

## COLLEGE OF E & CS COURSE SUMMARY

**Course:** ME 315 Thermodynamics I

**Instructor:** Scott Thomas

**Term:** Fall 2003

**Number of Students:** 28

**Grade Distribution:**

A- 6 B- 8 C- 4 D- 3 F- 4 I- 0 W- 0 D- 3 X- 0

**Teaching Evaluations:** No. 23

q1	q2	q3	q4	q5	q6	q7
4.61	4.74	4.78	4.78	4.57	4.83	4.30

### 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. Dr. Thomas does a lot of examples which helps out a lot.
2. Good teacher, good guy, explained everything very well, answered all questions.
3. The class was very challenging, Prof. Thomas was always available for help with understanding and clarification.
4. Lots of examples are good.
5. His examples were very clear and his clarity was great.
6. Was very helpful and clear.
7. Excellent professor, great motivator.
9. Did a good job doing examples rather than just lecturing all the time. Enjoy taking breaks in lecture.
10. Always explained things clearly.
11. He does a good job presenting the material and he always answering questions.
12. Dr. Thomas used many examples to aid in his teaching. He was very respectful and answered all questions politely.
13. All the examples were great.
14. Very good lecturer. Class time was well spent and teaching style was very informative and efficient. Tests were a little long and required a lot of repetitious work (inc. lots of interpolation), but overall I enjoyed and learned a lot from this class.
15. I think Dr. Thomas is the best teacher I have had so far at WSU.
16. Very good explanations, moves at a great pace through material, makes learning easy.
17. Examples in class are key to the success in this course. Covers examples in class that are relevant to homework and test problems.

18. Although the examples are very helpful in completing homework more time should be spent in fully explaining the derivation of equations. Write first law out in entirety first, then break up for specific cases.
19. Dr. Thomas did multiple example problems which really helped me in learning the subject. He also performed a visual experiment, something I wasn't expecting.

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

3. Yes, went to office hours, also explained examples.
6. Yes.
10. Yes, he was always available for consolation.
12. Yes.
13. Yes, good clear examples.
15. Yes, he did very good examples.
19. Dr. Thomas was always helpful, especially during office hours, always explaining problems that I thought were difficult.

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

7. Class should have a lab.
8. He keeps us awake at 6p.m – 8p.m, not an easy task, so he is really good. Very peppy. Very energetic.
11. He is always available for questions outside of class which is very helpful.