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#### ABSTRACT

The project of faculty development program evaluation, developed by the Center for the Study of Higher Education of the University of Michigan, is described. Project thrusts were: to develop assessment instruments for judging the success of faculty development programs; to provide formative and summative evaluation for the programs of the 24 participating institutions; and to explore the effectiveness of a number of strategies aimed at faculty growth in a variety of institutional settings. After a literature search on potential goals of the faculty development program, experts rated item and suggested criteria for evaluating whether particular goals had been reached. Site visits and case studies of the faculty development programs at the 24 schools were undertaken, along with the design and administration of seven survey instruments. There were four principal surveys (on the faculty role, on teaching, on scholarship, and on program evaluation), plus a demographic sheet, and two secondary surveys (faculty viewing students, and administrators defining scholarly activity for their faculty). Among the findings are the following: faculty apparently have a highly internal set of criteria for judging their classroom performance which is supported by personal experience with students and is relatively free from colleagues' and supervisors' opinions; the professor's task is to transmit knowledge and skill to able people who agree with the teacher's goals; most faculty will lecture regardless of the course size or level; improving teaching in the classroom was the faculty's leading desire, followed by the desire to improve interpersonal skills. Sample survey forms are appended. (SW)



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## I. Overview of Project for Faculty Development Program Evaluation

The antecedents of faculty development activities, familiar to the higher education community of the 1970's, reach back to the Jast quarter of the nineteenth century.

Sabbatical leave programs, American higher education's traditional means of fostering faculty professional development, were begun at Harvard University in 1880 Eells and Hollis, 1962). By the mid-1880's Cornell and Wellesley had followed suit. Seven more colleges and universities had begun leave programs by the end of the century. During the first two decades of the twentieth century at least 40 more colleges and universities inaugurated such programs and by 1970 the majority of all universities and four-year colleges offered their faculty such regular opportunities for professional development.

From the start, however, colleges described sabbaticals as investmen's in the future of the institution and as means of improving the services the college could offer students rather than as opportunities meant primarily to enhance the professional skills of the faculty member.

Contemporary faculty development has more immediate antecedents in the 1950's. In addition to sabbaticals, travel money for faculty attendance at professional meetings, release time to complete higher degrees, faculty retreats, and programs designed to encourage faculty to publish have been long-standing practices in institutions (Sikes and Barrett, 1976, p. 1). Then the rumble of change began in the 1950's in a very few colleges with early efforts at student evaluations of their professors.

Centra (1976) reports that a 1960 survey of 214 southern colleges by Miller and Wilson found only a few one-shot faculty development programs designed to orient new faculty. There appeared to the authors to be very few well articulated, comprehensive programs at the time. By the mid-1960's, a



few programs aimed at instructional development had appeared, but it remained for the 1970's to see the coordination of traditional and newly conceived facility development activities that were designed to make college teaching more successful and satisfying for all involved (Sikes and Barrett, 1976, p. 1).

In the rarly 1970's faculty development seemed to sweep the country (Lindquist, 1978). Two national conferences, the beginnings of national networks of practitioners and experts, were held then; one at Kansas State University and another at the University of Massachusetts (Longman, 1978, p. 25). By 1974 the Council for the Advancement of Small Colleges had recognized the potential impact of the faculty development movement and had launched a program to provide facilitators to over 40 institutions to assist them in developing programs (Longman, 1978, p. 25). Also in 1974, Change Magazine published a position paper, Faculty Development in a Time of Retrenchment, by the group for human development in higher education which, according to Lindquist (1978), inspired a humanistic wave in the faculty development movement, one calling for assistance to professors to develop as persons in a humane environment.

John Centra's 1975 survey of 2,600 colleges prompted a response from 1,783. Close to 60 percent of the respondents, 1,044, or almost half of all institutions, claimed to have faculty development programs of some type, evidence of the extent to which the movement had developed. By 1978 the concept had become an umbrella term to incorporate a wide range of activities aimed at instructional, personal, and organizational development.

The U-M Fipse Project Design

The project for faculty development program evaluation was undertaken by the Center for the Study of Higher Education at the University of Michigan with the assistance of a grant from the Fund for the Improvement of Postsecondary



Education in the Fall of 1978.

The project included three major thrusts: (1) to develop assessment instruments for judging the success of faculty development programs; (2) to provide formative and summative evaluation for the programs of the 24 participating institutions; and (3) to explore the effectiveness of a number of strategies aimed at faculty growth in a variety of institutional settings.

The work included three phases: (I) exploring the field, (II) evaluating activities, and (III) inferring the effectiveness of programs from that evaluation. (See Figure A). The first phase, completed between October, 1978 and May, 1979, began with a review of the literature on faculty development. One of the focuses of the literature search was program goals. A selection of student centered, institutional, instructional improvement, personal and professional, and research goals were ¿leaned from the literature. In November an instrument containing a jumbled list of 30 goals was mailed to 56 selected experts (either practitioners or writers) across the country. Thirty-four responded by rating the items and suggesting criteria by which administrators might judge whether or not particular goals had been reached. The goals which received highest ratings by the expert respondents are displayed in Figure B. Instructional improvement goals were the clear priority of experts in the field. It is interesting to note that, for this group of faculty development experts, little concern is expressed for other aspects of the faculty professional life.

Step two, the selecting of 24 institutions suitable for the study was a made according to Centra's (1976) factor analysis classification of programs. Centra's four classes of programs—high faculty involvement, instructional assistance practices, traditional practices, and emphasis on assessment—were used to construct a grid matrix with community colleges, four—year colleges, and universities.



Figure A. Project Design: Overview

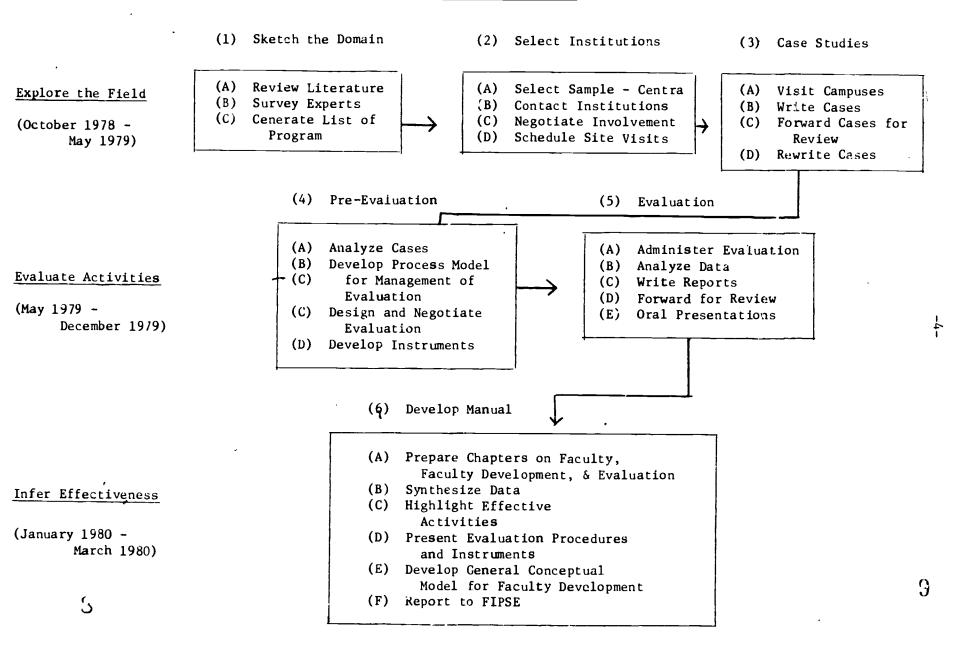


Figure B. Expert-Choices of Goals

## Highest

Item No.*	Mean**	
11.	(4.500)	To create a climate in which the attainment of effective teaching is an ongoing concern.
38.	(4.412)	To increase the faculty's skills in instruction, for example, communication, use of technology,
1.	(4.294)	To increase faculty responsiveness to student needs by the adaptation of their courses,
10.	(4.206)	To increase the faculty's knowledge about the teaching-learning process.
25.	(4.049)	To increase the faculty's repertoire of teaching methods, through exposure to a variety of approaches

## Lowest

31.	(1.471)	To improve faculty professional consulting skills.
3.	(2.029)	To generate research on faculty development.
17.	(2.147)	To initiate a periodic review of the performance of all faculty members.
7.	(2.176)	To facilitate a faculty member's ability to participate in institutional decision-making.
35.	(2,235)	To improve faculty research and scholarship skills.

<sup>\*(</sup>Complete listing of goals in Appendix A.)



<sup>\*\*</sup>On a 5.00 (high) scale of importance.

An initial, but unsuccessful, attempt was made to find two institutions for each cell. A literature search identified programs which varied across Centra's classification. In addition, administrators in several states having large community college systems were contacted to identify those colleges in their states with the most successful faculty development programs. A survey was then sent in November to identified institutions to solicit information describing their programs. From these, twenty-four were invited to participate in the study. Negotiations were made with presidents and faculty development directors, and a schedule of site visits was set up for December, 1978 - March, 1979.

Step three, the writing of case studies, began with site visits to each campus. Faculty development directors sent information such as brochures, requests for funding, annual reports, and college catalogues for review before each visit. An interview schedule was used with persons on each campus concerned with faculty development activities (deans, presidents, faculty development directors, committee members, and faculty who both favored and were critical of programs).

After each visit, a description of the program was written to include information on the institutional setting, origin of the faculty development program, goals of program, organization of program, budget, program changes, and a preliminary qualitative assessment. The case descriptions were sent to the faculty development directors for their review and suggestions for modification. Cases were then revised to include any corrections or suggestions. The cases were completed by June, 1979.

During May, 1979 to December, 1979 phase II of the study was completed.

Each case study was analyzed. On the basis of information resulting from these analyses, a process model for management of the evaluation was developed.

(This model will be covered in the section to follow.)



Phase III consisted of the design and administration of a set of survey instruments. There were seven in all -- four principal ones (on the faculty role, on teaching, on scholarship, and on program evaluation) -- plus a demographic sheet -- and two secondary ones (faculty viewing students and administrators defining scholarly activity for their faculty). These were administered to faculty from each institutional type, modified, critiqued by national experts in the field, and eventually mailed in various combinations to random stratified samples of faculty so as to maximize the mix of responses, provide for adequate numbers for analysis, and minimize the time imposition on faculty.

The returns are displayed below. As can be seen, there is a variety in the response rate -- from marginal to extraordinarily large.

### RESPONSE RATES

	N	<u>CC</u> 460	<u>LAC-A</u> 146	<u>LAC-B</u> 425	<u>U-A</u> 339	<u>U-B</u> 427	<u>0vera11</u> 1797
Average	(%)	45	65	62	45	40	48
Range	(%)	38-84	51-90	61-72	39-56	32-44	3 <b>2-</b> 90

These percentage returns call for brief comment. First of all, since at almost every institution there were different combinations of instruments sent to different faculty, it is not possible to talk about a single response rate from an institution. Actually there were several from each. What is expressed here is a sentially the "average" return.

