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Dear Colleague:

As you know, CETL processes the Course/Instructor Opinion Survey (CIOS) results for the Institute. For 47 academic terms (39 quarters and 8 semesters—excluding summer sessions), we have been collecting data and reporting descriptive statistics that provide a basis for interpreting individual ratings (categorized by class size because our experience and the general research confirm that class size is a primary variable explaining significant differences in evaluation scores).

Beginning in the Fall 2001 semester, a new streamlined CIOS was implemented. The new survey—designed by representatives of faculty, students, and administration—reduced the number of core questions from 24 to 10 and eliminated cluster scores. The following report focuses on question 10, “The instructor was an effective teacher” (formerly question 24). To provide the most meaningful comparisons with individual scores, we report statistics on question 10 for each term in the academic year and cumulative results since Fall 2001. This allows faculty to compare their scores with distributions for the specific semesters and for multi-year periods. Central tendencies and distributions of the question are reported by class size category and by college, as well as for the entire Institute. The following notation will help you interpret the report:

- “N” is the number of classes in a particular population frame.
- “Median” is the middle value of an ordered array of classes’ interpolated median scores.
- The columns “Cut 1,” “Cut 2,” “Cut 3,” and “Cut 4” indicate the quintile values (20th, 40th, 60th, and 80th percentiles) in the distribution. These values are also drawn on the accompanying charts for the cumulative distribution.
- The values range from 1 to 5, where 1 is strongly disagree and 5 is strongly agree.

I trust that these data are helpful to you. If you have any questions, feel free to contact me at debra.fowler@cetl.gatech.edu or 5-2949.

Sincerely,

Debra Fowler, PhD
CIOS Coordinator

INSTITUTE-WIDE

Fall 2003

Class Size	N	Median	Cut1	Cut 2	Cut 3	Cut 4
< 16	987	4.50	3.83	4.13	4.63	5.00
16 – 35	1156	4.20	3.67	4.06	4.33	4.71
36 – 99	483	4.20	3.75	4.06	4.35	4.65
> 99	71	4.03	3.65	3.90	4.18	4.37

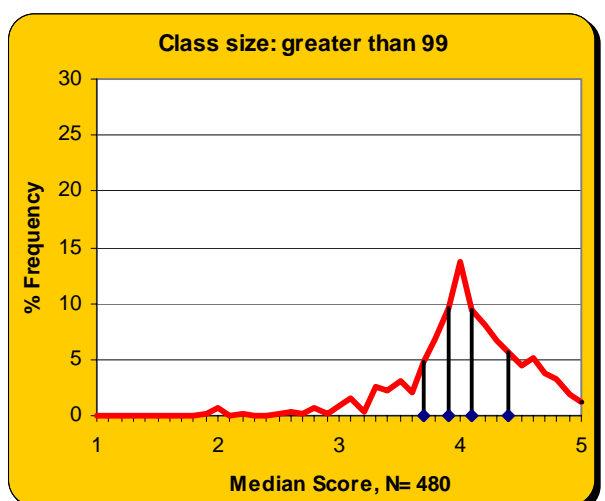
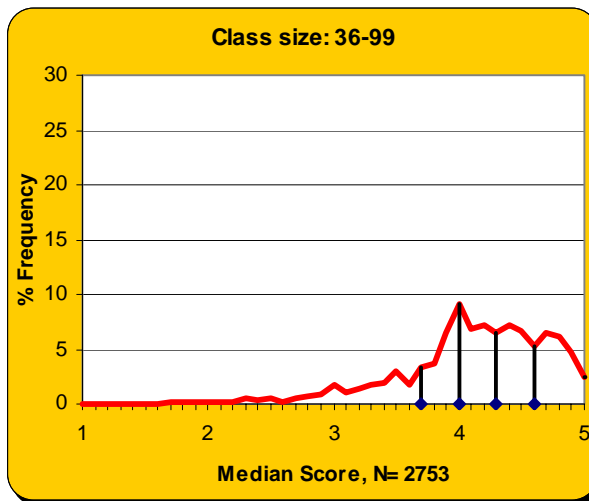
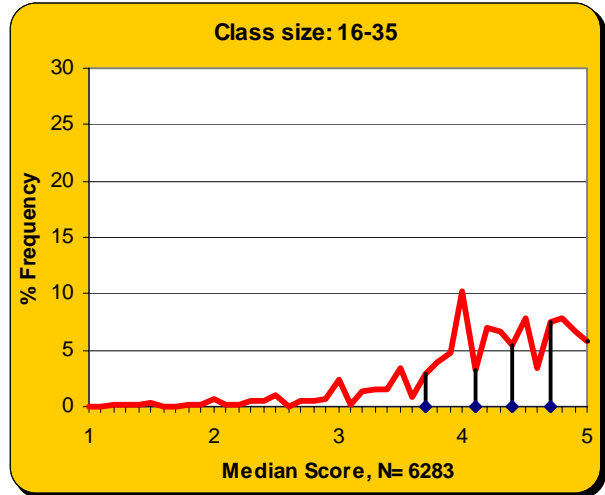
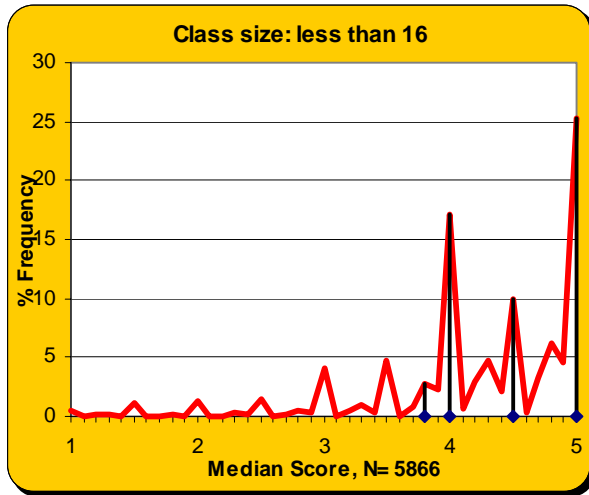
Spring 2004

