points of view | $23 \%$ | $41 \%$ | $49 \%$ |
| Objective 12: Acquiring an interest <br> in learning more by asking my own <br> questions and seeking answers | $28 \%$ | $42 \%$ | $41 \%$ |
| Average Number of Objectives <br> Selected As Important or Essential | 4.3 | 5.6 | 5.7 |

Table 2 on page 9 illustrates the distribution of converted scores compared to the IDEA
Database. The quality of instruction is shown as judged by progress on relevant objectives (student ratings of their progress on objectives chosen by faculty), excellence of teacher (ratings of individual survey items), and excellence of course (ratings of individual survey items). The summary evaluation is the average of the three (3).

Results for both raw and adjusted scores are reported in Table 2 as they compare to the IDEA database. When the focus is on student outcomes, unadjusted (raw) ratings are more relevant. For instructor contributions, adjusted ratings are more relevant. The converted scores all have the same average (50) and the same variability (a standard deviation of 10$)^{6}$. For this study, raw ratings are the focus because of the emphasis on student outcomes.

[^4]As shown in Table 2, progress on relevant objectives ratings for the converted score category of 63 or higher is $17 \%$, significantly higher than the expected distribution of $10 \%$. Progress on relevant objectives ratings for the converted score category of 56-62 is $41 \%$, more than double the expected distribution of $20 \%$. Progress on relevant objectives ratings for the converted score category of 45-55 is $34 \%$, lower than the expected distribution of $40 \%$. Progress on relevant objectives ratings for the converted score category of 38-44 is 6\%, significantly less than the expected distribution of $20 \%$. Progress on relevant objectives ratings for the converted score category of 37 or lower is $2 \%$, less than the expected distribution of $10 \%$. The distribution of the Group's classes differs from the expected distribution when compared to IDEA. It appears that the Group of GCC classes made better progress on relevant objectives compared to IDEA.

Excellence of teacher ratings for the converted score category of 63 or higher is 7\%, slightly less than the expected distribution of $10 \%$. Excellence of teacher ratings for the converted score category of 56-62 is $53 \%$, more than twice the expected distribution of $20 \%$. Excellence of teacher ratings for the converted score category of 45-55 is $33 \%$, less than the expected distribution of $40 \%$. Excellence of teacher ratings for the converted score category of 38-44 is 4\%, much lower than the expected distribution of 20\%. Excellence of teacher ratings for the converted score category of 37 or lower is $3 \%$, less than the expected distribution of $10 \%$. The distribution of the Group's classes differs from the expected distribution when compared to IDEA. The Group appears to have a higher regard for faculty.

Excellence of course ratings for the converted score category of 63 or higher is $30 \%$, three times the expected distribution of $10 \%$. Excellence of course ratings for the converted score category of 56-62 is $40 \%$, twice the expected distribution of $20 \%$. Excellence of course
ratings for the converted score category of $45-55$ is $25 \%$, less than the expected distribution of $40 \%$. Excellence of course ratings for the converted score category of $38-44$ is $3 \%$, significantly less than the expected distribution of $20 \%$. Excellence of course ratings for the converted score category of 37 or lower is $1 \%$, nine (9) times less than the expected distribution of $10 \%$. The distribution of the Group's classes differs from the expected distribution when compared to IDEA. The Group appears to have a more positive perception of courses.

Summary evaluation ratings (average of progress on relevant objectives, excellence of teacher, and excellence of course) for the converted score category of 63 or higher is $19 \%$, nearly twice the expected distribution of $10 \%$. Summary evaluation ratings for the converted score category of 56-62 is $46 \%$, more than twice the expected distribution of $20 \%$. Summary evaluation ratings for the converted score category of $45-55$ is $30 \%$, less than the expected distribution of $40 \%$. Summary evaluation ratings for the converted score category of 38-44 is $4 \%$, significantly less than half the expected distribution of $20 \%$. Summary evaluation ratings for the converted score category of 37 or lower is $2 \%$, less than the expected distribution of $10 \%$. The distribution of the Group's classes differs from the expected distribution when compared to IDEA. The Group appears to have a more positive perception of teaching effectiveness.

Table 2. Distribution of Converted Scores Compared to the IDEA Database

| Converted <br> Score <br> Category | Expected <br> Distributio <br> n | A. Progress on <br> Relevant <br> Objectives |  | B. Excellence of <br> Teacher |  | C. Excellence of <br> Course | D. Summary <br> Evaluation <br> (Average of A, B, <br> C) |  |  |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | Raw | Adjusted | Raw | Adjusted | Raw | Adjusted | Raw | Adjusted |
| Much Higher <br> $(63$ or higher) | $10 \%$ | $17 \%$ | $5 \%$ | $7 \%$ | $2 \%$ | $30 \%$ | $9 \%$ | $19 \%$ | $3 \%$ |
| Higher <br> $(56-62)$ | $20 \%$ | $41 \%$ | $29 \%$ | $53 \%$ | $28 \%$ | $40 \%$ | $29 \%$ | $46 \%$ | $28 \%$ |
| Similar <br> $(45-55)$ | $40 \%$ | $34 \%$ | $53 \%$ | $33 \%$ | $57 \%$ | $25 \%$ | $48 \%$ | $30 \%$ | $58 \%$ |

[^5]| Converted <br> Score <br> Category | Expected <br> Distributio <br> n | A. Progress on <br> Relevant <br> Objectives |  | B. Excellence of <br> Teacher |  | C. Excellence of <br> Course |  | D. Summary <br> Evaluation <br> (Average of A, B, <br> C) |  |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | Raw | Adjusted | Raw | Adjusted | Raw | Adjusted | Raw | Adjusted |
| Lower <br> $(38-44)$ | $20 \%$ | $6 \%$ | $8 \%$ | $4 \%$ | $10 \%$ | $3 \%$ | $9 \%$ | $4 \%$ | $7 \%$ |
| Much Lower <br> (37 or lower) | $10 \%$ | $2 \%$ | $5 \%$ | $3 \%$ | $3 \%$ | $1 \%$ | $4 \%$ | $2 \%$ | $3 \%$ |

Table 3 below reveals that the Group's raw averages (on a 5-point scale) are higher than the IDEA System for progress on relevant objectives, excellence of teacher, excellence of course, and summary evaluation.

Table 3. Average Scores

|  | A. Progress on <br> Relevant <br> Objectives |  | B. Excellence <br> of Teacher |  | C. Excellence <br> of Course |  | D. Summary <br> Evaluation <br> (Average of A, <br> B, C) |  |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Raw | Adjusted | Raw | Adjusted | Raw | Adjusted | Raw | Adjusted |
| Converted Score <br> This Summary Report | 56 | 52 | 55 | 52 | 58 | 53 | 57 | 53 |
| IDEA System | $51^{2}$ | $51^{2}$ | 50 | 50 | 50 | 50 | 50 | 51 |
| 5-point Scale <br> This Summary Report | 4.3 | 4.0 | 4.5 | 4.3 | 4.4 | 4.1 | 4.4 | 4.2 |
| IDEA System | 3.8 | 3.8 | 4.2 | 4.2 | 3.9 | 3.9 | 3.9 | 3.9 |

Chart 1 below illustrates the percentage of participating GCC classes with ratings at or above the converted score of the IDEA database. Both raw and adjusted scores are shown. As noted earlier, for purposes of this study, the focus is on raw scores. According to IDEA, when the percentage of classes with ratings at or above the converted score of the IDEA database exceeds $60 \%$, the Group's overall instructional effectiveness is perceived as unusually high.

Progress on relevant objectives (79\%), excellence of teacher (82\%), excellence of course (89\%)

[^6]and summary evaluation ( $85 \%$ ) are all above $60 \%$. This indicates that the Group's overall instructional effectiveness is high.

Chart 1. Percent of Classes at or Above the IDEA Database Average

## Part 3: Percent of Classes at or Above the IDEA Database Average



Table 4 on page 13 compares ratings of progress and relevance of the 12 objectives for the Group of GCC classes with ratings for all classes in the IDEA database. The table contains averages (raw and adjusted) for the Group institution and the IDEA System. Also included is the number of classes for which the objective was selected as important or essential.

By comparing progress ratings across the 12 learning objectives, significant differences in how well various objectives are achieved can be identified. Results in this section are useful in determining if particular attention should be given to improve student learning on one (1) or
more objective(s). As noted earlier, the focus is on raw averages, which are indicators of selfassessed learning.

In the Diagnostic Form (Appendix B), students were asked to describe the amount of progress they made on each of the twelve learning objectives listed in Table 4. The scale that was used to determine progress on objectives selected as important or essential is: 1=no apparent progress; 2=slight progress (I made small gains on this objective); 3=moderate progress (I made some gains on this objective); $4=$ substantial progress (I made large gains on this objective); and 5=exceptional progress (I made outstanding gains on this objective). Substantial progress was reported for all twelve objectives:

- Objective 1- Gaining factual knowledge (terminology, classifications, methods, trends)
- Objective 2- Learning fundamental principles, generalizations, or theories
- Objective 3- Learning to apply course material (to improve thinking, problem solving, and decisions)
- Objective 4- Developing specific skills, competencies, and points of view needed by professionals in the field most closely related to this course
- Objective 5- Acquiring skills in working with others as a member of a team
- Objective 6- Developing creative capacities (writing, inventing, designing, performing in art, music, drama, etc.)
- Objective 7- Gaining a broader understanding and appreciation of intellectual/cultural activity (music, science, literature, etc.)
- Objective 8- Developing skill in expressing myself orally or in writing
- Objective 9- Learning how to find and use resources for answering questions or solving problems.
- Objective 10- Developing a clearer understanding of, and commitment to, personal values
- Objective 11- Learning to analyze and critically evaluate ideas, arguments, and points of view
- Objective 12- Acquiring an interest in learning more by asking my own questions and seeking answers

Compared to the IDEA System, progress ratings for participating GCC classes for this report and overall institution met or exceeded all of the twelve objectives.

Table 4. Student Ratings of Progress on Objectives Chosen as Important or Essential

|  |  | Raw Avg. ${ }^{9}$ | Adjusted <br> Avg. | \# of Classes |
| :--- | :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Objective 1: Gaining factual <br> knowledge (terminology, classifications, <br> methods, trends) | This report | 4.3 | 4.1 | 213 |
|  | Institution | 4.2 | 4.1 | 435 |
|  | IDEA <br> System | 4.0 | 4.0 | 31,991 |
| Objective 2: <br> Learning fundamental principles, <br> generalizations, or theories. | This report | 4.2 | 4.1 | 199 |
|  | Institution | 4.1 | 4.0 | 416 |
|  | IDEA <br> System | 3.9 | 3.9 | 30,398 |
| Objective 3: Learning to apply course <br> material (to improve thinking, problem <br> solving, and decisions) | This report | 4.3 | 4.1 | 238 |
|  | Institution | 4.2 | 4.1 | 453 |
|  | IDEA <br> System | 4.0 | 4.0 | 30,442 |
| Objective 4: Developing specific skills, <br> competencies, and points of view <br> needed by professionals in the field most <br> closely related to this course. | This report | 4.2 | 4.0 | 193 |
|  | Institution | 4.2 | 4.0 | 353 |
|  | IDEA <br> System | 4.0 | 4.0 | 21,568 |
| Objective 5: Acquiring skills in <br> working with others as a member of a <br> team | This report | 4.3 | 4.0 | 78 |
|  | Institution | 4.2 | 4.0 | 211 |
|  | IDEA <br> System | 3.9 | 3.9 | 12,088 |