Second, in most cases, follow-up letters were sent to initial non-respondents. However, no extensive pressure was exerted by us to try and increase the response rate. For example, the representative on the campus never entered into this

See Figure C for college and university abbreviations and typology.

## FIGURE C. INSTITUTIONAL ABBREVIATIONS

CC: Commun ty/Junior Colleges; Private and Public

LAC: Liberal Arts Colleges; All are private/residential/B.A. or B.S. degree

U: Universities; Private and Public

The A and B essentially follow The Carnegie Commission Classification (1976).

"B" tends to mean more selective (and "A" less selective) with regard to student ability in the case of the LACs. This is also true with respect to the Us. In the case of the Us, an "A" most often collects the regional universities which have few if any doctoral programs. The "B's" tend to be research oriented universities.

process. No one made phone calls from the campus or from Ann Arbor. In brief, we were more concerned about getting an adequate number of respondents so that we could provide each college with an analysis than we were of achieving a particular percentage response.

Naturally, we are concerned about the representativeness of the population who responded and about the reliability and validity of the instrument. Regarding these matters, the following remarks are relevant.

In taking a random sample of early and late respondents, matched in numbers of cases for each institution, there was no significant difference between the two groups on any of the tested demographic variables — age, rank, sex, highest degree, and academic discipline. The F tests produced probability values between .75 and .85. In short, those who were the last respondents to a second follow-up were no different in their basic backgrounds from those who answered the first request. Consequently it can be argued that those who did not respond are not likely to be different from those whose data are reported. This, then, is a representative group of people. The findings can be expected to be typical of the faculty as a whole.

As for the reliability of the instruments a test/retest method was employed. Six / of each of the instrument /ere sent to original respondents randomly selected across the institutions Inter-item coefficients of stability (using the Pearson product-moment correlations) were run for each instrument. Items not obtaining a coefficient of stability (<.05) were then manipulated using a nonparametric test (r pair) that analyzes the before and after response of each individual on the item. This computer analysis also provides a parametric test of significance indicating whether the change in the distribution was significant, i.e., did respondents change their opinions vs. a change in degree of strength.



## Questionnaire A (Faculty Role)

The overall response rate was 48.3%. The coefficients of stability ranged from .01 to .93. Twenty percent of the items required further analysis using the rpair test. There was no significant change in distribution on these items.

## Questionnaire B (Teaching)

The overall response rate was 60%. The coefficients of stability ranged from .19 to .90. Only four of the items (3.7%) were not significantly related. The rpair test indicated no significant change on these items.

## Questionnaire C (Scholarship)

The overall response rate was 43.3%. The range of the coefficients of stability was from .02 to 1.00 with 17.8 percent of the items requiring further analysis. The degree of change was not significant on these items.

## Questionnaire D (Program Assessment)

The overall response rate was 52% and the coefficients of stability ranged from -.33 to 1.00. This questionnaire had a number of yes/no responses causing a number of items to not be significantly related. Over forty percent (40.9) of the items needed to be analyzed further. Only one item had a significant degree of change with respondents moving to a higher level of agreement.

While on an item by item basis there were some that did not discriminate, as can be seen by the reliability coefficients, these are dependable instruments. The stability of the results are assured, at least over the short run.

As a validity check, vita were collected from a random sample of faculty. These were coded for publications, age, and sex and correlated with their self-reported data on the demographic questionnaire. This becomes a measure of validity. The coefficients were .95 on sex, .87 on age, .65 on books published,



and .42 on articles written. (The last is on the low side and results more from differences of what constitutes a published scholarly article than from dishonesty in self-reporting.)

In summary, the data are from a representative group of your faculty.

They have responded to our instruments in a truthful and dependable manner.

The reader can have confidence in what is reported.

## II. Project Design

Undertaking an evaluation study of as broad-aimed a set of programs as the faculty development programs of the 24 institutions in this project presents unique and challenging problems. Concern for satisfying both the needs of each of the participating institutions as well as answering the questions of the higher education community regarding faculty development necessitated the use of an elaborate and flexible evaluation model.

Efforts to arrive at a precise definition of the term 'program evaluation' are replete in the literature. Here, we simply offer several broad observations about the task of evaluating programs which guided and undergirded this particular project.

First, program evaluation is a process rather than a procedure. It deals with the formation of judgments about programs using criteria or standards of comparison and descriptions of what occurred and resulted in the program.

Additionally, it involves the use of information in comparing alternatives in reaching program decisions.

Second, program evaluation is more than examining the attainment of objectives. Program objectives are not to be ignored, but it must be recognized that often due to the complexities which exist in most programming situations, programs are likely to produce unanticipated results. Sometimes the positive or negative effects of these unforeseen results are as important — occasionally even more important — than the original objectives.



Third, an evaluation which concentrates on the overall effectiveness of a program must be concerned not only with results in terms of behavioral changes in people but also with the proportion of the potential clientele that is reached, the extent to which the program deals with perceived and continued need, and the care with which resources are utilized.

Fourth, blending statistical and descriptive techniques can produce an evaluation design which reinforces the strengths and to some extent alleviates the weaknesses of either approach used alone. Statistical measures provide a concreteness to the research not available from other techniques. Descriptive evaluation, on the other hand, permits the expression of different weights of importance to components of a program.

Fifth, and finally, regardless of what methodology is utilized, the primary interest in program evaluation is not to arrive at certain findings, as in pure science, but rather to make judgments about the value of a technique, process, activity, or program. The end product of an evaluation should be both a series of statements about the desirability and worthwhileness of a program activity, and sufficient information to allow program planners to redirect the program in more effective ways. As will become evident, this later consideration has been a major concern of this project.

Figure D displays the evaluation model utilized in this project. Briefly the evaluation design builds on a standard five-stage planning model. Each stage in the planning cycle has a concurrent evaluation component with its own unique focus and purpose. Ideally the tasks and products of each planning stage should be identified and evaluated before moving on to the next stage. However, the realities of doing both an external and ex post facto evaluation do not permit this formative involvement, nor are most programs planned in this intentional fashion. Yet important data accompany each of the stages in the planning/evaluation process, and for this reason an effort was made to recreate the needed data base, for example, the heavy emphasis in the project of uncovering faculty members'



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Figure D. Planning and Evaluation Model

P	PROBLEM IDENTIFICATION			PROBLEM SOLUTION			
T A S K S	Assess Needs	Determine Solution Requirements	Select Solution Strategy	Implement Program Accivities	Evaluate		
O U T C O	Identification of Problem  Development	Alternative Program Plans	Program	Actual Program	Evaluation  Design		
M E S	of Coals	List	Racionare				
F O C U S	Desirability	Feasibility	Appropriateness and Completeness	Usability and Effectiveness	Thoroughness  and  Comprehensibility		
	T A S K S S O U T C O M E S S	T A Assess S Needs  O U Identification of Problem C O Problem C Development of Coals  F O C U  Desirability	Assess Determine S Needs Solution Requirements  O U T Problem Program Problem Plans  C Development of Coals  F O C U  Desirability Feasibility	Assess Determine Solution S Needs Solution Requirements  O U T C O M E S S Determine Solution Requirements  Identification of Program Plans Program Plans Program Resource List  F O C Desirability  Feasibility  Appropriateness and Completeness	Assess Determine Solution Program Accivities  Needs Solution Strategy Accivities  OUT OF Problem Plans Program Plans  Development of Coals  FOR Assess Determine Solution Strategy Accivities  Requirements  Actual Program Program Rationale  FOR Actual Program Rationale  FOR Appropriateness Usability  Appropriateness Usability  OUT OF COMPLETE SOLUTION Accivities  Actual Program Rationale  FOR Appropriateness Usability  Appropriateness Effectiveness		

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own assessment of their needs.

The findings presented in the following sections attempt to answer three major sets of questions related to the desirability, appropriateness, and effectiveness of the program under study.

First, what do faculty say about their work, the problems they may be experiencing, and their professional development needs?

Second, does the current program meet the expressed needs of faculty and how do faculty feel about its current organization?

And third, what do faculty think they have gotten out of their involvement in the program?





## III. Findings

The faculty responses to the survey instruments administered at the 24 colleges and universities are presented below. These responses have been collected into tables which highlight those questions which we feel to be most significant. (Not all data are tabulated for this report.) Some presentations highlight the similarities and differences across categories of institutions — community/junior colleges, more and less selective liberal arts colleges, regional universities, and research universities. (See Figure B again for classification and abbreviations.) Other tables focus on a set of factors within a college or university context.

The tables are essentially self-explanatory. Therefore, comments are restricted to those items we feel are particularly noteworthy or where the responses of one group of faculty vary significantly from their colleagues at other institutions. The survey instruments are in the Appendix.

## The Importance of Teaching

As Table ! clearly demonstrates, faculty value very highly their teaching role, irrespective of institutional type. Faculty in two-year colleges are more emphatic than those in research universities. When the "agree with reservations" and "strongly agree" are combined and when the "considerable" and "great" are aggregated, the importance of teaching attains as high as 99 percent.

Also to be noted in Table 1 is that faculty, and that means <u>all</u> faculty, believe they value teaching more highly than do their colleagues. (Note the right-hand columns for the bottom two items.)

About 90 percent of the faculty judge themselves above average or



TABLE 1. IMPORTANCE OF TEACHING (IN PERCENTS)

			SD	D	A	SA
	Insti- tution Type	al (N)	Strongly Disagree	Disagree with Res- ervations	Agree with Res- ervations	Strongly Agree
	СС	(277)	1	2	29	68
Teaching is the most	IAC-A	(113)	3	3	38	57
important part of the	LAC-B	(201)	<b>&lt;</b> 1	7	34	59
academic role.	U-A	(238)	3	6	37	54
	U-B	(213)	4	1.4	46	37
	CC	(291)	<b>&lt;</b> 1	6	40	54
Teaching is the most	LAC-A	(72)	1	6	28	65
rewarding aspect of my professional late.	LAC-B	(222)	2	. 8	43	47
	U-A	(185)	3	12	44	41
	U-B	(286)	4	18	51	27
			Little	Moderate	Consid- erate	Great
	СС	(285)	0	1	14	85
Faculty members vary with respect to the	LAC-A	(70)	0	1	13	86
importance they attach	LAC-B	(215)	<b>&lt;</b> 1	2	18	80
to teaching. Indicate the degree of importance	U~A	(176)	<b>√</b> 0	2	19	80
you attach to teaching.	U-B	(269)	<b>&lt;</b> 1	5	23	<b>7</b> 1
	СС	(296)	0	9	47	45
How much importance do	LAC-A	(74)	1	5	31	62
you think your depart- mental colleagues attach	LAC-B	(224)	<b>4</b> 1	6	41	52
to their teaching?	U-A	(184)	<b>&lt;</b> 1	13	54	33
	U-B	(288)	3	24	48	25

superior teachers, again irrespective of institutional type or level.

(See Table 2.) They are not fully confident that students will judge them to be as talented as they believe they are but then, one supposes, students really are not qualified to recognize outstanding pedagogy when they see it.

(In another question, 90 percent believe they are getting better each year.)

