Instructor:	Observer:
School/College:	Department/Program:
Course number and section:	Course Format: (Lecture, seminar, etc.)
Date/Time of observation:	Location:
Approximate number of students in class:	

Below is a list of items and behaviors that may be observed in a classroom. The list is not exhaustive; please add items/content areas as necessary to provide a complete and substantive evaluation. For each item, please check whether or not you observed it (i.e., yes, yes with qualification, or no). Wherever possible, please add (instructive or constructive) comments that can help the instructor improve his or her teaching and enhance student learning.

Evaluation Item	Observation	Comments
Organization and Preparation		
Begins and ends class on time	[] Yes [] Yes with qualification [] No [] No with qualification	
Appears well-prepared for class and topic being presented or discussed	[] Yes [] Yes with qualification [] No [] No with qualification	
Keeps focus of the class on major topic	[] Yes [] Yes with qualification [] No [] No with qualification	
Uses class time effectively (e.g., pacing, balancing lecture and discussion)	[] Yes [] Yes with qualification [] No [] No with qualification	

Evaluation Item	Observation	Comments
Other things to consider: • Uses technology appropriately	[] Yes [] Yes with qualification [] No [] No with qualification	
 If using technology, checks that it is working prior to start of class 	[] Yes [] Yes with qualification [] No [] No with qualification	
Instructional Delivery/Presentation		
Speaks audibly and clearly	Yes Yes with qualification No No with qualification	
Presentation is well-organized	[] Yes [] Yes with qualification [] No [] No with qualification	
Presentation is appropriate for students' academic level.	Yes Yes with qualification No No with qualification	
Avoids extended reading from notes or text.	Yes Yes with qualification No No with qualification	
Demonstrates mastery of the material presented	Yes Yes with qualification No No with qualification	
Presents contrasting points of view appropriately	[] Yes [] Yes with qualification [] No [] No with qualification	

Evaluation Item	Observation	Comments
Other things to consider:	[]Yes	
 Engages students with effective instructional 	[] Yes with qualification	
strategies (e.g., vocal cadence, group	[] No	
discussions, visual aids, technology)	[] No with qualification	
Defines and explains new or unfamiliar terms, concepts, and principles	Yes Yes with qualification No No with qualification	
Explains important and difficult ideas clearly	Yes Yes with qualification No No with qualification	
 Provides examples, illustrations, or applications to clarify abstract concepts 	[] Yes [] Yes with qualification [] No [] No with qualification	
Uses alternate explanations when students do not understand	[] Yes [] Yes with qualification [] No [] No with qualification	
Uses available technology	Yes Yes with qualification No No with qualification	
Writes legibly and clearly on the board	[] Yes [] Yes with qualification [] No [] No with qualification	
Rapport and Interaction with Students		
Encourages students to participate in discussion	Yes Yes with qualification No No with qualification	

Evaluation Item	Observation	Comments
Asks challenging questions to stimulate discussion or thought	[] Yes [] Yes with qualification [] No [] No with qualification	
Answers students questions effectively and appropriately	[] Yes [] Yes with qualification [] No [] No with qualification	
Gracefully and effectively guides student discussion	[] Yes [] Yes with qualification [] No [] No with qualification	
Respects students' diverse points of view	[] Yes [] Yes with qualification [] No [] No with qualification	
Maintains a class atmosphere that is conducive to learning	[] Yes [] Yes with qualification [] No [] No with qualification	
Treats students with respect	[] Yes [] Yes with qualification [] No [] No with qualification	
Other things to consider: • Allows appropriate "wait time" when asking students questions	[] Yes [] Yes with qualification [] No [] No with qualification	
 Appropriately restrains students who monopolize class time 	[] Yes [] Yes with qualification [] No [] No with qualification	

Summary of teaching effectiveness	Comments
What instructional strengths did you observe in the class?	
What aspects of the teaching need immediate improvement?	
What suggestions do you have to help the instructor improve his or her teaching or student learning?	
Other observations and general comments (attach additional pages if necessary)	