[^7]|  |  | Raw Avg. ${ }^{9}$ | $\begin{gathered} \hline \text { Adjusted } \\ \text { Avg. }{ }^{10} \end{gathered}$ | \# of Classes |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Objective 6: Developing creative capacities (writing, inventing, designing, performing in art, music, drama, etc.) | This report | 4.4 | 4.2 | 48 |
|  | Institution | 4.0 | 3.8 | 139 |
|  | IDEA System | 3.9 | 3.9 | 9,290 |
| Objective 7: Gaining a broader understanding and appreciation of intellectual/cultural activity (music, science, literature, etc.) | This report | 4.1 | 3.7 | 40 |
|  | Institution | 4.0 | 3.7 | 145 |
|  | IDEA System | 3.7 | 3.7 | 10,256 |
| Objective 8: Developing skill in expressing myself orally or in writing | This report | 4.2 | 4.1 | 91 |
|  | Institution | 4.0 | 4.0 | 201 |
|  | IDEA System | 3.8 | 3.8 | 18,174 |
| Objective 9: Learning how to find and use resources for answering questions or solving problems | This report | 4.1 | 4.0 | 87 |
|  | Institution | 4.1 | 4.0 | 257 |
|  | IDEA System | 3.7 | 3.7 | 15,656 |
| Objective 10: Developing a clearer understanding of, and commitment to, personal values | This report | 4.3 | 4.0 | 22 |
|  | Institution | 4.2 | 4.0 | 124 |
|  | IDEA <br> System | 3.8 | 3.8 | 8,715 |
| Objective 11: Learning to analyze and critically evaluate ideas, arguments, and points of view | This report | 4.2 | 4.0 | 73 |
|  | Institution | 4.1 | 4.0 | 237 |
|  | IDEA System | 3.8 | 3.8 | 18,909 |
| Objective 12: Acquiring an interest in learning more by asking my own questions and seeking answers | This report | 4.3 | 4.1 | 89 |
|  | Institution | 4.1 | 4.0 | 243 |
|  | IDEA <br> System | 3.8 | 3.8 | 15,616 |

Table 5 on page 16 groups the twenty teaching methods assessed in the IDEA System into five (5) teaching approaches. The number of classes for which a particular teaching method was linked to important or essential objectives is identified in the second column. The average of ratings and the standard deviation are identified in the third and fourth columns. The scale used to gather information regarding teaching methods and styles is $1=$ hardly ever, $2=$ occasionally, $3=$ sometimes, $4=$ frequently, and $5=$ almost always. Students reported that the following nineteen teaching methods frequently occur:

- Demonstrated the importance and significance of the subject matter
- Stimulated students to intellectual effort beyond that required by most courses
- Introduced stimulating ideas about the subject
- Inspired students to set and achieve goals which really challenged them
- Formed "teams" or "discussion groups" to facilitate learning
- Asked students to share ideas and experiences with others whose backgrounds and viewpoints differ from their own.
- Asked students to help each other understand ideas or concepts
- Displayed a personal interest in students and their learning
- Found ways to help students answer their own questions
- Explained the reasons for criticisms of students' academic performance
- Encouraged student-faculty interaction outside of class (office visits, phone calls, e-mail etc)
- Encouraged students to use multiple resources (e.g. data banks, library holdings, outside experts) to improve understanding
- Related course material to real life situations
- Involved students in "hands on" projects such as research, case studies, or "real life" activities
- Gave projects, tests, or assignments that required original or creative thinking
- Scheduled course work (class activities, tests, projects) in ways which encouraged students to stay up to date in their work
- Made it clear how each topic fit into the course
- Explained course material clearly and concisely
- Gave tests, projects, etc. that covered the most important points of the course

Students reported that all nineteen teaching methods and styles frequently occur.
Students did not report that faculty provided timely and frequent feedback on tests, reports, projects, etc. to help students improve.

Table 5. Teaching Methods and Styles

|  | No. of Classes | Avg. | s.d. ${ }^{\text {II }}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| A. Stimulating Student Interest |  |  |  |
| Demonstrated the importance and significance of the subject matter | 316 | 4.6 | 0.4 |
| Stimulated students to intellectual effort beyond that required by most courses | 316 | 4.2 | 0.5 |
| Introduced stimulating ideas about the subject | 316 | 4.3 | 0.5 |
| Inspired students to set and achieve goals which really challenged them | 316 | 4.2 | 0.5 |
| B. Fostering Student Collaboration |  |  |  |
| Formed "teams" or "discussion groups" to facilitate learning | 78 | 4.3 | 0.7 |
| Asked students to share ideas and experiences with others whose backgrounds and viewpoints differ from their own. | 193 | 4.3 | 0.6 |
| Asked students to help each other understand ideas or concepts | 255 | 4.2 | 0.5 |
| C. Establishing Rapport |  |  |  |
| Displayed a personal interest in students and their learning | 308 | 4.5 | 0.4 |
| Found ways to help students answer their own questions | 316 | 4.5 | 0.4 |
| Explained the reasons for criticisms of students' academic performance | 311 | 4.1 | 0.5 |
| Encouraged student-faculty interaction outside of class (office visits, phone calls, e-mail, etc.) | 68 | 4.0 | 0.5 |
| D. Encouraging Student Involvement |  |  |  |
| Encouraged students to use multiple resources (e.g. data banks, library holdings, outside experts) to improve understanding | 87 | 4.2 | 0.4 |
| Related course material to real life situations | 278 | 4.5 | 0.5 |
| Involved students in "hands on" projects such as research, case studies, or "real life" activities | 140 | 4.1 | 0.7 |
| Gave projects, tests, or assignments that required original or creative thinking | 234 | 4.2 | 0.6 |
| E. Structuring Classroom Experiences |  |  |  |
| Scheduled course work (class activities, tests, projects) in ways which encouraged students to stay up to date in their work | 46 | 4.4 | 0.4 |
| Made it clear how each topic fit into the course | 316 | 4.5 | 0.4 |
| Explained course material clearly and concisely | 316 | 4.5 | 0.4 |

[^8]|  | No. of Classes | Avg. | s.d. $^{\text {II }}$ |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Gave tests, projects, etc. that covered the most important points of <br> the course | 252 | 4.5 | 0.5 |
| Provided timely and frequent feedback on tests, reports, projects, <br> etc. to help students improve | 0 | NA | NA |

Table 6 below describes student motivation, work habits, and academic effort. All three (3) variables affect student learning. The table reports averages for the Group of GCC classes, the institution and the IDEA System as well as the percentage of classes with averages below 3.0 and the percentage of classes 4.0 or above. The following scale was used by respondents to describe their attitudes and behavior in their course: 1=definitely false, $2=$ more false than true, 3=in between, $4=$ more true than false, and 5=definitely true. The Group of GCC classes felt that the statement "I had a strong desire to take this course" is more true than false. The institutional average for this statement (4.1) also reveals that the GCC classes included in the IDEA database view the statement as more true than false. The following are four (4) statements where GCC students (both for this report and the institution) reported that they felt in-between:

- "I worked harder on this course than on most courses I have taken."
- "I really wanted to take this course from this instructor."
- "I really wanted to take this course regardless of who taught it."
- "As a rule, I put forth more effort than other students on academic work."

Table 6: Student Self-Ratings

| Diagnostic Form Item | Average | \% of Classes <br> Below 3.0 | \% of Classes <br> 4.0 or Above |  |
| :--- | :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| I had a strong desire to take <br> this course. | This report | 4.2 | $1 \%$ | $68 \%$ |
|  | Institution | 4.1 | $1 \%$ | $63 \%$ |
|  | IDEA System | 3.7 | $16 \%$ | $36 \%$ |
| I worked harder on this <br> course than on most courses I <br> have taken. | This report | 3.9 | $3 \%$ | $45 \%$ |
|  | Institution | 3.8 | $2 \%$ | $37 \%$ |
| I really wanted to take this | IDEA System | 3.6 | $13 \%$ | $24 \%$ |


| Diagnostic Form Item | Average | \% of Classes <br> Below 3.0 | \% of Classes <br> 4.0 or Above |  |
| :--- | :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| course from this instructor. | Institution | 3.7 | $11 \%$ | $40 \%$ |
|  | IDEA System | 3.4 | $27 \%$ | $22 \%$ |
| I really wanted to take this <br> course regardless of who <br> taught it. | This report | 3.9 | $4 \%$ | $41 \%$ |
|  | Institution | 3.8 | $6 \%$ | $38 \%$ |
| As a rule, I put forth more <br> effort than other students on <br> academic work. | IDEA System | 3.3 | $25 \%$ | $13 \%$ |
|  | This report | 3.8 | $1 \%$ | $30 \%$ |
|  | Institution | 3.6 | $2 \%$ | $19 \%$ |

Table 7 below provides information about course characteristics. Students were asked to compare the course being assessed with other courses they have taken at the College. The scale used to collect this information is: $1=$ much less than most courses, $2=$ less than most courses, $3=$ about average, $4=$ more than most courses, and $5=$ much more than most courses. Participating GCC classes reported that the amount of reading, the amount of work in other (non-reading) assignments, and the difficulty of subject matter was about average, similar to the institution and the IDEA System.

Table 7. Student Ratings of Course Characteristics

| Diagnostic Form Item |  | Average | \% of Classes <br> Below 3.0 | \% of Classes <br> 4.0 or Above |
| :--- | :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Amount of reading | This report | 3.6 | $14 \%$ | $30 \%$ |
|  | Institution | 3.5 | $17 \%$ | $24 \%$ |
|  | IDEA System | 3.2 | $33 \%$ | $15 \%$ |
| Amount of work in other |  |  |  |  |
|  | This report | 3.8 | $3 \%$ | $40 \%$ |
|  | Institution | 3.8 | $4 \%$ | $32 \%$ |
|  | IDEA System | 3.4 | $21 \%$ | $18 \%$ |
| Difficulty of subject matter | This report | 3.5 | $9 \%$ | $17 \%$ |
|  | Institution | 3.4 | $13 \%$ | $13 \%$ |
|  | IDEA System | 3.4 | $20 \%$ | $18 \%$ |

Table 8 on the next page sums up students' responses to the statement "As a result of taking this course, I have more positive feelings toward this field of study". This statement is mainly significant for non-majors. The scale used by students to respond to the statement is: $1=$ definitely false, $2=$ more false than true, $3=$ in between, $4=$ more true than false, and

5=definitely true. As seen in Table 8, GCC students included in this report, institution and the IDEA database reported that they felt that the statement was more true than false. Students in the IDEA System reported that they felt in between.

Table 8. Improved Student Attitude

|  |  | $\mathbf{5 - P o i n t ~ S c a l e ~}$ |  | Converted Score <br> (Compared to IDEA) |  |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | Raw | Adjusted | Raw | Adjusted |
| As a result of taking this course, <br> I have more positive feelings <br> toward this field of study. | This report | 4.2 | 3.9 | 56 | 50 |
|  | Institution | 4.2 | 3.9 |  |  |
|  | IDEA System | 3.9 | 3.9 |  |  |

Table 9 below illustrates the relative frequency of several instructional approaches. Since students have different learning styles, exposure to a variety of instructional approaches is desirable. In the Faculty Information Form (FIF), faculty were asked to identify the primary instructional approach to their course. As seen in Table 9, seven (7) primary instructional approaches were reported (lecture-57\%; skill/activity-26\%; discussion/recitation-7\%; laboratory$4 \%$; multi-media-3\%; other/not indicated-2\%; and practicum/clinical-1\%. Also in the FIF, faculty were asked the question "if multiple approaches are used, which one represents the secondary approach?" According to Table 9, nine (9) secondary instructional approaches were used (discussion/recitation-26\%; lecture-24\%; skill/activity-19\%; laboratory-13\%; other/not indicated-6\%; multi-media-5\%; field experience-3\%; practicum/clinic-3\%; and studio-1\%). Seminar was not identified as a primary or secondary instructional approach.

Table 9. Primary and Secondary Instructional Approaches (Number Rating: 316)

|  | Percent indicating instructional approach as: |  |
| :--- | :---: | :---: |
|  | Primary | Secondary |
| Lecture | $57 \%$ | $24 \%$ |
| Discussion/Recitation | $7 \%$ | $26 \%$ |
| Seminar | $0 \%$ | $0 \%$ |
| Skill/Activity | $26 \%$ | $19 \%$ |


|  | Percent indicating instructional approach as: |  |
| :--- | :---: | :---: |
| Laboratory | $4 \%$ | $13 \%$ |
| Field Experience | $0 \%$ | $3 \%$ |
| Studio | $0 \%$ | $1 \%$ |
| Multi-Media | $3 \%$ | $5 \%$ |
| Practicum/Clinic | $1 \%$ | $3 \%$ |
| Other/Not Indicated | $2 \%$ | $6 \%$ |

Table 10 below illustrates the extent to which classes expose students to different types of academic activities. In general, proficiency is associated with the amount of exposure to various activities. In the FIF, faculty were asked to describe their course in terms of its requirements as it relates to a list of academic activities included in the first column of Table 10. Based on the information reported in the table, student exposure was the greatest for reading (66\%), followed by critical thinking (61\%), and oral communication (42\%). Student exposure was the least for mathematical/quantitative work (54\%), followed by creative/artistic/design (53\%), and group work $(28 \%)$. It is important to note, however, that the type of class being offered usually determines the instructional approach that is used.