Before taking these impossible statistical outcomes as prima facie evidence that faculty have a seriously distorced self-image and grossly overrate the quality of their teaching, a recent study at the University of Michigan (Ericksen, 1978) the type of institution where undergraduate instruction is claimed to be the very worst, found 90 percent of the faculty rated in the upper two categories by students, a result almost identical to the one presented here. Moreover, Gaff found that 99 percent of the faculty scored themselves as above average. This was true for both participants and non-participants in faculty development programs. And Baldwin's (1979) study of liberal arts college faculty uncovered similar corroborating evidence. Teaching is not a faculty problem, for themselves.

Their colleagues, however, are not quite as good. That is what faculty think. Furthermore, faculty believe that students will document their assertion. I do not need help, but my peers do.

Table 3 shows how faculty reach the judgments they do with respect to how good they are as pedagogues. Here the data are presented within contextual settings.

The patterns differ slightly in each setting but in the main it is self-assessment and the performance of their students that they base their self-ratings on. Informed student opinion is taken into consideration but they value colleague feedback much less so and administrative response the least of all. In fact, research university faculty essentially find it valueless.



TABLE 2. THE QUALITY OF TEACHING

	Insti- tutional type	Poor	Accept-	Aver-	Above Aver— age	Superior
	СС	0	1	7	72	20
Now would you rat:	LAC-A	0	1	9	61	30
jour teaching?	LAC-B	<b>4</b> 1	1	10	64	24
	U-A	0	0	11	62	21
	U-B	0	3	14	58	25
	CC	0	2	12	69	1.7
Now do you think students would rate your teaching?	LAC~A	0	3	13	56	29
would rate your teaching:	LAC-B	<1	1	18	58	22
	U-A	0	2	18	61	19
	U-B	0	4	18	58	20
			•			
	СС	0	2	24	66	8
How would you rate the	LAC-A	1	1	1.6	67	14
teaching of the majority	LAC-B	2	4	25	62	8
of the members of your department (academic unit)?	U-A	<b>4</b> 1	5	28	62	4
<b>Coperation</b>	U-B	2	7	<b>3</b> 8	48	4
<b>u</b>	СС	<b>&lt;</b> 1	2	33	57	7
How do you think students	LAC~A	0	4	19	64	13
would rate the teaching of a majority of the members	LAC-B	2	4	25	62	8
of your department?	U-A	1	8	31	58	2
	U-B	2	10	35	49	5

TABLE 3. SOURCES FOR EVALUATING TEACHING RESPONSES

# RESPONSES BY INSTITUTIONAL TYPE TO THE QUESTION: "IN ASSESSING YOUR CLASSROOM PERFORMANCE,

HOW VALUABLE DO YOU FIND THE FOLLOWING SOURCES OF INFORMATION?"

	Value Level .			•
	Little	Moder-	Consid- crable	Great.
CC (N = 291)				
Systematic student ratings	11	33	39	17
Informal student opinion	1	21	49	30
Self-assessment	2	16	50	33
Colleague feedback	9	27	48	17
Administrator feedback	. 31	39	33	<b>1</b> 1
Achievement reflected in student tests and papers	. 2	18	48	33
$I : C \rightarrow (N = 71)$				
Systematic student ratings	16	17	50	19
Informal student opinion	4	23	49	24
Solf-assessment	1	11	49	<b>3</b> 8
Colleague feedback	7	34	34	25
Administrator feedback	26	34	31	9
Ashlewsport reflected in student tests and papers	3	11	46	40
IAC+B  (II = 275)				
Systematic student ratings	15	36	37	13
Informal student opinion	4	29	45	22
Self-assessment	2	12	48	<b>3</b> 9
Colleague feedback	15	32	39	15
Administrator feedback	1.4	34	19	3
Achievement reflected in student tests and papers	2	15	45	37



Table 3. Continued

Value	Level

/	Little	Moder- ate	Consid- erable	Great
U-A  (N = 71)				
Systematic student ratings	14	41	31	14`
Informal student opinion	7	25	48	21
Self-assessment .	2	10	47	41
Colleague feedback	14	• 34	34	18
Administrator feedback	40	27	22	10
Achievement reflected in student tests and papers	3	12	52	33
•				
U-E (11 = 288)				
Systematic student ratings	17	42	27	14
Informal student opinion	6	25	45	23
Sclf-assessment	2	13	49	35
Colleague feedback	22	35	31	11
Administrator feedback	52	31	15	3
to linyament reflected in student tests and papers	6	15	45	<b>^</b> 5



In short, faculty apparently have a highly internal set of criteria for judging their classroom performance, one which is supported by their personal experience with students but is relatively free from colleaguer and supervisors opinions.

### The Elements of Superior Teaching

Table 4 provides another perspective on how faculty view their teaching role. Within each institutional setting faculty overwhelmingly assert the importance of knowing their discipline. This item receives two to three times as many "great importance" votes as any other element. Having appropriate facilities is not all that important but it apparently is difficult to be a superior instructor without qualified and motivated students, as well as an effective personality.

There are some differences across institutional types and levels. For example, research university faculty attach an appreciably higher importance to being actively engaged in scholarship as an essential ingredient of the superior professor than do either regional university or selective liberal arts college faculty. The latter, in turn, give a higher importance level to research activity as a necessity for being an outstanding teacher than do less selective liberal arts college and two-year college faculty.

On the other hand, community college faculty award higher importance to special teacher training and to teaching strategies used than do university faculty.

What emerges, then, is a picture of the academic as expert. The professor's task is to transmit knowledge and skill to able people who agree with her or his goals. The data do not describe faculty who would champion interdisciplinary courses (where they would have to teach that which they are not a master of). The data do not paint pictures of academics concerned



TABLE 4. THE ELEMENTS OF SUPERIOR TEACHING

## RESPONSE BY INSTITUTIONAL TYPE TO THE INSTRUCTION: "INDICATE THE IMPORTANCE OF THE FOLLOWING IN

ACCOUNTING TOP SUPERIOR TLACHING."

	Importance Level			-
	<b>L</b> ittle	Moder- erate	Consid- erable	Great
CC (1 = 300)	-		,	
Knowledge of the subject matter	0	<b>&lt;</b> 1	21	78
<pre>Instructor's personality</pre>	<1	15	44	41
Methods/techniques used	1	1.2	50	37
Specified training for teaching	15	31	34	19
Qualified and motivated students	2	23	5 <b>2</b>	23
Appropriate physical facilities	5	37	41	16
Active in research/scholarship	33	44	18	5
LAC-A  (N = 76)				
Knowledge of the subject matter	0	1	24	75
Instructor's personality	0	12	49	39
Methods/techniques used	1	17	35	47
Specified training for teaching	16	27	32	25
Qualified and motivated students	3	23	45	30
Appropriate physical facilities	3	45	37	15
Active in research/scholarship	20	37	31	12
LAC-E (II = 225)				
Knowledge of the subject matter	<b>∢</b> 1	1	, 24	74
Instructor's personality	<b>&lt;</b> 1	13	48	38
Methods/techniques used	3	15	52	31
Specified training for teaching	31	40	23	7
Qualified and motivated students	1	23	42	34
Appropriate physical facilities	9	40	42	9
Active in research/scholarship	13	31	37	20



Table 4. Continued

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Importance	Level

	Little	Moder- erate	Consid- erable	Great
U-A  (N = 187)				
Knowledge of the subject matter	0	2	24	74
Instructor's personality	1	16	51	31
Methods/techniques used	4	13	50	32
Specified training for teaching	27	36	25	12
Qualified and motivated students	2	<b>2</b> 0	44	34
Appropriate physical facilities	7	39	43	12
Active in research/ucholarship	14	34	34	19
$\underline{\text{U-B}}  (N = 292)$				
Knowledge of the subject matter	41	2	22	75
Instructor's personality	2	21	\ <sub>50</sub>	27
Methods/techniques used	4	26	48	22
Specified training for teaching	23	45	19	8
Qualified and motivated students	3	16	51	30
Appropriate physical facilities	11	42	38	9
Active in research/scholarship	6	31	34	20



about student growth and development. Nor do the data depict professors who see their instructional role as one of helping students learn how to learn. Rather, these are people who have the truth and who feel their task is to spread the gospel.

## Methods of Instruction

The developing portr t is brought into sharper focus by the faculty reports on how they teach. Asked to describe the first undergraduate class they meet each week provided a wide assortment of courses and avoided a bias in their selecting their favorite or typical teaching style. This question-naire technique also gave classes of all sizes and at a mix of different student levels (first through senior year).

As Table 5 shows, however, there are only minor differences across institutional mettings. Give a faculty almost any kind of a class in any subject, large or small, upper or lower division, and they will lecture.

## Institutional Pewards and Pressures

Thus far the data have focused on intrinsic factors affecting faculty behavior and desires. Before turning to how faculty who participated in faculty development programs judged the success of these efforts to achieve their goals, let us examine how faculty perceive their institution's performance expectations, that is, what they see the extrinsic rewards and pressures to be.

Faculty rated the extent to which their college or university rewards eleven specific activities which fall under the general rubrics of teaching, research, and service. For the most part the responses were what one would expect. Public service was on the bottom with committee work and advising students not far behind irrespective of type or level of institution. Cur-



TABLE 5. METHODS OF INSTRUCTION

Principal Method\*

Institu- tional type	lecture	Discussion	Recitation	Lab/Shop	Applied (Music)	Individ- ualized
CC	76	7	1	7	4	1
LAC-A	80	9	2	3	2	3
LAC-B	73	12	1	5	4	1
U-A	78	4	0	6	6	1
T-3	8.	8	1	. 3	3	1
		Seco	nd Method*			
CC	6	47	0	31	8	0
LAC-A	4	6ŏ	2	13	0	0
LAC-B	8	57	2	22	3	1
U-A	4	58	2	26	8	2
U-B	7	47	5	34	3	1



<sup>\*</sup> Principal method is the primary node of instruction; second method is the secondary node.

riculum revision is rewarded moderately in community colleges and in the less selective liberal arts colleges but not in the other three groups. Classroom teaching and innovative teaching are recognized to a great extent in community and in liberal arts colleges, but not in universities. On the other hand, faculty report research publication and grant getting are highly rewarded in universities but appreciably less so in the other three college groups.

The more interesting findings appear when faculty expressed their opinions on the degree to which their institution's reward structure has changed over the past five years on a number of these role behaviors. (See Table 6.) While the most frequent response is the "same," "increased emphasis" outdistances "decreased emphasis" by a factor of five or more and in some instances is greater than "no change." If administrators are transmitting the message that obtaining a grant will be rewarded, faculty have received it — in two-year colleges as well as in research universities.

Another important inference to be drawn from these data is the increased pressures faculty must be feeling in their fundamental roles of teaching and scholarship.

