



FACULTY/STAFF COMMENTS REPORT 2013 Sophomore Survey

"Made teaching a personal experience, got me interested in materials I never thought related to me."

"His lectures are always entertaining and some of his comments cause me to look up other information that I would never have learned otherwise (tangential learning!)"

"Her positive attitude and energy in the class make me want to come and learn from her."

"She has always been there for me both in and out of the classroom."

"Being an interactive teacher willing to change to better his students' education."

"Her understanding and compassion has helped tremendously. Without it, I would not have passed her class last semester or this semester."

"They have been kind, patient, understanding and flexible. They expect so much from you as their student that you can't not deliver."

"She has encouraged me to join Alpha Beta Si, to stay in contact with her, and to help me reach my academic goals. She's a positive professor who encourages her students to reach their goals, and to not be afraid of getting help when you need it."

"Took time to know his students and cared about their success."

"She has encouraged me and helped me stay on track and do my best."

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2013 SOPHOMORE SURVEY
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SUMMARY

The Office of Planning and Institutional Research has conducted the Sophomore Survey since 2002. With the 2004 survey administration, students have been asked, *"If any member of the NAU faculty or staff has positively influenced your experiences at NAU, please complete the following information."* Students are then asked to provide a name, department, and comment.

Out of the 984 students that participated in the 2013 Sophomore Survey, 503 students (51%) acknowledged one or more faculty or staff members who have positively influenced their experience at NAU. The table below summarizes the names and departments of the top faculty/staff members who were acknowledged six or more times.

MOST ACKNOWLEDGED FACULTY/STAFF 2013 Sophomore Survey

DAVID PIEROTTI (19)	Biological Sciences
ROBERT KELLAR (9)	Biological Sciences
BROOKE DE HEER (7)	Criminology & Criminal Justice
GRETCHEN GEE (6)	Politics & International Affairs
KRISTINA JACOBSEN (6)	Anthropology
ELLIE KENNEDY (6)	Mathematics & Statistics
JAMES MANLEY (6)	COE: Teaching and Learning
THERESE MYERS (6)	Chemistry & Biochemistry

While most of the compliments were for faculty and academic areas, acknowledgment was also given to other areas such as Educational Support, Extended Campuses, Honors Program, and Housing & Residence Life among others areas.

The Office of Planning and Institutional Research has been reporting on this student comment question in the last nine surveys. Deserving particular accolade are the six faculty/staff that have been mentioned by at least one student each year this question has been asked.

FACULTY/STAFF ACKNOWLEDGEMENT 2004-2009, 2011-2013

Sylvester Allred

*Biological Sciences
College of Engineering, Forestry, and Natural Sciences*

Scott Antes

*Anthropology
College of Social and Behavioral Sciences*

Brandon Cruickshank

*Chemistry and Biochemistry
College of Engineering, Forestry, and Natural Sciences*

Peter Kosso

*Philosophy
College of Arts and Letters*

David Pierotti

*Biological Sciences
College of Engineering, Forestry, and Natural Sciences*

John Wettaw

*Chemistry and Biochemistry
College of Engineering, Forestry, and Natural Sciences*

2013 Sophomore Survey Faculty/Staff Comments

This report lists the comments recorded by students when asked:

"If any member of the NAU faculty or staff has positively influenced your experience at NAU, please complete the following information."

Please note that the following comments were edited for spelling only and that if a student provided multiple names with one comment, the student's comment was duplicated for each faculty or staff member.

COLLEGE OF ARTS & LETTERS (115)

College of Arts & Letters (1)

- Shannon, Randy**
- *Mr. Shannon has always answered my email or has been able to see me on a short notice. He helped me so much with my selection of classes and I have nothing but good things to say about him. He is a terrific advisor and a wonderful human being.*

Comparative Cultural Studies (11)

- Bissonette, Devan**
- *Helped me improve my critical thinking skills.*
- Burkhart, Matthew**
- *Mr. Burkhart is always available if you need help with anything and understanding when it comes to scheduling. His class, HUM101, has helped me view the world differently and even made me consider changing my minor to humanities.*
- Carpino, Alexandra**
- *I finally received the advising I needed.*
- Davis, Jayme**
- *Support and lots of feedback even when taking tests so I know what I have missed. I am a decent writer and she helps me understand how to be better. I am not very good at technology and my last class (CCS 490C) had areas in technology that I just did not understand. As a reentry student I have not been exposed to some of the areas technology is required and Professor Davis was not only patient and supportive, but took time to help me. This helped my confidence and my work.*
- Devereaux, Constance**
- *All of them are extremely intelligent and patient. They all deeply care about the students and they truly do want them to succeed. They have tended to be much more valuable in advising a student than the advisors are.*
- Gervasio, Danielle**
- *She is so positive and wonderful, her classes are exciting and she provided guidance when my academic advisor wouldn't return my e-mails or calls.*
- Hinsley, Curtis**
- *Made teaching a personal experience, got me interested in materials I never thought related to me.*
- Jones, Paul**
- *By personally encouraging me to excel.*
- Jordan, Alyce**
- *She was very supported and I could tell that she cared about my success individually, even though there were other students and I wasn't going into a field related to her topic.*
- McLerran, Jennifer**
- *I am an HRM major and I took her class as an elective and she was just such an amazing teacher. Truly has a passion for art.*
- Mohamed, Mosaad Abdelaziz**
- *Incredibly engaging professor, fun class!*

English (30)

- Caliendo, Scott**
- *Gave me a better outlook on how to become a better writer.*
- Cawthon, Kimberly**
- *She was just always helpful and allowed me to explore areas that were interesting to me.*
- Davalos, Emily (2)**
- *Writing skills.*
 - *She is a sweet and encouraging person who helps you think about your potential.*
- Egbert, Jesse**
- *He was the kindest, most understanding and best all around teacher I've ever had. He focused on each individual student and helped all of us grow.*
- Fan, Min**
- *Improved my writing skills, and boosted my confidence in my writing.*
- Farness, Jayme**
- *Amazing guy.*
- Flynn, Janis**
- *Made it very rich experience.*
- Gann, Randall**
- *Dr. Gann encourages me to think outside my usual opinions, opening up a new world of film and literature.*

- Kelone, Brandon (3)**
- *Best teacher, awesome personality, very approachable. Deserves a raise!*
 - *He is an amazing source of information and brings a positive attitude to everything he does. He has taught myself and many others to be proud in yourself and your work and along the way makes it an amazing time.*
 - *He really helped me to grow with my writing abilities. Additionally, his classroom was a safe environment where I felt comfortable sharing my ideas.*
- Koshnick, Damian**
Marchesi, Patricia (2)
- *Great instructor, broke down every writing assignment in detail.*
 - *They both created challenging environments and motivated me to work hard.*
 - *(No additional comment)*
- McClendon, Benjamin**
Moran, Meghan
- *Taught me how to think critically and greatly helped me improve my writing.*
 - *She improved my writing greatly and was extremely supportive and helpful in various aspects of college life. She is the best!!!*
- Renner, Karen (5)**
- *They both created challenging environments and motivated me to work hard.*
 - *Taught me the most new information of all my teachers in both analyzing literature and writing effectively.*
 - *Inspired me to keep studying hard and fall in love with why I do.*
 - *Dr. Renner is extremely helpful and challenges me to be a better writer with every piece of homework I turn in. I've taken three classes with her, including a capstone, and her instruction is nothing short of fantastic.*
 - *Dr. Renner is an excellent instructor who truly cares for her students and for the material she teaches. I cannot recommend her highly enough.*
- Rosche, Laura**
- *She showed me that in order to succeed, you must ask for help when you really need it. She worked out side the class room to assist me with problems I was having on English assignments.*
- Rude, Rene**
- *Her positive attitude and energy in the class make me want to come and learn from her.*
- Scott, Anne (4)**
- *A great resource and really helped with my writing.*
 - *She was a crucial part in my remaining in the honors program, and has helped me grow and have more opportunities here at NAU and in the Honors Program.*
 - *Dr. Scott provided helpful, insightful feedback based on our individual performances, which made it very easy to improve specific areas of our writing. Class was always fun and the environment was one that fostered individual and*
 - *She taught me so much about writing effectively. I was amazed at how little I knew before I took her class.*
- Snyder, Sarah**
Venetiou, Liz
- *Helped through educational and personal difficulties.*
 - *She cares, a lot.*