Table 10. Course Emphases

|  |  | Percent indicating amount required was: |  |  |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Number |  |  |  |
|  | Rating | None or Little | Some | Much |
| Writing | 304 | $15 \%$ | $53 \%$ | $32 \%$ |
| Oral Communication | 302 | $8 \%$ | $50 \%$ | $42 \%$ |
| Computer application | 302 | $26 \%$ | $45 \%$ | $29 \%$ |
| Group work | 301 | $28 \%$ | $48 \%$ | $24 \%$ |
| Mathematical/quantitative work | 300 | $54 \%$ | $24 \%$ | $22 \%$ |
| Critical thinking | 304 | $3 \%$ | $36 \%$ | $61 \%$ |
| Creative/artistic/design | 295 | $53 \%$ | $35 \%$ | $13 \%$ |
| Reading | 303 | $4 \%$ | $29 \%$ | $66 \%$ |
| Memorization | 297 | $20 \%$ | $44 \%$ | $36 \%$ |

Table 11 on the next page shows how GCC faculty regard different variables that may facilitate or hinder student learning. In the FIF, faculty were asked to rate the nine (9) variables
listed on the first column of the table using the following code: $\mathrm{P}=$ had a positive impact on learning, $\mathrm{I}=$ neither a positive nor a negative impact, $\mathrm{N}=$ had a negative impact on learning, and ?=can't judge. The variable most frequently reported to have a positive impact is experience teaching the course ( $96 \%$ ), followed by desire to teach the course ( $93 \%$ ), control over course management decisions ( $87 \%$ ), student effort to learn ( $82 \%$ ), student enthusiasm ( $77 \%$ ), physical facilities/equipment (71\%), changes in approach (62\%), technical/instructional support (60\%), and student background (59\%). The variable most frequently reported to have a negative impact on student learning is student background (11\%), followed by physical facilities/equipment (9\%), technical/instructional support (7\%), student effort to learn (5\%), student enthusiasm (2\%), changes in approach (1\%), and control over course management decisions (1\%). Two (2) variables that were not reported to have a negative impact on learning are experience teaching the course and desire to teach the course. As indicated in the GSR, "Until research establishes the implications of these ratings, administrators should make their own appraisal of whether or not ratings of student learning were affected by these factors".

Table 11. "Circumstances" Impact on Learning

|  |  | Percent indicating impact on learning was: |  |  |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Negative | Neither <br> Negative nor <br> Positive | Positive |  |
|  | Number <br> Rating |  | $20 \%$ | $71 \%$ |
| Physical facilities/equipment | 297 | $9 \%$ | $4 \%$ | $96 \%$ |
| Experience teaching course | 273 | $0 \%$ | $37 \%$ | $62 \%$ |
| Changes in approach | 235 | $1 \%$ | $6 \%$ | $93 \%$ |
| Desire to teach the course | 306 | $0 \%$ | $12 \%$ | $87 \%$ |
| Control over course <br> management decisions | 297 | $1 \%$ | $30 \%$ | $59 \%$ |
| Student background | 266 | $11 \%$ | $22 \%$ | $77 \%$ |
| Student enthusiasm | 294 | $2 \%$ | $2 \%$ | $13 \%$ |
| Student effort to learn | 291 | $5 \%$ | $82 \%$ |  |
| Technical/instructional support | 278 | $7 \%$ | $33 \%$ | $60 \%$ |

In addition to the institutional GSR, individual class summaries will be provided to faculty who participated in the study. These results are reported in the IDEA Diagnostic Form Report (Appendix B) designed to answer the following questions: Overall, how effectively is the class taught?; How does this compare with ratings of other teachers?; Were you more successful in facilitating progress on some objectives than others?; How can instruction be made more effective?; and Do some salient characteristics of this class and its students have implications for instruction? The IDEA Diagnostic Form Report along with an interpretive guide and a sample diagnostic report with explanations will be given to all faculty who participated in the study.

Additionally, GSRs based on IDEA discipline codes will be given to respective departments. When completing the FIF, faculty selected a discipline code from the list of IDEA Discipline Codes for GCC Classes which they felt was most relevant to their course. Appendix K includes the list of discipline codes and the corresponding GCC classes that selected each code. Forty-three groups of classes were sorted based on the codes and sent to the IDEA Center for processing. Thirty-seven GSRs were returned. A GSR was not provided by the IDEA Center for six (6) Groups because they had too few classes (<2) to construct a GSR. These groups include classes in driver's education, economics, medical assisting, microbiology, philosophy, and theatre.

## IV. Conclusions

Survey results from the fall 2011 GSR report highlight the following conclusions which are similar to the fall 2010 and spring 2011 GSR reports:

- GCC classes continue to perform well in terms of progress on relevant objectives.
- Participating GCC classes $(\mathrm{n}=316)$ made better progress on relevant objectives compared to classes in the IDEA database $(\mathrm{n}=44,455)$.
- GCC students have a positive regard for faculty and courses.
- Compared to the IDEA database, GCC students have a higher regard for faculty and a more positive perception of their courses.
- In general, GCC students continue to have a positive perception of teaching effectiveness at the College.
- Compared to the classes included in the IDEA system ( $\mathrm{n}=44,455$ ), GCC students who responded to the survey perceive the teaching effectiveness of their professors more favorably.


## V. Recommendations

The following recommendations are made based on the findings:

- Consistent with the results of the fall 2010 and spring 2011 Student Ratings of Instruction Survey, the fall 2011 survey indicated that faculty needs to provide timely and frequent feedback on tests, reports, projects, etc. to help students improve.
- For improvement of teaching processes, faculty evaluators (i.e. Deans and Associate Deans) must include the discussion of prompt feedback for student work in the annual evaluation sessions between them and individual faculty members.
- Students should continue to be made part of the process of administering the IDEA survey by being designated to administer the survey on their respective classes, and given the associated responsibility of collecting and submitting completed surveys along with blank forms and other survey materials in drop boxes designated by the AIER office. By designating a student in each class to administer the survey, it fosters student involvement in the evaluation process, which is so critical in the improvement of the teaching and learning processes at the college.

Appendix A


| Days Class Meets | Discipline Code | Time Class Begins | Course <br> Number |  |  | Number Enrolled | Local Code |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
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- Contextual Questions (Research Purposes):

The IDEA Center will conduct research on these optional questions in order to improve the interpretation of student ratings.

1. \(\left.\begin{array}{l}Which of the following <br>
represents the primary <br>
approach to this course? <br>

(Mark only one)\end{array}\right\}\)| (1) $=$ Lecture |
| :--- |
| (2) $=$ Discussion/recitation |
| (3) $=$ Seminar |
| (5) $=$ Skill/activity |
| (6) $=$ Field Experatory |
| (7) $=$ Studio |
| (8) $=$ Multi-Media |
| (9) $=$ Practicum/clinic |
| (0) $=$ Other |

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2. If multiple approaches are used, which one represents the
secondary approach? (Mark only one)
(1) = Lecture
(2) $=$ Discussion $/$ recitation
(3) $=$ Seminar
(4) $=$ Skill/activity
(5) = Laboratory
(6) $=$ Field Experience
(7) = Studio
(8) $=$ Multi-Media
(9) $=$ Practicum $/$ clinic
(0) $=$ Other
3. Describe this course in terms of its requirements with respect to the features listed below. Use the following code to make your responses:
$\mathrm{N}=$ None (or little) required
$\mathrm{S}=$ Some required
$\mathrm{M}=$ Much required
N S M
$\bigcirc \bigcirc$ A. Writing
$\bigcirc \bigcirc$ B. Oral communication
$\bigcirc \bigcirc$ C. Computer applications
$\bigcirc$ D. Group work
$\bigcirc \bigcirc$ E. Mathematical/quantitative work
$\bigcirc \bigcirc$ F. Critical thinking
$\bigcirc \bigcirc$ G. Creative/artistic/design endeavor
$\bigcirc \bigcirc \mathrm{H}$. Reading
$\bigcirc \bigcirc$ I. Memorization
4. Rate each of the circumstances listed below, using the following code to respond:
$P=$ Had a positive impact on learning
I = Neither a positive nor a negative impact
$\mathrm{N}=$ Had a negative impact on learning
? = Can't judge
P I N ?
$\bigcirc \bigcirc \bigcirc$ A. Physical facilities and/or equipment

B. Your previous experience in teaching this courseC. Substantial changes in teaching approach, course assignments, content, etc.
$\bigcirc \bigcirc \bigcirc$
D. Your desire to teach this course

E. Your control over course management decisions (objectives, texts, exams, etc.)F. Students' level of preparation for taking the course
$\bigcirc \bigcirc \bigcirc$
G. Students' level of enthusiasm for the course

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H. Students' level of effort to learn
. Technical/instructional support
5. Please identify the principal type of student enrolling in this course
(Mark only one)
(1) = First-year students/sophomores seeking to meet a "general education" or "distribution" requirement
(2) F First-year students/sophomores seeking to develop background needed for their intended specialization
(3) = Upper level non-majors taking the course as a "general education" or "distribution" requirement
(4) $=$ Upper level majors (in this or a related field of study) seeking competence or expertise in their academic/professional specialty
(5) = Graduate or professional school students
(6) $=$ Combination of two or more of the above types
6. Is this class:
a. Team taught?
Yes
No
No
b. Taught through distance learning?
Yes

## Discipline Codes (Modified CIP Codes)

0100 Agricultural Business and Production
0200 Agricultural Sciences
0300 Conservation and Renewable Natural Resources

0400 Architecture and Related Programs
0500 Area Ethnic and Cultural Studies
5007 Art (Painting, Drawing, Sculpture)
3201 Basic Skills
2600 Biological Sciences/Life Sciences
5201 Business, General
5202 Business Administration and Management
5203 Business - Accounting
5208 Business - Finance
5212 Business Information and Data Processing Services

5214 Business - Marketing
4005 Chemistry
0900 Communications
1100 Computer and Information Sciences
4301 Criminal Justice and Corrections
1205 Culinary Arts and Related Services
1103 Data Processing Technology (2-year program)

5004 Design and Applied Arts
9901 Developmental Math

9902 Developmental Reading
9903 Developmental Writing
9904 Developmental Natural Sciences
4506 Economics
1300 Education
1400 Engineering
1500 Engineering-Related Technologies
9910 English as Second Language
2301 English Language and Literature
5000 Fine and Applied Arts (EXCEPT Art, Music, and Design and Applied Arts)

1600 Foreign Languages and Literatures
3105 Health and Physical Education/Fitness

5100 Health Professions and Related Sciences (EXCEPT Nursing)

5199 Health Professions and Related Sciences (2-year program)

4508 History
1900 Human Sciences/Family and Consumer Sciences

2400 Liberal Arts \& Sciences, General Studies and Humanities

2200 General Legal Studies (Undergraduate)

2500 Library Science

2700 Mathematics and Statistics
5009 Music (Performing, Composing, Theory)

5116 Nursing
3100 Parks, Recreation, Leisure, and Fitness Studies

3801 Philosophy
4000 Physical Science (EXCEPT Physics and Chemistry)

4008 Physics
4510 Political Science and Government 4200 Psychology

4400 Public Administration and Services (EXCEPT Social Work)

3900 Religion and Theological Studies
4500 Social Sciences (EXCEPT
Economics, History, Political Science, and Sociology)

4407 Social Work and Service
4511 Sociology
2310 Speech and Rhetorical Studies
Vocational/Technical Programs (see Website: Department codes 4600-4900)

9900 Other (to be used when none of the above codes apply)

To see an expanded list of discipline codes go to: www.theideacenter.org/DisciplineCodes
Appendix B
Institution:

## Instructor:

## Course Number:

## Time and Days Class Meets:

Your thoughtful answers to these questions will provide helpful information to your instructor.
Describe the frequency of your instructor's teaching procedures, using the following code:
1=Hardly Ever 2=Occasionally 3=Sometimes $\quad$ 4=Frequently $\quad$ 5=Almost Always

## —The Instructor:

| - 1. (1) | (2) | (3) | (4) | (5) Displayed a personal interest in students and their learning |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| - 2.1 | (2) | (3) | (4) | (5) Found ways to help students answer their own questions |
| - 3 .1) | (2) | (3) | (4) | (5) Scheduled course work (class activities, tests, projects) in ways which encouraged students to stay up-to-date in their work |
| - 4.1 | (2) | (3) | (4) | (5) Demonstrated the importance and significance of the subject matter |
| - 5.1 | (2) | (3) | (4) | (5) Formed "teams" or "discussion groups" to facilitate learning |
| - 6.1 | (2) | (3) | (4) | (5) Made it clear how each topic fit into the course |
| - 7.1 | (2) | (3) | (4) | (5) Explained the reasons for criticisms of students' academic performance |
| - 8.1 | (2) | (3) | (4) | (5) Stimulated students to intellectual effort beyond that required by most courses |
| - 9.1 | (2) | (3) | (4) | (5) Encouraged students to use multiple resources (e.g. data banks, library holdings, outside experts) to improve understanding |
| -10.(1) | (2) | (3) | (4) | (5) Explained course material clearly and concisely |
| -11.(1) | (2) | (3) | (4) | (5) Related course material to real life situations |
| -12.(1) | (2) | (3) | (4) | (5) Gave tests, projects, etc. that covered the most important points of the course |
| -13.(1) | (2) | (3) | (4) | (5) Introduced stimulating ideas about the subject |
| -14.(1) | (2) | (3) | (4) | (5) Involved students in "hands on" projects such as research, case studies, or "real life" activities |
| -15.(1) | (2) | (3) | (4) | (5) Inspired students to set and achieve goals which really challenged them |
| -16.(1) | (2) | (3) | (4) | (5) Asked students to share ideas and experiences with others whose backgrounds and viewpoints differ from their own |
| -17.1) | (2) | (3) | (4) | (5) Provided timely and frequent feedback on tests, reports, projects, etc. to help students improve |
| -18.1) | (2) | (3) | (4) | (5) Asked students to help each other understand ideas or concepts |
| -19.(1) | (2) | (3) | (4) | (5) Gave projects, tests, or assignments that required original or creative thinking |
| -20. ${ }^{\text {(1) }}$ | (2) | (3) | (4) | (5) Encouraged student-faculty interaction outside of class (office visits, phone calls, e-mail, etc.) |

Twelve possible learning objectives are listed below, not all of which will be relevant in this class. Describe the amount of progress you made on each (even those not pursued in this class) by using the following scale:

> 1-No apparent progress
> 2-Slight progress; I made small gains on this objective.
> 3-Moderate progress; I made some gains on this objective.
> 4-Substantial progress; I made large gains on this objective.
> 5-Exceptional progress; I made outstanding gains on this objective.
-Progress on:


On the next three items, compare this course with others you have taken at this institution, using the following code: 1=Much Less than 2=Less than 3=About Average 4=More than 5=Much More Most Courses Most Courses Most Courses than Most Courses

## The Course:

| $33 .(1)$ | (2) | (3) | (4) | (5) Amount of reading |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| 34. (1) | (2) | (3) | (4) | (5) Amount of work in other (non-reading) assignments |  |
| $35 .(1)$ | (2) | (3) | (4) | (5) | Difficulty of subject matter |

Describe your attitudes and behavior in this course, using the following code:

| 1= Definitely | 2=More False | $3=\ln$ Between | Than True |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| False | Thore True | Than False | True |  |


| 36. (1) | (2) | (3) | (4) | (5) I had a strong desire to take this course. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 37.(1) | (2) | (3) | (4) | (5) I worked harder on this course than on most courses I have taken. |
| 38.(1) | (2) | (3) | (4) | (5) I really wanted to take a course from this instructor. |
| 39.(1) | (2) | (3) | (4) | (5) I really wanted to take this course regardless of who taught it. |
| 40. (1) | (2) | (3) | (4) | (5) As a result of taking this course, I have more positive feelings toward this field of study. |
| 41. (1) | (2) | (3) | (4) | (5) Overall, I rate this instructor an excellent teacher. |
| 42.(1) | (2) | (3) | (4) | (5) Overall, I rate this course as excellent. |


\section*{For the following items, blacken the space which best corresponds to your judgment: <br> | 1=Definitely | 2=More False | 3=In Between | 4=More True | 5=Definitely |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| False | Than True |  | Than False | True |


| 43.1) | (2) | (3) | (4) | (5) | As a rule, I put forth more effort than other students on academic work. |
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| 44.1) | (2) | (3) | (4) | (5) | The instructor used a variety of methods--not only tests--to evaluate student progress on course objectives. |
| 45.1 | (2) | (3) | (4) | (5) | The instructor expected students to take their share of responsibility for learning. |
| 46.(1) | (2) | (3) | (4) | (5) | The instructor had high achievement standards in this class. |
| 47. ${ }^{\text {(1) }}$ | (2) | (3) | (4) | (5) | The instructor used educational technology (e.g., Internet, e-mail, computer exercises, multi-media presentations, etc.) to promote learning. |

## EXTRA QUESTIONS

If your instructor has extra questions, answer them in the space designated below (questions 48-67):

| 48. (1) | (2) | (3) | (4) | (5) | 58. (1) | (2) | (3) | (4) | (5) |
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| 49.(1) | (2) | (3) | (4) | (5) | 59. (1) | (2) | (3) | (4) | (5) |
| 50. (1) | (2) | (3) | (4) | (5) | 60.1 | (2) | (3) | (4) | (5) |
| 51. (1) | (2) | (3) | (4) | (5) | 61.1 | (2) | (3) | (4) | (5) |
| 52.(1) | (2) | (3) | (4) | (5) | 62.1 | (2) | (3) | (4) | (5) |
| 53. (1) | (2) | (3) | (4) | (5) | 63.1 | (2) | (3) | (4) | (5) |
| 54. (1) | (2) | (3) | (4) | (5) | 64.1 | (2) | (3) | (4) | (5) |
| 55. (1) | (2) | (3) | (4) | (5) | 65. (1) | (2) | (3) | (4) | (5) |
| 56. (1) | (2) | (3) | (4) | (5) | 66.1 | (2) | (3) | (4) | (5) |
| 57.1 | (2) | (3) | (4) | (5) | 67. (1) | (2) | (3) | (4) | (5) |

Use the space below for comments (unless otherwise directed). Note: Your written comments may be returned to the instructor, You may want to PRINT to protect your anonymity.

Comments: $\qquad$

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Appendix C

## AIIER

OFFICE OF ASSESSMENT, INSTITUTIONAL EFFECTIVENESS \& RESEARCH GUAM COMMUNITY COLLEGE
http://www.guamcc.edu/aie

## Memorandum

TO: Faculty
VIA:
Dr. Rene Ray D. Somera
Vice President for Acadestic Affairs
FROM: Dr. Gina C. Tudela Assistant Director, AIER


SUBJECT: Fall 2011 IDEA Student Ratings of Instruction Survey
DATE: $\quad$ September 26, 2011

The AIER Office will be administering the IDEA Student Ratings of Instruction Survey again this Fall 2011 semester. The IDEA Center is an off-island vendor that AIER has collaborated with in order to conduct an efficient and unbiased survey implementation. Results will be sent off-island for processing and will be used for institutional assessment reporting.

The IDEA Student Ratings of Instruction Survey is designed to assess student learning and to guide teaching improvement. Self-report of student learning on specific course objectives selected by faculty is used as a primary measure of teaching effectiveness.

Classes beginning after August 17, 2011 and ending prior to December 9, 2011 are excluded from the study. Additionally, co-op, practicum, internship, and clinical classes are also excluded. Surveys will be administered from October 17, 2011 to October 31, 2011.

The IDEA Student Ratings of Instruction System includes Faculty Information Forms (FIF) (included in your packet) and Student Reactions to Instruction and Course forms (Diagnostic Form). The FIF includes 12 learning objectives and you must indicate which of these objectives you consider to be relevant (important or essential) to your class. Since effective teaching is defined in terms of progress on the objectives selected, it is important that you are thoughtful in your selection. Objectives considered important or essential are those requiring substantial and explicit effort towards their achievement, and achievement of the objective is meaningfully reflected in the appraisal of student progress.

The objectives you select should be discussed with your students. Students should be informed that they are going to be asked to rate their own progress on these objectives and that these ratings are taken seriously by the College.

IDEA recommends that you select 3-5 objectives as important or essential for each class. When more than five (5) objectives are selected, effectiveness ratings are considered adversely affected because you may be trying to accomplish too much. A more thorough discussion of selecting objectives can be found in the Directions to Faculty document included in your packet or Some Thoughts on Selecting IDEA Objectives document at www.theideacenter.org/selectingobjectives.

Please read the Directions to Faculty document prior to completing the attached FIF. Also included in your packet is a sheet entitled IDEA Discipline Codes for GCC Courses. Please use the codes identified for your particular discipline when completing the FIF.

FIFs must be completed prior to the administration of the survey. They must be returned no later than October 7, 2011. Completed FIFs may be placed in drop boxes located in the Student Support Services Office or the Faculty Lounge. You may also drop off completed forms directly to the AIER Office in the Student Services and Administration Building.

## SURVEY ADMINISTRATION:

Student surveys will be given to you prior to October 17, 2011. AIER staff will be distributing survey packets directly to full-time faculty. If full-time faculty is not available, surveys will be given to your department's support staff for distribution. Survey packets for adjunct faculty will be available for pick-up in the Student Support Office (Bldg. B) starting October 17, 2011.

From October 17, 2011 to October 31, 2011, you must identify a student in your class to administer the survey at any time during this two-week period. Please provide your designated student with a copy of the enclosed instructions a day or two prior to administering the survey so that he or she understands what to do. Provide the student with the survey packet on the day that the survey will be administered.

If you have any questions, please feel free to call the AIER staff at 735-5520. The information obtained from the IDEA Student Ratings of Instruction will be useful to you in assessing student learning and guiding teaching improvement.

Thank you for your continued commitment to GCC's assessment efforts.
Appendix D

Good Morning/Afternoon/Evening Everyone:

- My name is $\qquad$ and I will be administering the IDEA Student Ratings of Instruction Survey.
- The survey is designed to assess student learning and to guide teaching improvement. You must rate your progress on the objectives of the class as indicated by the instructor.
- Your ratings are taken seriously by the College.
- Results will be sent off-island for processing and all responses are confidential.
- Your ratings will be most helpful to faculty and to the College if you answer thoughtfully and honestly.
- The survey focuses on what the instructor was trying to teach and on what you learned.
- The survey will take approximately 15 minutes to complete.
- Please use only the pencils provided to you to complete the survey.
- Don't start completing the survey until I say "you may start".
- Please take a look at your survey form.
-In the upper left hand side of your survey form you will see the word institution, please write-in Guam Community College.
-In the instructor field, please write (mention name of instructor).
-For course number, write (mention course number-i.e., AC 100 section 1)
-For time and days class meets, write (mention information on the envelope label).
- Only choose one response per item.
- Once you've identified your response to an item, please fill in the appropriate circle completely (refer to the example on the upper right hand side of the form).
- When you are done, please return the survey as well as the pencil to me.
- Do you have any questions? -------THANK YOU FOR PARTICIPATING IN THE SURVEY.
- You may start!


## Appendix E

Directions to Faculty IDEA Student Ratings of Instruction

This document is intended to direct the use of the IDEA Student Ratings of Instruction system in your classes. Please retain these directions for future reference. If you require more specific information in any area, please contact your On-Campus Coordinator of the IDEA Student Ratings of Instruction system. These directions are divided into the following sections:
I. Marking Your Faculty Information Form

- IDEA Objectives
- Instructor and Course Information
- Contextual Questions
II. Using Additional Questions with the IDEA System
III. Instructions for Classroom Administration of the IDEA System


## I. Marking Your Faculty Information Form

The Faculty Information Form describes your course and provides critical information needed to generate your report. Use a No. 2 pencil and the proper marks as illustrated on the Faculty Information Form. If the Faculty Information Form is not marked correctly, the processing of your course may be incomplete or inaccurate.

