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Hi Dale,

I've just finished reviewing the IAS and departmental form student evaluations for spring, and I wanted to drop you a note of thanks about your ESC 115 evaluations.

I know that it is not easy to teach basic science classes to (mainly) non-science majors, and one thing I've believed since you and I first met over the telephone is that you could do this well. These IAS forms contain the first hard data that I was right.

This is the most uniformly positive set of qualitative evaluations I've seen for a basic science course. Congratulations! There are the normal complaints about the time of day, text field trips, and labs, but there is a great deal more of the kind of assessment that's summarized by the student who writes, "Dale did an excellent job, and I would take any of his classes w/o hesitation." I also like "Dr. Easley's real-life experience made it easy for him to relate geology to our everyday life." and "A lot of good lectures and presentations as well as labs. Knowledgeable instructor."

Thank you, Dale, for the good work you are doing. I hope you are as pleased about this move as I am.

John S.

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