WEIE Instructional Study Observation Protocol

Instructions

- This protocol is designed to help review the different activities that may take place during a technician education course at a community college (e.g., lecture, discussion, demonstration, handson/lab work, student presentation). The observer needs to answer the following seven questions for each activity he or she observes during the class session:
 - Q1. What's going on during this activity? (based on your observation notes)
 - Q2. Which kind of knowledge and skills was addressed in this activity? (content)
 - Q3. What problem solving or trouble shooting skills did students use?
 - Q4. Which mode/type of activity was used? (activity mode)
 - Q5. How were the majority of students engaged with the content during this activity? (student engagement)
 - Q6. Which type of questioning and feedback was evident when the instructor was interacting with students during this activity? (instructor's assessment practice)
 - Q7. What technology and equipment (including tools, instruments, & machines) were used in this activity? (technology/equipment use)
- Activities: Identifying when an activity begins and ends may be difficult. The start and finish of an activity can often be determined by what is happening in the class (a topic or objective change) or by how it is happening (such as a shift in student/teacher interaction or a change in the type of activity). Here are some indications of when an activity change is taking place:

What is happening in the class-

- The topic changes, signaled by movement to a different domain within a subject area,
- A new <u>instructional objective</u> is introduced, eliciting new patterns of thinking, communicating, or acting (e.g. attention shifts from learning a new skill to using it)

How it is happening in the class-

- The <u>participant structure</u> changes, that is, there is a shift in the way the instructors and students interact (e.g. movement from whole group lecture to small group collaboration) or there is a change in the way roles are assigned among students (e.g. from collaboration to tutoring). The following are additional examples of structure changes that signify a new activity;
 - The <u>spatial arrangements</u> in the room shift, that is , people change places or physical objects in the room are re-configured to afford a different kind of activity,
 - The <u>activity mode</u> changes, for example the class moves from a teacher's lecture to hands-on work by the students (Note that sometimes a lecture may contain a demonstration, or a hands-on activity may include a brief introduction by the teacher. These instances should be considered part of a single activity, rather than each mode being a separate activity.)
 - The <u>outcome or product</u> of an instructional interaction changes, for example, instruction moves from coverage of a topic to producing something in the lab, or
 - The instructor or students make a <u>bid to close</u> a segment of classroom activity, signaled by specific instructions to students about wrapping up or by the instructor beginning to review just finished work or instructing students about rearranging space in the classroom.

Ultimately, you must make a judgment in context to determine the boundaries of activities. Record the beginning and ending times of each activity you observe. (Use your own watch to keep time if you have one available.) Also note the duration of each activity.

3. During the class, use the *Classroom Observation Note Sheet* to record your observations.



- 4. Focus on observable behaviors rather than making inferences about what the teacher is trying to do or what students have in their mind.
- 5. Walk around the room and get a sense of what is going on in the class overall. It is probably a good idea to try to be near the teacher during the seatwork or group work to observe some student-teacher interactions.
- 6. After the observation, try to schedule a 15 to 20 minute meeting with the teacher to discuss the class you just observed and complete the *Instructor Post-Lesson Debriefing* form.
- 7. As soon as possible after the observation and teacher debriefing, complete the Background Information, the Overview of the Observed Class, and the seven questions presented on the *Classroom Activity Form* for every activity you observed during the class session. Use your Note Sheet to answer the questions.



Background Information



Overview of the Observed Class

A. What took place in the class? (Please complete this overview after you have observed the class and took notes for each activity).