## IDEA Objectives

Using the scale provided, identify the relevance of each of the twelve objectives to the course. It is important to remember that no course can be all things to all students. We recommend that you select no more than 3-5 objectives either as "Essential" or "Important," prioritizing what you want students to learn in your course. As a general rule, if you choose three objectives, only one should be "Essential"; if you choose five, only two should be "Essential." The weighting system used to generate summary results in the IDEA report (Progress on Relevant Objectives) weighs Essential objectives " 2 ," Important objectives " 1 ," and Minor objectives " 0 ."

Mark each objective as:
$\mathbf{M}=$ "Minor or No Importance"; $\mathbf{I}=$ "Important"; or $\mathbf{E}=$ "Essential" by blackening the appropriate letter.
In selecting "Essential" or "Important" objectives, ask yourself three questions:

1. Is this a significant part of the course?
2. Do I do something specific to help the students accomplish this objective?
3. Does the student's progress on this objective affect his or her grade?

If you answer "Yes" to one or more of these questions, then that objective should probably be weighted "E" or "I" on the Faculty Information Form. The phrase "Minor or No Importance" recognizes that in most courses some of the twelve objectives will be considerably less important than others, even though some attention may be given to them. An "M" should be selected on the Faculty Information Form for such objectives.

The following brief summary organizes the objectives into six groups. The numbers used for each objective (1-12) correspond to the numbers used on the Faculty Information Form. It is recommended that the meaning of the objectives is discussed with your class early in the semester so a common understanding is reached. For a more thorough discussion about selecting IDEA Objectives, please see, "Some Thoughts on Selecting IDEA Objectives" (http://www.theideacenter.org/SelectingObjectives).

## Basic Cognitive Background

1. Gaining factual knowledge (terminology, classifications, methods, trends)

Objective's focus: building a knowledge base
2. Learning fundamental principles, generalizations, or theories

Objective's focus: connecting facts, understanding relationships

## Application of Learning

3. Learning to apply course material (to improve thinking, problem solving, and decisions)

Objective's focus: applying what you have learned in this class to clarify thinking or solve problems
4. Developing specific skills, competencies, and points of view needed by professionals in the field most closely related to this course

Objective's focus: developing skills, abilities, or attitudes of a beginning professional

## Expressiveness

6. Developing creative capacities (writing, inventing, designing, performing in art, music, drama, etc.)

Objective's focus: flexibility and divergence in thinking, elaboration of thoughts and insights, imagination, expressiveness of individuality
8. Developing skill in expressing oneself orally or in writing

Objective's focus: effective oral and written communication

## Intellectual Development

7. Gaining a broader understanding and appreciation of intellectual/cultural activity (music, science, literature, etc.)

Objective's focus: gaining and valuing a "Liberal Education"
10. Developing a clearer understanding of, and commitment to, personal values

Objective's focus: developing a sound basis for making lifestyle decisions
11. Learning to analyze and critically evaluate ideas, arguments, and points of view

Objective's focus: higher level thinking skills (either within or outside of a disciplinary context)

## Lifelong Learning

9. Learning how to find and use resources for answering questions or solving problems Objective's focus: functioning as an independent learner
10. Acquiring an interest in learning more by asking questions and seeking answers

Objective's focus: developing attitudes and behaviors to support lifelong learning

## Team Skills

5. Acquiring skills in working with others as a member of a team

Objective's focus: learning to function effectively in multiple team roles

## Instructor and Course Information

Last Name and Initials: Space is available for the first 11 letters of your last name and your two initials. Beginning with the first box at the top of the form, print each of the letters of your last name in a separate box. Print your initials in the last two boxes at the extreme right of the name section. Then, in the columns below each box, completely darken the circle, which corresponds to the letter you have written in the box above.

Objectives: Because the IDEA system defines effective teaching in terms of progress (learning) on the objectives of the particular course, it is crucial that very thoughtful consideration be given to the selection of "Essential" and "Important" objectives on the Faculty Information Form. Students' report of their progress on those objectives become the primary criteria to evaluate that course and is reported as Progress on Relative Objectives, which combines the results of all objectives you selected as "Important" or "Essential." "Essential" objectives are double weighted. They count twice as much as "Important" objectives in the calculation of progress on relevant objectives.

Days: Blacken completely each day of the week the class meets.

Discipline Code: An abbreviated list of discipline codes can be found on the back of the Faculty Information Form or a more detailed list of codes is available at (www.theideacenter.org/DisciplineCodes). This code is used to provide the disciplinary comparisons in the course report and helps identify your course. In some institutions, it may be helpful in developing a summary report for the department or discipline. Blacken completely the appropriate four-digit modified CIP academic code for the discipline that best represents your course.

Time Class Begins: Blacken completely the time the class begins. This information helps identify the class section.

Course Number: Blacken completely the course numbers. This number helps identify the class section. Typically, the last six digits of the course ID are used. For example, the numbers 000101 would be used for Art 101, Math 101, etc., with the departments distinguished by the previously selected discipline code.

Number Enrolled: Blacken completely the number of students enrolled in your class (e.g., if 9 are enrolled, mark 009; if 23 are enrolled, mark 023, etc). This information helps determine how representative your results are.

NOTE: A report cannot be generated with only 1 student completing the survey form. It is preferable to have at least 10 students complete the survey forms for minimal reliability.

Local Code: Please leave blank unless your IDEA On-Campus Coordinator gives other instructions.

## Contextual Questions (Research Purposes):

These questions help describe the context in which the course was taught. Future research will determine how interpretations of your results should be altered by contextual considerations. As in the previous sections, please blacken the appropriate responses. While the responses to these items are not required (i.e., the report will be processed without your answering them), your responses will provide valuable background information. If you have questions about these items consult your IDEA On-Campus Coordinator.

Contextual questions one and two (primary and secondary approach to teaching) are defined as:
Lecture: Providing information, explaining ideas or concepts, demonstrating techniques or procedures. Typically, this approach to teaching allows very little or no student interaction.

Discussion/recitation: Inviting students to review and discuss material provided by the instructor. Typically, a regularly scheduled session to enhance material provided in another class meeting.

Seminar: A small group of advanced students who meet regularly with the instructor, typically addressing original research or intensive study.

Skill/Activity: Opportunity to develop specific skills through application. For example, physical education (golf, swimming, etc.); skills related to health professions (CPR, dental hygiene, etc); simulators; or computer skills.

Laboratory: Promoting learning through "hands on" experience in lab setting.
Field experience: Promoting learning through "hands on" or "real life" experiences outside of the classroom.

Studio: Opportunity to develop skills, talent, or expression through application. Typically involves creative work.

Multi-media: (Hybrid) The combined use of media and learning environments, such as lecture, CDROMs, and/or the Internet.

Practicum/clinic: A course in a specialized field study designed to give students supervised, practical experience directly related to a profession.

## II. Using Additional Questions with the IDEA System

One of the major criticisms of using a standard form for students' ratings of instruction and courses is that such questions may not be sensitive to some of the unique aspects of a course. The IDEA system offers you the opportunity to ask additional questions to assess particular aspects of your course. The following steps should be followed when preparing additional questions:

Step 1: Prepare and duplicate the additional questions on a separate sheet. Up to 20 additional questions may be asked on either the Diagnostic Form (items 48 through 67) or the Short Form, (items 19 through 38).
Step 2: You may use up to five response options for each question; these responses should be numbered (1), (2), (3), (4), (5) - NOT lettered. Examples of common questions and options are available from your IDEA On-Campus Coordinator or at (http://www.theideacenter.org/AdditionalQuestions).
Step 3: Sheets with the additional questions should be distributed along with the student response forms at the time of administration. The IDEA Report will present the distribution of the students' responses, the average, and the standard deviation for each additional question. You may also ask questions which require a written response. These questions may be answered on the back of the student response forms, which will be returned to your institution following processing. However, if you want to give your students more space, provide them with a separate sheet of paper for their written comments. Do NOT send these separate sheets to the Center; they should be kept by your institution.

## III. Instructions for Classroom Administration of the IDEA System

The following steps outline the procedures for administering the IDEA system. The DIAGNOSTIC FORM is the burgundy opscan form with 47 items and the SHORT FORM is the red opscan form with 18 items.

Step 1: Complete a Faculty Information Form (orange) for each class.
Step 2: Distribute the student opscan forms (and the comment sheets or sheets with additional questions, if any). Remind the students to use a No. 2 Pencil. The survey administrator might consider having some extra No. 2 pencils available. Surveys completed in ink cannot be processed.
Step 3: Provide the students with the following general course information: (1) Institution; (2) Instructor; (3) Course number; (4) Time and days class meets. Direct the students to complete these sections on the front of their survey form.
Step 4: Unless your institution has its own standardized directions, the following instructions to the students should be read aloud:

Your ratings will be most helpful to the instructor and to the institution if you answer thoughtfully and honestly. Students sometimes wonder, "If the course was well taught and I learned a lot, should I rate every item high?" The answer is "No." IDEA focuses on what the instructor was trying to teach and on what you learned. As such, an instructor is not expected to do well on every item. In recognition of this, items not related to this course are not counted in the final evaluation.
Note: If the data will be used for personnel decisions, the following instructions to the students should be read aloud:

As student raters, you should also know that the results of your ratings for this class will be included as part of the information used to make decisions about promotion/tenure/salary increases for this instructor. Fairness to both the individual and the institution require accurate and honest answers.

Step 5: To insure objectivity and uniformity, after the instructions have been given, it is strongly recommended that the instructor leave the room while the students complete the student response forms. Have either a member of the class, a teaching assistant, or a colleague take responsibility for returning the materials to the designated office as soon as the students finish.
Appendix F

## Discipline Codes for IDEA (Fall 2011)

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1003 - Vis Com
1100 - Computer Science
1204 - Cosmetology
1205 - Culinary/Food and Beverage Management
1300-Education
1313 - Driver and Safety Teacher Education
1503 - all EE up to 116 (electronics)
1504 - EE courses 211 and up
1511 - Surveying
1600 - Foreign Language
1905 - Nutrition
2002 - Early Childhood
2301 - EN 111 and 210
2304-EN110
2310-EN125
2600 - Science (SI1 10)
2605-Microbiology
2606 - Science (SI 103 and 130)
2700 - Math (MA110, 161A & B)
3201 - Adult Ed - GED
3801 - Philosophy
4008 - Physics
4200 - Psychology (all PY courses)
4301 - Criminal Justice
4 3 0 2 \text { - Fire Protection}
4500 - Social Sciences (Gov't, World Civ., History.....)
4506 - Econ
4511 - Sociology
4600 - Construction Trades (carpentry, masonry, electrical installing, finishing,
        plumbing)
4700 - Mechanics and Repairers (heat, air, refrigeration, electrical)
4706 - Automotive (including body)
4801 - Drafting (All AE classes)
4805 - Welding
5005-Theatre
5100 - HL courses
5102 - Sign Language
5108 - MS courses (medical assisting)
5109-Emergency Medical Technician (EMT)
5116 - NU courses (practical nursing)
5202 - Supervision and Management
5203 - Accounting
5204 - Office Technology
5209 - Hotel Operations & Management/Tourism & Travel Management
5214 - Marketing
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## Discipline Codes for IDEA (Fall 2011)

5300 - Adult High (All adult high school regardless of discipline)
9901 - Developmental Math $(085,095,108)$
9902 - Reading and Basic (EN100B and R)
9903 - Writing (EN100W)
9910 - ESL

## Appendix G

## ATTENTION STUDENTS!!!!!!



## GCC Fall 2011 Student Ratings of Instruction Survey

The Student Ratings of Instruction Survey will be administered again this semester. Surveys will be administered sometime from October 17, 2011 to October 31, 2011. Results will be sent offisland to the IDEA Center for processing. Responses are confidential.

