UNIVERSIDAD DE LAS AMÉRICAS, A.C. MANUAL DE EVALUACIÓN DE CURSOS EN INGLÉS

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I. MISSION STATEMENT

To improve the success of students whose first Language is not English by building skills in academic communication so that they may Achieve their academic goals in the Universidad de las Americas community and in the English-speaking world at large.

II. PURPOSE

The Purpose of this evaluation is to guarantee tat these courses fulfill the Bilingual Mission of the University.

- To verify that all classes are delivered in English with due respect to all skills
- To provide professors, as well as students with the necessary support
- To give professional assessment to teachers upon request
- To cooperate with the English Language Center on mutual matters



III. PROCEDURE

- A) The courses delivered in English will be evaluated by:
 - Professor observation;
 - Professor surveys;
 - Student surveys
- B) The procedure uses the following steps:
- 1. Obtain schedule of courses delivered in English in advance
- 2. Establish contact with mentioned professors during the orientation sessions at the beginning of each period or during the first week of classes to inform them about these procedures
- 3. Schedule visits to all groups between the 4th and 5th rd weeks of classes
 - · First observation of professors during class time
 - Deliver professor's survey at the same time
 - Pick up and process professors' surveys
 - Deliver students' survey
 - Pick up and process students' surveys
- 4. Summarize results for final presentation for the University Council Meeting

After mid-term exams repeat procedure as follows:

- 5. Second observation of professors during class time
- 6. Deliver and pick up professor's survey
- 7. Deliver and pick up students' survey
- 8. Process instruments and make final assessment
- 9. Verify whether or not exams are given in English
- 10. Compare results for final presentation for the University Council Meeting
- 11. Deliver copy of the results to the Academic Coordinators



IV. INSTRUMENTS

Three instruments are used in order to fulfill the evaluation purposes:

- 1. **Professors' Observation Guide -** (see Attachment 1). This instrument includes six general statements regarding skills levels.
- 2. Professors' Interview (see Attachment 2). This instrument includes
 - Eight questions to assess the practice handbook
 - A guideline for Academi8c Writing
 - Student participation for remedial workshops
 - · Proposal of ideas
- 3. **Students' Survey** (see Attachment 3). This instrument includes six questions oriented to self- evaluate the four skills.

The results are compared with data obtained in questions 18 and 19 of the Professors' Evaluation administered by the Mathematics Center:

"Courses delivered in English

The Professor:

(18) Has the following proficiency level in English

Very good (5)	Good (4)	Fair (3)	Deficient (2)	Very Deficient (1)	Don't know (0)	
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(19) Delivers his (her) course in English in the following percentage

100%	75%	50%	25%	Less than 25%	Don't Know (0)



V. EVALUATION CALENDAR

The Professors' Observation Guide, Professors' Interview and Students' Survey are administered in the following periods:

<u>Program</u> 16 weeks term	<u>Period</u>	Academic Term
First contact with professors	During Orientation Sessions and 1st week of classes	Spring-Fall
1 st Observation of professors	During the 4 th and 5 th weeks	Spring-Fall
Professors' Interview	During the 4 th and 5 th weeks	Spring-Fall
Students' Survey	During the 4 th and 6 th weeks	Spring-Fall
First Report	Before mid-term exams	Spring-Fall
2 nd Observation of Professors	One week after mid-term exams	Spring-Fall
Professors' Interview	One week after mid-term exams	Spring-Fall
Studens' Survey	During the 12 th – 14 th week	Spring-Fall
Second Report	Before final exams	Spring-Fall

VI. REPORTS

The information, once processed, is delivered to the following areas of the University to be analyzed for decision-making:

- a) Office of the President: Institutional evaluation summary.
- b) Academic Divisions, Department and Coordination: Area/professor evaluation summary.
- c) Academic Coordination: Individual professor evaluation report to be analyzed, commented and delivered to every faculty member.



PROFESSORS' OBSERVATION GUIDE

Date:Professor Name:							
Course code Course name:							
I. CLASS O	BSERVATIO	N:					
1. The Class	is given in En	glish	:				7244
100%	90%	80%	6	70%	60%	50%	25% or less
2. The stud	lents unders	tand	l:				
100%	90%	80%	6	70%	60%	50%	25% or less
3. The stud	lents are abl	e to	produce	orally	in English:		
100%	90%	80%	6	70%	60%	50%	25% or less
	ents are abl	e to	produce	quality	written wor	k in English:	
Yes			No			I couldn't T	ell
5. The prof	5. The professor has a good command of English:						
Yes			No				
6. Additional comments							
Very good	(5) Goo	d (4)	Fa	ir (3)	Deficie	nt (2) Ve	ery Deficient
OBSERVATIONS							
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PROFESSORS' INTERVIEW

Date:	Date:Professor Name:					
Course code(Course name:					
I. What are the major obst	acles students find in your cour	se regarding English?				
2. Do you students have a s	sufficient knowledge of English?	?				
Yes	No	I couldn't Tell				
or does not provide for you	to assist the English Center in	finding a solution to the gap				
Yes	No	I couldn't Tell				
5. Is there a Practice Hand	book for Activities?					
Yes No If yes, is it in English?						
6. Do your students read at	a sufficient level?					
Yes	No	If yes, is it in English?				
7. Does the Academic Writing Guide help you?						
Yes	No	If no, how could it be improved?				
8. Should some of your stud	dents attend a remedial worksh	op?				
Yes	No	If yes, please provide a list				



STUDENTS' SURVEY

Date:			Profess	sor Name:		
Course cod	e	_ Course name	:			
1. This class	s is given in E	English:				
100%	90%	80%	70%	60%	50%	25% or less
2. When the	class is given	n in English,	I understand	it:		
100%	90%	80%	70%	60%	50%	25% or less
3. I speak w	ell enough to	participate i	n English:			
100%	90%	80%	70%	60%	50%	25% or less
4. I particip	ate in Englisl	h:				
100%	90%	80%	70%	60%	50%	25% or less
5. I write at	a sufficient le	evel in Englis	h:			
100%	90%	80%	70%	60%	50%	25% or less
6. I read at a sufficient level in English:						
100%	90%	80%	70%	60%	50%	25% or less
7. My global opinion about English courses like this one is:						
Very good (5) Good	1 (4) Fa	ir (3)	Deficient (2)	very I	Deficient
OTHER OBSERVATIONS						