Global Languages & Cultures (14)

- Bauge, Nicole**
Chipatechua, Yvonne Marcela
Colmenares, Jersus
Okubo, Chie
Suby, Juliana (4)
- *Incredible patience and insight into the wonderful world of language.*
 - *Her positive energy and commitment to her class.*
 - *Encourage, enthusiastic.*
 - *She is an amazing teacher and genuinely cares about how well her students are*
 - *Juliana is always eager to help her students in any way she can. Her positive attitude had created the best learning environment I've had at NAU and she has inspired me beyond the classroom.*
 - *She has been a fantastic instructor and kept me interested in the subject. She keeps things relaxed without feeling like I'm not doing work.*
 - *(No additional comment)*
 - *A very talented teacher.*
- Tieke, Benning (3)**
- *He's one of the fairest teachers I've had. He understands his students and is a fantastic teacher. He makes me want to come to class and makes learning easier.*
 - *He has positively impacted my life by being a fantastic professor who appreciates and loves his job.*
 - *He genuinely cares about his students and loves teaching Spanish and celebrating cultures.*

Wargo, Christopher (3)

- *He is a great instructor and makes class interesting. He is also easy to talk to and get help from and it is evident that he really loves the subject and instructing it.*
- *Very good teacher, understanding, and funny.*
- *He is genuinely interested in Spanish as well as student progress. He is an awesome guy.*

History (8)

**Carr Childers, Leisl
Kalb, Martin**

- *She is an amazing professor.*
- *Stephen and Martin are my favorite teachers in each of these departments they have completely opened my eyes and changed my view of the world regarding politics History and especially my critical thinking skills. I am EXTREMELY thankful for each of these individuals, who have all significantly impacted my life in a positive*

Kashanipour, Ryan (2)

- *He encourages his students to think on a worldview and how material applies to the contemporary.*

Leung, John

- *He made history interesting and is very helpful, overall a great and dynamic*
- *His class was insanely work intensive and not part of my major, but I learned a lot and am thankful for that. He is an excellent professor, especially for people with a history major.*

Martel, Heather

- *Dr. Martel has challenged my way of thinking and truly urged me to use the full capacity of my mind. She has taught me not only how to recognize cultural and systemic constructions, but also how to become an activist in our modern world. I basically want to grow up to be Dr. Martel, she has been extremely influential to*

**Sargent Wood, Linda
Varela-Lago, Ana**

- *(No additional comment)*
- *Passionate, caring for her students, makes learning fun and interesting.*

Philosophy (17)

**Arel, Joseph
Bredlau, Susan**

- *All the teachers are really cool too.*
- *Both professors have believed in my abilities and gave me the confidence to continue a strong and beneficial education. I appreciate their passion for teaching my generation and their positive souls.*

**Buben, Adam
Joiner, James (5)**

- *He helped me think for myself, and consider every potential aspect of thought.*
- *He was an excellent teacher who changed my opinion about the subject of the class in a positive way.*
- *James was a great mentor and always willing to help with class concepts as well as hear about my personal experiences. Even though I had his class first semester of my freshman year, he will go out of his way to say hello and talk to me if he sees*
- *The primary teacher who promotes critical and dynamic thinking in every facet.*
- *His PHI 150 class was taught in such a fun way that I learned so much more in his class versus others.*
- *His class made me ask myself questions I normally never would and made me think critically. I really enjoyed his course.*

Kosso, Peter (3)

- *In a short summary, Peter Kosso helped me to develop an excitement for learning that continued outside of his class. He made a very positive impact on my view of education.*
- *He had a very fun and open classroom that allowed me to learn very well. He was always willing to talk with me about further ideas after class or during office hours. Peter really encouraged me to think critically and ask tough questions.*
- *He has made both of the classes I've had with him very interesting and easy to understand and made me want to learn more about the topics.*

Matteson, Jason (2)

- *Encourages class engagement. one-on-one with students helps to build comfortable environment and student confidence.*
- *A very great, fun, experienced professor. Was always excited to go to his class.*

**Piering, Julie
Rudebusch, George (3)**

- *Great professor and very helpful.*
- *Helped guide me through my new major.*
- *Ability to analyze and think critically; improved self confidence and understanding.*
- *All the teachers are really cool too.*

School of Art (8)

- Holt, Jennifer**
- *Been willing to help and listen with projects and made this class fun and a place to feel welcome!*
- Maier, Sara**
- *She has always been there for me both in and out of the classroom.*
- McGinnis, Dennis**
- *Great teacher.*
- O'Hara, James**
- *Taught me many positive skills that can be used to be successful in my field of*
- Peterson, Clayton**
- *Introduced necessary information that is not only for a grade in the class, but that will benefit my career and skills in the future. He wasn't just there to teach and get*
- Smith, Curtis**
- *He has always been there to immediately help all of his students, and anyone can tell that he genuinely cares. He has been understanding when I mess up, and I thank him for that. Whenever I have a question, need something demonstrated, or need more time to complete assignments, he is still the same nice, awesome professor! Because of him, I like going to classes more. Having great teachers who share a likeness to Curtis Smith's teaching practices are those that I learn best*
- Taylor, Christopher**
- *He's allowed me to express myself in the art classes and has made me want to improve more and more in painting.*
- Wiedeman, Elisa**
- *Outstanding teacher and awesome projects.*

School of Music (23)

- Boger, Julene (4)**
- *Her understanding and compassion has helped tremendously. Without it, I would not have passed her class last semester or this semester.*
 - *By knowing personal things in my life and encouraging me to take interviews and take my school to the highest level.*
 - *Actually listened to me and was understanding.*
 - *By realizing this major is the right fit for me and has helped me through the issues I have been dealing with.*
 - *Professionalism, passion, compassion.*
- Cloud, Judith (2)**
- *Been amazing mentors in helping me discover my potential.*
 - *She encourages me a lot when I'm struggling with new concepts, and she works really hard with all of her voice students to ensure that we get the best training from her that's possible. She knows how to teach to individual learning styles, and she has the best taste in music, art, and clothing.*
- Copley, Edith (2)**
- *Dr. Copley has demonstrated what a good teacher/director should look like. She empowers all of her students to work with 110% of our effort everyday, ensures each student is learning and retaining valuable information for the future, and lets her passion for music shine.*
 - *Inspires me to be the very best at all times.*
 - *Inspired me to pursue a minor relating to supporting members of my tribe.*
- Hamill, Chad**
- *Professionalism, passion, compassion.*
- Holder, Ryan**
- *Been amazing mentors in helping me discover my potential.*
- Manzi, Carol**
- *Extremely helpful and kind, always good for a laugh. Very professional and experienced in her field and has helped me achieve great growth.*
- Peterson, Jennifer**
- *Professionalism, passion, compassion.*
- Saunders, Robert**
- *She was the first professor I met here when I transferred over here this semester and she has helped me not only grow as an oboe player but also as an individual. Thank you Dr. Scarnati.*
- Scarnati, Rebecca (2)**
- *She has always been available for advice for everything between handling classes to transitioning into college.*
- Schmidt, Danielle (2)**
- *Dr Schmidt is an excellent music teacher.*
 - *Dr. Schmidt has guided me in music and leadership and will continue.*
- Stamer, Linda (3)**
- *Positive and supportive of my decisions.*
 - *Always positive, makes you feel like your opinion is important and that it helps with the teaching of the class.*
 - *Giving me encouragement and actually caring about me and helping me when i needed it.*

Sullivan, Nancy

- *Nancy is an outstanding music educator as well as a beautiful person. She is always there for her students and gives one hundred percent of her efforts into creating successful musicians and more rounded people in her students.*

Vining, David

- *He's a supportive professor who is always willing to help out his students. He is fair, and has a strong set of Ethics that others in this department lack.*

Theatre Department (3)

