

## COLLEGE OF ENGINEERING & COMPUTER SCIENCE COURSE SUMMARY

<b>COURSE</b>	<b>ME 2120-01</b>
<b>TITLE</b>	<b>Statics</b>
<b>INSTRUCTOR</b>	<b>Dr. Scott Thomas</b>
<b>TERM</b>	<b>Fall 2014</b>
<b>NUMBER OF STUDENTS</b>	<b>58</b>

### GRADE DISTRIBUTION

<b>A</b>	<b>B</b>	<b>C</b>	<b>D</b>	<b>F</b>	<b>I</b>	<b>M</b>	<b>X</b>	<b>W</b>	<b>Drops</b>
12	10	10	11	15				6	

### RESULTS FROM TEACHING EVALUATIONS

# of Evaluations Scanned: 47

#### **NUMERIC RESPONSE SECTION**

*Students mark A-E: A=Strongly Agree (5 points); B=Somewhat Agree (4 points); C=Neutral (3 points); D=Somewhat Disagree (2 points); E=Strongly Disagree (1 point)*

- 1. The instructor was available for consultation**
- 2. Student responsibilities for this course were well defined**
- 3. Class time was well spent**
- 4. I learned a lot from the instructor in this course**
- 5. Course materials contributed to my learning**
- 6. I was challenged in this course**
- 7. Coming into this course I was motivated to learn this subject**

<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>7</b>
4.83	4.81	4.72	4.70	4.40	4.79	4.49

\*Out of a possible 5.00 points\*

## STUDENT COMMENTS (from back side of evaluation forms)

**Please comment on aspects of the instructor's teaching, such as clarity of explanations and examples, handling of questions, stimulation of thinking, and respect for individuals and their differences.**

- "Very clear, lots of examples, very good."
- "He taught very well."
- "Scott gave plenty of examples and answered all questions."
- "Answered any question and was clear."
- "Did a very good job, explained material very well. Makes you actually learn not slide by."
- "Handled questions well."
- "Very clear I really enjoyed this class and this teacher."
- "Handled questions well, willing to help everyone no matter what was asked."
- "Very clear, a lot of examples but the test seemed to be over more advanced concepts that we didn't touch an as much."
- "Good lecturer, keeps things fun and interesting and makes class go by quickly. Always gives ? and helpful examples."
- "At with all of the above."
- "Scott was extremely clear in explanations. He did everything to assume all questions were answered, and each student had his/her questions answered."
- "Thumbs up!"
- "No complaints with teaching."
- Very clear teaching and explanations. Examples related to the real world. Respected individuals."
- "Good at giving examples and explaining problems."
- "He was a good teacher at the beginning while using black board, but when he switched to the board I lost focus eairer."
- "He was clear on an electronic board. He was very simplified."
- "Class time was spent well. Was very willing to answer questions and help out."
- "Fantastic teacher exams wasn't so bad because the homework was really hard."
- "Instructor provided many examples both in class and on pilot that helped a lot when doing homework and studying for exams."
- "Mr. Thomas did an excellent job at teaching the materials in this course. He often went above and beyond to ensure every student understood the subject or problem at hand."
- "Willing to modify teaching style to best reach the class. Numeous examples provided in class and online. Provided previous exams to best help students prepare."
- "Respected all students, and almost always clear when teaching."
- "Good teacher. Could use some more clarifation on certain things."
- "Proffessor taught the class using examples and hands on learning. He would also take time to answer all questions and adhere to any concerns that were evidet."
- "Answered all questions fully till the answer is complete."
- "Teaching was fairly clear though there were some tricky parts and confusing questions. Seemed to rush through the end of the semester."
- "Wasn't a huge fan of teaching style. Moved very fast and sometimes failed to explain certain topics to the extent required to understand content well."
- "He was good"
- "Clear explanations, and explains through the coursework".
- Clear and gave good real world examples. Perfect (or as near as humanly possible). Hard grader but curves makes arguing points impossible better for clarification."