## The Participant Population

As in most studies of faculty participants and non-participants in the adoption and implementation of innovations (see Rogers and Shoemaker, 1971, for example), these two groups differ little from each other on most demographic characteristics. They come from all ranks, with participants being a shade younger. Both the tenured and the non-tenured participate, although those who have been at the institution a shorter time do so in a somewhat greater ratio. That women are more likely to have engaged in faculty development activities than men is a novel and unexplained finding. They most likely



TABLE 6. CHANGES IN CU REVARD STRUCTURE
IN THE PAST FIVE YEARS

(IN TERCHYTS)

			CU Emphasis					
		Less	Same	More	Don't Know			
	Classroom teaching	6	55	17	23			
	Innovative teaching	9	45	26	20			
CC	Curriculum revision	7	39	33	21			
	Research & publication	7	63	7	24			
	Obtaining grants	2	33	<b>3</b> 9	25			
	Classroom teaching	4	32	33	32			
	Innovative teaching	1	30	40	29			
LAC-A	Curriculum revision	2	33	37	28			
	Research & publication	7	48	15	3C			
	Obtaining grants	1	35	32	32			
	Classroom teaching	6	50	20	24			
	Innovative teaching	4	42	32	23			
T/C=B	Curriculum revision	4	42	32	23			
	Research & publication	5	43	32	22			
	Obtaining grants	3	33	40	25			
	Classroom teaching	18	39	17	27			
	Innovative teaching	18	34	31	27			
77-1	Curriculum revision	5	39	30	25			
	Research & publication	4	23	49	24			
	Obtoining grants	2	18	54	26			
	Classroom teaching	14	44	23	19			
	Innovative teaching	6	50	22	22			
U~ B	Curriculum revision	4	48	26	22			
	Research & publication	3	32	47	18			
	Obtaining grants	2	33	42	24			



Hence their overrepresentation may be a consequence of these two factors and not related to gender. In the main, though, participants are a representative segment of the faculty. (See Table 7.)

#### Program Effectiveness

Table 8 displays the six most frequently mentioned program types faculty participated in. On-campus workshops are far ahead of all the others in frequency. However, they receive the lowest grades. Leaves (sabbaticals, for example) earn the highest mark. The (N) here is small, however, and this result must be taken with some caution.

From the array of benefits shown in Table 9, faculty say they have gained information about teaching resources, have increased their awareness of their teaching practices and the assumptions underlying these, have acquired knowledge about alternative instructional procedures, and have been motivated and stimulated towards excellence in teaching. These were goals for faculty development programs and they appear to have been successfully achieved.

On the other end of the spectrum, matters relating to students -better understanding and better relationships -- rank at or near the
bottom and are never mentioned by half the faculty. This critical instructional development goal has not been well achieved by these various programs.

It is also interesting to note that what was no doubt an unintended program outcome received some of the highest rankings. Through their program's activities faculty increased interactions with their peers. They judged this discovery of colleagues to be a very strong benefit.

Finally, what is perhaps the most striking outcome of all is the



TABLE 7. DEMOGRAPHICS OF PARTICIPANTS AND NON-PARTICIPANTS
(IN PERCENTS)

			Participants	Non-Participants			
		30	10	13			
		31-40	38	31			
	Age	41-50	28	31			
		51	24	25			
		Mean	42.5	42.7			
	_	Female	34	23			
If not tenured, in a tenure track position	Sex	Male	66	77			
		Instructor	19	19			
Rank  Tenure  If not tenured, in a tenure track position  Highest degree Prof		Assistant Professor	24	21			
	Rank	Associate Professor	25	23			
		Professor	23	30			
		Yes	56	60			
	Tenure	No	44	40			
		Yes	48	, 55			
		No	52	46			
		Ph. De.	43.6	51.1			
		Ed.D.	5.5	7.2			
degree	Profes	ssional	1.9	1.4			
	M	<b>dasters</b>	38.7	30.3			
		4	35	28			
		5-9	24	25			
	on the	10-14	22	2 <b>3</b>			
	<u>,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,</u>	15	19	25			



TABLE 8. PROGRAM EFFECTIVENESS

Reponses (in percent) to the following question regarding their principal contact with their institution's program; "How productive was your involvement in the program relative the time you spent in it?"

		<u>/e1</u>				
Program Type	( H)	Not at all	Partial	Moder- εte	High	Very High
On Campus Workshops	312	10	13	41	23	14
OffCampus Workshops	25	S	* 6	35	1)	35
Consultations	56	5	7	19	48	21
Leaves	12	0	0	17	25	58
Grants	60	C	10	1.3	27	40
Tolling a Course/ / thought - Seminar	11	С	9	32	G	9



TABLE 9. BENEFITS OF PARTICIPATION RANKS\* (IN PERCENTS)

	/	Campus		//			_ /	off Camers	, s <sub>nd</sub> ,	Sabbaticals	, //	// » »
perspectives on teaching and learning in general .	8.5	(42)	9	(47)	3		5		4.5	\$ 99es (67)	10	\$ \$150 miles (36)
reater awareness of your own teach- ing assumptions and practices	4	(49)	8	(50)	1	(74)	4	(52 <b>)</b>	8.5	(58)	2	(54)
howledge about alternative in- truction procedures	6.5	(43)	7	(54)	5	(56)	6.5	(48)	12	(42)	13	(27)
Skill in using new instruc- Lonal procedures	12	(27)	14	(36)	8.5	(41)	15	(32)	14	(33)	3	(54)
Support or confirmation of your previous ideas and practices	2	<b>(</b> 57 <b>)</b>	3	(66 <b>)</b>	2	(67)	2	(56)	4.5	(67)	5	(45)
pontact with interesting people from other parts of the insti-	1	<b>(</b> 65 <b>)</b>	2	(60)	6	(50)	1	(60)	10	(50)	1.	(64)
nformation about other resources, people, and materials for use in pur teaching	5	<b>(</b> 48)	6	(56)	11	(38)	3	(54)	2.5	(75)	6	(45)
refor support from the insti- tution for your teaching	14	(24)	12	(40)	14.5	(20)	12	(36)	6.5	(58)	14	(27)
broader understanding of aculty development	10	(41)	11	(41)	10	(40)	11.	(40)	11	(50)	15	(18)
Personal growth or renewal	8.5	(42)	5	(58)	8.5	(41)	6.5	(48)	2.5	(75)	12	(27)
ncreasing motivation or stimu- lation for teaching excellence	3	(53)	1	(66)	4	(61)	9	(48)	1	(83)	4	(50)
etter understanding of students	11	(34)	15	(34)	7	(43)	13.5	(12)	13	(42)	11	(30)
butter relationships with students	13	(26)	13	(39)	13	(30)	13.5	(12)	15	(18)	8	(40)
Liter relationships with collorgues	6 S	(43)	10	(43)	12	(35)	9	(48)	8.5	(58)	8	(40)
ware and orbitarly estibility	15	(20)	4	(58)	14.5	(20)	. 9	(48)	6.5	(58)	8	(40)



<sup>\*\*</sup>Minkings determined by combining responses labiled "much" and "great deal" (of benefit);

the top two of a form point so is.

statement which received the highest average ranking of the fifteen, namely, support or confirmation of the faculty member's previous ideas and practices. It is not immediately obvious what interpretation should be given to this result. One possibility is that faculty have learned little new but rather now have evidence to support what they have always believed and practiced. But this inference is not consistent with other benefits faculty say they have had from participation. A second interpretation would find this outcome to be but one more dimension of the faculty psyche which views themselves as able pedagogues.

In any event, having seen what faculty say they have gained from participation in these programs, the next (and last) step is to see what faculty needs are and what pressures they feel so that some overall assessments can be made about the appropriateness of current faculty development programs.

## Faculty Professional Development Needs

Improving teaching in the classroom remains the faculty's number one desire (see Table 10), this even though they already rate themselves as above average teachers. This need is stronger in the colleges (over 70 percent) than in the more complex institutions, especially in the research universities (49 percent). In these settings the demands on faculty are more diverse, as was seen earlier. The desire is to improve classroom teaching in general, however, more than it is to work on specific pedagogical techniques.

In the research area, manuscript preparation and publication received the highest average rankings, except in the two-year colleges. It is a strikingly high priority item for liberal arts college faculty where the past practice in these institutions has not emphasized traditional scholarship.



TABLE 10. PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT DESIRES RANKS (PERCENTS)

RESPONSES TO THE QUESTION: "CONCERNING YOUR PROFESSIONAL GROWTH,

TO WHAT EXTENT DO YOU DESIRE TO IMPROVE OR ENHANCE YOUR

SKILLS AND KNOWLEDGE IN EACH OF THE FOLLOWING?"

Skill/Knowledge		Institution Type and Level											
<u>Teaching</u>	cc	LAC-A	LAC-B	<u>U-A</u>	<u>U-B</u>								
Teaching in the classroom	1 (73)	1 (72)	1 (76)	1 (65)	1 (49)								
Constructing examinations	2.5 (50)	7 (36)	6.5 (35)	9 (34)	7.5 (29)								
Using audio-visual equipment	8 (35)	11 (26)	11 (22)	11 (21)	11 (17)								
Writing instructional objectives	12 (27)	12 (22)	12 (15)	12 (20)	12 (12)								
Revising courses	4 (46)	3 (47)	3 (52)	7.5 (35)	9 (28)								
Research													
Computer use	9 (32)	6 (43)	4 (47)	4 (42)	4 (37)								
Proposal writing (for funding)	10.5 (28)	10 (33)	6.5 (35)	3 (43)	3 (40)								
Manuscript preparation and publication	10.5 (26)	4 (46)	5 (44)	2 (48)	2 (46)								
Service													
Improving consulting shills	S (40)	ð (35)	δ (33)	5.5 (38)	7.5 (29)								
<u>rersonal</u>													
Interpersonal shills	2.5 (50)	2 (50)	2 (53)	5.5 (38)	5 (33)								
Career options	7 (37)	9 (34)	9 (29)	10 (29)	10 (25)								
Realth	5 (44)	5 (44)	10 (27)	7.5 (35)	6 (31)								

<sup>\*</sup>Rankings determined by combining responses labeled "a very great deal" and "a lot," the top two of a five point scale.



The desire to improve interpersonal skills received the second highest average percentage. What factors led to this response are not known.

Some Pressures and Strains on Faculty

Another way of seeing how well the fit is between professional development programs and faculty needs is to examine the relationship between how faculty spend their time, how they prefer to allocate their efforts, and what they believe their institution expects. Table 11 contains these data for the three faculty roles by college and university type and level. There are few differences across institutional categories in the service area. As far as teaching is concerned, university faculty teach less than their colleagues at other institutions (although it is still their principal activity) and spend more time on scholarship, especially in research universities.

Sources of strain can be observed, however, when actual and preferred time expenditures are contrasted. The agreement between the percentage of the work load allocated to teaching and the institution's expectation is high. However, faculty would prefer to teach less, from 5-7 percent less. A similar preference is expressed by faculty for reduction in the amount of time spent in the service role, but not by the institution. It expects more.