Alexander, Benjamin

- *He's very encouraging to the students to learn more and think more about lighting and sound. He doesn't make the class seem like a boring lecture, he tells us about other ways we can apply what we've learned in class to other studies, and he's inspired me to think critically about these subjects, and I'm not even a theatre major/minor. He's helped more than anyone in the EMF department ever has and I hope I can take another one of his classes soon.*

Ellis, Cathryn

- *She has helped me find my strengths and weaknesses, and continues to help me do what I am good at.*

Ellison, Season

- *She has allowed me to explore my creative side. The atmosphere she creates in class is one of free dialogue and honesty. She encourages her students to take risky chances. She explains things in class clearly and effectively. Her advice is helpful. She is easy to talk to.*

THE W.A. FRANKE COLLEGE OF BUSINESS (52)

School of Hotel & Restaurant Management (8)

Carlson, Donald

- *Helped to understand important parts of class and makes an effort to help each and every student.*

Krahn, Kathleen

- *Kathleen is a great resource and is helpful. She has written a recommendation for a job and then followed up with me about it. In the classroom, she brings her outside experience in which helps us understand what things we may be doing in the industry. She is fantastic and I know I can go to her for anything.*

Mann, Darwin (5)

- *Advice and working one toward career goals.*
- *He is a great lecturer, honest with a lot of experience, who is always willing to help when there is a problem or you just want to talk.*
- *(No additional comment)*
- *He's just a great guy and very open to everything and everyone, really a great teacher.*
- *He made me love HRM even more and he actually makes his students read and learn. If they don't he doesn't reach the class. Makes his class use his head.*

Vallen, Gary

- *Dr. Vallen went above and beyond in working to accommodate me in the midst of a personal issue. He managed to turn my very bleak outlook on the path my academics was about to take, and make it one of productivity and passion. I would like to acknowledge Dr. Vallen for his commitment to his students, his passion for teaching, and his approachable demeanor and incredible compassion. Thank you Dr. Vallen for all that you do, I have enjoyed learning from you immensely.*

The W.A. Franke College of Business (44)

Amer, Beverly (5)

- *She has encouraged me to join Alpha Beta Si, to stay in contact with her, and to help me reach my academic goals. She's a positive professor who encourages her students to reach their goals, and to not be afraid of getting help when you need it.*
- *I failed the CIS 120 course with another professor and I accidentally went to her class the first week, so when I decided to retake it, I knew that I had to get her to be my professor. It was one of the best decisions of my life. Professor Amer not only made the material fun to learn but she inspired me to do my best. If she ran for president, I'd vote for her.*
- *Taught me so many skills that I will use outside of the classroom.*
- *Professor Amer was one of my first professors. She made me feel very welcome at NAU, and still does to this day.*

- *She is always available and ready to help, and she has encouraged me to become more involved in my major.*
- Amer, TS**
- *I have learned more in his class than any other.*
- Canning, Emma**
- *Emma is always thinking about what needs best suit her students in where they are at in their college career. I have had some business teachers who seem not to care about the students' academic success.*
- Devlin, John (3)**
- *Actually seemed interested, wasn't just some whiny sanctimonious liberal or some grad student.*
 - *All of them are extremely intelligent and patient. They all deeply care about the students and they truly do want them to succeed. They have tended to be much more valuable in advising a student than the advisors are.*
 - *(No additional comment)*
- Diehl, Sandy**
- Diemer, Dan**
- *(No additional comment)*
 - *These guys have helped me figure out what I really want to do with my life simply by teaching me small things everyday. I could not be more grateful for everything they have helped me learn not only about life, but about myself. If not for them, I think I would have dropped out of school now and be wandering around like a*
- Driessen-Knittle, Pia**
- *When I decided to change my major, Pia put to rest all of my worries and relieved my stress by a great deal. I don't know what I would do without her, she's*
- Dunfee, Margaret (5)**
- *She treats students like people and not children.*
 - *I took her management 101 class and she was a great professor. She made sure her class wasn't the easiest but also made sure we used all the resources we could to get everything done. She also made all her lectures were clearly spoken so everything was understood. Then occasionally, we would have fun lectures about things that were going on around the world. Most of all, I really like that with all that we had to do in her class, she made sure that everyone was prepared for the*
 - *She was a great professor my freshman year that helped established what I want to do with my degree. Still to this day I am able to walk into her office and ask her any question and she will help me. She gives great advice and is a very positive person. She's awesome!*
 - *They all taught lectures and test off material in the lectures. What a concept right?*
 - *Helped guide me through the scholarship process.*
- Eastwood, John**
- *Helpful and knows answers to just about all of my questions. Also, very detailed and relevant lectures.*
- Godley, David**
- *He was a very good teacher. Always answered questions promptly and had a very well laid out course.*
- Hall, Kristin (2)**
- *Awesome teacher that was always helpful and taught her material very clear and well. Also kind and easy to pay attention to.*
 - *She's awesome!!*
- Hewes, Lisa (3)**
- *They're both wonderful professors who really care about their students.*
 - *Very helpful, great instructor and truly cared about the students.*
 - *(No additional comment)*
- Hoefle, Scott**
- *He has introduced me to many interesting professionals in the business environment that give me advice and possibly change my views about different ways to go about being a leader.*
- Holland, Jared**
- *Both are excellent teachers who care about the students and have great teaching skills.*
- Lewis, Bernadine**
- *She is my advisor, she always gets me super excited for the next semester. Always helps me understand enrollment and is there when I need her. She deeply cares for my academics and I know she genuinely cares for every student she helps.*
- Mueller, Julie**
- Navarro, Shirley**
- *She is an absolutely amazing professor. I love her class and her teaching methods.*
 - *She is always available for help and truly strives to help her students understand material.*
- Ott, Willard**
- *Both of these professors have helped me academically and personally. They are a main reason I stayed at NAU.*
- Shinham, Kathe (3)**
- *Encourages students to succeed and challenges students in class.*

- *She has been an inspiring role model as I pursue my career path into becoming an accountant. She offers great advice and encouragement, and most importantly, she continues to assist me in my endeavors, even though I am not currently her student. I would give her a strong recommendation.*
 - *She is a great instructor and I prefer her ways of teaching to be more beneficial to me than all of the other i have learned in the past 3 semesters that i have been here.*
- Shiple, Jessica**
- *I was going to transfer because of my health, but she has offered me many ways of how I could still attend NAU, and now i am staying because of her.*
- Staskey, Jennifer (3)**
- *Best organized class I've taken. It was in this class that I realized that I'm actually*
 - *Such a positive lady and really knows her material.*
 - *Helped me decide on what to study and what career path to follow.*
 - *Helped me inside and outside of the classroom.*
 - *Both of these professors have helped me academically and personally. They are a main reason I stayed at NAU.*
- Swartz, Wendy (2)**
- *These guys have helped me figure out what I really want to do with my life simply by teaching me small things everyday. I could not be more grateful for everything they have helped me learn not only about life, but about myself. If not for them, I think I would have dropped out of school now and be wandering around like a*
- Wagner, Paul**
- *Great instructor.*
 - *(No additional comment)*
- Yordy, Eric (2)**
- *Encouraged me to do my best not only in her class but also in my other classes and in life in general. She told me to never give up on my dreams and it meant a lot coming from someone who works everyday to better herself whether its through her family, her career, or her outlook on life.*
- Zhao, Xiaobing**

COLLEGE OF EDUCATION (30)

COE: Division of Student Services (2)

- Cummings, Carol** • *A peer mentor.*
- Hutchings, Troy** • *Took time to know his students and cared about their success.*

COE: Educational Leadership (2)

- Floyd, Steve** • *He is the single most excellent teacher I've ever had.*
- Senese, Guy** • *All have a genuine interest in their students lives and are incredibly passionate about teaching and their subjects.*

COE: Educational Psychology (2)

- Rantala, Maria** • *By being an awesome teacher that encourages us to think and learn about different topics.*
- Richards, Danielle** • *She was always open to talk with me about different career paths I should take in the future.*

COE: Educational Specialties (10)