	Activity 1	Activity 2 Activity 3		Activity 4	
Activity Mode		Lecture	Lecture	Lecture	
(e.g., Lecture, Lab,	Demonstration	Demonstration	Demonstration	Demonstration	
Student Presentation)	Hands-on	Hands-on	Hands-on	Hands-on	
	🗌 Lab	🗌 Lab	🗌 Lab	🗌 Lab	
	Discussion	Discussion	Discussion	Discussion	
	 ☐ Student	 ☐ Student	 ☐ Student	 ☐ Student	
	Presentation	Presentation	Presentation	Presentation	
	Other	Other	Other	☐ Other	
Instructor or Student	Instructor	Instructor	Instructor	Instructor	
Focused	Student	Student	Student	Student	
Start time	1112				
	1112				
Finish time					
Duration					
During your	🗌 Yes	🗌 Yes	🗌 Yes	🗌 Yes	
observation, was the	🗌 No	🗌 No	🗌 No	🗌 No	
activity completed?	□ Not Sure	□ Not Sure	Not Sure	□ Not Sure	
How often did the	None	None	None	□ None	
instructor interact	□ 1-3	□ 1-3	□ 1-3	□ 1-3	
with the students?	□ 4-6	□ 4-6	4-6	□ 4-6	
(Refer to the tallies on	□ 7-9	□ 7-9	☐ 7-9	☐ 7-9	
your observation notes)	□ 10+	□ 10+	□ 10+	□ 10+	
How often did the					
instructor question	□ 1-3	□ 1-3	1-3	□ 1-3	
the students using	□ 4-6	☐ 4-6	4-6	4-6	
closed questions?	□ 7 -9	☐ 7-9	□ - 7-9	☐ 7 -9	
(Refer to the tallies on			_	_	
your observation notes)		□ 10+	10+	□ 10+	
How often did the	None	🗌 None	🗌 None	□ None	
instructor question	□ 1-3	□ 1-3	□ 1-3	□ 1-3	
the students using	4-6	4-6	4-6	4-6	
open-ended	□ 7-9	□ 7-9	□ 7-9	□ 7-9	
questions?	 □ 10+	 □ 10+	 □ 10+	 □ 10+	
(Refer to the tallies on					
your observation notes)					



	Activity 5	Activity 6	Activity 7	Activity 8
Activity Mode (e.g., Lecture, Lab, Student Presentation) Instructor or Student Focused Start time	.ab, Demonstration Demonstration Demonstration .ab, Hands-on Hands-on Hands-on .ab Lab Lab Lab .ab Discussion Discussion Discussion .ab Student Student Student .ab Presentation Presentation Presentation		 Lecture Demonstration Hands-on Lab Discussion Student Presentation Other Instructor Student 	
Finish time				
Duration				
During your observation, was the activity completed?	☐ Yes ☐ No ☐ Not Sure	☐ Yes ☐ No ☐ Not Sure	☐ Yes ☐ No ☐ Not Sure	Yes No Not Sure
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How often did the instructor question the students using closed questions? (Refer to the tallies on your observation notes)	 □ None □ 1-3 □ 4-6 □ 7-9 □ 10+ 	 □ None □ 1-3 □ 4-6 □ 7-9 □ 10+ 	 □ None □ 1-3 □ 4-6 □ 7-9 □ 10+ 	 □ None □ 1-3 □ 4-6 □ 7-9 □ 10+
How often did the instructor question the students using open-ended questions? (Refer to the tallies on your observation notes)	 None 1-3 4-6 7-9 10+ 	 None 1-3 4-6 7-9 10+ 	 None 1-3 4-6 7-9 10+ 	 None 1-3 4-6 7-9 10+



Classroom Activity Form

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Was there more than one instructional activity taking place during the activity? I Yes No

Number of students engaged in this activity	Number of students engaged in other activities			

 \rightarrow If "yes", include the proportion of students engaged in this activity.

Q2. Content: Which kind of knowledge and skills was addressed in this activity? (Mark all that apply)

Before you finalize your coding below, please verify with the instructor during the debrief interview about which type of knowledge was covered in the observed class.

	system knowledge (how it works)				
	declarative knowledge (terminology)				
Technical	procedural knowledge (how to do it)				
	strategic knowledge (when to do it; how to organize system & procedural knowledge into effective strategy or plan)				
	(Steenberger & Gitomore 1996)				
Social Technical	technical communication (e.g., explain & justify technical approach)				
	teamwork				
Social	project management				



Q3. Problem Solving and trouble-shooting: First, rate the level of each problem solving classification (below) for this activity. Then, respond to the question at the bottom of this page.