Arithmetically, then, the increases have to appear in the scholarly role, and they do. All institutions expect more time to be given to scholarship than faculty now give. Furthermore, faculty want to give more effort to this activity, even more than the institution expects. In the research area the differences between actual and preferred range from 8 to 13 percent. In fact, two-year college faculty would prefer to give more time to scholarship than regional university faculty currently are, a 28



TABLE 11. TIME ALLOCATIONS: ACTUAL, PREFERRED, & EXPECTED (MEAN PERCENTS)\*

Institution Type & Level Role LAC-A CC LAC-E U-A U-BActual Teaching Preferred CU's Expectation 61. Actual Scholarship Preferred CU's Expectation Actual Service Preferred CU's Expectation Actual Totals Preferred CU's Expectation 



<sup>\*</sup> Percents cotal more than 100%. Uncorrected faculty responses were used.

percent increase over their current effort.

Pressure in the research role was seen earlier when faculty reported how institutions reward grant-getting. It is seen here in "expected" versus "actual" times. The former always total more. In fact, in regional universities they reach 112 percent.

Responses to other questions in our survey support this contention regarding job-felt pressures. While only about one-third of the two-year faculty agreed or strongly agreed with the statement that "to be a vital teacher one must be actively engaged in research," the percentages for four-year and university faculty ranged from one-half to three-quarters. The same general results were found for the assertions that "the academic role includes an obligation to do research" and "the greatest satisfaction for academicians is making a contribution to their field of knowledge."

Since it is only a fraction of the academic profession who do publish, such a high level of desire suggests an appreciable gap between actual and desired job performance. Faculty want both to satisfy personal creative desires and institutional expectations in the research domain.



#### IV. Conclusions

While faculty development programs merit accolades, it may well be that their tendency to concentrate on the faculty member's instructional role has been overemphasized or even possibly misdirected. Faculty relegate to myth the idea that there is an epidemic of poor teaching in higher education. And, although faculty committees may vote for instructional improvement programs, it is probably not, as has been seen, because they feel they need one but because they believe their colleagues do, who, of course, do not share this assessment.

This should not be taken to mean that faculty are not concerned about their teaching. They most certainly are. The continuing development of class-room teaching skills was reported as their principal professional development concern by faculty at all institutional levels. But, from the perspective of professional growth needs, this concern is related less to matters of pedagogy than to the need for keeping abreast of one's discipline -- the dimension faculty believed to be the single most important ingredient of superior teaching. It is probably for this reason that programs which had as their major component either leaves or grants were perceived by the faculty to be most beneficial.

As to the question of which type of program offers the greatest payoff, much depends on the outcomes one is seeking. (See Table 9.) For example, workshops appear to be most helpful in stimulating awareness about the importance of teaching and simply offering faculty opportunity for interaction. Grant programs, on the other hand, have an inherent and attractive flexibility (note that in addition to stimulating teaching excellence "increased scholarly activities," and "personal growth and development" were reported as major benefits of this type of activity. However, if one sets out to really challenge faculty assumptions



about teaching and to present alternative approaches to instruction, faculty rate consultation with colleagues or experts as far superior. The diagnostic value of consultations (greater awareness of one's teaching assumptions and practices) is clearly appreciated by faculty.

Let us turn now to perhaps the most important question, that is the place of instructional development within the larger context of professional development for faculty. As noted earlier, faculty development experts tend to equate faculty development with enhancing faculty instructional skills to the exclusion both of content specialization and attention to other aspects of the faculty role. It is here that faculty most profoundly disagree. Faculty perceive their professional levelopment needs to be far broader than those accommodated by most faculty development programs. For example, concern for increasing one's skill in the area of research and scholarship seems to be particularly acute at this time. This probably reflects both a natu. I desire on the part of faculty to broaden their professional lives as well as a real-istic response to changing pressures within their institutional reward structures.

From the perspective of faculty, then, it is these other professional development needs -- as well as some personal ones -- which faculty development programs need to rous on more.



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APPENDICES



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#### FACULTY DEVELOPMENT GOALS

Suppose your institution were about to launch a new faculty development program (or alter an existing one). What goals would have the highest priority for the majority of the faculty (or modal or typical professor) on your campus?

Please answer this question by placing the appropriate number in the space provided just before each of the 40 goal statements listed below.

5 = of highest importance

3 = of more than average importance

4 = very important

12. To reduce student attrition.

institution.

cerning education.

This goal is:

	2 = important 1 = not all that important
1.	To increase faculty responsiveness to student needs by the adaptation of their courses, through, for example, pacing, timing, course design, style of teaching, and selection of content to the interests, abilities and backgrounds of students.
2.	To increase student satisfaction in learning.
3.	To generate research on faculty development.
4.	To increase academic innovation.
5.	To increase administrators' knowledge of the needs, resources, barriers to, and strategies for teaching improvement.
6.	To increase a faculty member's command of his/her discipline.
<sup>7</sup> .	To facilitate a faculty member's ability to participate in institutional decision-making.
8.	To help faculty retrain for assuming teaching responsibilities in new areas.
9.	To increase faculty awareness of the diverse needs of students who differ in background, ability, interests, motivations, and values.
10.	To increase the faculty's knowledge about the teaching-learning process.
11.	To create a climate in which the attainment of effective teaching is



13.

14.

To acquaint faculty with the distinct mission and objectives of their

To encourage faculty to examine their central values and beliefs con-

To advance college teaching to the stage of a profession, comparable to that of research (to encourage rewarding of teaching). To enhance faculty's personal growth and self-actualization. To initiate a periodic review of the performance of all faculty members. To improve faculty academic advising skills. 19. To increase faculty interpersonal skills, their ability to relate well to students and colleagues, their ability to work effectively in groups. 20. To increase faculty productivity. 21. To increase self-confidence and lessen teacher anxiety. 22. To enhance the institutions image as a place concerned about student learning. 23. To improve the faculty's ability to evaluate student performance (testing, project evaluation, assessment of learning experience, etc.). 24. To increase student motivation to learn. To increase the faculty's repertoire of teaching methods, through  $e_{\lambda}$ posure to a variety of approaches to instruction, for example, lecture, discussion, computer assisted, programmed-learning, PSI team-teaching, technology-assisted, independent study, tutorials, interdisciplinary, module-learning, simulation/gaming, contract-learning, and field experience. To improve the faculty's ability to plan and develop courses of instruction designed to facilitate the achievement of clearly articulated objectives. 27. To help students become aware of processes by which they learn. 28. To stimulate and assist academic departments to devote their own resources towards evaluation, planning, and improvement of the undergraduate's education. 29. To acquaint faculty with current issues and trends in higher education. To increase interpersonal contact and a sense of community among faculty, students and administrators. 31. To improve faculty professional consulting skills. 32. To instill a sense of importance about teaching and a sense of personal and professional worth about teaching.

To maximize the use of available teaching-learning resources.

33.

 34.	To increase faculty satisfaction in teaching.
 35.	To improve faculty research and scholarship skills.
 36.	To renew faculty interest in teaching.
 37.	To increase student learning, retention of learning, achievement of goals, and acquisition of a range of cognitive, affective and psychomotor skills.
 38.	To increase the faculty's skills in instruction, for example, communication, use of technology, organization, presentation, questioning, and facilitation of student learning.
 39.	Other (write in)

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Dear Colleague:

This is the second phase of an evaluation project that we are conducting for the Fund for the Improvement of Postsecondary Education (FIPSE). This past winter we were on 24 campuses, including yours. At that time we began an evaluation of your professional development program, interviewed faculty and staff, and prepared a case description. Now we are returning to get systematic information.

In addition to assisting the evaluation project, completing these questionnaires will have a direct impact upon your institution. We will be reporting back the data we receive. You and your institution will learn about what faculty desires and goals are, how faculty are spending their time, the kind of support they want and believe they receive in the performance of their responsibilities, etc. Our report will be sent to your library in February, 1980, and be available to you.

The term "professional development" is used in a generic sense. On some campuses it is called "faculty development," on others "personal development" or "instructional development." There may be more than one such program at your institution. Since our instruments are being used across the country for a variety of activities, they speak only about a "program" without specifying it. "We want you to respond to the one particular program that is briefly described on the bottom of this letter.\*

We have four different questionnaires and a personal information sheet. You (and everyone who fell into our sample) will have either two or three questionnaires in this envelope. We need each completed instrument back from you. The longest questionnaire takes about twenty minutes. We believe you will find them interesting to answer.

You are assured that we will treat your responses in complete confidence. Our study has been cleared by the U.S. Department of Health, Education, and Welfare, as well as by the Human Subjects Review Committee of the University of Michigan. Individual questionnaires will be available to no one on your campus. Individuals will never be able to be identified in any of our reports.

We appreciate the time you have given.

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Professor Robert T. Blackburn

Project Director

Cordially yours,

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P.S. Our liaison person on your campus is should you have any questions.



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# CENTER FOR THE STUDY OF HIGHER EDUCATION THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN HEW-FIPSE PROJECT: ASSESSING PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

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Ine foflowing questions deal with dimensions of the faculty role a, they are customarily delineated of teaching, scholarship and service. Unless otherwise specified these terms will be broadly defined. Teaching includes, in addition to classroom behavior, such activities a preparation for class, constructing and grading examinations and papers, and assisting rudents out-or-class. scholarship refers to such forms of creative work as conducting research, writing for publication, creating new courses and/or curricula, and integrating the scholarship of others Service is principally committee and governance activities, but also includes consulting (with or without remuneration), and using ones expertise to assist civic organizations.

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fa tr be pa	In a typical work week (a) what per your time do you give to each aspect iculty role? (b) How would you prefer ibute your time? (c) What do you perceivour organization's expectation? (Your organization, school, collegewhere the time that most directly affects the unit is that most directly affects.	of to deliver of the control of the	the lis- e to le-		The "peer" review system of evaluating proposals for research grants is, by and large, unfair because it favors members of the "old boy network"	1	2	3	4
	ime commitment.) Fill in the blanks be	elow:	:	0.	A small group of senior faculty members has disproportionate power in decision-making in this institution	1	2	3	4
	Actual Preferred Organiz Expect ime given to.			9.	Time spent with students in committees and organizations is more personally rewarding than time				
	eaching				given to scholarly reading and writing	1	2	3	4
	cholarship			10.	Students should be voting members of all institutional com-	,			
Τo	otal 100% 100% 100	) %			mittees	1	2	3	4
В.	Academic Interests and Values			11.	Faculty members should devote part of their time to community service	1	2	3	4
a n	Below are some statements faculty had with regard to teaching, scholarship of related matters. Indicate your attitude.	ip, tude		12.	Thi institution would be better off with fewer administrators	1	2	3	4
	ward each statement by circling the apriate number.	pro-		13.	Respect for the academic profes- sion has declined over the past				
	Strongly agree		7		20 years	1	2	3	4
	Agree with reservation			14.	Assisting disadvantaged students				
	Disagree with reservation				is more important than working		2		
St	rongly disagree Sb v	A	SA	16	with highly able students	1	2	3	4
ì	Teaching is the most impor- tant part of the academic			15.	To be a vital teacher one must be actively engaged in research	1	2	3	4
2.	Part of my academic role is _	3	4	16.	My committments to different aspects of my job are a source of considerable strain	, .	2	3	4
	to question the contribution of others where I am competent to luage 1 2	3	4	17.	Students today are better infor- med and prepared than students				
,	I hardly ever get time to give my academic work the			18.	of the past	1	2	3	4
	attention it deserves . 1 2	3	4		ficult to acheive tenure with- out publishing	1	2	3	4
	Students should have the paper role in the evaluation of courses : 1 2	3	4	19.	Teaching effectiveness, not pub- lishing should be the primary				
5	udent personal growth and	,	,			1	2	3	4
	development is more impor-		1	20	The academic role includes an				
	tant than their acquisition of knowledge and skills 1 2	3	4		obligation to do research .	1	2	3	4
U	There has been a widespread lowering of standards in		; i	21	The greatest satisfaction for academicians is making a contribution to their field of know-				
	American higher education. 1 2	3	4		ledge	1	2	3	4



#### Institutional Rewards and Resources ( .

These questions concern the extent to which your organization rewards faculty activities and the extent to which the emphasis on each activity has changed in the past five years.

