T3 Series: SOTES
September 12, 2017

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Presenters

- Sandy Hirsh
- Debbie Faires
Top 5 Lessons Learned from SOTES

- Please click the link in the chat box to watch this 6.5-minute captioned recording made by Sandy Hirsh
  
  - [https://sjsu-ischool.hosted.panopto.com/Panopto/Pages/Viewer.aspx?id=b78c60e8-90b9-44ce-89f4-33d44a8552d6](https://sjsu-ischool.hosted.panopto.com/Panopto/Pages/Viewer.aspx?id=b78c60e8-90b9-44ce-89f4-33d44a8552d6)
  
  - Raise your “hand” in Collaborate when you have finished watching the recording so we can continue.
Questions/Comments

- Do you have questions/comments for Sandy?
SOTE Strategies

Debbie Faires
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Student Opinion of Teaching Effectiveness

Each question below is answered by selecting one of the following:

– Very strongly agree
– Strongly agree
– Agree
– Disagree
– Strongly Disagree
– Not applicable/No opportunity to observe
This instructor…

1. demonstrated relevance of the course content
This instructor…

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   – Include examples and anecdotes
   – Use practical assignments and reiterate how these will benefit students
   – Explain why the information or assignment is valuable
This instructor...

2. used assignments that enhanced learning
This instructor…

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- Break up big projects into smaller assignments that build on each other
- Create assignments that are relevant to the course objectives and allow for practical application of the theory
- Avoid the appearance of “busy work”
This instructor...

3. summarized/emphasized important points
This instructor...

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– Provide lectures that highlight important points.
– Provide comments in discussion boards to summarize most important points.
This instructor…

4. was responsive to questions and comments from students
This instructor…

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– Provide timely responses
– Offer a variety of communication formats (e.g., email, discussion forums, text messaging)
– Respond respectfully and cordially to students
This instructor…

5. established an atmosphere that facilitated learning
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- Be patient, positive, and encouraging
- Share your own experiences
- Maintain an active presence in the discussion forums
- Create a well-organized course site
- Set up opportunities for students to interact and learn from each other
This instructor…

6. was approachable for assistance
This instructor…

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– Respond in a timely manner to emails and other communications
– Offer multiple forms of contact (e.g., email, discussion forum, phone)
This instructor…

7. was responsive to the diversity of the students in this class
This instructor...

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- Treat all students with respect regardless of differences of gender, race, or age
- Avoid favoring students with greater levels of experience with library work
- Pay attention to student self-introductions
- Offer options to students in areas such as choice of topics, assignments, or synchronous meeting times.
This instructor…

8. showed strong interest in teaching this class
This instructor…

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   – Communicate enthusiasm about the course topic
   – Maintain an active presence in the class
This instructor...

9. used intellectually challenging teaching methods
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Use assignments that:

- challenge students to use what they’ve read and encourage creative thinking.
- have a variety of formats (written, audio, visual)
- strongly link theory to real-world examples
This instructor...

9. used intellectually challenging teaching methods

- Use a variety of teaching methods and media (written, audio, visual)
- Design discussion questions that encourage conversations
This instructor…

10. used fair grading methods
This instructor…

10. used fair grading methods

– Provide very clear assignment instructions; examples are helpful
– Rubrics
– With group work, provide a method that makes each group member personally accountable for their contribution
This instructor...

11. helped students analyze complex/abstract ideas
This instructor...

11. helped students analyze complex/abstract ideas

- Use concrete and personal experience
- Provide supplemental materials
- Build on concepts covered earlier in the class
This instructor…

12. provided meaningful feedback about student work
This instructor…

12. provided meaningful feedback about student work

- Give positive comments as well as constructive criticism.
- Be specific
13. Overall this instructor’s teaching was:

[5: very effective to 1: very ineffective]

Open response questions:

– Comments
– Discuss the weaknesses and/or areas in need of improvement of this instructor's teaching.
– Discuss the strengths of this instructor's teaching.
SOTE Strategies

See handout for further details.
Questions & Evaluation

Complete Evaluation:
https://ischool.sjsu.edu/people/faculty-handbook/teaching-workshops/t3-series-evaluation