- Becker O'Keeffe, Suzanne** • *Motivation.*
- DeGroat, Jennie** • *She's has motivated me to pursue my goals and that anything is possible. I look up to as her a mentor and hope that I will be as successful at her.*
- Prater, Gregory (3)** • *Allowed me to meet with him, even though no longer my professor. He has introduced me to other faculty members of the college of education which are relevant, and presented me with information on opportunities.*
- *He showed real care and concern for me.*
- *All have a genuine interest in their students lives and are incredibly passionate about teaching and their subjects.*
- Sasaki, Akiko** • *They both have really helped me learn a lot. Akiko has opened my eyes to many new thing and concepts and I one the way she runs a classroom.*

Sturgis, Claudia (4)

- *Claudia is always there for her students while providing a learning environment that is equal to all learning types. She also sees where her students need improvement and puts emphasis on those areas. Claudia wants her students to be the best teachers that they can be.*
- *She makes class so entertaining while still making sure that we learn everything that we need to. I would take ten more classes from her if I could. You can tell that she really cares about her students and wants us to succeed.*
- *By being a great teacher!*
- *Both of these faculty taught me so many interesting and insightful things about education that really promoted my want to become a teacher.*

COE: Teaching and Learning (14)

Boloz, Sigmund (3)

- *He is an amazing teacher that has taught me a lot and has really opened my eyes to the teaching profession and is always pushing us to pursue our dreams.*
- *Very good teacher and cares very much for all of his students.*
- *By creating a sense of community within the classroom.*

Lemley, Christine

Manley, James (6)

- *Excellent, inspiring, and powerful professor.*
- *Not only did Jim make me feel welcome here on campus but he makes every class period amazing. He is such a great understanding and powerful teacher.*
- *He is honest about what I'm getting into and has Just really been an awesome*
- *He makes me think out of the box and he is the teacher I hope to be.*
- *He has really solidified my decision to become a teacher and really inspired me.*
- *He is an inspiration to future teachers.*
- *Inspired me to become an amazing teacher.*

Taylor, Elizabeth (3)

- *I love her classes and way of teaching. She is also extremely helpful and understanding.*
- *She always made sure I understood everything and he even helped me get a job.*
- *She has shown me why i am in the field I am. She is just a great influence on her students and she has taught me the most about real world situations in the education field.*

Wegwert, Joseph

- *I took a freshman seminar course taught by Dr. Wegwert my first semester of college and it was wonderful.*

COLLEGE OF ENGINEERING, FORESTRY, & NATURAL SCIENCES (150)

College of Engineering, Forestry, & Natural Sciences (5)

Abramov, Dennis

Baca-Spry, Alexia

Entine, Pauline

Fray, Maureen

ShIPLEY, Danielle

- *He was always there to help me.*
- *She's easy to talk to, very approachable, guiding, provides all sorts of useful information!*
- *Amazing professor who has gone above and beyond what her job description is.*
- *Choosing class.*
- *(No additional comment)*

Biological Sciences (52)

Adams, Alison

Allred, Sylvester

Clark, Theresa Ann

Cobb, Neil

- *Takes time to provide help and explanation in class and outside of class. Has also provided insightful career advice.*
- *Enriched my educational process through his enthusiasm and general love of the subject.*
- *The lecture was unique in the way it had fewer students along with the course work gave me the ability to understand what was being taught and go to the teacher directly if i had any questions. This class had me change how I viewed material that doesn't necessarily relate to my major but I can still use to improve my study skills and increase my knowledge.*
- *Mentor.*

Dennis, Patricia
Hayer, Michaela
Kellar, Robert (9)

- *You could tell she wanted to help us succeed which made me try harder in class.*
- *(No additional comment)*
- *Excellent teacher.*
- *All wonderful professors; very understanding; they made learning fun and comprehensive!*
- *He is very passionate about what he does and he brings this to his class.*
- *Very motivating, great teacher.*
- *By far the best professor I've had, he is helpful and understanding of his students. He is engaging and a great lecturer, making class more enjoyable.*
- *Helped me through BIO 201 when it was challenging making me realize I could accomplish my goals.*
- *He actually cares unlike most of my teachers.*
- *Best teacher I ever had, he was so passionate and he made the class completely amazing.*
- *Show me what it's like to have a professor who can take a difficult concept and relate it to the students in relative terms to their education level.*

Lindstedt, Stan (2)

- *Completely shaped and introduced me to a new way of thinking and has got me thinking of a new career path choice with physiology and research and testing!*
- *Effective teaching of BIO 202.*

Monks, Jennifer

- *She helped me get through the speed bumps of moving away from home for the first time. Also helping me progress with my major and minor degree plan.*

Monroy, Fernando (2)

- *He has helped me strive to work as hard as I can.*
- *He is giving me invaluable experience for a research opportunity.*

Montgomery, Wilson
Nieto, Nathan

- *Wonderful professor, intensified my interests for the marine sciences immensely.*
- *All wonderful professors; very understanding; they made learning fun and comprehensive!*

Pierotti, David (19)

- *Always ready to tutor, makes subject interesting. Best teacher I've had at NAU.*
- *He helped me through anatomy 202 a lot!*
- *These three are always so enthusiastic about the material, they love what they do, and they genuinely care about their students. They made me look forward to being in class.*
- *He has made anatomy 202 a fun, challenging, and enriching experience.*
- *Amazing teacher that has developed my base of learning of physiology.*
- *He is a great professor who is always willing to take the time to help his students.*
- *Taught me how to effectively learn on my own and engaged the classroom.*
- *Always having positive things to say and made you learn and if you needed any help he was always there.*
- *Made it enjoyable and challenging, showed me if I push myself I can do great.*
- *By making leaning anatomy and physiology fun. He was very energetic and made class enjoyable.*
- *Works one on one cares what the students think.*
- *Being an interactive teacher willing to change to better his students' education.*
- *Aaron and Dr. Pierotti have made my experience at NAU an excellent one. Both are very excited and very knowledgeable about Anatomy and Physiology and greatly enhanced my understanding of these subjects.*
- *Very excited about the material, makes students excited to learn.*
- *Challenged me in a positive way. Has made learning the material very fun and interesting!*
- *His integrity and passion in the classroom makes me want to continue my degree. He makes his students excited to continue their degree in the medical field. Best professor I've ever had, hands down.*
- *He made class interesting & he cares about the students and teaching them biology.*
- *He makes learning fun, he's entertaining and sincerely concerned with a students well being. he also takes the time to you get to know everyone personally.*

- *Both Dr. Perotti and Aaron have made anatomy and physiology far easier to understand. The manner in which they present the information allows me to connect each individual aspect of learning to the bigger picture. The lecture and lab are engaging, and Dr. P and Aaron are effective at making sure students understand the topic. Being an EXS major, it is essential that I thoroughly understand not only anatomy and physiology, but also WHY the body moves as it does, and how each aspect of what we learn in BIO 201 is relevant to my future career. Dr. P and Aaron have made accomplishing this task much easier for me. In addition, the positive atmosphere that they create makes learning fun, and I would highly recommend both of these teachers to incoming students.*
- Pollak, Peggy (3)**
- *Given me a positive outlook on schooling so far.*
 - *Pollak included everyone in the classroom and made biology an interesting topic.*
 - *(No additional comment)*
- Ray, Casey**
Somners, Stephan
Stoltenberg, Cassie
- *Maintained positive attitude throughout the course, encouraged learning.*
 - *(No additional comment)*
 - *If it wasn't for Cassie, I would have not passed my Biology 181 class. I currently have an A and it is not because of my professor. She goes into depth during her SI session and explains topics simply. She is a great SI and I'm so thankful she was able to help me as much as she did.*
- Tabor, Aaron (4)**
- *Aaron is very committed and excited about what he teaches.*
 - *These three are always so enthusiastic about the material, they love what they do, and they genuinely care about their students. They made me look forward to being in class.*
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- Valentine, Michael**
- *Always available to help, gives real-life examples and makes an effort to connect with each and every student he encounters.*

Center for Science Teaching & Learning (2)

- Fray, Scott (2)**
- *He is devoted to help students who want to teach, as well as treating his students at the same level he is. He shares his experiences and wants you to have those as well when we get to teach. He never acts as if he is better than he students and "knows more" than we ever will.*
 - *Scott's passion for the betterment of a student's learning is appreciated and inspiring. His consistent positive attitude and engagement in the lesson helps to keep me interested in the class and motivated to learn!*