The information obtained from the Student Ratings of Instruction Survey will be useful in assessing student learning and guiding teaching improvement. You will be asked to rate your progress on objectives chosen and emphasized by your instructor. The survey should take approximately 15 minutes to complete.

If you have any questions regarding the survey, please feel free to call the Assessment, Institutional Effectiveness, and Research Office (AIER) at 735-5520. Thank you for your participation in the survey and your continued commitment to GCC's assessment efforts.
Appendix H

## GCC Fall 2011 Student Ratings of Instruction Survey



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Surveys will be administered from October 17, 2011 to October 31, 2011. You will be asked to identify a student in your class to administer the survey. The survey should take approximately 15 minutes to complete.

If you have any questions regarding the survey, please feel free to call the AIER staff at 735-5520.
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Appendix I

## AIER Announcement

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From October 17, 2011 to October 31, 2011, you must identify a student in your class to administer the survey at any time during this two-week period. Please provide your designated student with a copy of the enclosed instructions a day or two prior to administering the survey so that he or she understands what to do. Provide the student with the survey packet on the day that the survey will be administered.

The survey packet must be returned no later than October 31, 2011 and may be placed in drop boxes located in the Student Support Services Office (Bldg. B) or the Rotunda in the Student Services and Administration Building (Bldg. 2000). You may also drop off completed forms directly to the AIER Office in the Student Services and Administration Building.

If you have any questions, please feel free to call the AIER staff at 735-5520. The information obtained from the IDEA Student Ratings of Instruction will be useful to you in assessing student learning and guiding teaching improvement.

Thank you for your continued commitment to GCC's assessment efforts.
Appendix J

IDEA Student Ratings of Instruction

## Group Summary Report

## Institutional Summary Guam Community College Fall 2011



Note: Throughout the report, results for the Group are compared to the Institution and to the IDEA database. Institutional norms are based on courses rated in the previous five years provided at least 400 classes were rated during that time. IDEA norms are based on courses rated in the 1998-1999, 1999-2000, and 2000-2001 academic years.

## Description of Courses Included in This Report

| Number of Classes Included |  |
| :---: | :---: |
| Diagnostic Form | 316 |
| Short Form | 0 |
| Total | 316 |
| Number of Excluded Classes | 0 |
| Response Rate |  |
| Classes below 65\% Response Rate | 111 |
| Average Response Rate | 69\% |
| Class Size |  |
| Average Class Size | 20 |

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Ronse RateAverage Response Rate69\%Average Class Size20

Number of Classes: The confidence you can have in this report increases with the number of classes included. Classes were excluded if faculty members neglected to select Important and Essential objectives. If more than 10 percent of the eligible classes were excluded, the results may not be representative of the Group.

Response Rate: A 75\% response rate is desirable; 65\% is the minimum for dependable results.

The following provides information about the degree to which various learning objectives are emphasized in courses. The percent of classes for which each objective was chosen helps evaluate whether or not program objectives are addressed with appropriate frequency.

In general, it is recommended that 3-5 objectives be selected as Important or Essential for each class. When more than 5 objectives are chosen, effectiveness ratings tend to be adversely affected, perhaps because instructors are trying to accomplish too much.

The information in this section can be used to explore such questions as:

- Are the goals of the program being appropriately emphasized in course sections?
- Are the objectives emphasized consistent with this Group's mission?
- Are some of the Group's curricular goals under- or over-emphasized?
- Are the under-emphasized objectives addressed in another way?
- How does this Group's emphasis compare with the Institution and IDEA?
- On average, are faculty members selecting too many objectives?

|  | Percent of Classes Selecting Objective as Important or Essential |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | This Group ( $\mathrm{n}=316$ ) | Institution ( $\mathrm{n}=579$ ) | $\begin{aligned} & \text { IDEA System } \\ & (\mathrm{n}=44,455) \end{aligned}$ |
| Objective 1: Gaining factual knowledge (terminology, classifications, methods, trends) | 67\% | 75\% | 78\% |
| Objective 2: Learning fundamental principles, generalizations, or theories | 63\% | 72\% | 75\% |
| Objective 3: Learning to apply course material (to improve thinking, problem solving, and decisions) | 75\% | 78\% | 75\% |
| Objective 4: Developing specific skills, competencies, and points of view needed by professionals in the field most closely related to this course | 61\% | 61\% | 55\% |
| Objective 5: Acquiring skills in working with others as a member of a team | 25\% | 36\% | 32\% |
| Objective 6: Developing creative capacities (writing, inventing, designing, performing in art, music, drama, etc.) | 15\% | 24\% | 25\% |
| Objective 7: Gaining a broader understanding and appreciation of intellectual/cultural activity (music, science, literature, etc.) | 13\% | 25\% | 27\% |
| Objective 8: Developing skill in expressing myself orally or in writing | 29\% | 35\% | 47\% |
| Objective 9: Learning how to find and use resources for answering questions or solving problems | 28\% | 44\% | 41\% |
| Objective 10: Developing a clearer understanding of, and commitment to, personal values | 7\% | 21\% | 23\% |
| Objective 11: Learning to analyze and critically evaluate ideas, arguments, and points of view | 23\% | 41\% | 49\% |
| Objective 12: Acquiring an interest in learning more by asking my own questions and seeking answers | 28\% | 42\% | 41\% |
| Average Number of Objectives Selected As Important or Essential | 4.3 | 5.6 | 5.7 |

The quality of instruction in this unit is shown as judged by the four overall outcomes.
"A. Progress on Relevant Objectives" is a result of student ratings of their progress on objectives chosen by instructors. Ratings of individual items about the "B. Excellence of the Teacher" and "C. Excellence of Course" are shown next. "D. Summary Evaluation" averages these three after double weighting the measure of student learning (A). Results for both "raw" and "adjusted" scores are shown as they compare to the IDEA Database. Use results to summarize teaching effectiveness in the Group.

## Part 1: Distribution of Converted Scores Compared to the IDEA Database

| Converted Score Category | Expected Distribution | A. Progress on Relevant Objectives |  | B. Excellence of Teacher |  | C. Excellence of Course |  | D. Summary Evaluation (Average of A, B, C) ${ }^{1}$ |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | Raw | Adjstd | Raw | Adjstd | Raw | Adjstd | Raw | Adjstd |
| Much Higher (63 or higher) | 10\% | 17\% | 5\% | 7\% | 2\% | 30\% | 9\% | 19\% | 3\% |
| Higher <br> (56-62) | 20\% | 41\% | 29\% | 53\% | 28\% | 40\% | 29\% | 46\% | 28\% |
| $\begin{aligned} & \hline \text { Similar } \\ & (45-55) \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ | 40\% | 34\% | 53\% | 33\% | 57\% | 25\% | 48\% | 30\% | 58\% |
| Lower (38-44) | 20\% | 6\% | 8\% | 4\% | 10\% | 3\% | 9\% | 4\% | 7\% |
| Much Lower (37 or lower) | 10\% | 2\% | 5\% | 3\% | 3\% | 1\% | 4\% | 2\% | 3\% |

Part 1 shows the percentage
of classes in each of the five performance categories.

- Is the distribution of this Group's classes similar to the expected distribution when compared to IDEA?

Part 2 provides the averages for the Group and for IDEA norms.

- Are the Group's averages higher or lower than IDEA?

Part 2: Average Scores

| Converted Score <br> This Summary Report | 56 | 52 | 55 | 52 | 58 | 53 | 57 | 53 |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| IDEA System | $51^{2}$ | $51^{2}$ | 50 | 50 | 50 | 50 | 50 | 51 |
| 5-point Scale <br> This Summary Report | 4.3 | 4.0 | 4.5 | 4.3 | 4.4 | 4.1 | 4.4 | 4.2 |
| IDEA System | 3.8 | 3.8 | 4.2 | 4.2 | 3.9 | 3.9 | 3.9 | 3.9 |

${ }^{1}$ Progress on Relevant Objectives is double weighted in the Summary Evaluation.
${ }^{2}$ The IDEA Average is slightly higher than 50 because Essential objectives are double weighted and students typically report greater learning on objectives that the instructor identified as Essential to the class.

Use results to summarize teaching effectiveness in the Group. To the degree that the percentages of the Group's classes in the two highest categories exceeds $30 \%$ (Part 1), teaching effectiveness appears to be superior to that in the comparison group. Similarly, if the Group's converted average exceeds 55, and its average on the 5-point scale is 0.3 above that for the comparison group (Part 2), overall teaching effectiveness in the Group appears to be highly favorable.

Part 3 shows the percentage of classes with ratings at or above the converted score of the IDEA databases. Results are shown for both raw and adjusted scores. When this percentage exceeds $60 \%$, the inference is that the Group's overall instructional effectiveness was unusually high.

Results in this section address the question:

- How does the quality of instruction for this Group compare to the national results?

Part 3: Percent of Classes at or Above the IDEA Database Average


This section compares the quality of instruction in this Group to your entire Institution in the same way as it was compared to all classes in the IDEA database (Section II, page 3).

Part 1 shows the percentage of classes in each of five categories.

- Is the distribution of this Group's classes similar to the expected distribution when compared to the Institution?

Part 2 provides the averages for the Group and for Institutional norms.

- Are the Group's averages higher or lower than the Institution?
- Is the Institution (compared to IDEA) higher or lower than the IDEA system average? (See page 3 for IDEA System averages.)

Note: Institutional norms are based on courses rated in the previous five years.

Part 3 shows the percentage of classes with ratings at or above the converted score of This Institution. Results are shown for both raw and adjusted scores.

Results in this section address the question:

- How does the quality of instruction for this Group compare to the Institution?


## Part 1: Distribution of Converted Scores Compared to This Institution

| Converted <br> Score <br> Category | Expected <br> Distribution | A. Progress on <br> Relevant <br> Objectives |  | B. Excellence of <br> Teacher |  | C. Excellence of <br> Course |  | D. Summary <br> Evaluation <br> (Average of <br> A, B, C) |  |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | Adjstd | Raw | Adjstd | Raw | Adjstd | Raw | Adjstd |  |
| Much Higher <br> (63 or higher) | $10 \%$ | $9 \%$ | $6 \%$ | $0 \%$ | $3 \%$ | $4 \%$ | $4 \%$ | $4 \%$ | $3 \%$ |
| Higher <br> (56-62) | $20 \%$ | $32 \%$ | $22 \%$ | $32 \%$ | $18 \%$ | $31 \%$ | $19 \%$ | $34 \%$ | $18 \%$ |
| Similar <br> (45-55) | $40 \%$ | $43 \%$ | $52 \%$ | $47 \%$ | $52 \%$ | $44 \%$ | $49 \%$ | $45 \%$ | $58 \%$ |
| Lower <br> $(38-44)$ | $20 \%$ | $10 \%$ | $13 \%$ | $13 \%$ | $16 \%$ | $10 \%$ | $17 \%$ | $11 \%$ | $15 \%$ |
| Much Lower <br> $(37$ or lower) | $10 \%$ | $6 \%$ | $8 \%$ | $8 \%$ | $10 \%$ | $11 \%$ | $12 \%$ | $6 \%$ | $7 \%$ |

Part 2: Average Scores

| Converted Score <br> This Summary Report | 52 | 51 | 50 | 49 | 50 | 49 | 52 | 50 |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| This Institution | 50 | 50 | 50 | 50 | 50 | 50 | 50 | 50 |
| This Institution <br> (compared to IDEA) | 54 | 52 | 55 | 53 | 58 | 54 | 55 | 53 |
| 5-point Scale <br> This Summary Report | 4.3 | 4.0 | 4.5 | 4.3 | 4.4 | 4.1 | 4.4 | 4.2 |
| This Institution | 4.1 | 4.0 | 4.5 | 4.4 | 4.4 | 4.2 | 4.3 | 4.2 |

${ }^{1}$ Progress on Relevant Objectives is double weighted in the Summary Evaluation.

Part 3: Percent of Classes at or Above This Institution's Average


Tables in this section compare ratings of progress and "relevance" for the 12 objectives for this Group, with ratings for other classes at your institution and for all classes in the IDEA database. The tables on the left side of the page report averages (raw and adjusted) for the Group and the two comparison groups; they also display the number of classes for which the objective was selected as "relevant" (Important or Essential). For each of these groups, progress ratings are reported only for "relevant" classes.

