

Students' Perceptions of Characteristics of Effective College Teachers

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- (1) **student-centered** (58.88%);
- (2) knowledgeable about subject matter (44.08%);
- (3) professional (40.79%);
- (4) **enthusiastic about teaching** (29.82%);
- (5) **effective at communication** (23.46%);
- (6) accessible (23.25%);
- (7) competent at instruction (21.82%);
- (8) **fair and respectful** (21.60%); and
- (9) **provider of adequate performance feedback** (5.04%).

Characteristics of Effective College Teachers

- **Student-centered**

- Genuine concern for student learning

- **Fair and respectful**

- Syllabus provides foundation for fair and respectful interactions

- **Provider of adequate performance feedback**

- Respectful of student efforts and invested in student achievement

- **Effective at communication**

- Responds respectfully to students
- Is respectful of student concerns/questions
- Provides and follows clear and published methods of communication

- **Enthusiastic about teaching**

- Passionate about subject and “passing the torch”
- Students, regardless of their course grade, evaluate teachers higher if they feel they have learned