Problem Features				Scale			
Variety							
No Variety:	No Variet	y				Variety	Not
Students told how to solve problems or given only one way	0	1	2	3	4	5	Observed
VS.							
Variety: Students allowed to use multiple ways to solve problems							
Structuredness	Tight					Loose	Not
Tight:	0	1	2	3	4	5	Observed
All problem elements presented; Prescribed solution rules; Known solution VS.							
Loose: Problem elements not known; Uncertainty about rules; Multiple possible solutions							
Complexity	Simple					Complex	x Not
Complex:	0	1	2	3	4	5	Observed
Multiple interconnected variables; Dynamic problem states							
VS.							
Simple: Low number of isolated variables; Stable problem state							
Domain Specificity	General					Specific	Not
Specific:	0	1	2	3	4	5	Observed
Problems dependent on the nature of the context							
Must solve with reasoning unique to domain							
VS.							
General: Problems grounded in general logic Can use general reasoning strategies							

Based on criteria described above, did this activity require students to use problem solving or trouble shooting skills?

Yes (if yes, provide an example)No

Example of problem solving or trouble shooting used in this activity.



Q4. Activity Mode: Which mode/type of activity was used for this activity, and what was the level of student/teacher interaction? (Select all the modes that apply. Also, select the size of the group involved, the level of student/teacher interaction for each selected mode [based on your observation tallies], then, select the mode used for the longest time in this activity)

a	Lecture: The instructor gave instructions, lectured, reviewed assignments or tests, or otherwise gave information. The instructor did most of talking, although he or she may have asked some factual or recall questions.
	Student/Teacher Interaction
b	Demonstration/Modeling: The instructor modeled or demonstrated procedures. (check the type of
	student audience below)
	Student/Teacher Interaction
c□	Hands-on in classroom:
	Student/Teacher Interaction
d□	Lab:
	Student/Teacher Interaction
е□	Discussion: The instructor asked students to discuss a question or topic and responded to student
	comments.
	Student/Teacher Interaction
f	Student Presentation small group/ pair individual work
	Student/Teacher Interaction
	None Some A lot
g□	Other (please briefly describe):
	🗌 whole class 🛛 small group/ pair 🗌 individual work
	Student/Teacher Interaction
Dom	inant Activity Mode: (Please use letter code from above to indicate what the instructor and
stude	ents spent the most time doing during this activity).
comr	t aspect of student performance is the focus of the instructor's comments? (For example -are the nents focused on procedural or strategic knowledge or related to project management or student work?)

If small group or pair is selected above, did students produce a group product or solution that includes contributions from each student?

🗌 Yes

No (students produced individual work or solutions)



Q5. Student Engagement: How were the majority of students engaged with the content <u>during this</u> <u>activity</u>? (Select all that apply, then select the dominant in terms of the longest time spent)

[Modified from Webb's Depth of Knowledge]

a	No or little active engagement (e.g., listen to lecture, read in a book, or watched a video; no or little student talk about the content; off-task behavior).					
b	Recall or recognition of a fact, information, concept, or procedure					
c□	Basic application of skills/concept —followed given procedures, used suggested skills and knowledge to accomplish a simple or routine task					
Ъ	Strategic thinking – engaged in some decision making such as developing a plan or sequence of steps to approach problem; engaged in reasoning such as explanation and justification for a chosen approach; this often involves working on an open-ended and complex task that has more than one possible way to approach.					
e	Extended thinking – engaged in an extended investigation or project to solve a real-world complex problem, which requires time to research, think, and process multiple conditions of the problem, and high level of problem solving, self-monitoring and reflection, and autonomy.					
	Dominant Student Engagement type:(Please use letter code from above to indicate the type of engagement students spent the most time doing during this activity).					