Class Size	N	Median	Cut1	Cut 2	Cut 3	Cut 4
< 16	1153	4.50	3.75	4.13	4.67	5.00
16 – 35	1046	4.25	3.76	4.13	4.50	4.74
36 – 99	425	4.19	3.75	4.00	4.33	4.60
> 99	86	3.99	3.63	3.93	4.04	4.45

Fall 2001 – Spring 2004

Class Size	N	Median	Cut1	Cut 2	Cut 3	Cut 4
< 16	5866	4.38	3.75	4.00	4.50	5.00
16 – 35	6283	4.25	3.70	4.08	4.38	4.71
36 – 99	2753	4.14	3.67	4.00	4.29	4.60
> 99	480	4.00	3.70	3.93	4.11	4.40

Fall 2001 – Spring 2004



COLLEGE OF ARCHITECTURE

Fall 2003

Class Size	N	Median	Cut1	Cut 2	Cut 3	Cut 4
< 16	137	4.67	4.00	4.50	4.80	5.00
16 – 35	60	4.27	3.50	4.08	4.55	4.83
36 – 99	27	4.50	3.87	4.15	4.65	4.77
> 99	3	4.02	3.90	3.97	4.08	4.18

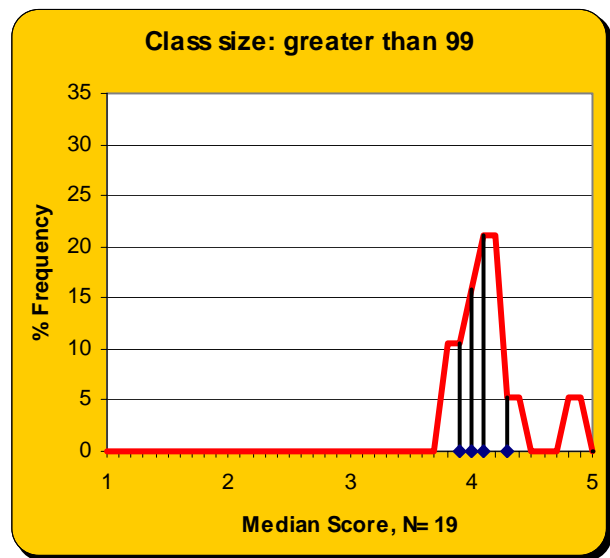
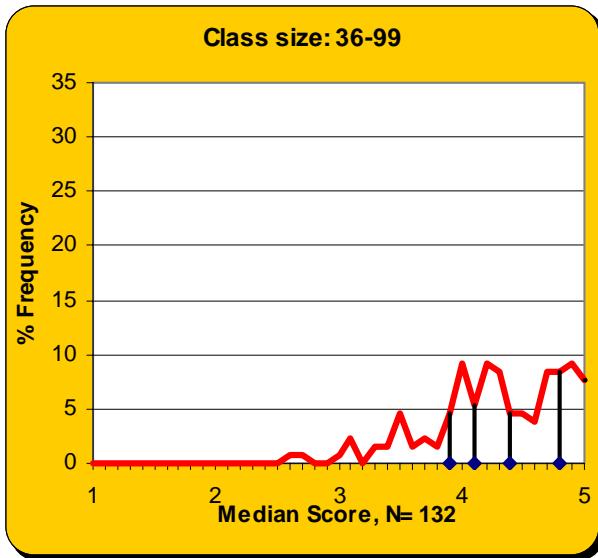
