

15 students present
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Observation of Instruction

(Revised April 2008)

Instructor Observed Dr. Bose Course (section) ENG 101 066
Observer [Redacted] Date _____

Observer is to rate the instructor on sections II – V with "meets" or "needs improvement." Explain each needs improvement rating, using specific examples, in the comments section.

I. SETTING

- Teaching method(s) used in this class include(s) (check all that apply):
 - Lecture
 - Student Presentation(s)
 - Class Discussion
 - Lab Work
 - Other _____

- Student involvement takes the form of (check all that apply):
 - Taking Notes
 - Asking/Responding to Questions
 - Participation in Instruction
 - Working on Projects
 - Making Presentations
 - Other _____

II. PLANNING AND ORGANIZATION ✓ Meets _____ Needs Improvement

- ✓ Begins class on time in an orderly, organized fashion.
- ✓ States goals or objectives clearly for the class period.
- ✓ Reviews prior material as necessary.
- Summarizes and distills main points at the end of class.
- ✓ Appears well prepared for class.
- States assignments clearly. *see note at end*

Comments: Great class discussion - well-planned, guided discussion questions. It is also telling that students respond to those questions.

III. PRESENTATION ✓ Meets _____ Needs Improvement

- ✓ Incorporates various instructional supports and/or technology i.e., internet, diagrams, models, textbook website, Smartboard, PowerPoint, DVDs, CDs, etc.
- ✓ Utilizes presentation aids that are legible and/or audible.
- ✓ Writes large and legibly on the board.
- ✓ Establishes and maintains eye contact with students.
- ✓ Responds to changes in student attentiveness.
- ✓ Uses positive and appropriate humor. *Socratic - which most of them didn't get -*
- ✓ Communicates sense of enthusiasm and excitement toward course content.
- ✓ Presents in a style that facilitates note-taking.
- ✓ Speaks audibly, clearly, effectively.
- ✓ Selects teaching methods appropriate for content.
- ✓ Uses clear, relevant examples to illustrate ideas.

Comments: Great PowerPoint presentation! You have a very relaxed style of teaching, Dev, but it is still very professional. This style in part students at ease.

It's good you recognized/acknowledged to the class you had a misspelled word ³⁻²⁵ on your PP; it shows them that you care about them and that you're not perfect.

IV. INTERACTION AND RAPPORT Meets Needs Improvement

- ✓ Promotes student feedback and interaction.
- ✓ Knows and uses students' names.
- ✓ Recognizes when students do not understand.
- Encourages mutual respect between students.
- ✓ Gives students enough time to respond to questions.
- ✓ Responds to incorrect answers and comments constructively, without deprecation.
- ✓ Presents challenging questions to stimulate discussion.
- ✓ Manages student behavior effectively to promote maximum student inclusion and involvement in the learning process.

Comments: You have good interaction with the class, and they seem to respond well to you. The class has a good "feel" to it.

V. CONTENT Meets Needs Improvement

- ✓ Selects relevant examples and applications to complement course content.
- ✓ Integrates text material into class presentations.
- Relates current course content to students' general education.
- ✓ Presents views other than own when appropriate.
- Seeks to apply theory to problem solving.
- ✓ Explains difficult terms, concepts, or problems in more than one way.
- ✓ Presents background of ideas and concepts when appropriate.
- ✓ Relates assignments to course content.

Comments: _____

VI. SUMMARY OF EVALUATION

You may want to be more specific about who is in which group, as it appeared some students were not working in any group at all. Sometimes students need clear and very specific directions about what they are to do - if not all of the time. I also indicated their time at the beginning. Students in class are engaged, answer questions, and seem generally interested in the class. Super!!
Good job circulating the room while they were doing group work, as well as while you were lecturing. Give out a day or their opportunity to do "other" things in class.

Thank you for inviting me to your class!