Q6. Instructor's Assessment Practices: In this section, please characterize (with examples) the types of questions that you tallied and provide more detail on the types of assessment practices that you observed (*Mark all that apply.*)

A. Questioning

If observed, give one or two examples of a closed-ended (known-answer) question

If observed, give one or two examples of an **open-ended question**

B. Monitoring

Monitors student activities informally (walking around classroom or lab; posing questions to individuals or small groups)

Observed students formally (using a checklist or rubric)

Provide one or two example of instructor's monitoring practices

C. Tests/Quiz/Performance Task

Gave a pencil-and-paper quiz or test for students to complete

Had students complete a graded performance task

D. Reflection

Asked students to reflect (self-assess) on their own learning – may be done with other students (e.g., *Do you get it? What don't you understand?* The goal is to get students to internalize their own quality criteria. Peer assessment; students using rubric to assess their own work).

Provide one or two examples of student reflection





Q7. Technology/Equipment Use: What technology and equipment (including tools, instruments, & machines) were used in this activity?

Technology and equipment (including tools, instruments & machines) used:
Computers (laptop, desktop, etc.)
Printers
Projectors (overhead and other projectors)
Hand Tools (hammer, screwdriver, etc.)
Power Tools (electric tools)
Measurement instruments (both manual and digital)
Lab Equipment (glassware, etc.)
Industry-specific equipment and materials (i.e. solar panels)
Describe:
└ Other
Describe:
The technology/equipment is used by: the instructor, students
(If students are using the technology/equipment)
Students were using computers alone in pairs in groups whole class



Activity Form 2

Activity 2

Start time:

End time:

Q1. What's going on <u>during this activity</u>? Use your observation notes to briefly describe what the instructor and students were doing during this activity, including the flow of sub- activities, the content, and transitions to other activities.

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Briefly describe the activity you observed. Include the type(s) of technology used during the activity, the level of student involvement, and the degree of teacher/student interaction.

Was there more than one instructional activity taking place during the activity?
I Yes
No



 \rightarrow If "yes", include the proportion of students engaged in this activity.

Number of students engaged in this activity	Number of students engaged in other activities			

Q2. Content: Which kind of knowledge and skills was addressed in this activity? (Mark all that apply)

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	teamwork		
Social	project management		



Q3. Problem Solving and trouble-shooting: First, rate the level of each problem solving classification (below) for this activity. Then, respond to the question at the bottom of this page.

Problem Features				Scale			
Variety							
No Variety:	No Variet	y				Variety	Not
Students told how to solve	0	1	2	3	4	5	Observed
problems or given only one way VS.							
Variety: Students allowed to use multiple ways to solve problems							
Structuredness	Tight					Loose	Not
Tight:	0	1	2	3	4	5	Observed
All problem elements presented; Prescribed solution rules; Known solution							
VS.							
Loose: Problem elements not known; Uncertainty about rules; Multiple possible solutions							
Complexity	Simple					Complex	x Not
Complex:	0	1	2	3	4	5	Observed
Multiple interconnected variables;							
Dynamic problem states VS.							
Simple:							
Low number of isolated variables; Stable problem state							
Domain Specificity	General					Specific	Not
Specific:	0	1	2	3	4	5	Observed
Problems dependent on the							
nature of the context Must solve with reasoning unique to domain							
VS.							
General: Problems grounded in general logic Can use general reasoning strategies							

Based on criteria described above, did this activity require students to use problem solving or trouble shooting skills?

Yes (if yes, provide an example)No

Example of problem solving or trouble shooting used in this activity.



Q4. Activity Mode: Which mode/type of activity was used for this activity, and what was the level of student/teacher interaction? (Select all the modes that apply. Also, select the size of the group involved, the level of student/teacher interaction for each selected mode [based on your observation tallies], then, select the mode used for the longest time in this activity)