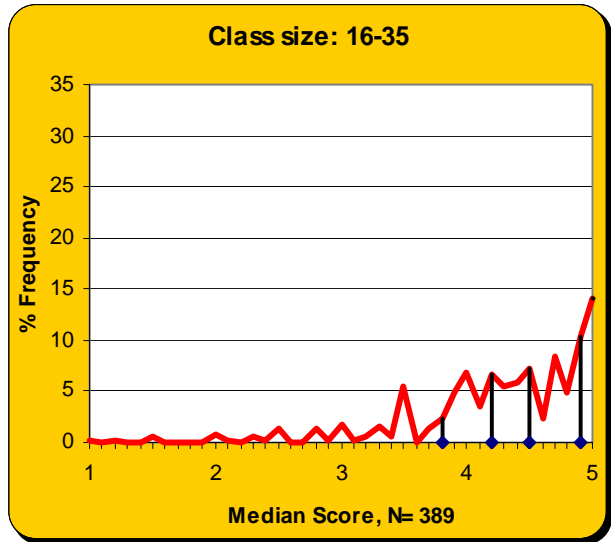
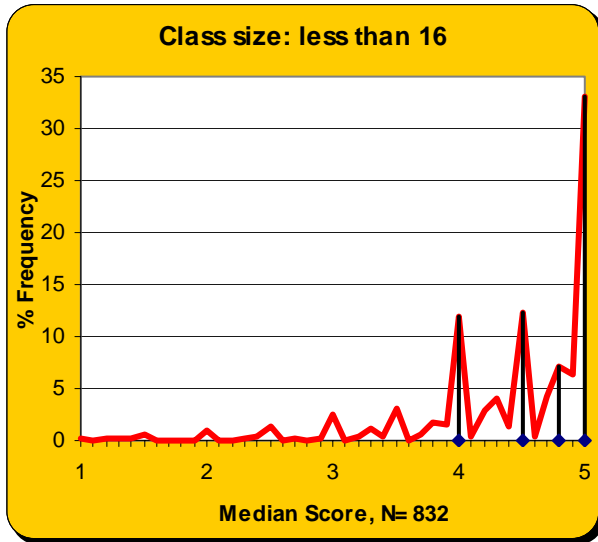
Spring 2004

Class Size	N	Median	Cut1	Cut 2	Cut 3	Cut 4
< 16	180	4.62	4.00	4.50	4.83	5.00
16 – 35	63	4.50	4.00	4.33	4.67	4.90
36 – 99	24	4.50	3.93	4.35	4.59	4.82
> 99	2	4.04	4.03	4.03	4.04	4.04

Fall 2001 – Spring 2004

Class Size	N	Median	Cut1	Cut 2	Cut 3	Cut 4
< 16	832	4.63	4.00	4.50	4.80	5.00
16 – 35	389	4.33	3.83	4.17	4.53	4.86
36 – 99	132	4.27	3.87	4.14	4.43	4.79
> 99	19	4.04	3.90	4.02	4.12	4.29

Fall 2001 – Spring 2004



COLLEGE OF COMPUTING

Fall 2003

Class Size	N	Median	Cut1	Cut 2	Cut 3	Cut 4
< 16	22	4.09	3.72	4.00	4.48	4.85
16 – 35	115	4.11	3.25	4.00	4.17	4.69
36 – 99	43	4.50	3.81	4.30	4.52	4.71
> 99	3	3.73	3.57	3.67	3.73	3.74