A indicate the extent to which your institution rewards the following, and

B. The extent to which your institution has changed the emphasis on this reward

in the past five years.

(Note that for each activity there will be two responses, mark one in each c lumn.)

. А						В		•		
Very High ————————————————————————————————————					7	Don't Know More Emphasis				7
Very low (not at all)			1			No change Less Emphasis				
22. Classroom teaching	1	2	3	4	: 5		1	2	3	4
23 Innovative teaching	1	2	3	4	5		1	2	3	4
24 Advising students	1	2	3	4	5		1	2	3	4
25. Interacting with students.	1	2	3	4	5		1	2	3	4
26 Curriculum revision	1	2	3	4	5		1	2	3	4
27. Research and publication .	1	2	3	4	5	•••••	1	2	. 3	4
28. Course revision	1	2	3	4	5		1	2	3	4
29. Obtaining grants	1	2	3	4	5		1	2	3	4
30. Outside consulting	1	2	3	4	5		1	2	3	4
31. Committee work	1	2	3	4	5	••••••	1	2	3	4
32. Public service	1	2	3	4	5		1	2	3	4

To facilitate the achievement of their goals various r sources are needed by individuals and organizations. How do you rate your institution's resources in the following areas?

	Outstanding				<del>-</del> 1		Outs tand	ing –				_
	Good			_,	i		Gond ————				<del></del>	
	Adequate			-			Adequate ——			_		
	Poor —				ļ		Poor		<del></del>	1		
	Inadequate						Inadequate ———	7				
33	Library 1	2	3	4	5	40	Clerical assistance	1	2	3	4	5
34	Laboratories (science/ art ) 1	2	3	1	5	41.	Student assistants (teaching, research)	1	2	3	4	5
3.5	Classroom space 1	2	3	4	5	4.2	Computers	1	2	3	4	5
36.	Student quality 1	2	3	٨	5	43.	Financial support for					
31.	Faculty quality: 1	2	3	4	5		research (leaves, re- duced load)	1	2	3	4	5
38.	Administrator quality 1	2	3	4	5	44	Financial support for					
39.	Specialists 1	2	3	4	5	i	teaching or course improvement	1	2	3	4	5



# D. Professional Growth.

Concerning your professional growth, to what extent do you desire to improve or enhance your skills and knowledge in each of the following:

A very great deal					7	A very great deal ————————————————————————————————————			
Somewhat	 	 				Somewhat  A little  Not at all	7	7	
Teaching	- !	ŀ	1	-	1	Service			ļ
45. Teaching in the classroom	1	2	3	4	5	56. Improving consulting skills 1	2	3	4
46. Constructing examinations	1	2	3	4	5	57. Increasing knowledge of the			
47. Using audio-visual equip-						institution 1	2	3	4
∕ ment	1	2	3	4	5	58. Enhancing interpersonal			
48. Writing instructional						skills	2	3	4
objectives	1	2	3	4	5	59. Exploring career options 1	2	3	4
49. Revising courses	1	2	3	4	5	60. Administrative ability 1	2	3	4
50. Advising students	1	2	3	4	5				
Research						Personal			
<ol><li>Research design and metho-</li></ol>						61. Interpersonal skills 1	2	3	4
dology	1	2	3	4	5	62. Career options 1	2	3	4
52. Data analysis	1	2	3	4	5	63	2	3	4
53. Computer use	1	2	3	4	5				
54. Proposal writing								•	
(for funding)	1	2	3	4	5				
55. Manuscript preparation and									
publication	1	2	3	4	5				

# E. Career Goals and Current Activities

Below are various goals of faculty members. Indicate (a) what importance each has for you at present and (b) the likelihood of your achieving that goal within the next five years.

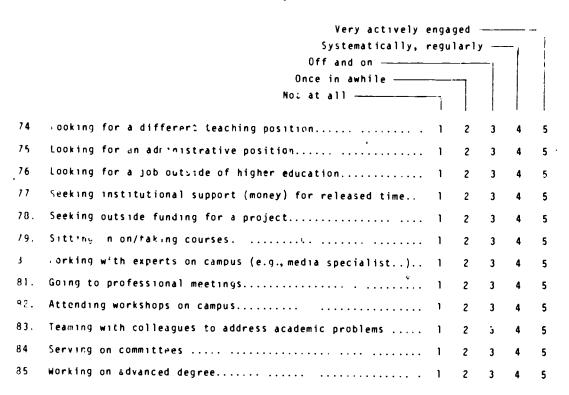
A		,			В					
Highest importance		<u> </u>			Certain or almost Highly likely Quite likely			n _	7	
Little or no importance					Not likely ————————————————————————————————————	=			i	
64. To work in a congenial	٠		,			- 1	1	1	,	!
academic environment	2	3	4	5		1	2	3	4	5
reputation and statu 1	2	3	4	5		,	2	•		
66. To secure my continued em-						'	2	3	4	5
ployment in higher education 1 67. To ensure my financial	2	3	4	5		1	2	3	4	5
security 1	2	3	4	5		,	,	•		
68. To contribute to my				-		,	2	3	4	5
disciplinary field	2	3	4	5		1	2	3	4	5
of my institution	2	2	A							
70. To contribute to the	-	,	•	b		1	2	3	4	5
development of students 1	2	3	4	5		1	2	7	Λ	5
71. To improve the educational						•	•	•	•	,
process	2	3	4	5	***************************************	1	2	3	4	5
72. To become an administrator. 1	2	3	4	5		1	2	3	4	5
73. Other 1	2	3	4	5	The second of the second or the second of th					



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### t Professional/Circer Activities

there may be differences between what you are doing and what you want to - delaw are listed some activities you might pursue to reduce this discrepancy for each, indicate the extent of your involvement in the activity.



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# CENTER FOR THE STUDY OF HIGHER EDUCATION THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN HEW-FIPSE PROJECT: ASSESSING PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

FACULTY ATTITUDES TOWARDS INSTRUCTION AND TEACHING PRACTICES QUESTIONNAIRE

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# Litinduction

The following questions are designed to gather information about a diversity of attitudes and activities reported by faculty about their teaching. Areas covered include such things as instructional goals, general attitudes toward teaching and teaching evaluation, as well as specific juestions regarding the use of alternative teaching strategies.

# A. Instructional Goals

Please indicate by circling the appropriate number how important you feel it is for students to acquire each of the following as a | ing in accounting for superior teaching part of an undergraduate education.

	Of great importance ——			
	Of considerable importance			
	Of moderate importance			
	Of little importance		]	
	or receive importance	]	1 1	
1.	Knowledge and skills directly			l
•		,	, .	
2.	An understanding of the sub-	!	2 :	3 4
	ject matter of some special-			
	ized hody of knowledge	,	2 3	4
3.	A broad general outlook and	' '	د ع	4
	familiarity with a variety of			
	subjects	1 ,	, ,	
4.	Self-knowledge and a sense of		? 3	4
•	personal identity	, ,	, ,	
5.	Interest and involvement in	1 2	? 3	4
٠,	community affairs	, ,	. 3	
6.	Preparation for assuming posi-	1 4	3	4
	tions of community leadership	1 2	3	
7.	The values and methods of		,	4
	scholarly inquiry	. 2	3	4
3.	A sensitivity to esthetic ex-		,	7
	ner ences	2	3	4
9.	An appreciation of the sen-	٠	,	•
	Sual and emotional aspect of			
	11fe 1	2	3	4
1).	An understanding of the basic	_	,	7
	ills of society and a deter-			
	mination to vory for change. 1	2	3	4
	• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •	-	•	·
<u>B</u> _	Attitudes Toward Teaching			
11.	Faculty members vary with re-			
	shert to the importance they			
	a tach to teaching. Indicate			
	tie legree of importance you			
	attach to teaching	2	3	4
12.	dow mast importance do you	٠	,	•
	think most of your depart-			
	mental colleagues attach to			

Faculty vary with regard to their teaching competence. Indicate the importance of the follow-

Of considerable importance Of moderate importance			}
Of little importance		i	
Yes lates 6 et	J	1	
Knowledge of the subject matter	1	2	3
Instructor's personality	1	2	3
Methods/techniques used	1	2	3
Specified training for teaching	1	2	3
Qualified and motivated students.	1	2	3
Appropriate physical facilities	1	2	3
Active engagement in research/			
scholarship	Į	2	3
Other (please write in below)		2	3

statements.

Strongly agree ---Agree with reservations -

An understanding of the basic ills of society and a determination to vory for change. I	Ι.	2	3	4	:		Disagree with reservations —— Strongly disagree	7			
Attitudes Toward Teaching						21.	Teaching is the most rewarding aspect of my professional life	,	,		
Faculty members vary with re-					1	22	Students continue to challenge	1	Ĺ	3	4
shert to the importance they					1		aid stimulate me	1	_	1	4
attach to teaching. Indicate					i ,	23	My teaching performance gets		-	,	•
tin degree of importance you							progressively better	1	2	3	4
attach to teaching	ã		3	4	ì	24	I am sure of what I want to com~				
dew must importance do you					1		municate to my students	}	2	3	4
think most of your depart-						25	I am able to halance the demands				
mental colleagues attach to					1		of teaching with other ornfes-				
the.r teaching	L	2	3	4	,		'ani' responsi'ilities	1	2	3	4



# C. Teaching Evaluation

In assessing your classroom teaching performance, how valuable do you find the following sources of information?

	Of great value				
	Of considerable value			7	
	Of moderate value		<del>-</del>		
	Of little value				
26.	Systematic student ratings	1	2	3	4
27.	Informal student opinion	1	2	3	4
28.	Self-assessment	1	2	3	4
29	Colleague feedback	1	2	3	4
30.	Administrator feedback	1	2	3	4
31.	Achievement as reflected in				
	student tests and papers	1	2	3	4
32.	0ther	1	2	3	4

Please respond to the following general assessment questions regarding teaching.