By comparing progress ratings across the 12 learning objectives, you can determine if there are significant differences in how well various objectives were achieved. Since students rate their progress higher on some objectives than on others, conclusions may need to be modified by comparing the Group's results with those for the Institution and/or IDEA. Results in this section should help you determine if special attention should be given to improving learning on one or more objective(s). Results in the section are of special value to accrediting agencies and assessment programs.

Raw Average: Answers accreditation/assessment questions related to how well each objective was achieved; these are indicators of self-assessed learning.

Adjusted Average: Useful primarily in comparing instructors or classes; they "level the playing field" by taking into account factors that affect learning other than instructional quality.

Bar Graphs: Useful in determining if "standards" or "expectations" have been met. For example, you may have established a target requiring that at least 50 percent of classes pursuing a given objective should achieve an average progress rating of at least 4.0. If this expectation was achieved, the darkest bar will exceed the $50 \%$ level. By comparing the Group's results with those for the IDEA database and the Institution, you can also make inferences about the rigor of the standards you have established for the Group.

# Percent of classes where Raw Average was at least: 4.00 <br> 3.75 <br> 3.50 

Objective 1: Gaining factual knowledge (terminology, classifications, methods, trends)

|  | Raw Avg. | Adjstd. Avg. | \# of Classes |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| This report | 4.3 | 4.1 | 213 |
| Institution | 4.2 | 4.1 | 435 |
| IDEA System | 4.0 | 4.0 | 31,991 |

This report Institution IDEA System


Objective 2: Learning fundamental principles, generalizations, or theories


Objective 3: Learning to apply course material (to improve thinking, problem solving, and decisions)

|  | Raw Avg. | Adjstd. Avg. | \# of Classes |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| This report | 4.3 | 4.1 | 238 |
| Institution | 4.2 | 4.1 | 453 |
| IDEA System | 4.0 | 4.0 | 30,442 |



Objective 4: Developing specific skills, competencies, and points of view needed by professionals in the field most closely related to this course

|  | Raw Avg. | Adjstd. Avg. | \# of Classes |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| This report | 4.2 | 4.0 | 193 |
| Institution | 4.2 | 4.0 | 353 |
| IDEA System | 4.0 | 4.0 | 21,568 |



Objective 5: Acquiring skills in working with others as a member of a team

|  | Raw Avg. | Adjstd. Avg. | \# of Classes |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| This report | 4.3 | 4.0 | 78 |
| Institution | 4.2 | 4.0 | 211 |
| IDEA System | 3.9 | 3.9 | 12,088 |



## Percent of classes where Raw Average was at least: 4.00 <br> 3.75 <br> $3.50 \square$

Objective 6: Developing creative capacities (writing, inventing, designing, performing in art, music, drama, etc.)

|  | Raw Avg. | Adjstd. Avg. | \# of Classes |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| This report | 4.4 | 4.2 | 48 |
| Institution | 4.0 | 3.8 | 139 |
| IDEA System | 3.9 | 3.9 | 9,290 |



Objective 7: Gaining a broader understanding and appreciation of intellectual/cultural activity (music, science, literature, etc.)


Objective 8: Developing skill in expressing myself orally or in writing


Objective 9: Learning how to find and use resources for answering questions or solving problems


Objective 10: Developing a clearer understanding of, and commitment to,
personal values

|  | Raw Avg. | Adjstd. Avg. | \# of Classes |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| This report | 4.3 | 4.0 | 22 |
| Institution | 4.2 | 4.0 | 124 |
| IDEA System | 3.8 | 3.8 | 8,715 |



Objective 11: Learning to analyze and critically evaluate ideas, arguments, and points of view

|  | Raw Avg. | Adjstd. Avg. | \# of Classes |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| This report | 4.2 | 4.0 | 73 |
| Institution | 4.1 | 4.0 | 237 |
| IDEA System | 3.8 | 3.8 | 18,909 |



Objective 12: Acquiring an interest in learning more by asking my own
questions and seeking answers

|  | Raw Avg. | Adjstd. Avg. | \# of Classes |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| This report | 4.3 | 4.1 | 89 |
| Institution | 4.1 | 4.0 | 243 |
| IDEA System | 3.8 | 3.8 | 15,616 |



This section is intended to support teaching improvement efforts. The 20 teaching methods assessed in the IDEA system (grouped into five "approaches" to teaching) are listed. The number of classes for which a given method was related to relevant (Important or Essential) objectives is indicated in the second column, and the third and fourth columns show the average and standard deviation of ratings. The graph on the right hand side of the page contains the information most pertinent to instructional improvement.

## Teaching Methods and Styles

## A. Stimulating Student Interest

4. Demonstrated the importance and significance of the subject matter
5. Stimulated students to intellectual effort beyond that required by most courses
6. Introduced stimulating ideas about the subject
7. Inspired students to set and achieve goals which really challenged them

## B. Fostering Student Collaboration

5. Formed "teams" or "discussion groups" to facilitate learning
6. Asked students to share ideas and experiences with others whose backgrounds and viewpoints differ from their own
7. Asked students to help each other understand ideas or concepts

## C. Establishing Rapport

1. Displayed a personal interest in students and their learning
2. Found ways to help students answer their own questions
3. Explained the reasons for criticisms of students' academic performance
4. Encouraged student-faculty interaction outside of class (office visits, phone calls, e-mail, etc.)
D. Encouraging Student Involvement
5. Encouraged students to use multiple resources (e.g. data banks, library holdings, outside experts) to improve understanding
6. Related course material to real life situations
7. Involved students in "hands on" projects such as research, case studies, or "real life" activities
8. Gave projects, tests, or assignments that required original or creative thinking

## E. Structuring Classroom Experiences

3. Scheduled course work (class activities, tests, projects) in ways which encouraged students to stay up to date in their work
4. Made it clear how each topic fit into the course
5. Explained course material clearly and concisely
6. Gave tests, projects, etc. that covered the most important points of the course
7. Provided timely and frequent feedback on tests, reports, projects, etc. to help students improve

It shows the percentage of classes where the method was employed relatively frequently (a positive finding) or relatively infrequently (a negative finding). It is suggested that teaching improvement efforts be focused on methods/approaches where the dark bar (infrequent use) is greater than $30 \%$, especially if the method is important to objectives in many classes (column 2).

316 classes in this Group used the Diagnostic Form.

No. of Avg. s.d. ${ }^{1}$

## \% of Classes Where Method was

 "Infrequently" (




| 46 | 4.4 |
| :---: | :---: |
| 316 | 4.5 |
| 316 | 4.5 |
| 252 | 4.5 |
| 0 | NA |



Ratings were made on a 5-point scale (1=Hardly ever, 5=Almost always)
${ }^{1}$ Approximately two-thirds of class averages will be within $\pm 1$ standard deviation of the group's average.

Part A describes student motivation, work habits, and academic effort, all of which affect student learning. The table gives averages for this Group, your Institution, and the IDEA database. It also shows the percentage of classes with averages below 3.0 and 4.0 or above. Although the information in this section is largely descriptive, it can be used to explore such important questions as:

- Is there a need to make a special effort to improve student motivation and conscientiousness?
- Are these results consistent with expectations?
- Does the percent of classes below 3.0 or 4.0 or above raise concerns or suggest strengths?

Averages for classes in this report are considered "similar" to the comparison group if they are within $\pm .3$ of the Institution or the IDEA average, respectively.

Part B provides information about course characteristics. Some of the questions addressed are:

- When compared to the IDEA and Institutional databases is the amount of reading, work other than reading, or difficulty for courses included in this summary report unusual?
- Are these results consistent with expectations?
- Does the percent of classes below 3.0 or 4.0 or above raise concerns or suggest strengths?

Averages for classes in this report are considered "similar" to the comparison group if they are within $\pm .3$ of the Institution or the IDEA average, respectively.

Part C summarizes students' responses to As a result of taking this course, I have more positive feelings toward this field of study. This item is most meaningful for courses taken by many non-majors.

Some of the questions addressed are:

- Are students developing a respect and appreciation for the discipline?
- Is the average Converted Score above or below 50 (the average for the converted score distribution)?


## A. Student Self-ratings

| Diagnostic Form (Short Form) Item Number and Item |  | Average | \% of <br> Classes <br> Below 3.0 | \% of Classes 4.0 or Above |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 36. I had a strong desire to take this course. | This report Institution IDEA System | $\begin{aligned} & 4.2 \\ & 4.1 \\ & 3.7 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} \hline 1 \% \\ 1 \% \\ 16 \% \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \hline 68 \% \\ & 63 \% \\ & 36 \% \end{aligned}$ |
| 37. I worked harder on this course than on most courses I have taken. | This report Institution IDEA System | $\begin{aligned} & 3.9 \\ & 3.8 \\ & 3.6 \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} 3 \% \\ 2 \% \\ 13 \% \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \hline 45 \% \\ & 37 \% \\ & 24 \% \end{aligned}$ |
| 38. I really wanted to take this course from this instructor. | This report Institution IDEA System | $\begin{aligned} & 3.8 \\ & 3.7 \\ & 3.4 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} 8 \% \\ 11 \% \\ 27 \% \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 43 \% \\ & 40 \% \\ & 22 \% \end{aligned}$ |
| 39. (15) I really wanted to take this course regardless of who taught it. | This report Institution IDEA System | $\begin{aligned} & 3.9 \\ & 3.8 \\ & 3.3 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} 4 \% \\ 6 \% \\ 25 \% \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 41 \% \\ & 38 \% \\ & 13 \% \end{aligned}$ |
| 43. (13) As a rule, I put forth more effort than other students on academic work. | This report Institution IDEA System | $\begin{aligned} & 3.8 \\ & 3.6 \\ & 3.6 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 1 \% \\ & 2 \% \\ & 1 \% \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 30 \% \\ & 19 \% \\ & 15 \% \end{aligned}$ |

## B. Student Ratings of Course Characteristics

| Diagnostic Form <br> Item Number and Item |  | Average | \% of <br> Classes <br> Below 3.0 |
| :--- | :--- | :---: | :---: |
| \% of <br> Classes <br> 4.0 or <br> Above |  |  |  |
| 33. Amount of reading | This report | 3.6 | $14 \%$ |
|  |  |  |  |
|  | Institution | 3.5 | $17 \%$ |
| $24 \%$ |  |  |  |
|  | IDEA System | 3.2 | $33 \%$ |

## C. Improved Student Attitude

40. (16) As a result of taking this course, I have more positive feelings toward this field of study.

|  | 5-point Scale |  | Converted Score <br> (Compared to IDEA) |  |  |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Raw | Adjusted | Raw | Adjusted |  |
| This report | 4.2 | 3.9 | 56 | 50 |  |
| Institution | 4.2 | 3.9 |  |  |  |
| IDEA System | 3.9 | 3.9 |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |

## A. Primary and Secondary Instructional Approaches

This table shows the relative frequency of various approaches to instruction. The success of a given approach is dependent on the class objectives, but since students have different learning styles, it is generally desirable that they be exposed to a variety of approaches. Instructors reported this information on the Faculty Information Form.