Spring 2004

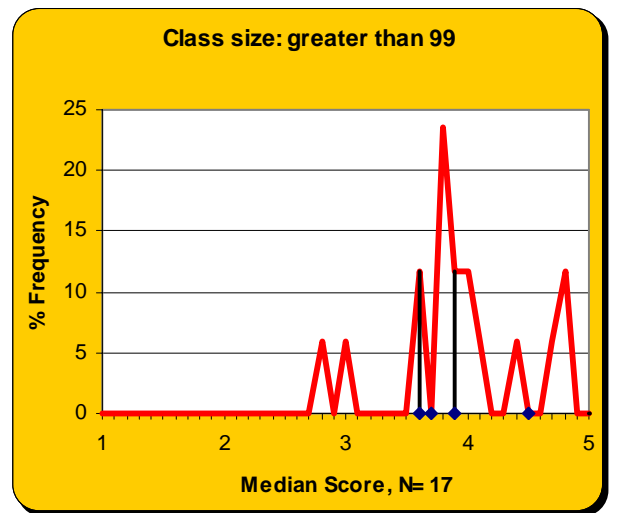
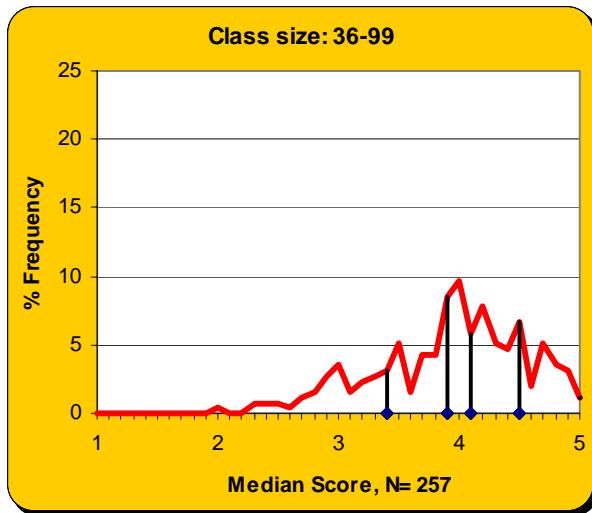
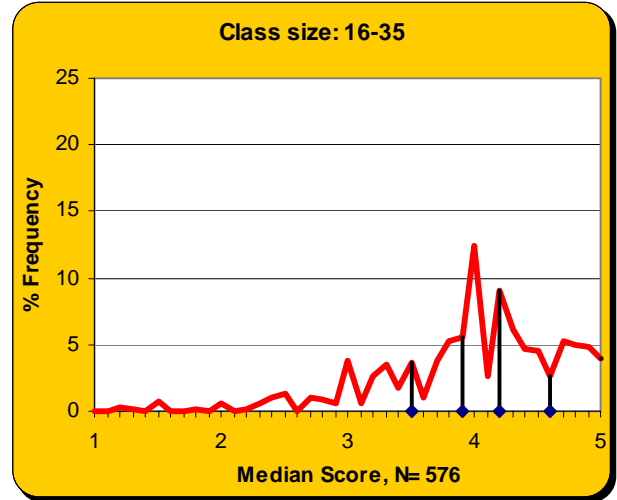
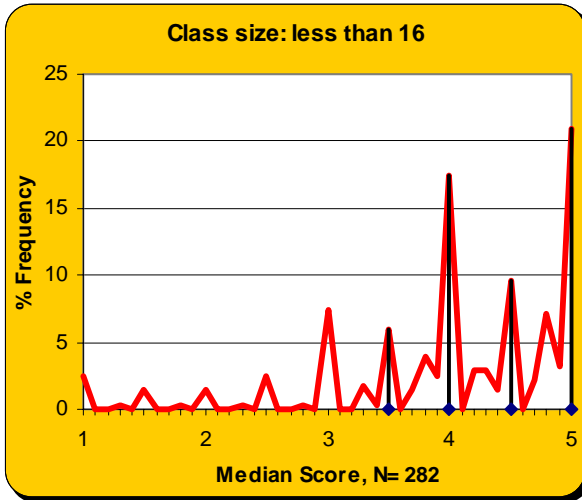
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< 16	62	4.00	3.00	4.00	4.50	5.00
16 – 35	150	4.10	3.75	4.00	4.20	4.63
36 – 99	42	3.91	3.46	3.81	4.14	4.38
> 99	2	3.46	2.92	3.14	3.78	4.00

Fall 2001 – Spring 2004

Class Size	N	Median	Cut1	Cut 2	Cut 3	Cut 4
< 16	282	4.09	3.50	4.00	4.50	5.00
16 – 35	576	4.00	3.46	3.94	4.17	4.59
36 – 99	257	4.00	3.37	3.85	4.10	4.46
> 99	17	3.81	3.55	3.74	3.90	4.49