Chemistry & Biochemistry (17)

- Altamirano, Alvin**
- *He has supported me during the roughest semester I have ever had in school. I was going through emotional stress and he was open to help me with what ever I needed.*
- Civitello, Edgar (3)**
- *Excellent teaching and personal skills with students. Very helpful.*
 - *He is an amazing person and always willing to help he explains things so that I can understand. He makes me want to learn.*

- *Dr. Civitello has impacted the way I learn. Through his teaching he has helped me with ways of breaking down information into smaller pieces which makes learning quite a bit easier.*
- Cruickshank, Brandon**
- *He is just a good teacher. And when I needed advice for another class I knew I could go to him and ask for advice!*
- Duis, Jennifer**
- *These three are always so enthusiastic about the material, they love what they do, and they genuinely care about their students. They made me look forward to being in class.*
- Lee, Edgar**
- Myers, Therese (6)**
- *Very helpful.*
 - *She helps me enjoy school with a more positive outlook and has been a huge influence.*
 - *Very passionate and excited about her career.*
 - *Dr. Myers' enthusiasm for her subject is evident in all that she does, and she just creates a fantastic environment that greatly encourages learning!*
 - *She is my favorite professor so far at NAU. Her way of teaching and attitude towards students is very positive!*
 - *All wonderful professors; very understanding; they made learning fun and comprehensive!*
 - *Great teacher.*
 - *Teaching Organic Chemistry in a reasonable fashion.*
- Robinson, Marin**
- Sirimulla, Suman (3)**
- *Amazing instructor. I have approached him every semester since last having him hoping he would teach a course I needed the next semester.*
 - *He has helped me to love organic chemistry.*
 - *Excellent teaching and personal skills with students. Very helpful.*
- Wettaw, John (2)**
- *Excellent teaching and personal skills with students. Very helpful.*
 - *He has pushed me to consistently do better.*

Civil Engineering, Construction Management, & Environmental Engineering (11)

- Baxter, Terry**
- *Positive and effective teaching style, and always makes time to meet outside of class when need be.*
- Blad, Marti (2)**
- *She got me really interested in Environmental Engineering. Made learning everything relatable and fun. I really enjoyed her class. I'm very upset she left.*
 - *Best teacher by far.*
- Decker, Rand (3)**
- *With starting my engineering degree, I couldn't have asked for a better teacher for my first intro class. He has intelligence, passion, and understanding that is very contagious, and makes me excited for my future with the degree.*
 - *He's an awesome guy, entertained me.*
 - *An excellent instructor who showed passion for what he did, and cared for the success of his students was refreshing and actually caused me to try harder and be more proactive in my studies.*
- Reiboldt, Alarick**
- Tingerthal, John (2)**
- *Great attitude and supportive.*
 - *Very clear teaching method. actively tries to get me more involved with the*
 - *Professor Tingerthal has encouraged myself and many others to do well in classes and outside of the classroom. He is always willing to help other students out to understand material.*
- Tuchscherer, Robin (2)**
- *Great in class lectures, tests were constructive.*
 - *He is a great and enthusiastic professor. All the questions in this questionnaire apply to him and he excels in all of them.*

Electrical Engineering & Computer Science (5)

- Heynssens, Julie**
- Jacobs, Steven (3)**
- *Great Professor.*
 - *He is fun and allows for a diverse range of though.*
 - *He has always been a supportive of me, my successes in his class room, and supports my life goals.*

- *Been a positive mentor and helped decide on the best classes to take within the CS major.*
- *Mentoring.*

Mathematics & Statistics (25)

- Daugherty, Robert (2)**
- *Very warm, takes time to explain difficult concepts.*
 - *All wonderful professors; very understanding; they made learning fun and comprehensive!*
- de Ri, Eric**
- *Always available and shows a strong interest in my personal success.*
- Edgerton, Stephanie (3)**
- *She's really approachable and just all around awesome. I love her class and she has actually made me want to maybe teach junior high math!*
 - *She was an excellent math teacher and really encouraged us to think and gave us time to think rather than just expecting us to know answers and making students who do not answer as quickly feel unintelligent, which is usually the effect when teachers expect an immediate response. Very sad I didn't have her this semester!*
 - *She makes the subject interesting and enjoyable.*
- Ernst, Dana (3)**
- *They helped engage the class in the lectures in the mathematics and physics departments. All the teachers are really cool too. I love the mathematics department the most, who knew math could be made fun? But they have made it fun.*
 - *He uses inquiry based learning which has gotten me to learn actively when a rarely have before.*
 - *There are both encouraging and aren't afraid to teach differently from traditional methods.*
- Fahy, Matthew (2)**
- *There are both encouraging and aren't afraid to teach differently from traditional methods.*
 - *They helped engage the class in the lectures in the mathematics and physics departments. All the teachers are really cool too. I love the mathematics department the most, who knew math could be made fun? But they have made it fun.*
- Hayden, Kevin**
- *Kevin was always available to talk about whatever it was that I wanted to talk about, whether that was academics, or things going on in life. he was that most easily approachable teacher.*
- Kennedy, Ellie (6)**
- *Encouraged outside of the box thinking.*
 - *She is the best math teacher NAU has to offer and has helped me overcome most of my difficulties with math.*
 - *Kennedy worked with me and showed a coherent way a thinking and made me enjoy calculus.*
 - *Ellie really enjoys learning about her students, their goals, and their potential. Ellie has given me, and other students, the confidence and guidance in Calculus II in order to feel excited about double majoring (or minoring) in mathematics. Ellie is very invested in her students' education.*
 - *She has great attitude - helped me tremendously in surviving Calc classes.*
 - *They helped engage the class in the lectures in the mathematics and physics departments. All the teachers are really cool too. I love the mathematics department the most, who knew math could be made fun? But they have made it fun.*
- Krughoff, Stephen (3)**
- *Was a great professor who made it fun to learn.*
 - *He is awesome.*
 - *They helped engage the class in the lectures in the mathematics and physics departments. All the teachers are really cool too. I love the mathematics department the most, who knew math could be made fun? But they have made it fun.*
- Louchart, Catherine (2)**
- *Positive attitude and wonderful math teaching technique have inspired me to do my best!*
 - *Helpful.*
- Rushall, Jeff**
- *His love of math really makes the class fun. He also doesn't shy away from the more complex questions.*
- Tresham, Aaron**
- *He really simplified complex concepts in statistics for me and made them easier to learn. And I felt like he really cared about his class.*

Mechanical Engineering (7)

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| Cooperrider, Bryan | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• <i>Great, extremely creative instructor overall.</i> |
| Nelson, Brent (2) | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• <i>Actually made me excited to be an engineer!</i>• <i>Easy to relate to.</i> |
| Wang, Jiyan | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• <i>(No additional comment)</i> |
| Willy, David (2) | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• <i>Introduced me to various engineering tools and respected and acknowledged and encouraged my passion for designing cars.</i>• <i>Showed many different application of how to use the solid works software, which I believe will help me understand and develop a better understanding of how parts are built and work.</i> |
| Wood, Perry | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• <i>Inspired me to get involved with student member groups.</i> |

Physics & Astronomy (6)

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| Bowman, Gary | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• <i>Just speaking to him about science and his work and what I'd like to do later is inspiring.</i> |
| Cole, David | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• <i>They helped engage the class in the lectures in the mathematics and physics departments. All the teachers are really cool too.</i> |
| Delinger, William | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• <i>Was an awesome professor. Knows how to teach on a level that everyone understands.</i> |
| James, Mark (2) | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• <i>They helped engage the class in the lectures in the mathematics and physics departments. All the teachers are really cool too. As well as Mark James in the physics department, he is a motivator and is hilarious.</i>• <i>(No additional comment)</i> |
| Koerner, David | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• <i>Very excited about the information being taught, and will always help students when requested.</i> |

School of Earth Science & Environmental Sustainability (13)

