

Student Course Ratings FAQs:

Why should I complete my course evaluations?

Throughout your time at UMass Dartmouth, the University will solicit feedback from you in a variety of ways to help us determine whether we are achieving our mission and identify areas for improvement. Course ratings provide individual instructors with feedback on their teaching and their courses so they can improve the learning experience. In addition, student ratings of courses are one piece of information used as part of the annual evaluation of faculty in determining reappointment, promotion, and tenure. Your feedback on your courses is essential. Please help us reach a good response rate and provide your instructors with thoughtful feedback that will help us improve the educational experience at UMass Dartmouth.

When do course ratings start? When do they close?

Undergraduate, Graduate, and Law course ratings will open on Wednesday, April 12th and will run through Wednesday, April 26th.

I don't remember seeing the course evaluations invitation email - how can I access my evaluation forms?

Course evaluations can be accessed through the MyCourses dashboard, found here: <https://my.umassd.edu/> or directly at <https://courseval.umassd.edu>. You will be asked to log in using your UMassD Logon.

I need to make some corrections to my course ratings form, but I've already submitted it – can I still make changes to it?

During the evaluation period you can send an email to ithelp@umassd.edu and request that your response be reset. Once the assessment period has ended, the course ratings cannot be reset.

Are the responses and feedback that I provide completely anonymous?

The responses and comments that students provide on their course evaluation forms are strictly confidential, and the results are securely housed within the CoursEval system. Course instructors are never able to see individually identifiable responses or comments. They are able to see numerical summaries and free text comments only **after** they submit all final grades for the course.

I have been asked to provide feedback for a course in which I am the only student (thesis, independent study, etc.). How can my responses be considered anonymous?

All students in all courses need to have the opportunity to provide ratings for their courses. That said, instructors will only receive evaluation feedback reports for courses in which two or more students are enrolled and have responded to the evaluation.

I have questions that have not been answered by this page. Who can I contact for more information?

The Office of Institutional Research and Assessment can be contacted at instresearch@umassd.edu if you have additional questions.