IDEA Student Ratings of Instruction

Group Summary Report

Institutional Summary (All Paper & Online Courses)
Sam Houston State University
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The quality of instruction in this unit is shown as judged by the four overall outcomes. "A. Progress on Relevant Objectives" is a result of student ratings of their progress on objectives chosen by instructors. Ratings of individual items about the "B. Excellence of the Teacher" and "C. Excellence of Course" are shown next. "D. Summary Evaluation" averages these three after double weighting the measure of student learning (A). Results for both "raw" and "adjusted" scores are shown as they compare to the IDEA Database. Use results to summarize teaching effectiveness in the Group.

Part 1 shows the percentage of classes in each of the five performance categories.
- Is the distribution of this Group’s classes similar to the expected distribution when compared to IDEA?

Part 2 provides the averages for the Group and for IDEA norms.
- Are the Group’s averages higher or lower than IDEA?

Use results to summarize teaching effectiveness in the Group. To the degree that the percentages of the Group’s classes in the two highest categories exceeds 30% (Part 1), teaching effectiveness appears to be superior to that in the comparison group. Similarly, if the Group’s converted average exceeds 55, and its average on the 5-point scale is 0.3 above that for the comparison group (Part 2), overall teaching effectiveness in the Group appears to be highly favorable.

Part 3 shows the percentage of classes with ratings at or above the converted score of the IDEA databases. Results are shown for both raw and adjusted scores. When this percentage exceeds 60%, the inference is that the Group’s overall instructional effectiveness was unusually high.

Results in this section address the question:
- How does the quality of instruction for this Group compare to the national results?