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	recall questions.
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	student audience below) whole class small group/ pair individual
	Student/Teacher Interaction
c□	Hands-on in classroom: whole class small group/ pair
	Student/Teacher Interaction
d	Lab:
	Student/Teacher Interaction
е□	Discussion: The instructor asked students to discuss a question or topic and responded to student
	comments. whole class small group/ pair
	Student/Teacher Interaction
f	Student Presentation Small group/ pair individual work
	Student/Teacher Interaction
g□	Other (please briefly describe):
	🗌 whole class 🛛 small group/ pair 📄 individual work
	Student/Teacher Interaction
	None Some A lot
	inant Activity Mode: (Please use letter code from above to indicate what the instructor and ents spent the most time doing during this activity).
What	t aspect of student performance is the focus of the instructor's comments? (For example -are the
	ments focused on procedural or strategic knowledge or related to project management or student
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b	Recall or recognition of a fact, information, concept, or procedure						
c□	Basic application of skills/concept —followed given procedures, used suggested skills and knowledge to accomplish a simple or routine task						
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C. Tests/Quiz/Performance Task

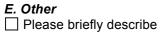
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Lab Equipment (glassware, etc.)
Industry-specific equipment and materials (i.e. solar panels)
Describe:
Other
Describe:
The technology/equipment is used by: the instructor, students
(If students are using the technology/equipment)
Students were using computers alone in pairs in groups whole class



Activity Form 4

Activity 4

Start time:

End time:

Q1. What's going on <u>during this activity</u>? Use your observation notes to briefly describe what the instructor and students were doing during this activity, including the flow of sub- activities, the content, and transitions to other activities.

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Briefly describe the activity you observed. Include the type(s) of technology used during the activity, the level of student involvement, and the degree of teacher/student interaction.

Was there more than one instructional activity taking place during the activity?
I Yes I No



 \rightarrow If "yes", include the proportion of students engaged in this activity.

Number of students engaged in this activity	Number of students engaged in other activities

Q2. Content: Which kind of knowledge and skills was addressed in this activity? (Mark all that apply)

Before you finalize your coding below, please verify with the instructor during the debrief interview about which type of knowledge was covered in the observed class.

	system knowledge (how it works)						
	declarative knowledge (terminology)						
Technical	procedural knowledge (how to do it)						
	strategic knowledge (when to do it; how to organize system & procedural knowledge into effective strategy or plan)						
	(Steenberger & Gitomore 1996)						
Social Technical	technical communication (e.g., explain & justify technical approach)						
	teamwork						
Social	project management						



Q3. Problem Solving and trouble-shooting: First, rate the level of each problem solving classification (below) for this activity. Then, respond to the question at the bottom of this page.

Problem Features				Scale			
Variety							
No Variety:	No Variet	/				Variety	Not
Students told how to solve	0	1	2	3	4	5	Observed
problems or given only one way VS.							
Variety: Students allowed to use multiple ways to solve problems							
Structuredness	Tight					Loose	Not
Tight:	0	1	2	3	4	5	Observed
All problem elements presented; Prescribed solution rules; Known solution							
VS.							
Loose: Problem elements not known; Uncertainty about rules; Multiple possible solutions							
Complexity	Simple					Complex	x Not
Complex:	0	1	2	3	4	5	Observed
Multiple interconnected variables;							
Dynamic problem states VS.							
Simple:							
Low number of isolated variables; Stable problem state							
Domain Specificity	General					Specific	Not
Specific:	0	1	2	3	4	5	Observed
Problems dependent on the							
nature of the context Must solve with reasoning unique to domain							
VS.							
General: Problems grounded in general logic Can use general reasoning strategies							

Based on criteria described above, did this activity require students to use problem solving or trouble shooting skills?

Yes (if yes, provide an example)No

Example of problem solving or trouble shooting used in this activity.