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| Brugger-Schorr, Carrie | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• <i>They all taught lectures and test off material in the lectures. What a concept right?</i> |
| Brumbaugh, David | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• <i>He is very kind and he facilitates and motivates students very well in the field of geology.</i> |
| Johnson, Nancy | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• <i>By making learning fun, and exciting while wanting to explore the world with a positive outlook.</i> |
| Kruse, Audrey | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• <i>By being there to contact and listening to ideas as well as giving good feedback.</i> |
| Moline, Angie (2) | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• <i>Has been very helpful with my first year experience.</i>• <i>Made learning fun and informative. important topics and enjoyable discussions. loved the enthusiasm.</i> |
| Nielson, Erik | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• <i>He reach out to me when he knew I was struggling with decision regarding what classes I need to take.</i> |
| Ort, Michael | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• <i>Dr Ort Has given me the ability to narrow My ideal area of study of truly what I enjoy. He also shows an enthusiasm for what he researches and makes the subject fun to talk about.</i> |
| Riggs, Nancy (3) | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• <i>She has been such a great professor and helped me love geology even more than I</i>• <i>She's always able to help with geology or just any questions I'd have.</i>• <i>Both are amazing professors and amazing people.</i> |
| Skinner, Lisa | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• <i>Really great teacher.</i> |
| Vaughn, Richard | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• <i>He provided a great learning experience in the classroom. He is an amazing</i> |

School of Forestry (5)

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| Bowker, Matthew | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• <i>He has stimulated a lot of thought about the environment and how forest soils are an integral part of that.</i> |
| Hospodarsky, Denver | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• <i>Note taking and his stories.</i> |
| Kolb, Thomas | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• <i>He is very, very knowledgeable and always answers all questions thoroughly. There hasn't been a question he didn't know how to answer. Also, he takes the time to ask students if they understand the material, and if not, clarifies even further. He is also very friendly.</i> |

Yocom, Larissa
Unknown (FOR 220)

- Yes.
- Created an interest in botany, which is my new minor.

COLLEGE OF HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES (18)

College of Health & Human Services (3)

- Jensen, Christopher
Palmer, Stephen
Paolilli, George
- He was helpful and overall very friendly and kind, which I always appreciate.
 - Enjoyable learning environment and experience.
 - (No additional comment)

Health Sciences (6)

- Allen, Katherine
Brown, Betty (2)
Culbertson, William
Dunagan, Gary (2)
- Introduced me to a wide range of topics in health sciences that have positively influenced me and my life. opened my eyes to the work I'd love to do for the rest of my life.
 - She is an amazing professor and cares so much about her students. She brings so much real world experience to the classroom.
 - (No additional comment)
 - Made me love my degree.
 - Positive Encouragement, Guidance, etc.
 - He is amazing.

Physical Therapy & Athletic Training (3)

- Craig, Deborah
Edgerton, Glenn (2)
- She is an amazing professor! I have really enjoyed learning from her.
 - I am always excited to go to Lecture and Lab, He never bores me, explains things as briefly, and as simple as possible, and he's funny.
 - Very caring, and a great teacher.

School of Nursing (6)

- Bradley, Jason
Roberts, Kristine
Umberger, Paul
VanSlyke, Tracy
Watkins, Katherine (2)
- These instructors have different personalities and roles that balance out extremely well. They offer a well rounded and diverse educational experience. They offer a lot of insight and direction when it is needed. They have different strengths, which provide the students with diverse academic, personal and professional advisement.
 - She is helping me become a better nurse!
 - These instructors have different personalities and roles that balance out extremely well. They offer a well rounded and diverse educational experience. They offer a lot of insight and direction when it is needed. They have different strengths, which provide the students with diverse academic, personal and professional advisement.
 - Been an excellent teacher and very helpful and supportive.
 - She's only been my instructor for a few months but her positive attitude and encouragement makes me feel as though I can conquer any obstacle the nursing profession brings my way.
 - (No additional comment)

COLLEGE OF SOCIAL & BEHAVIORAL SCIENCES (111)

College of Social & Behavioral Sciences (3)

- McDonald, Hilary
Spence, Lynn (2)
- Been very helpful with helping me find out my career path.
 - Lynn has been my adviser since I met her, an absolute doll who has gone above and beyond to help me with coordinating my triple major. I am EXTREMELY thankful for each of these individuals, who have all significantly impacted my life in a positive direction.
 - Spence is a fantastic advisor who has been the most help with classes.

Anthropology (17)

- Antes, Scott**
- *He made Anthropology so interesting to learn about. I am minoring in Anthropology because of him.*
- Jacobsen, Kristina (6)**
- *Both are amazing professors and amazing people.*
 - *She is always open to new ideas and she has also recommended a few books. She is receptive, open, and very helpful.*
 - *She wants everyone to succeed and is there to help them accomplish that. She isn't just teaching to teach.*
 - *They have both showed me new ways to view the world and others. Even without having to tell me directly they have set great examples for me.*
 - *Making me learn from different aspect n believes people have and having different understanding of everything in the world.*
 - *Their classes were interesting and engaging.*
- Lampe, Frederick**
- *He has opened my eyes to a different view of life in the sense that indigenous people are really suffering and I never really realized that.*
- Roaf, Mary**
- *(No additional comment)*
- Small, Cathy (2)**
- *Very helpful understand teacher. Made class easy to attend and very interesting.*
 - *Got me interested in other cultures and is very helpful.*
- Smiley, Francis (2)**
- *His class interested me in the major and emphasis!*
 - *Dr. Smiley has been my professor for two classes and she has opened my mind to other ideas. As well as feeling that she cares about the student doing their best. Dr. Smiley has been very encouraging.*
- Smiley, Susan**
- *By personally encouraging me to excel.*
- Vasquez, Michael (3)**
- *He has opened my eyes to completely different cultures I was too ethnocentric to be aware of. He is by far my favorite professor.*
 - *He does a fabulous job relating classroom experiences with world experiences. It is evident that this professor cares a lot about his students and each of their ideas and opinions.*
 - *Discussion based class and interactive projects to show us about the world around us. Willing to learn from students and share own experiences. Excellent professor and human being.*

Criminology & Criminal Justice (16)

- Alvarez, Alexander
Costelloe, Michael
de Heer, Brooke (7)**
- *Willing to help anyone at any time.*
 - *Just being himself and making us work for the things we want.*
 - *Encouraged me to double major and assisted in and out of class.*
 - *She made the class interesting and was always open to talking about stuff.*
 - *Great teacher!*
 - *She has been extremely helpful with the club and she genuinely care about the success of her students.*
 - *She really knows how to teach to our generation and make even the driest subject interesting!*
 - *She is a wonderful instructor who encourages you not only to voice your opinions, but also to think critically and have fun while learning. I learned a lot from her as an instructor and feel comfortable to discuss my opinions with her.*
 - *Supportive in my ideas and choices.*
- Heinzman, Jennifer**
- *By providing positive feedback, encouragement, and a well understand of the course with ideas to help me understand and learn more.*
- Lubick, Nancy**
- *She introduces information that is normally extremely dry in an interesting and informative manner.*
- Schehr, Robert (3)**
- *(No additional comment)*
 - *All of them are extremely intelligent and patient. They all deeply care about the students and they truly do want them to succeed. They have tended to be much more valuable in advising a student than the advisors are.*
 - *The best instructor I've ever had the pleasure of studying under.*

Zickerman, Adam (2)

- *His lectures are always entertaining and some of his comments cause me to look up other information that I would never have learned otherwise (tangential)*
- *(No additional comment)*

Ethnic Studies (7)

Banales, Samuel

- *Professor Banales not only pushes me to critically think about the social differences among society but he also pushes me to analyze exactly what i want to contribute to society. He is so understanding and i feel like he understands me more than any other teacher. He tries his hardest to help expand my intellectual knowledge of the world around me and i am so grateful to have had him as a teacher.*

Montoya, T. Mark (4)

- *Dr. Montoya has taught me more about ethnic studies than could have ever hoped to in just one semester. His intense amiability and professionalism has inspired me to become much more tactful and considerate toward others.*
- *Montoya made understanding others' points of view entertaining, and he presented information in a way that made our own biases clear.*
- *Dr. Montoya taught an excellent class that helped me better understand diversity and that has changed the way I see things in a positive way.*
- *Dr. Montoya is the faculty speaker who gives a speech on the first day of freshman orientation. I have never had Dr. Montoya as a professor but I am an orientation leader and I get to work closely with him during the orientation sessions. He is a very inspirational speaker and it is apparent that he is a genuine person who loves his job and cares about NAU students. Through his speeches he has inspired me to persevere and not let fear stand in my way of achieving my goals.*