Descriptive Statistics for Item 10 2001-2004

Fall 2001 – Spring 2004



COLLEGE OF ENGINEERING

Fall 2003

Class Size	N	Median	Cut1	Cut 2	Cut 3	Cut 4
< 16	447	4.25	3.50	4.00	4.50	4.93
16 – 35	309	4.14	3.67	4.00	4.25	4.63
36 – 99	182	4.14	3.75	4.00	4.33	4.67
> 99	14	3.73	3.46	3.71	3.76	3.91

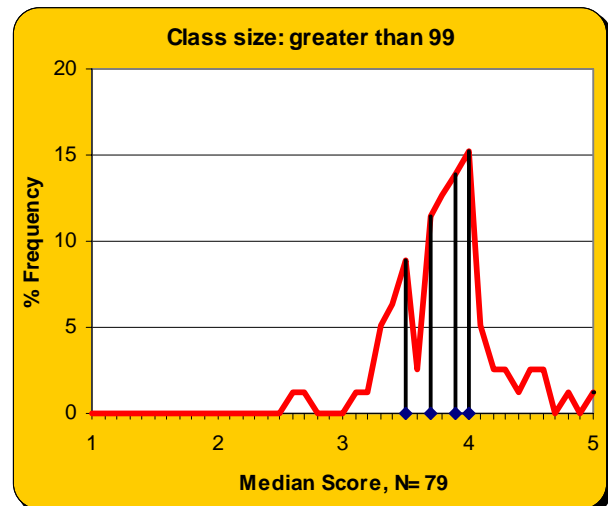
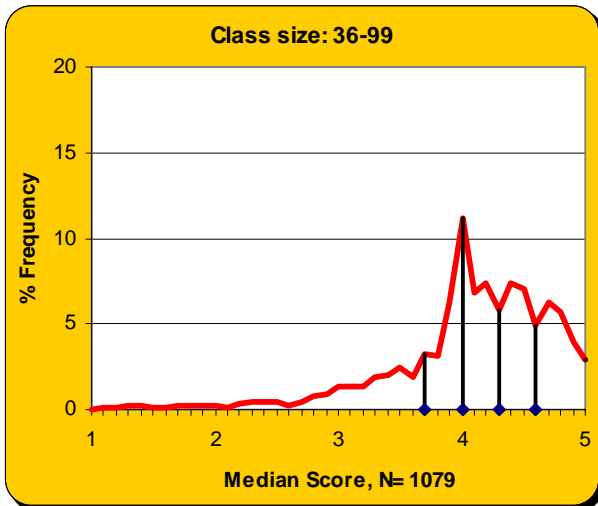
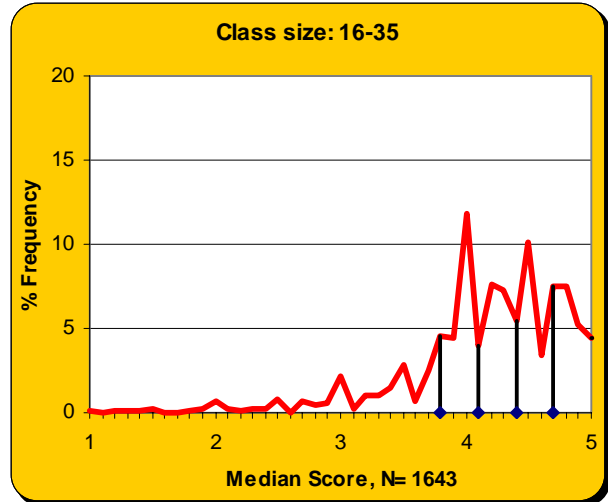
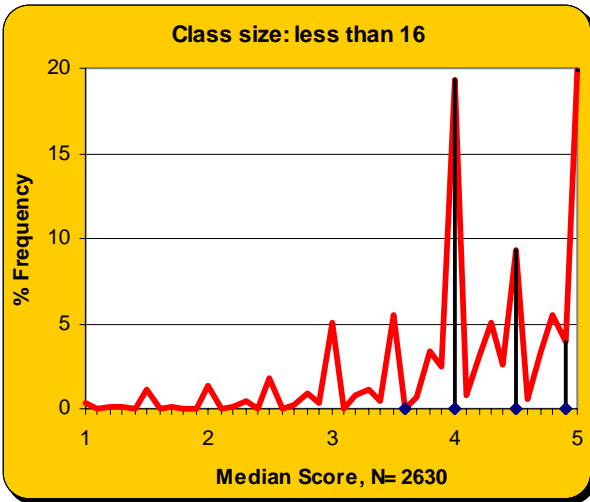
Spring 2004