## B. Course Emphases

This section shows the degree to which classes in this area expose students to various kinds of academic activities. Generally, proficiency is related to the amount of exposure. Are we giving students enough opportunity to develop the skills they need after graduation? Instructors reported this information on the Faculty Information Form.

| Number Rating: 316 |  | Percent indicating instructional approach as: |
| :--- | :---: | :---: |
|  | Primary | Secondary |
| Lecture | $57 \%$ | $24 \%$ |
| Discussion/Recitation | $7 \%$ | $26 \%$ |
| Seminar | $0 \%$ | $0 \%$ |
| Skill/Activity | $26 \%$ | $19 \%$ |
| Laboratory | $4 \%$ | $13 \%$ |
| Field Experience | $0 \%$ | $3 \%$ |
| Studio | $0 \%$ | $1 \%$ |
| Multi-Media | $3 \%$ | $5 \%$ |
| Practicum/Clinic | $1 \%$ | $3 \%$ |
| Other/Not Indicated | $2 \%$ | $6 \%$ |


|  | Number <br>  <br> Rating | Percent indicating amount required was: |  |  |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | Some | Much |  |
| Writing | 304 | $15 \%$ | $53 \%$ | $32 \%$ |
| Oral communication | 302 | $8 \%$ | $50 \%$ | $42 \%$ |
| Computer application | 302 | $26 \%$ | $45 \%$ | $29 \%$ |
| Group work | 301 | $28 \%$ | $48 \%$ | $24 \%$ |
| Mathematical/quantitative work | 300 | $54 \%$ | $24 \%$ | $22 \%$ |
| Critical thinking | 304 | $3 \%$ | $36 \%$ | $61 \%$ |
| Creative/artistic/design | 295 | $53 \%$ | $35 \%$ | $13 \%$ |
| Reading | 303 | $4 \%$ | $29 \%$ | $66 \%$ |
| Memorization | 297 | $20 \%$ | $44 \%$ | $36 \%$ |

## C. "Circumstances" Impact on Learning

How instructors regard various factors that may facilitate or impede student learning is shown here. Until research establishes the implications of these ratings, administrators should make their own appraisal of whether or not ratings of student learning were affected by these factors. Instructors reported this information on the Faculty Information Form.

|  | Number Rating | Percent indicating impact on learning was: |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | Negative | Neither Negative nor Positive | Positive |
| Physical facilities/equipment | 297 | 9\% | 20\% | 71\% |
| Experience teaching course | 273 | 0\% | 4\% | 96\% |
| Changes in approach | 235 | 1\% | 37\% | 62\% |
| Desire to teach the course | 306 | 0\% | 6\% | 93\% |
| Control over course management decisions | 297 | 1\% | 12\% | 87\% |
| Student background | 266 | 11\% | 30\% | 59\% |
| Student enthusiasm | 294 | 2\% | 22\% | 77\% |
| Student effort to learn | 291 | 5\% | 13\% | 82\% |
| Technical/instructional support | 278 | 7\% | 33\% | 60\% |

This section provides frequencies, average scores, and standard deviations for Additional Questions that were consistent across classes included in this summary report (if requested).

No additional questions requested.

## Classes Included in this Report:

Report includes classes with the following class IDs:
592-907
Appendix K

## IDEA DISCIPLINE CODES WITH CORRESPONDING GCC CLASSES

| IDEA DISCIPLINE CODE | CORRESPONDING GCC COURSE NUMBER |
| :---: | :---: |
| 1003 - Visual Communications | VC101-01, VC101-02, VC101-03, VC102-01, VC125-01 VC125-02, VC126-01, VC126-02, VC161-01, VC165-01 VC172-01 |
| 1100 - Computer Science | CS101-01, CS101-02, CS101-03, CS103-01, CS104-01 CS110-01, CS151-01, CS151-02, CS152-03, CS151-04 CS151-05, CS151-06, CS151-07, CS151-08, CS151-09 CS151-10, CS202-01, CS203-01, CS204-01 |
| 1204 - Cosmetology | CM101-01, CM102L-01, CM201-01, CM202L-01 |
| 1205- Culinary/Food and Beverage Management | HS140-01, HS208-01, HS222-01 |
| 1300 - Education | ED150-01 ED150-02, ED180-01, ED180-02, ED200-01, ED220-01 ED220-02, ED220-03, ED220-04, ED220-05, ED220-06 ED220-08, ED270-01 |
| 1313 - Driver and Safety Teacher Education | ME051-01 |
| 1503 - Electronics (EE course up to 116) | EE103-01, EE103-02, EE104-01, EE116-01 |
| 1504 - Electronics (EE course 211 and up) | EE211-01, EE211-02, EE215-01, |
| 1511 - Surveying | CE211-01, SU250-01, |
| 1600 - Foreign Language | CH110-01, JA110-01, JA110-02, JA110-03, JA111-01 |
| 2002 - Early Childhood Education | $\begin{array}{\|l\|} \hline \text { CD110-01, CD110-02, CD140-01, CD180-01, CD180-02 } \\ \text { CD221-02, CD240-01, CD240-02, CD280-01 } \\ \hline \end{array}$ |
| 2301 - English (EN111and EN210) | EN111-01, EN111-02, EN210-01, EN210-02 |
| 2304 - English (EN110) | EN110-01, EN110-02, EN110-03, EN110-04, EN110-05 EN110-06, EN110-07, EN110-08, EN110-09, EN110-10 EN110-11 |
| 2310 - English (EN125) | EN125-01, EN125-02 |
| 2400 - General Studies and Humanities | HU120-01 |
| 2600 - Science (SI110) | SI110-02, SI110-03, SI110-05, SI110-06 |
| 2605 - Microbiology | SI150-01 |
| 2606 - Science (SI103 and SI130) | $\begin{aligned} & \text { SI103-01, SI103-02, SI103-03, SI103-04, SI103-05 } \\ & \text { SI130-01, SI130-02 } \end{aligned}$ |
| 2700 - Math (MA110, MA161A and MA161B) | $\begin{aligned} & \text { MA110A-01, MA110A-02, MA110A-06, MA110A-07 } \\ & \text { MA161A-01 } \end{aligned}$ |
| 3801 - Philosophy | PI101-01 |
| 4808 - Physics | SI141-01, SI142-01 |
| 4200 - Psychology (All PY courses) | PY100-01, PY120-01, PY120-2, PY120-03, PY120-04 PY120-05, PY120-06, PY125-01, PY125-02, PY125-03 |
| 4301 - Criminal Justice | CJ100-01, CJ100-02, CJ100-03, CJ100-04, CJ107-01 CJ122-01, CJ135-01, CJ150-01, CJ150-02, CJ200-01 CJ205-01, CJ209-01, CJ225-01 |
| 4500 - Social Sciences (Gov't, World Civ., History) | HI121-01, HI121-02, PS140-01 |
| 4506 - Economics | EC110-01 |
| 4511 - Sociology | $\begin{aligned} & \text { SO130-01, SO130-02, SO130-03, SO130-04, SO130-05 } \\ & \text { SO130-06 } \end{aligned}$ |
| 4600 - Construction Trades | CT140-01, CT152-01, CT165A-01, CT165B-01, CT17301 |
| 4700 - Mechanics and Repairers (Heat, air refrigeration, electrical) | CT185A-01 |
| 4706 - Automotive | $\begin{aligned} & \text { AST100-01, AST100-02, AST100-03, AST130-01 } \\ & \text { AST140-01, AST150-01, AST180B-01, AST210-01 } \\ & \text { AST220-01, AST270-01, AST280-01, ME161A-01 } \\ & \text { MHT150-01, MHT170-01 } \end{aligned}$ |

IDEA DISCIPLINE CODES WITH CORRESPONDING GCC CLASSES

| 4801 - Architectural Engineering | AE103-01, AE121-01 |
| :---: | :---: |
| 5005 - Theater | TH101-01 |
| 5100 - HL Courses | HL120-02, HL120-03, HL150-02, HL202-01, HL202-02 HL202-03 |
| 5102 - Sign Language | ASL100-02, ASL100-03, ASL110-01, ASL110-02 |
| 5108 - MS Courses (Medical Assisting) | MS101-01 |
| 5109 - Health \& Medical Diagnostic \& Treatment Services | EMS103-01 |
| 5116 - NU Courses (Practical Nursing) | NU230-01, NU240-01, |
| 5202 - Supervision and Management | SM108-01, SM108-02, SM205-01, SM208-01, SM220-01 SM225-01, SM230-01, SM240-01 |
| 5203-Accounting | AC100-02, AC211-01, AC150-01, AC212-01 |
| 5204 - Office Technology | OA101-01, OA101-03, OA101-04, OA101-05, OA101-06 OA101-07, OA101-08, OA101-09, OA101-10, OA101-11 OA101-12, OA101-13, OA101-14, OA101-15, OA10301, OA109-03, OA130-01, OA210-01, OA211-01 |
| 5209 - Hotel Operations and Management/Tourism \& Travel Management | HS140-01, HS140-02, HS145-01, HS150-01, HS152-01 HS153-01, HS155-01, HS208-01, HS219-01, HS222-01 HS251A-01, HS251B-01, HS254-01 |
| 5214 - Marketing | MK123-01, MK123-02, MK124-01, MK224-01, MK20802 , |
| 5300 - Adult High (All adult high school regardless of discipline) | ```EN066-01, EN066-02, EN091-01, MA052-01, MA052-02 MA065-01, MA085-10, MA095-01, MA108-01, MA108- 03, MA108-08, MA108-09, MA110A-03, MA110A-05 SO099-01, SS063-01, SS063-02, SS082-02``` |
| 9901 - Developmental Math (MA085, MA095, MA108) | MA085-01, MA085-02, MA085-03, MA085-04, MA08505, MA085-06, MA085-07, MA085-08, MA085-09 MA085-11, MA095-02, MA095-03, MA095-04, MA09505, MA095-06, MA095-07, MA095-08, MA095-09 MA095-10, MA095-11, MA095-12, MA095-14, MA09513, MA108-02, MA108-04, MA108-05, MA108-06 MA108-07, MA108-10, MA108-11, MA108-12 |
| 9902 - Reading Basic (EN100B and EN100R) | EN100B-01, EN100B-02, EN100B-03, EN100R-01 EN100R-02, EN100R-03, EN100R-04, EN100R-05 EN100R-06, EN100R-07, EN100R-08, EN100R-09 EN100R-10, EN100R-11 |
| 9903 - Writing (EN100W) | EN100W-01, EN100W-02, EN100W-03, EN100W-04 EN100W-05, EN100W-06, EN100W-07, EN100W-8 EN100W-09, EN100W-10, EN100W-11, EN100W-12 EN100W-13, EN100W-15, EN100W-16, EN100W-17 EN100W-18, EN100W-19 |

## Appendix L

## INSTRUCTION FOR GCC STUDENT RATINGS OF INSTRUCTION SURVEY ADMINISTRATORS

- The faculty teaching your select class must not be present in the classroom during survey administration. Kindly ask them to return to the classroom after 20 minutes (it should take approximately 15 to 20 minutes for students to complete the survey).
- Please read the enclosed script to students prior to administering the survey. Students can only use a \#2 pencil to complete the survey. Pencils are included in the survey packet and must be collected at the same time completed surveys are being collected.
- Surveys (completed and blank), and survey materials must be placed back in the brown envelope provided. You must drop off the envelopes containing these materials immediately into a return box located in the Student Support Office (Bldg. B) or the Rotunda of the Student Services and Administration Building after collecting all survey materials. Survey packets can also be returned directly to the AIER Office (Student Services and Administration Bldg., Rm. \#2227) from 8 AM to 5 PM.
- If you have any questions or concerns, please contact Vangie Aguon at 735-5520.


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[^0]:    ${ }^{1}$ The IDEA Center is a non-profit organization based at Kansas State University. See http://www.idea.ksu.edu for a preview of the instruments used in this study.
    ${ }^{2}$ The term objectives, which is a term used by the IDEA Center, though analogous to the term outcomes used by GCC for assessment purposes is no longer used in curriculum documents. The term objectives will be retained in this document only for reporting purposes.

[^1]:    ${ }^{3}$ The FIF describes each course and provides critical information needed to generate individual class summary reports as well as Group Summary Reports (GSR).

[^2]:    ${ }^{4}$ Classes taught by full-time and adjunct faculty were assessed. Classes beginning August 17, 2011 and ending December 17, 2011 were excluded from the study.

[^3]:    ${ }^{5}$ MyGCC is the College's integrated database system with web accessible information that combines student, financial aid, finance, and human resources into one system.

[^4]:    ${ }^{6}$ Scores converted to standardized 0-100 "bell curve" scale, with 50-average of scores for all teachers.

[^5]:    ${ }^{7}$ Progress on relevant objectives is double weighted in the Summary Evaluation.

[^6]:    ${ }^{8}$ Progress on relevant objectives is double weighted in the Summary Evaluation.

[^7]:    ${ }^{9}$ These are indicators of self-assessed learning (How well was each objective assessed?).
    ${ }^{10}$ Useful primarily in comparing instructors or classes; adjusted averages take into account factors that affect learning other than instructional quality

[^8]:    ${ }^{11}$ Approximately two-thirds of class averages will be within $\pm 1$ standard deviation of the group's average.