	:uperior					
	Apove average					- 1
	Average	_		,		
	Acceptable	_	-,			
	Poor	_	ļ	•		
		ł	1	į		ĺ
3 3	How would you rate your	1	1	i	,	İ
	teaching?	1	2	3	4	5
<b>j</b> \$	How would you rate the					
	teaching of the majority (	) f				
	the members of your depart	t <b>-</b>				
	ment (academic unit)? .	1	2	3	4	5
35	How do you think students					
	would rate the teaching of	7				
	a majority of the members of					
	your department/	1	2	3	4	5
l <del>(</del>	How do you think students					
	ould rare your teaching?	1	2	}	4	5

# Teaching Practices

The following questions are designed to provide information about the actual teaching practices used at your institution. In order to insure a range of potential class-room experiences, please choose the <u>first undergraduate class</u> you meet with each week. All responses should be made within the context of this one class.

Please provide the following information about the course for which you will be responding.

(Introduction	to Sociology, Studio Art, etc )
Number of Studen	ts:
Typical student	level:
	(Freshman, etc.)
Class Format:	
(L	ecture, Lab, Discussion, etc.)
Indicate the ext	ent to which you use the follow

	Always use	_				
	Often use ————				_,	1
	Sometimes use			- 1	1	i
	Seldom use			ŧ	1	; ;
Meth	Never use	-	•	,	1	-
37	Lectures	1	2	3	4	5
38	Group discussion	1	2	3	4	5
39.	Role-playing/games	1	2	£	4	5
40	Demonstrations	1	2	3	4	5
41.	Individual tutorials	1	2	3	4	5
4 2	Instructional packages (PSI,CAI)	1	2	3	4	5
43	Other	1	2	3	4	5



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	Always use					
	Often use -					
	Sometimes use ————				į	
	Seldom use ————		<del></del> -	- 1		
	Never use	<del>-</del> 1	j			
	uation Practices					
44.	"Homework" exercises or problems	1	2	3	4	51
45.	Written papers	1	2	3	4	5
46.	Tests with objective type items	1	` 2	3	4	5
47.	Tests with essay type items	1	2	3	4	5
48.	Other	1	2	3	4	5
Out o	of Class Activities					
49.	Supplementary readings	1	2	3	4	5
50.	Laboratory work	1	2	3	4	5
51.	Library research	1	2	3	4	5
52.	Field work/off-campus assignments	1	2	3	4	5
53.	Other	ì	2	3	4	5
Instr	uctional Media					
54.	Textbooks	1	2	3	4	5
55.	Visual aids (maps, graphics, etc)	1	2	3	4	5
56.	Video tapes/TV	1	2	3	4	5
57.	Films/slides	1	2	3	4	5
5.0	Other	_				

Thank you for taking the time to complete this questic maire. Please place it in the enveloce and return.



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#### introduction

This questionnaire deals with a broad range of creative professional activities generally grouped under the heading of faculty 'scholarship." The typical treatment of this aspect of the faculty role focuses on research, that is, on the production of materials which appear for public critique. Books, monographs, musical compositions, journal articles, and professional papers are examples of the outcomes of research. This instrument asks a number of questions about this research dimension of academic scholarship.

But a faculty member's intellectual efforts also include other kinds of creative activity. Preparing a new set of lectures, writing a lab manual, staging a play, solving a college's governance problem, converting a part of a course for self-paced instruction -- these and a host of related activities can also rightfully be construed as part of the faculty scholarly role. This instrument also asks questions about how you spend time and value this aspect of the scholarly role, how it satisfies and, perhaps, frustrates you.

Little is known about these matters, therefore, please feel free to write in the margins and/or at the end any comments you wish to make.

- A. Kesearch Involvement
- Are you actively involved in research which you expect to lead to publication?
   If you are not now, have you been in the past? (Circle the appropriate response.)
  - a. Am now involved.
  - b. Not presently active but nave been in the past.
  - c. Not actively involved since graduate school.

If you answered c, skip to question 6.

- 4 Would you characterize your recent research as:
  - a. Pure or basic.
  - b. Appiled.
  - c Policy oriented.
  - d. Literary or artistic
  - e. Other (please specify)

3. In most fields, academics vary between a more "quantitative," "hard," or "scientific' approach on the one hand, and a more "qualitative," "soft," or "humanistic" approach on the other. Where would you locate your principal approach on this "hard-soft" continuum?

Hard Soft
Quantitative Qualitative
Scientific Humanistic

- 4. Which of these statements applies to your current major piece of research?
  - a. I am essentially working alone.
  - b. I am working with one or more colleagues.
  - c. I am a member of a large group.
- Are any of the following working with you on your research project? (Circle all that apply.)
  - a Student assistant(s).
  - Full-time professional research personnel.
  - c Faculty colleague(s).
  - d. Colleague(s) outside higher education



- B Scholarship
- 6 How many hours a week are you engaged in activity you consider to be of a scholarly nature? (This includes research and all other creative professional activities. Please exclude those hours spent in teaching and immediate classroom preparation.)
  - a. None.
  - b. 1-5 hours -
  - c 6-10 hours
  - d. 11-20 hours.
  - e. More than 20 hours.

- To what extent is the full range of your scholarly effort understood and appreciated by your colleagues
  - a. Essentially not at all,
  - b. Slightly.
  - c. Appreciably.
  - d. / great deal.

Inc following are a broad range of activities which might be viewed by faculty as a part of their scholarly role. Under column A, indicate the number of times you have done each activity in the last two years. Under column B, indicate the extent to which each is characteristic of what jou consider to be your scholarly role. That is, how similar each activity, whether done in the last two years or not, is to those scholarly activities you have engaged in.

A

Number of times done in the last two years.

В

Characteristic of your scholarly role.

	More than 10 ti	mes -				Very highly characteris	ic _	
	5-10 times ———					Highly characteristic ——		
	3-4 times		<del>,</del>			Moderately characteristic		
	1-2 times	_				Somewhat characteristic —	į	
	None	ļ				Not characteristic		
8.	Attended a professional meeting 1	2	3	4	5		4	5
9.	Derivered a paper at a professional meeting	2	3	4	5		4	5
Ü	Engaged in consulting off campus 1	2	3	4	5		4	5
11	Delivered a colloquium open to faculty and students	2	3	4	5		4	5
12	Served as a member of an accreditation team	2	3	4	5		4	5
13.	Delivered a talk to a local civic or religious organization ]	2	3	4	5		4	5
4.	Reviewed proposals for a funding agency	2	3	4	5		4	5
٥.	Reviewed articles for a professional journal	2	3	4	5		4	5
6.	Served on an editorial board of a nournal	2	3	4	5		4	5
1	Und library research in revising the content of a course 1		3	4	5		4	5
성	Made a presentation to colleagues about new instructional techniques . 1	2	3	4	5		4	5
9.	leveloped a new set of lectures 1	2	3	4	5		4	5

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	5-10 times					. !						н												
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20.	Served as a guest lecturer in a colleague's class	. 1	!	! ! 3	ا ،	5													1	;		ļ	;	
<b>41</b> .	Constructed a novel examination/ testing practice			•															1	2		3	4	5
2 <b>2</b> .	Prepared a new (and extensive) syllabus for a course					5													1	2		3	4	5
23.	Played a major role in your unit's (or the college's) curriculum revision				•	J												•	1	2		3	4	5
44.	Introduced some result of your scholarship in your teaching			•	4	•	•											•	1	-		3	4	5
2 <b>5</b> .	Published an article in an academic or professional journal		2			•			•										1	2		3	4	5
26.	Performed or exhibited an artistic work.		. 2		·	,												•	1	2	;	3	4	5
27.	Published a book review		_	-		•													1	2		3	4	5
28.	Published or edited, alone or in collaboration, a book or monograph.		2	•	4	•													1	2		3	4	5
29.	Submitted an article for publica- tion in an academic or professional lourna!		2		4	5													1	2	;		4	5
<b>30</b> .	wrote for an "in-house" newsletter or publication		2	3	4	5	•												1	2	3		4	5
31.	Engaged in writing (poetry, essays)		2	3	4	5											•	•	1	2	3		4	5
32.	Practiced a skill (musical instrument, dance,)		2	3	4				•									•	1	2	3		4	5
<i>i</i> 3.	Systematized your work (classified, Organized, updated bibliography)		2	3	4	5			•										1	2	3		4	5
34	Developed a new process for dealing with a problem		2	3	4	•			•										1	2	3		4	5
15.	Pursued an advanced degree	i	2	3	4	5			•										1	2	3		4	5
16.	Designed/constructed a new apparatus or piece of technical equip-	•	2	3	4	5	•	•	•	•	•		• -	•	•	•	•	•	1	2	3		4	5
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·/·	Engaged in systematic study to gain new knowledge or acquire a new re- search technique	,	2	3	4	c																		
<b>წ</b> .	Supervised students working on creative projects			3	·	5													1	2	3		4	5
9.	introduced some result of your scholarship in a consultation			-	•	5	•											•		2	3	,	Λ	5
0.	Other scholarly activities (please describe)	•	2	3	4	5		•	•		•		٠	•	•		•	•	1	2	3	4	4	5
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# CENTER FOR THE STUDY OF HIGHER EDUCATION THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN HEW-FIPSE PROJECT: ASSESSING PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

# PROGRAM ASSESSMENT QUESTIONNAIRE

#### Introduction:

Our reports will deal with group relationships only. Under no circumstances will we report the responses of an individual nor will it ever be possible to identify any individual's response.

The identification number on this cover sheet of the questionnaire serves a double purpose. It will be used for sending a follow-up questionnaire in case you are delayed in responding to this one. Second, a few people will be invited to participate in follow-up interviews. The number will allow us to identify these individuals. (The interviews will probe in depth your views on teaching, keeping intellectually alive, where your career has taken you, and matters of this kind.) Completing the questionnaires in no way commits you to a later interview. That remains your option.

Once both of these purposes have been accomplished, the number will be removed from the questionnaire and the identifying list will be destroyed. The use of identification numbers is standard procedure in surveys of this kind. However, we know that this practice may bother a few people. If it does bother you, we would still like to have your questionnaire back rather than have you not participate. In such a case, tear off the number and go ahead and complete the instruments. You will get a follow-up questionnaire and letter from us since we will not know if you have returned completed questionnaires. In this event, if you have already responded, please ignore the second request.

#### Instructions:

Please answer the questions by circling the appropriate responses or by filling in the blanks.

The questionnaires are to be returned in the enclosed envelope.



#### Introduction

This questionnaire is designed to be used at many colleges and universities. Hence it uses the term 'program' to designate a wide variety of activities related to professional growth and/or improvement of instruction

When completing this instrument for your institution, "program" always refers to that set of activities that were described in the cover letter to you requesting your participation.

# A. General Program Assessment

- 1. How much do you know about the professional development (faculty, instructional . .) program at your institution?
  - a. I have not heard about it before.
  - b. I have a vague understanding of it.
  - c. I know the essential features of it.
  - d. I know it in considerable detail.

If you have not heard of the program, stop here and return the questionnaire. Thank you for your assistance.

- If you have heard of the program, indicate from what sources. (Circle all that apply.)
  - a. I have been a participant.
  - Faculty members who have participated in the program.
  - c. Faculty members who have not participated in the program.
  - d. Students.
  - e. Administrators
  - f. Formal communications (announcements, newsletters, etc.)
  - g. Other.