- "Dr. Thomas provided examples of varying difficulties to provide a better understanding of the types of problems we may encounter. He answered all questions, and assisted the student until they understood."
- "Examples were very helpful lots of good material to look at if you wanted to."
- "Posted past exams without solutions for study material, but did not help at all on exams."
- "Very animated in teaching style. He keep my attention." Learn a lot however exams are tough and hard to predict as to what will be on them. However, he is fair when it comes to grading."
- "Great course, great teacher professor Thomas is excellent with his help I don't see myself passing this course confidently."
- "Dr. Thomas is an excellent teacher! Extremely fair. By far my favorite OF STATICS!"
- "Excellent! Scott was always willing to help and was clear in explanations."
- "Explanations were clear, he went over every type of problem that would appear on the homework. However, homework/test questions were sometimes poorly written and he seemed to answer the questions he wanted to answer instead of the question that was actually asked without a lot of ?"
- "Some of the lectures seemed rushed, and therefore I didn't fully understand."

**Did the instructor aid in your understanding of this subject? Please give specific examples consistent with your response.**

- "Yes."
- "Yes."
- "Yes, all materials were available on his website at all times."
- "Yes, met with him outside of class and was always available to meet with."
- "He helped by answering questions."
- "Yes, he was always availibal to email for his questions."
- "Yes, the instructor taught in a very understandable way."
- "Yes, you were very clear in explaining everything."
- "Very good professor, cares a lot about his students even though he makes things very challenging sometimes."
- "Yep, lots of problems in class."
- "Yes. The materials of this class were very helpful. The handouts ? to examples in class, and the test were fair in their questions."
- "Instructor provided good examples."
- "Yes. Dr. Thomas was available for consultation."
- "Yes, subject material is very hard but professor made it a little more bearable."
- "Yes he helped me learn a lot more but I think his tests are unfair."
- "Yes, crossproduct and vectors."
- "Yes. The examples he did in class that pertained to the homework problems."
- "Best teacher I have had."
- "Yes, the instructor always tries to answer any questions you have on the topic."
- "Very available for consultation. Very helpful in/out of class."
- "Yes, I knew nothing about statics going in."
- "Yes. He gave real life examples about the current topics. That was helpful. Felt like I learned more that way and understood it better."
- "Like I said, hands on and he taught by doing example problems so we knew what to do."
- "Seemed to rush through the end of the semester material which was more confusing."
- "Yes the instructor aided in my understanding of this course, but as stated above, style of teaching was sporatic and often confusing."

- "Yes, his office hours were nice and he made sure everyone understood during class material."
- "Yes, would answer all questions about the subject."
- "Yes too many to recall in a short time/space".
- "Yes, he was able to explain things in a relatable way that helped me understand."
- "Yes his instruction was good and he had worked out problems ? set to look at."
- "He answers any questions I have gives homework weeks before they are due so he can answer questions regarding the homework."
- "Tip-to-tail, Calidoxyaudimove? Although strange... the unique phrases help me remember."
- "Diabolical. Caladoxy oddy mooger Pisca cada wada quoddymoggin."
- "I definitely understand the caladoxyoddy mooger pBcacada wada quoddymoggin method now."
- "Yes. Most of my understanding come from the lecture as the book was nearly useless."
- "Yes, he is very helpful."

**Please comment further on any of the items which you were asked about in this evaluation.**

- "Good class."
- "Scott's a good guy and a good professor. Keep up the good work."
- "Very fair, good guy, not looking to screw anyone over."
- "This course was diabolical."
- "Professor was very fair."
- "Overall he was a really good teacher to have."
- "I'd like to have both hand written and electronic notes online on pilot."
- "One of the best professors I've had have to date."
- "I wish he didn't let some people ask questions and waste so much class time".
- "Excellent teacher would recommend to friends."
- "This class was DIABOLICAL!".
- "Try to spend less time with students who ask arbitrary questions. Have an escape plan to help them some in class, and move out of class."
- "Wright State needs more teachers like Thomas who want to teach. Best teacher I've had."
- "None needed. Hope to have as a professor in the future."
- "Real cool guy, diabolical mustache."
- "Instructor was a nice guy, new his stuff, but will avoid for future courses unless there are no other decent options. Sorry, just trying to be honest."
- "Exams are on a completely different level than the homework and class work."
- "I learned a lot about the caladoxyoddy mooger and the piscadwadaquaddymoggin."
- "He is a good professor."
- "Best professor I have had."
- "Great teacher overall."
- "Good teacher, tough class."
- "Only issue I ever had was no option of turning in paperwork. Sometimes the scanning was the cause of me missing assignments."
- "A+ of statics!
- "The tests seem more like they test your understanding of Dr. Thomas's cryptic grading ? rather than the material. Solving the problem his way gets you more points than a correct answer. I've gotten nearly full credit on a problem without actually understanding how to solve it."

- "He is a great guy and a good teacher. (But he is diabolical)."