

## **Student Accolades from my English 102 Course**

In addition to the MC-required course/instructor evaluation, I provide my students with additional opportunities for feedback on the course, my teaching methods, and the research/composition process.

This information, particularly the narrative comments, helps me to reflect upon and refine my course materials, the class structure, and my techniques.

The following are a sample of the outstanding comments I have received. I have filed the originals.

### **Spring 2012, Takoma Park/Silver Spring**

Though this was the most challenging group of students I have taught at Montgomery College, we developed a special bond. On the last day of class, my students surprised me with refreshments and gifts, including a heartfelt card that I treasure.

- “From the beginning of our research paper, the way the professor...followed us was very helpful. ... The way the professor was showing steps (from intro to conclusion) was well done.”
- “Professor Rai ha[s] made me overcome my fear and now I feel more confident about my writing.”
- “The whole process of research paper was detailed and precise. The handouts regarding the process were clear to understand.”
- “You teach with loving eyes!”

### **Fall 2011, Takoma Park/Silver Spring**

- “I personally think you are doing a wonderful job. Every student will be grateful should they take a class with you.”
- “Your style of teaching is the best to me because I never use[d] to love English class but now I look forward to every class because you are precise and helpful.”
- “I like that everything is organized and straightforward. The

- style of teaching is cool because you are easy to understand and understanding.”
- “This is not an easy class but the professor makes it interesting and fun.”
  - “What I like most about the class is the professor’s willingness to help each student succeed. She doesn’t make you feel like the work is impossible to complete.”
  - “I really wish you would teach EN 99, 101. In this course— 102, I have learned more from you than I have in my prior English classes.”
  - “You are just the best. You are very understanding and encouraging.”
  - “I [would] like to become a good writer. You have inspired me a lot and now I know I don’t have to be afraid to write.”

### **Spring 2011, Takoma Park/Silver Spring**

- “I have been in this college for almost 3 years and I acknowledge that Ms. Christine has the simplest and well-organized method of teaching.”
- “Professor Rai is very professional and [an] awesome teacher.”
- “...You are always with a smile to answer questions.”
- “I really like your style of teaching. You make the learning process so comfortable, easy to follow.”
- “I really like your positive attitude, unlike some professors who give stress to students, you make students feel comfortable and motivated to do well.”
- “I like the strategy applied by the professor in teaching. The class is interesting and everyone seems to be helpful when it comes to evaluation of one another[‘s] drafts.”
- “Great style of teaching. Prompt feedback.”
- “I like this class because the professor makes me enjoy the class. The assignments are very interesting, textbooks enjoyable, and style of teaching very well organized.”
- “Overall, the class was perfect.”

- “I think the whole process was fantastic, I mean, the class was guided through the process of this research and everything was crystal clear.”
- “I just wish all classes would be like [this] and have so helpful professors.”

### **Fall 2010, Takoma Park/Silver Spring**

- “A semester has gone by so fast because I enjoyed the class. Time goes fast when you’re having fun.”
- “The professor did an amazing job working with us. She provided us with detailed explanations of all the techniques for this paper.”
- “I have only positive comments on this course. Everything that we did throughout the semester was very educating and stuff that we will need in the future. I...like the clear instructions, the sufficient time given to do an assignment, the handouts, and the flexibility of the professor.”
- “The research paper assignment process was really helpful. The professor gives lots of handouts to help [us] with writing it. You are a very helpful and good instructor.”
- “The way our professor guid[ed] us through this process for our final paper was great. She took her time to explain to us every step very patiently and in such a friendly way. During the whole semester, she proved to be very prepared, motivated, and excited to teach us.”
- “Your time management and how you program your assignment[s] is superb.”