

COLLEGE OF E & CS COURSE SUMMARY

Course: ME 212 Statics

Instructor: Scott Thomas

Term: Spring 2003

Number of Students: 35

Grade Distribution:

A- 4 B- 5 C- 7 D- 4 F- 3 I- 0 W- 2 D- 10 X- 0

Teaching Evaluations: No. 21

q1	q2	q3	q4	q5	q6	q7
4.71	4.62	4.81	4.62	4.33	4.86	4.29

Student Comments

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.

1. He picks the crappiest questions for tests.
2. Plenty of examples which always help further understanding of how and when to use an equation, process, or method.
3. Dr. Thomas explained the material quite thoroughly. He did plenty of example problems, which many professors do not do. He made the class interesting and the 2 hours went by much quicker than many other courses.
4. Dr. Thomas did an excellent job of presenting stimulating lectures filled with material relevant to homework and exams. Was very clear and descriptive.
5. Very good balance of lecture and example problems. Thorough teaching and made statics easy to understand.
6. Dr. Thomas does a wonderful job keeping the classes attention on the material. He is by far the best instructor I have seen at Wright State University College of Engineering.
7. Dr. Thomas first of all makes class fun, which is great b/c many other professors are repetitive and boring. He makes me want to come to class.
8. Dr. Thomas was very good at explaining the material clearly.
9. He made class interesting and fun. I will never forget which way to put may force vectors or the parallel axis.
10. He is the best in teaching statics.
11. Instructor very good at explaining the material for the class.
12. Excellent.
13. He does a good job explaining the material and he always was willing to answer questions.

14. I like Dr. Thomas' teaching style very much. Doing examples and being consistent in his examples is very helpful.
15. He made class enjoyable. The time just went by.
16. I thought it was good that he did examples.
17. Problems were required to be done in the same way the instructor did them or an explanation of the method was required for the points.

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

1. The coat hanger was handy.
2. Always helpful, always in office, could attack a problem from many different directions if one direction was not understandable.
3. Yes.
4. Yes, he was always available for assistance during class and in his office.
5. Instructor was always available for help and often encouraged me to ask questions when confused.
6. Yes, I came to him throughout the quarter for questions and he took the time to work w/me. He has even helped over the phone... He has been very accommodating to me and the others.
7. Yes, very much so. The material in this course is difficult and on many of the homework assignments help is needed. I have been to his office several times for help and have seen several students here too. He is more than willing to help in any way with the course.
8. Yes, I believe Dr. Thomas' way of teaching helped me to have a better understanding of the material.
9. Yes.
10. Yes.

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

1. Give more tests, 3 is not enough to determine grades.
2. Fun, made class enjoyable.
4. Dr. Thomas did an excellent job in this course.
5. Thomas is a very good statics teacher, made me want to come to class.
17. I have had this course before the engineering technologies. The methods are understandably different for some aspects although all could be done using the old methods but we were discouraged from doing this.