Q4. Activity Mode: Which mode/type of activity was used for this activity, and what was the level of student/teacher interaction? (Select all the modes that apply. Also, select the size of the group involved, the level of student/teacher interaction for each selected mode [based on your observation tallies], then, select the mode used for the longest time in this activity)

a	Lecture: The instructor gave instructions, lectured, reviewed assignments or tests, or otherwise gave information. The instructor did most of talking, although he or she may have asked some factual or
	recall questions.
	Student/Teacher Interaction
b	Demonstration/Modeling: The instructor modeled or demonstrated procedures. (check the type of
	student audience below)
	whole class small group/ pair individual
	Student/Teacher Interaction
	None Some A lot
с	Hands-on in classroom:
	whole class small group/ pair individual work
	Student/Teacher Interaction
	None Some A lot
d	Lab:
	Student/Teacher Interaction
	None Some A lot
e□	Discussion: The instructor asked students to discuss a question or topic and responded to student comments.
	whole class small group/ pair
	Student/Teacher Interaction
f	Student Presentation
	small group/ pair individual work
	Student/Teacher Interaction
	🗌 None 🔄 Some 🔲 A lot
g□	Other (please briefly describe):
	whole class small group/ pair individual work
	Student/Teacher Interaction
	None Some A lot
	inant Activity Mode: (Please use letter code from above to indicate what the instructor and
	ents spent the most time doing during this activity).
	t aspect of student performance is the focus of the instructor's comments? (For example -are the
	nents focused on procedural or strategic knowledge or related to project management or student
lean	work?)

If small group or pair is selected above, did students produce a group product or solution that includes contributions from each student?

🗌 Yes

No (students produced individual work or solutions)



Q5. Student Engagement: How were the majority of students engaged with the content <u>during this</u> <u>activity</u>? (Select all that apply, then select the dominant in terms of the longest time spent)

[Modified from Webb's Depth of Knowledge]

a	No or little active engagement (e.g., listen to lecture, read in a book, or watched a video; no or little student talk about the content; off-task behavior).						
b	Recall or recognition of a fact, information, concept, or procedure						
c□	Basic application of skills/concept —followed given procedures, used suggested skills and knowledge to accomplish a simple or routine task						
Ъ	Strategic thinking – engaged in some decision making such as developing a plan or sequence of steps to approach problem; engaged in reasoning such as explanation and justification for a chosen approach; this often involves working on an open-ended and complex task that has more than one possible way to approach.						
e	Extended thinking – engaged in an extended investigation or project to solve a real-world complex problem, which requires time to research, think, and process multiple conditions of the problem, and high level of problem solving, self-monitoring and reflection, and autonomy.						
Dominant Student Engagement type:(Please use letter code from above to indicate the type of engagement students spent the most time doing during this activity).							



Q6. Instructor's Assessment Practices: In this section, please characterize (with examples) the types of questions that you tallied and provide more detail on the types of assessment practices that you observed (*Mark all that apply.*)

A. Questioning

If observed, give one or two examples of a closed-ended (known-answer) question

If observed, give one or two examples of an **open-ended question**

B. Monitoring

Monitors student activities informally (walking around classroom or lab; posing questions to individuals or small groups)

Observed students formally (using a checklist or rubric)

Provide one or two example of instructor's monitoring practices

C. Tests/Quiz/Performance Task

Gave a pencil-and-paper quiz or test for students to complete

Had students complete a graded performance task

D. Reflection

Asked students to reflect (self-assess) on their own learning – may be done with other students (e.g., *Do you get it? What don't you understand?* The goal is to get students to internalize their own quality criteria. Peer assessment; students using rubric to assess their own work).

Provide one or two examples of student reflection





Q7. Technology/Equipment Use: What technology and equipment (including tools, instruments, & machines) were used in this activity?

Technology and equipment (including tools, instruments & machines) used:
Computers (laptop, desktop, etc.)
Printers
Projectors (overhead and other projectors)
Hand Tools (hammer, screwdriver, etc.)
Power Tools (electric tools)
Measurement instruments (both manual and digital)
Lab Equipment (glassware, etc.)
Industry-specific equipment and materials (i.e. solar panels)
Describe:
└ Other
Describe:
The technology/equipment is used by: the instructor, students
(If students are using the technology/equipment)
Students were using computers alone in pairs in groups whole class



Activity Form 5

Activity 5

Start time:

End time:

Q1. What's going on <u>during this activity</u>? Use your observation notes to briefly describe what the instructor and students were doing during this activity, including the flow of sub- activities, the content, and transitions to other activities.