Purdy, Daisy (2)

- *Academics.*
- *She has made it clear to me the importance of ethnic diversity in our world.*

Geography, Planning & Recreation (7)

Clark, Robert Owen

- *His teaching style and they way he presents the information need for exams is very helpful in me remembering the information.*

Divine, Aaron (2)

- *Welcoming and helpful*
- *Given me a positive outlook on schooling so far.*

Foti, Pamela

- *Outstanding advisor and mentor, very flexible and knowledgeable.*

Hammersley, Charles

- *He made me understand that relieving stress through recreation is a key to success not only academically but throughout life as well.*

Hawley, Rebecca

- *By truly caring about her students and wanting them to succeed beyond their NAU career.*

Schiefer, Erik

- *Erik has always been there to help me with class work whether it was during his office hours or not.*

Institute for Human Development (1)

Mahosky, Katherine

- *She was such a great professor for my disability studies class. She taught me so much about how to interact with people and was always happy to be in class, which is rare to see in professors these days.*

Politics & International Affairs (9)

Gee, Gretchen (6)

- *They have been kind, patient, understanding and flexible. They expect so much from you as their student that you can't not deliver.*
- *She made me fall in love with politics.*
- *They all taught lectures and test off material in the lectures. What a concept right?*
- *Dr Gee is the only professor that has helped and challenged me.*
- *Their classes were interesting and engaging.*
- *Providing a university experience that one expects & admires.*

Hultgren, John

- *They have been kind, patient, understanding and flexible. They expect so much from you as their student that you can't not deliver.*

Nuno, Stephen

- *Stephen and Martin are my favorite teachers in each of these departments they have completely opened my eyes and changed my view of the world regarding politics History and especially my critical thinking skills. I am EXTREMELY thankful for each of these individuals, who have all significantly impacted my life in a positive direction.*

Pinion, Naomi

- *An amazing professor- has offered new perspectives and challenging classes that have helped me develop.*

Psychology (14)

Anderson, Matthew (3)

- *He has made sure that all of us as students know what we are doing and that we are prepared for anything and has aided us in many ways during the course of our research project to ensure that everything is done correctly.*
- *Matt has been such an amazing teacher. I am currently taking his class, PSY 302W, and I couldn't be anymore pleased with him. He's so upbeat, helpful and he makes attending class exciting.*

Barger, Steven (2)

- *Made a comfortable environment and really made me feel good about my work.*
- *His enthusiasm for the pursuit of knowledge just rubs off on you.*
- *He has gotten me to retain information and learn concepts, not just computational statistics. He helps students and is always supportive.*

Birkett, Melissa (3)

- *Just being such an amazing, open, and enthusiastic teacher.*
- *She always makes her class a positive place to be and her topics she discusses are always interesting.*
- *Always available for help, gave me advising on what classes I should take in for my future career, even though she is not an adviser.*

Edwards, Brooke

- *She has offered plenty of help and is easy to talk to about anything. She is my lab professor and I would rather talk to her rather than my professor.*

Hannemann, Valarie

- *An amazing teacher!*

Houser, John

- *He provides endless knowledge and support whenever I need it!*

Knights, Kathleen

- *All of them are extremely intelligent and patient. They all deeply care about the students and they truly do want them to succeed. They have tended to be much more valuable in advising a student than the advisors are. t an advisor who knows less about what they are advising on than the student does? My best advising hands down was from Dr. Knights.*

Smith, Constance

- *She helped me realize I want to work with and help kids in my life.*

Woodruff, Chad

- *All of them are extremely intelligent and patient. They all deeply care about the students and they truly do want them to succeed. They have tended to be much more valuable in advising a student than the advisors are.*

School of Communication (22)

Anderfuren, Angele

- *She has always given support when I needed it.*

Baker-Ohler, Marie

- *(No additional comment)*

Brandel, Amanda (2)

- *Very encouraging teacher who inspired me and taught me that my voice matters.*
- *She encouraged independent thought and expression.*

Dryden, Amy (2)

- *She is so willing to help and actually wants to see her students succeed, unlike most of this university.*
- *She is very supportive and helpful in and out of the classroom.*

Gialanella, John

- *Made me thoroughly enjoy Graphic Design and I appreciated how welcoming he is.*

Hardy-Short, Dale

- *Being a great teacher.*

Helford, Paul

- *He really encouraged me to pursue a degree in EMF and has kept me involved.*

Hessinger, John

- *Provided the most enjoyable class of my sophomore year. Inspired me highly.*

Horn, Amy

- *She was just always helpful and gave the word of encouragement that were need. She was always glad to give constructive criticism that always helped in the end.*

Hoskins, Dale

- *Impacted my reporting and broadcasting skills significantly.*

Johnson, Christopher (2)

- *Just a really nice and supportive instructor.*
- *Taught me a lot, great teacher and person.*

- Kirkby, Benjamin (2)**
- *Always willing to sit down with you if you have a problem and solves it the best he can. I always love going to his class.*
 - *He has taught me so much about the world of design.*
- Mahaffey, Jerome
Mitchell, Kimberly**
- *Great professor all around.*
 - *Both professors have believed in my abilities and gave me the confidence to continue a strong and beneficial education. I appreciate their passion for teaching my generation and their positive souls.*
- Russo, Kira (2)**
- *They both have really helped me learn a lot. Kira Russo is very understanding and helps me understand the concepts in class and truly wants everybody to succeed and she will help no matter what.*
 - *She has helped me develop a new, better way of writing. And has improved my grammar skills immensely.*
- Schutten, Julie**
- *In my first semester of college, she made me feel comfortable in the classroom and I felt that she actually cared about her students and our opinions. I tried to take another class with her this semester and couldn't, but I will definitely try in the*
- Thull, John**
- *He is knowledgeable and passionate about his area of expertise and it shows through his teaching. Without having him as my professor, I may have chosen a different path at NAU.*

Sociology & Social Work (14)

- Barnes, Rhonda
Degher, Douglas (3)**
- *(No additional comment)*
 - *Fantastic teacher, learned so much.*
 - *His teaching style and demeanor is great. I changed my major to sociology after taking his Social Problems class.*
 - *He has made learning interesting and fun, and is always welcoming of questions and different opinions, which make his classes all the more interesting.*
- Garelick, Risa (2)**
- *I really enjoyed her class and became interested in media views.*
 - *She genuinely cares about the issues that she teaches.*
- Luna, Yvonne
Mahmoudi, Kooros
Reed, James (4)**
- *Encouraged me to keep going and stay in school.*
 - *Inspirational.*
 - *Reed is a great professor who has greatly helped me develop.*
 - *James was an outstanding instructor! I enjoyed his 201 class so much! He's part of the reason I've decided to continue with sociology classes*
 - *Dr. Reed has taught me the most useful and realistic information out of all of my professors that I have had at NAU combined.*
 - *Both great teachers/people.*
- Rhodes, Melissa (2)**
- *She is kind and provides great insight into the Social Work field.*
 - *I love her teaching style. She is always very open to hearing about all students point of view and encourages students to do their best. She is a very understand professor and takes all into consideration. I look forward to her classes.*

Women's and Gender Studies (1)

- Hackstaff, Karla**
- *She has inspired me, challenged me, and encouraged me very much. She is always fair and honest.*

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Admissions (2)

- Rehn, Paul (2)**
- *I remember Paul from right before my freshman year, and he still says hello every time I see him. It's just nice to know that someone out there knows that I exist, and will make a point of letting me know it.*
 - *This instructor takes the time to properly invest in the lives of their students. Great individual.*

Air Force ROTC (2)

- Doan, Brandon (2)**
- *He is a very personable commander and he genuinely cares about all the cadre and cadets. I am sad to see him leave after this semester.*
 - *Has pushed me to become better than I am.*

Athletics (2)