Class Size	N	Median	Cut1	Cut 2	Cut 3	Cut 4
< 16	486	4.13	3.50	4.00	4.50	4.89
16 – 35	303	4.28	3.85	4.17	4.44	4.71
36 – 99	169	4.13	3.75	4.00	4.28	4.57
> 99	17	3.94	3.83	3.94	3.95	4.22

Fall 2001 – Spring 2004

Class Size	N	Median	Cut1	Cut 2	Cut 3	Cut 4
< 16	2630	4.25	3.59	4.00	4.50	4.90
16 – 35	1643	4.25	3.75	4.10	4.38	4.67
36 – 99	1079	4.13	3.67	4.00	4.28	4.58
> 99	79	3.78	3.46	3.71	3.87	3.98

Fall 2001 – Spring 2004



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Fall 2003

Class Size	N	Median	Cut1	Cut 2	Cut 3	Cut 4
< 16	118	4.86	4.16	4.63	5.00	5.00
16 – 35	245	4.50	4.09	4.33	4.64	4.81
36 – 99	34	4.36	3.64	4.25	4.55	4.75
> 99	18	4.14	3.34	4.05	4.25	4.53

Spring 2004

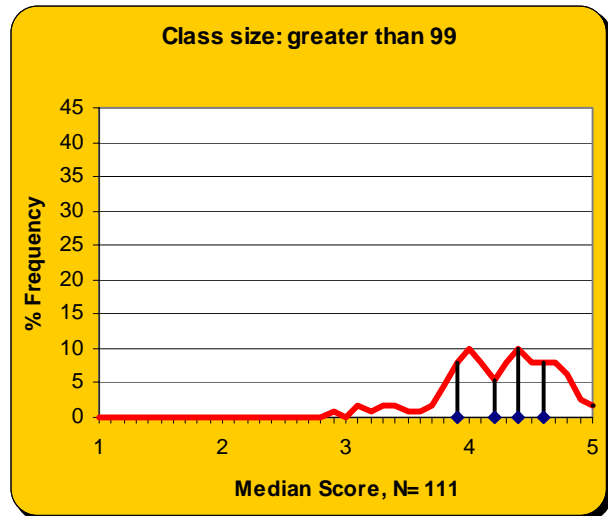
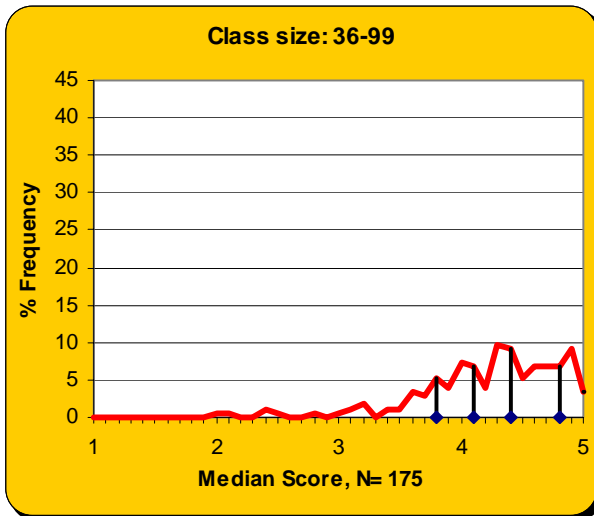
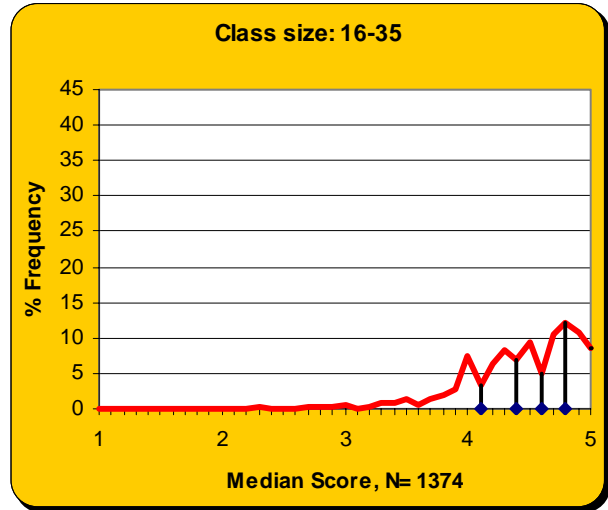
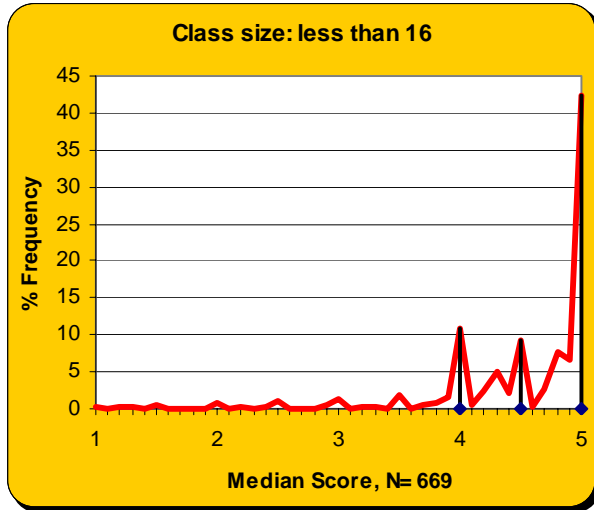
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< 16	141	4.75	4.00	4.50	4.92	5.00
16 – 35	227	4.57	4.13	4.40	4.67	4.80
36 – 99	26	4.24	3.82	4.15	4.38	4.64
> 99	15	4.09	3.81	3.98	4.33	4.71