Below are goal statements that (a) the specified professional development program may endorse to varying degrees, or (b) are goals that you believe the program should have. Using the scale below, circle the corresponding number for each goal.

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	<u>IS</u> a goal								,	SHO	ULD	_	<b>3</b> 0	na l			
	Uf highest importa	nce -							•		_				ance		
	Very important ———— Moderate importance ————————————————————————————————————			— つ				Мо	Ver der	·y ·a t	impo e im	rta por	nt- tan	ce —			
	Not important	<del>_</del>	٦			- 1					rtan nt —			$\neg$			
3.	To increase responsiveness to student	1							•		•					l	
	needs by the adaptation of courses										P		1	1	1	ı	ı
	through for example, pacing, timing,																
	course design, style of teaching	1	2	;	4	5							1	2	3	4	5
4	To increase a faculty member's com-																
_	mand of his/her discipline	1	2	3	4	5							1	2	3	4	5
5	To facilitate a faculty member's ability																
	to participate in institutional decision-																
_	making	1	2	3	4	5							ı	2	3	4	5
E	To help faculty retrain for assuming teach-																
	ing responsibilities in new areas	1	2	3	4	5							1	2	3	4	5
1	To increase the faculty's knowledge about																_
	the teaching-learning process	1	2	3	4	5							1	2	3	4	5
5	To create a climate in which the attainment														•		,
	of effective teaching is an ongoing concern	1	2	3	4	5							1	2	3	4	5
₹.	To enhance faculty's personal growth and													-	-		•
	self-actualization	1	2	1	Δ	c								2	2		,



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	<u>IS</u> a goal			<u>SHOULD</u> be a goal
	Of nighest importance —			Of highest importance
	Very important—————			Very important —————
	Moderate importance —————		_	Moderate importance
	Some importance	-,		Some importance
	Not important			Not important
10.				
11		2	3	4 5
• •	To increase the faculty's repertoire of teach-			
	ing methods through exposure to a variety of			
	approaches to instruction, for example, dis-			
	cussion, computer-assisted, module-learning,		_	
•	simulation/gaming	2	3	4 5 1 2 3 4 5
12.	To improve faculty professional consulting			
	•	2	3	4 5 1 2 3 4 5
13.				
	learning, achievement of goals, and acqui-			
	sition of a range of cognitive, affective			
		2	3	4 5 1 2 3 4 5
14.	To improve faculty research and scholar-			
	ship skills	2	3	4 5 1 2 3 4 5
prog	from what you know about your institution's gram, indicate the potential benefit of the	İ		wer the following questions about the specified fessional development program at your institution.
prog	ram for each of the following groups. Use	-		Very ht h
the	fo'' ing scale.			Moderately high
	Very highly beneficial—			Average —
	Highly beneficial	-		Moderately low————
	Moderately beneficial			Very low
	Of some benefit ————			Don't know/not applicable—
	Of little or no benefit			bon c know/noc applicable —
15.	Untenured faculty 1 2 3 4 5		25.	
	First year/new faculty 1 2 3 4 5			portance of the program. 0 1 2 3 4 5
	Faculty with a teaching deficiency 1 2 3 4 5		26.	, -
18.	Faculty with a concern about their			program enjoy on your
	teaching 1 2 3 4 5			campus? 0 1 2 3 4 5
19.	Faculty wishing to explore teach-	1	27.	
	ing techniques 1 2 3 4 5		•	cost of the program in terms
20	Faculty wishing to explore new	Ì		of its goals and accomplish-
	career options 1 2 3 4 5	1		ments? 0 1 2 3 4 5
21	All faculty 1 2 3 4 5		28	Compared to similar programs
22	Faculty with research deficiencies 1 2 3 4 5	1		at other colleges, how would
23.	Faculty with personal problems . 1 2 3 4 .5	,		you rate your institution's
24.	Uther (write in) 1 2 3 4 5	ĺ		program? 0 1 2 3 4 5
•	The same and the same of the s	l	29	Compared with other faculty
	The man extra transfer and resident and a second se	ļ	۵,	development programs on your
				campus, how would you rate
				this program? 0 1 2 3 4 5



Yes No	36. If "yes," about how frequently on the average?
Non-participants, please respond to questions 31, 32, 33, and return the questionnaire in the envelope. Participants, skip to questions 34-56.	a. Once or more per week. b. Twice a month. c. Once a month.
31. If you have not participated in the program, eircle all of the following which apply to you.  a. I didn't know about the program or the activities. b. I doubted that I could get much out of it. c. I was not asked. d. I was hesitant to discuss my teaching with my colleagues. e. I was skeptical of the approaches offered. f. It didn't deal with my needs or interests. g. Other commitments had priority. h. other (please specify:	d. Once a term.  e. Once a year.  37. List the various ways that you have participated in the program at your college (e.g., attended several workshops, received an instructional grant, consulted with a member of the staff regarding a teaching problem, received funds to attend an off-campus workshop, etc).  a.  b.  c.  d.
do you plan to in the future?  Yes No Maybe	
33. If "yes," about how frequently do you plan to participate? (On the average)  a. Once or more per week.  b. Twice a month.  c. Once a month.  d. Once a term.	38. Now circle the letter (question 37) of the response which reflects your principal contact with the program. Responses to questions 39-55 should be made in the context of this contact.
e. Once a year.	39. How productive was your involvement in the program relative to the time you spent in it?
NON-PARTICIPANTS STOP HERE  34. If you have participated in the program, about how frequently? (On the average)  a Once or more per week.  D. Twice a month.  c. Once a month.  d. Once a term.	a. Very highly productive. b Highly productive. c Moderately productive. d. Partially productive. e. Minimally or not at all productive.

35. No you plan to continue to participate?

No

Yes

30. Have you been a participant in any of

at your institution?

the activities sponsored by the program

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There are a number of benefits faculty members may derive from participating in the specified program. For each of the following, please indicate how much you have benefited.

	Great deal				
	Much —			_	
	Some		_		- 1
	None	<del></del>			l
40.	New perspectives on teaching and learning in general	1	2	3	4
41.	Greater awareness of your own teaching assumptions and practices.	1	2	3	4
42.	Knowledge about alternative instructional procedures	1	2	3	4
43,	Skill in using new instructional procedures	1	2	3	4
44.	Support or confirmation of your previous ideas and practices	1	2	3	4
45.	Contact with interesting people from other parts of the institution		2	3	4
46 .	Information about other resources, people, and materials for use in your teaching		2	3	4
47.	Greater support from the institution for your teaching		2	3	4
48.	A broader understanding of faculty development	1	2	3	4
49.	Personal growth or renewal			3	4
50 .	increasing motivation or stimulation for teaching excellence			3	4
51.	Better understanding of students		2	3	4
5 <b>2</b> .	Retter relationships with students		2	3	4
S 3 .	Setter relationships with colleagues			3	4
54.	ncreased scholarly activity			3	4
55.	Other (please specify	1	2	3	4

56. Fo you have any additional comments which would assist in evaluating the program at your college?

Thank you for taking the time to complete this questionnaire. Please place it in the envelope and return.

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# PERSONAL INFORMATION SHEET

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Attitudes and behaviors about the academic career are frequently shaped and affected by earlier experiences and current status. This single sheet (on both sides) collects this kind of information about you. Please circle the proper symbols and fill in the appropriate blanks.

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		es of employment?			
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		in a 4 year college		2 3	3 4
	Teaching	in a university	1	2 3	4
	full-tim administ	e college or university ration	. 1	2 3	4
	Teaching elementar	cr administration in an ry or secondary school .	. 1	2 3	4
	Business	or industry	. 1	2 3	4
	5k111ed/s	semi-skilled wage worker	. 1	2 3	4
	Executive outside e	e or administrative post aducational institutions	. 1	2 3	4
	(a) In w	mat department (division.	)	15 )	mur

(E.g., Natura) Sciences; history; medical

technology)

	(b) What is your area pecialization?
	(E.g., Welder; sociologist; pianist)
	(c) How many years have you been at this institution (not counting this one)?
4.	What is your present rank? Circle one.
	1 Instructor 6 Lecturer
٠,	2 Assistant Professor 7 No ranks designated
1	3 Associate Professor 8 Other
	4 Professor
	5 Distinguished/Named + Professo. ship
5.·	What kind of appointment do you now hold?
	l Regular with tenure 4 Acting
	2 Regular without tenure 5 Visiting
٠	3 Yearly appointment (soft money) 6 Other
6.	If not tenured, are you in a tenure track position?
	Yes No
7.	How many professional journals do you meac . regularly?
	None
	1-2 2 11-20 5
	3-4 3 More than 20



ಕ	How many of your professional writings have be a published or accepted for publication in the last <u>two</u> years?	10.	What is the <u>highest</u> level of formal education reached by your spouse? Your father? Your mother?
	C. Books -		Mother
	b. Articles	ļ	Father
	a. Other writings		Spouse ———
	å b c	1	No spouse
	Une 1 1 1	-	8th grade or less
	Two 2 2 2	j	Some high school
	•	İ	Completed high school 1 2 3
	Three 3 3 3		Some college
	Four 4 4 4		Graduated from college 1 2 3
	F1ye 5 5 5		Attended graduate or professional school
	Six-ten 6 6 6		Attained advanced degree(s) 1 2 3
	More than ten	11.	In what religion were you raised?
	None · · · · · · · · 8 8 8		1 Protestant 3 Jewish 5 Jone
9	what 's your spouse's occupation, and what are		2 Catholic 4 Other
	(were) your father's and mother's principal	12.	What is your present religion?
	occupations? (Mark one in each column)		
	Mother———		Protestant 3 Jewish 5 None  2 Catholic 4 Other
	· Father——		t denotic 4 Other
	Spouse ———	13.	Do you consider yourself
	No spouse 1	`	Deeply religious 1
	College or university teach-	:	Moderately religious 2
	ing, research or administration . 1 2 3	1	Largely indifferent to religion 3
	Elementary or secondary school reaching or administration 1 2 3		Basically opposed to religion 4
		14.	Your sex:
	other professional 1 2 3	}	Famile 1 4 1
	(when, large business 1 2 3	1	Female 1 Male 2
	trecutive or managerial in	15	How old are you?
	business or industry 1 2 3	16.	What was your total family income before taxes
	Other managerial or administrative 1 2 3		in calendar year 1978?
	Technical and semi-professional . 1 2 3		Below \$10,000 1 \$30,000-\$39,959 6
•	owner, small business	j	\$10,000-\$14,999 2 \$40,000-\$49,999
	Other white collar, clerical,	9	\$15,000-\$19,999 \$50,000-\$99,399 8 \$20,000-\$24,999 4 \$100,000 and over 9
	retail sales		\$20,000-\$24,999 4 \$100,000 and over 9 \$25,000-\$29,999 5
	Skilled wage worker 1 2 3	17.	In general, how do you feel about your institution?
	Semi- and unskilled wage worker, farm laborer	İ	It is a very good place for me
*	Armed forces		It is a fairly good place for me
		1	It is not the place for me

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