

INSTRUCTOR : 09364 - RAVELLI, BRUCE
 COURSE : SLGY 3331 - 001
 SEMESTER : FALL 1998
 STATUS : TENURABLE

STATEMENT
 A. THE INSTRUCTOR....

| | ACTUAL (PERCENT) | | | | NO ANS. | MEDIAN | MEAN |
|---|------------------|---------|----------|-------------------|---------|--------|------|
| | STRONGLY AGREE | AGREE | DISAGREE | STRONGLY DISAGREE | | | |
| 1. Has provided a clear informative outline. | 8 (089) | 1 (011) | 0 (000) | 0 (000) | 0 | 5 | 4.89 |
| 2. Provides a clear statement of objectives. | 5 (056) | 4 (044) | 0 (000) | 0 (000) | 0 | 5 | 4.56 |
| 3. Follows the stated objectives | 5 (056) | 4 (044) | 0 (000) | 0 (000) | 0 | 5 | 4.56 |
| 4. Has explained clearly how work will be evaluated. | 2 (022) | 6 (067) | 1 (011) | 0 (000) | 0 | 4 | 4.11 |
| 5. Is well prepared for classes. | 7 (078) | 0 (000) | 2 (022) | 0 (000) | 0 | 5 | 4.56 |
| 6. Presents course material/encourages understanding. | 4 (044) | 4 (044) | 0 (000) | 1 (011) | 0 | 4 | 4.22 |
| 7. Encourages students to think or perform independantly. | 5 (056) | 3 (033) | 0 (000) | 1 (011) | 0 | 5 | 4.33 |
| 8. Appears enthusiastic/motivated while teaching | 8 (089) | 1 (011) | 0 (000) | 0 (000) | 0 | 5 | 4.89 |
| 9. Treats students with respect/understanding/fairness. | 7 (078) | 1 (011) | 1 (011) | 0 (000) | 0 | 5 | 4.67 |
| 10. Begins and ends classes on time. | 7 (078) | 1 (011) | 0 (000) | 1 (011) | 0 | 5 | 4.56 |
| 11. Uses class time effectively. | 4 (044) | 4 (044) | 1 (011) | 0 (000) | 0 | 4 | 4.33 |
| 12. Returns assignments and tests within a reasonable time. | 7 (078) | 2 (022) | 0 (000) | 0 (000) | 0 | 5 | 4.78 |
| 13. Provides helpful feedback. | 5 (056) | 2 (022) | 2 (022) | 0 (000) | 0 | 5 | 4.33 |
| 14. Is available for consultation. | 9 (100) | 0 (000) | 0 (000) | 0 (000) | 0 | 5 | 5.00 |

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B. AS A STUDENT....

| | OUTSTANDING | | | | | POOR | | | | |
|--|-------------|---------|---------|---------|---------|------|-----|------|-----|----|
| | 12+ | 9-11 | 6-8 | 3-5 | 0-2 | 100% | 80% | 60% | 40% | 0% |
| 15. I have received instruction which is | 4 (044) | 4 (044) | 1 (011) | 0 (000) | 0 (000) | 0 | 4 | 4.33 | | |
| 16. The total number of courses I have completed at MRC is | 12+ | 9-11 | 6-8 | 3-5 | 0-2 | | | | | |
| 17. The percentage of classes I have attended | 4 (044) | 1 (011) | 1 (011) | 1 (011) | 2 (022) | 0 | 4 | 3.44 | | |
| | 100% | 80% | 60% | 40% | 0% | | | | | |
| | 6 (067) | 3 (033) | 0 (000) | 0 (000) | 0 (000) | 0 | 5 | 4.67 | | |

Total number of respondents 9
 Total enrollment for course 13

Bruce Raveli
 12/14/98

STUDENT COMMENTS

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1. What did you like best about the course?

- Bruce is honestly one of the best instructors I have ever had. He is very sincere & genuine and definitely enthusiastic which carries over to us as students. I was a little nervous about how dry this course would be and it turned out not to be.
- For such a dry course, he makes it fun to be in.
- The professor is enthusiastic about the course and brings his own life experiences into the material to help us better understand the material.
- Bruce is motivated, and passionate. He is always available for consultation, and he is open minded in terms of helping the student.
- The instructor brought to life the subject matter. Each class was interesting. Interaction between students & instructor, students & students were helpful in understanding the material. I went home & still thought about the material learned in class.
- Using the computer to present class notes is a good idea. It is easier to read & understand than when an overhead is used. It insures that no notes will be missed as you have already prepared them and they're not just off the top of your head. The class size was also good. It gave everyone a chance to be heard if the choosed. It is also good the Bruce explains what is most important about the theaist so we have a good idea for the exam.
- I like the material we are covering & strong social theory is essential to understanding or appreciating our world. Human relationship and personal views are broadened with understanding or starting to look at theories that were started not so long ago. History of human thought helps us move on and see were others may have not grounded themselves with sound theories. I enjoy the enthusiasm that is stressed in class. It helps push me to learn more and get material on my own _____ from required texts and assignments. I liked the mid terms being broken up into two parcels (?)
- The background information provided for each theorist was very helpful. The test questions seem very comprehensive, covering all material learned in class. The essay assignment seems very useful, jt is good to get a feel for doing sociological research. It was also good that we got the test questions prior to the exam so we had time to prepare our answers.
- That once it's over I'm another step towards a degree in sociology!! Bruce makes the course worth coming to. Even though the subject matter is boring and a little over my head his enthusiasm and obvious interest in the subject and his students is what draws me to class. There's nothing worse than having a boring class coupled with a boring instructor. Also the size of the class (13) helps. There aren't as many interferences as in a large class so work can get done.

2. What changes would you like to have made that would improve the course?

- I don't know if there were ever movies made on the subject – I assume so. But it would have been a nice change or break to have seen one. Many people (like myself) are very visual learners, so that would have been enjoyable as well.
- Drop one of the textect books?
- Bruce's opinions are sometimes extreme, and he sometimes judges your opinion before you have stated the full one. He says your right and your wrong too much. I didn't think there was right and wrongs in theory classes. I thought theories were plausable not correct.
- Research papers are hard but reward, eg. Too much time devoted to the assignment is dangerous to academic studies, maybe shorter assignments to grade rather than the final resarch being with so much of the final mark.

- I feel that the concept of testing is flawed. It is difficult to construct well-thought-out arguments backed up with evidence and coherent logic under the high stress conditions of a test. I would prefer to do a research essay because often I know the material but am unable to articulate it on a test.
- Since I find the concepts difficult to grab I would have to say going over the assigned readings in simpler english in class to help it sink in.

3. Other

- You are a great instructor Bruce, I have been measuring my other instructors up to you this semester and they don't stand up. Merry Christmas! (+ Happy New Year) – (I don't know when you'll get this)
- Keep up the good work Bruce.
- Bruce tries extremely hard to fulfill a positive image of himself, and he seems to mean well in his teaching strategies.
- I appreciate the interest & the energy brought into this class by the instructor, as this course had the potential to be very dry. This class has been very enjoyable.
- This course is presented in the best possible way by Bruce. I can't see there being many other changes.
- I often think about the course outside of class and consider things from the sociological perspective, which I seldom did before taking this course/
- I think we should be offered a choice in our midterm essay questions, rather than having to write on something we don't want to or don't fully understand. eg. Pick 2 out of these 4.