- Lowie, Pamela**
- *Helped me with advising, and class problems. She also provides the most help like tutoring and problems with instructors.*
- McDaniel, Kendrick**
- *(No additional comment)*

Campus Recreation Services (3)

- Donzella, Brittnie**
- *(No additional comment)*
- Finney, Corinne**
- *She is very supportive and I know she is there when I need anything. I feel safer and more confident when I am in her class.*
- Powers, Rhonda**
- *They have both showed me new ways to view the world and others. Even without having to tell me directly they have set great examples for me.*

Center for International Education (1)

- Trejo-Sainz, Javier**
- *Javi not only taught me how to speak Spanish, he also taught me many lessons about life while I was in Costa Rica.*

Cline Library (1)

- Ketchner, Kevin**
- *Facilitated classes that were both interesting and engaging. Asked for an accepted student-directed class discussions instead of having a list of questions we had to answer during the class.*

Ecological Restoration Institute (1)

- Normandin, Donald**
- *Gave me an awesome job.*

Educational Support (9)

- Canning, Patrick (2)**
- *Very interesting and engaging, cares about his students and wants to help.*
 - *Both of these faculty taught me so many interesting and insightful things about education that really promoted my want to become a teacher.*
- Morris, Katie**
- *Both great teachers/people.*
- Ruiz, Joseph (2)**
- *He has served as an advisor and someone to talk to whenever I have needed advice. He is more helpful in relation to some of my classes than the professors who teach them.*
 - *Welcomed me to NAU with welcoming arms and continued even through my second year here.*
- Van Sanford, Dianna (4)**
- *Dianna has helped me with many opportunities to be more involved and reach my goals.*
 - *She has encouraged me and helped me stay on track and do my best.*
 - *She kept me calm when I was on the verge of freaking out and if I had a problem she knew just who to put me into contact with so that I could learn above and beyond what I needed to know to fix my problem.*
 - *Provided great counseling when needed.*

Extended Campuses (10)

- Culp, Bonnie**
- *Very dedicated teacher.*
- Jacobson, Roxane**
- *She has always been available to answer questions that others have not and focus on me instead of just the job that she as to do. She is one of the few NAU staff members that I think actually cares about me.*

- Jensen, Nancy
- Johnstad, Susan (2)
 - *Very much.*
 - *If it weren't for Susan's constant reassurance I would have quit school.*
 - *She is always encouraging and ready to help out. She is a great instructor as well!*
- Mellberg, Nancy
- Nelson, Brenda
 - *Very patient, encourages student to improve, does not focus on the negative.*
 - *She is passionate about teaching & her lessons are fun and engaging. She encourages everyone to do their best & respectfully gives corrective criticism.*
- Paul, Amy
 - *Amy Paul has been guiding me from the beginning of my time as an NAU student in choosing the correct combination of courses each semester. This has helped me to balance the workload and prevented me from being overwhelmed throughout the semesters.*
- Taubman, Kristen
 - *She has a way of teaching you, yet you are thinking for yourself. She is very disciplined and intelligent and an excellent role model. She has taught me so much about myself and how to write a university worthy paper!*
- Winkler, Philippa
 - *Encouraged me to expand critical thinking.*

Facility Services (1)

- Capps, Paul
 - *Paul gave me a job here at NAU and always understands that I am a student and a young women and if I need or want to take off work he understands.*

Financial Aid (2)

- Allison, Vita
 - *She helped me get back into NAU, along with the Phoenix NAU Financial aid coordinator.*
- Cuellar, Esther
 - *She has been an amazingly understanding boss.*

Gateway Student Success Center (1)

- Borthwick-Wong, Emily
 - *Emily has really influenced me to reach my full potential in whatever I aspire to do. From getting good grades in classes to running the HAPA Hawaiian Club. Her words and wisdom have resonated with me.*

Honors Program (8)

- Dakan, Cassandra (2)
 - *Cultivating a desire to learn more, analyze, and to write well.*
 - *Was very open and nonjudgmental to different opinions or backgrounds.*
- Hoffman, Adam
 - *Facilitated classes that were both interesting and engaging. Asked for an accepted student-directed class discussions instead of having a list of questions we had to answer during the class.*
- Quinn, Kerri (2)
 - *By being incredibly supportive and fun.*
 - *She is so professional and yet so down to earth. She lets her students be who they are and is very good at developing relationships with them.*
- Ramsay, Everett (2)
 - *Encouraged all students to think critically about the world around them and to think for themselves. Also he stressed the importance of loving everyone for their own differences. He always welcomed his students to come into his office, and sit and have a cup of tea with him. Because of this, you knew he actually cared.*
 - *Such an amazing teacher and man. I had him last year for HON 190 and changed my entire perspective of the world. He will be missed. :(*
- Sheridan, Kathryn
 - *She is very welcoming and approachable with any issue or problem, academic or otherwise, I have had.*

Housing & Residence Life (7)

- Campbell, Troy
- Currie, Chelseae
- Figueroa, Kellie
- Olson, Sarah
 - *(No additional comment)*
 - *Gave me the opportunity to become an RA.*
 - *Extremely helpful and caring.*
 - *She is one of the most wonderfully understanding and supportive people I know. She has always been there for me as a supervisor and a friend and she is always willing to help with whatever I need.*

Salazar, Victor

- *Helped create a positive working environment and demonstrates what it takes to be a strong leader.*

Tickner, Corey

- *By being open to talk about life; both academically and personal situations.*

Totress, Georgia

- *She has been so supportive and give me assistance no matter when I needed it. She has also taught me so much in my education role and work role.*

Native American Student Services (2)

Doctor, Sharon

- *She took the time to acknowledge me and my education, always positive and encouraging. She actually was the one who got me into NAU. Thank you and God Bless.*

Frank, Kathleen

- *(No additional comment)*

NAU-Yuma (5)

Arroyo, Elena

- *Sharing their experience and helping me.*

Clark, Heather

- *These instructors have different personalities and roles that balance out extremely well. They offer a well rounded and diverse educational experience. They offer a lot of insight and direction when it is needed. They have different strengths, which provide the students with diverse academic, personal and professional advisement.*

Horberg, Benjamin (2)

- *He has encouraged me to be the best I can be and to manage my time if I want to succeed.*
- *By giving me a feedback, always, in my work and showing his interest for everybody to understand any material taught in his class and outside of class, also.*

Scott, Cindy

- *She taught me in a way I could understand.*

New Student Programs (2)

Gilbert, Sara Jean (2)

- *Made me a better leader.*
- *She has taught me to be open and embrace what makes me unique. She has given me opportunities to grown and truly impact the community. She is the only person this year to make an effort to get to know me.*

Office of Public Affairs (1)

Rueda, Isa

- *Isa has helped get me motivated to try and work harder and better myself as a student and individual. I could never ask for a better boss, she is amazing!*

Sky Dome (1)

Brown, Dave

- *He has been an inspiration, guide, and mentor.*

Student Learning Centers (3)

Baca, Nancy (3)

- *Very encouraging and engaged!*
- *They're both wonderful professors who really care about their students.*
- *Both are excellent teachers who care about the students and have great teaching skills.*

Student Life (1)

Brandel, Rick

- *Rick Brandel has helped me personally and made my experience here worth it.*

Student Support Services (1)

Caballero, Abbey

- *Helped with academic advising, plans, etc.*

University College (2)

Berutich, Lauren

- *I took a class with Lauren my first semester of my freshman year. I was a very shy person and Lauren's class helped me work through that. She made a tremendous impact on my NAU experience. Her teachings and her class is the reason I want to work with kids. I appreciate Lauren Berutich more than she will ever know!*

Morrison, Lanny

- *He motivated me work harder and to set goals in order to strengthen my career plans.*

Other (4)

(Last name unknown), Brittney

- *(Math 270 tutoring) Great help, if it wasn't for her I would have no clue what is happening in class. She is easy going and is very smart and helpful.*

James, Martha

- *She helped me figure out classes in a way that made it really easy to my demanding schedule by actually caring about me as a student. I am disappointed with my new academic adviser since Martha moved positions.*

Lewine, Chase

- *(No additional comment)*

Li, Peng

- *(No additional comment)*