Fall 2001 – Spring 2004

Class Size	N	Median	Cut1	Cut 2	Cut 3	Cut 4
< 16	669	4.75	4.00	4.50	5.00	5.00
16 – 35	1374	4.50	4.07	4.35	4.63	4.80
36 – 99	175	4.28	3.78	4.15	4.39	4.70
> 99	111	4.25	3.85	4.10	4.34	4.59

Descriptive Statistics for Item 10 2001-2004

Fall 2001 – Spring 2004



COLLEGE OF MANAGEMENT

Fall 2003

Class Size	N	Median	Cut1	Cut 2	Cut 3	Cut 4
< 16	19	4.75	4.13	4.50	4.80	5.00
16 – 35	36	4.38	3.80	4.00	4.62	4.84
36 – 99	67	4.31	3.97	4.19	4.41	4.56
> 99	7	4.45	4.29	4.44	4.51	4.75

Spring 2004

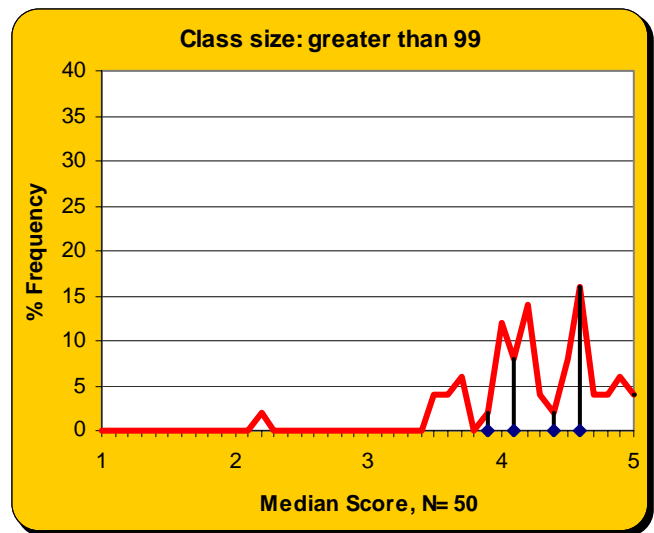
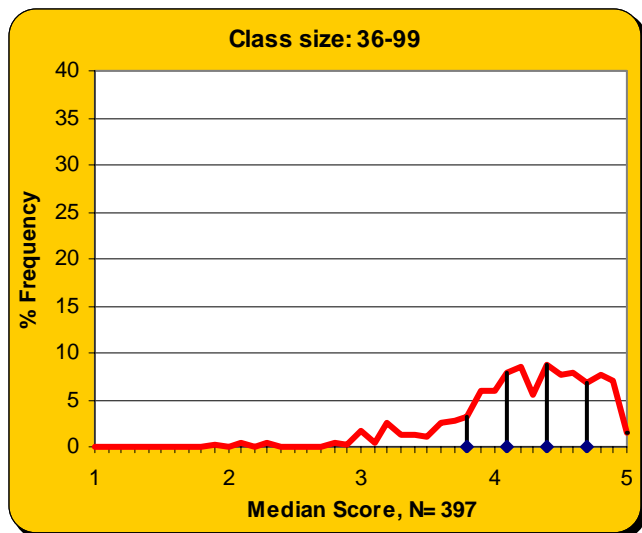
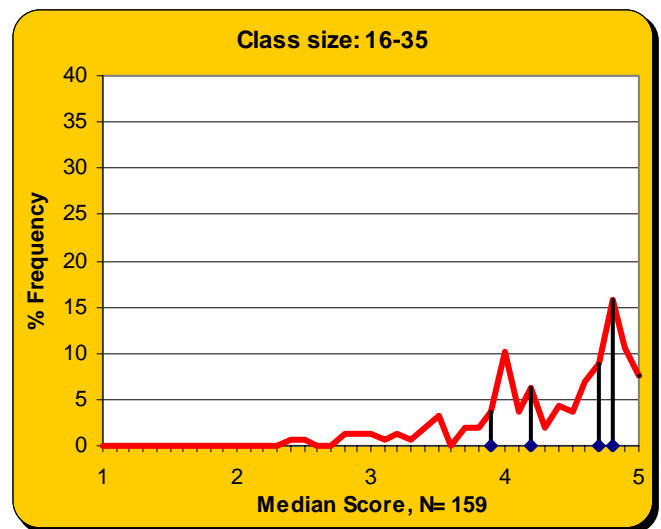
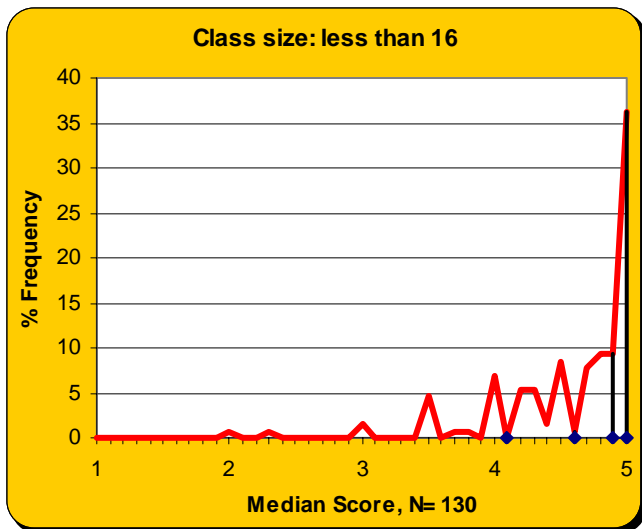
Class Size	N	Median	Cut1	Cut 2	Cut 3	Cut 4
< 16	40	4.82	4.13	4.73	4.88	5.00
16 – 35	30	4.74	3.98	4.61	4.79	4.88
36 – 99	70	4.30	3.92	4.20	4.40	4.67
> 99	10	4.51	3.56	4.27	4.57	4.67