Briefly describe the goal of this activity based what you saw happening in the class. This is the goal from your point of view as an observer, not the stated goal by the instructor.

Briefly describe the activity you observed. Include the type(s) of technology used during the activity, the level of student involvement, and the degree of teacher/student interaction.

Was there more than one instructional activity taking place during the activity?
I Yes
No



 \rightarrow If "yes", include the proportion of students engaged in this activity.

Number of students engaged in this activity	Number of students engaged in other activities				

Q2. Content: Which kind of knowledge and skills was addressed in this activity? (Mark all that apply)

Before you finalize your coding below, please verify with the instructor during the debrief interview about which type of knowledge was covered in the observed class.

	system knowledge (how it works)						
	declarative knowledge (terminology)						
Technical	procedural knowledge (how to do it)						
	strategic knowledge (when to do it; how to organize system & procedural knowledge into effective strategy or plan)						
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Social Technical	technical communication (e.g., explain & justify technical approach)						
	teamwork						
Social	project management						



Q3. Problem Solving and trouble-shooting: First, rate the level of each problem solving classification (below) for this activity. Then, respond to the question at the bottom of this page.

Problem Features				Scale			
Variety							
No Variety:	No Variet	/				Variety	Not
Students told how to solve	0	1	2	3	4	5	Observed
problems or given only one way VS.							
Variety: Students allowed to use multiple ways to solve problems							
Structuredness	Tight					Loose	Not
Tight:	0	1	2	3	4	5	Observed
All problem elements presented; Prescribed solution rules; Known solution							
VS.							
Loose: Problem elements not known; Uncertainty about rules; Multiple possible solutions							
Complexity	Simple					Complex	x Not
Complex:	0	1	2	3	4	5	Observed
Multiple interconnected variables;							
Dynamic problem states VS.							
Simple:							
Low number of isolated variables; Stable problem state							
Domain Specificity	General					Specific	Not
Specific:	0	1	2	3	4	5	Observed
Problems dependent on the							
nature of the context Must solve with reasoning unique to domain							
VS.							
General: Problems grounded in general logic Can use general reasoning strategies							

Based on criteria described above, did this activity require students to use problem solving or trouble shooting skills?

Yes (if yes, provide an example)No

Example of problem solving or trouble shooting used in this activity.



Q4. Activity Mode: Which mode/type of activity was used for this activity, and what was the level of student/teacher interaction? (Select all the modes that apply. Also, select the size of the group involved, the level of student/teacher interaction for each selected mode [based on your observation tallies], then, select the mode used for the longest time in this activity)

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	student audience below) whole class small group/ pair individual
	Student/Teacher Interaction
c□	Hands-on in classroom: whole class small group/ pair
	Student/Teacher Interaction
d□	Lab:
	Student/Teacher Interaction
е□	Discussion: The instructor asked students to discuss a question or topic and responded to student
	comments.
	whole class small group/ pair
	Student/Teacher Interaction
f	Student Presentation
	Student/Teacher Interaction
	None Some A lot
g□	Other (please briefly describe):
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	Student/Teacher Interaction
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	inant Activity Mode: (Please use letter code from above to indicate what the instructor and ents spent the most time doing during this activity).
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b	Recall or recognition of a fact, information, concept, or procedure						
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Ъ	Strategic thinking – engaged in some decision making such as developing a plan or sequence of steps to approach problem; engaged in reasoning such as explanation and justification for a chosen approach; this often involves working on an open-ended and complex task that has more than one possible way to approach.						
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Dominant Student Engagement type:(Please use letter code from above to indicate the type of engagement students spent the most time doing during this activity).							



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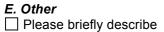
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Had students complete a <u>graded</u> performance task

D. Reflection

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Describe:
Other
Describe:
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Activity Form 6

Activity 6

Start time:

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Was there more than one instructional activity taking place during the activity?
I Yes I No



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	Student/Teacher Interaction	
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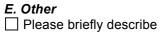
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Industry-specific equipment and materials (i.e. solar panels)		
Describe:		
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