Course and Teaching Evaluation  
Sociology 294: Economic Sociology (Spring 2007)

I. Learning
1. Please check the statement that best summarizes your progress in this class:

   ____ I feel that I learned a lot about economic sociology

   ____ I feel that I learned somewhat about economic sociology, but am still unclear about some of the main themes and concepts introduced in the class

   ____ I don’t feel that I understood a lot of what was discussed in the readings and class periods

For the following questions, please circle the response that best represents your experience in this course. If the responses do not describe your experience, circle ‘other’ and specify your response.

2. The course made a valuable contribution to my education.
   Strongly Agree  Agree  Disagree  Strongly Disagree

   Other: _______________________________________________________________

3. The course has introduced me to new manners to think about economic activity.
   Strongly Agree  Agree  Disagree  Strongly Disagree

   Other: _______________________________________________________________

4. The subject matter challenged me intellectually.
   Strongly Agree  Agree  Disagree  Strongly Disagree

   Other: _______________________________________________________________

5. The assigned readings and class discussions helped me understand how sociological research and theory can offer insight into economic activity.
   Strongly Agree  Agree  Disagree  Strongly Disagree

   Other: _______________________________________________________________
6. The course assignments provided me the opportunity to engage the course content.

   Strongly Agree       Agree       Disagree       Strongly Disagree
   Other: ________________________________

7. How would you describe your general impression of this class?

   Very positive       Positive       Not very positive       Negative       Very Negative
   Other: ________________________________

II. Teaching

8. Erik was enthusiastic about the subject.

   Strongly Agree       Agree       Disagree       Strongly Disagree
   Other: ________________________________

9. Erik was willing to meet with us outside of class time.

   Strongly Agree       Agree       Disagree       Strongly Disagree
   Other: ________________________________

10. Erik facilitated class discussions in a manner that helped me engage the course material.

    Strongly Agree       Agree       Disagree       Strongly Disagree
    Other: ________________________________

11. Erik provided feedback on assignments that helped me improve the quality of my work.

    Strongly Agree       Agree       Disagree       Strongly Disagree
    Other: ________________________________
12. Overall, how would you rate Erik as a teacher?

Excellent  Very Good  Good  Poor

III. Open-Ended Questions

A. What aspects of this class did you **most like**?

B. What aspects of this class did you **least like**?

C. What skills (academic or other) **did you feel the class most help you improve**?

D. What skills (academic or other) **would you have liked the class help you improve more**?
E. List briefly the criteria you consider in judging the effectiveness of a faculty member at Macalester. What qualities are most helpful to your learning?

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F. Measured against these criteria, what are Erik’s strengths as a teacher? How and how well did he help you learn?

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G. Measured against these criteria, what are Erik’s weaknesses as a teacher? Did these weaknesses affect your learning? If so, how?

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H. Are there aspects of Erik’s scholarly work or breadth of intellectual interest that enhance his teaching effectiveness?

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I. Please think about the most effective faculty members you have had at Macalester. How would you compare Erik to these people?

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J. Would you recommend Erik to another student? If yes, why and under what circumstances? If no, please explain.

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