Fall 2001 – Spring 2004

Class Size	N	Median	Cut1	Cut 2	Cut 3	Cut 4
< 16	130	4.75	4.13	4.63	4.88	5.00
16 – 35	159	4.50	3.89	4.19	4.65	4.79
36 – 99	397	4.26	3.83	4.13	4.38	4.65
> 99	50	4.20	3.91	4.12	4.44	4.59

Descriptive Statistics for Item 10 2001-2004

Fall 2001 – Spring 2004



COLLEGE OF SCIENCES

Fall 2003

Class Size	N	Median	Cut1	Cut 2	Cut 3	Cut 4
< 16	241	4.25	3.75	4.00	4.50	5.00
16 – 35	385	4.10	3.50	4.00	4.25	4.64
36 – 99	125	4.13	3.57	3.93	4.21	4.54
> 99	26	4.08	3.70	3.95	4.19	4.30

Spring 2004

Class Size	N	Median	Cut1	Cut 2	Cut 3	Cut 4
< 16	242	4.50	3.93	4.17	4.67	5.00
16 – 35	271	4.00	3.50	3.88	4.20	4.63
36 – 99	93	4.10	3.50	4.00	4.31	4.65
> 99	40	3.93	3.57	3.85	4.02	4.17

Fall 2001 – Spring 2004

Class Size	N	Median	Cut1	Cut 2	Cut 3	Cut 4
< 16	1318	4.25	3.67	4.00	4.50	5.00
16 – 35	2133	4.00	3.40	3.90	4.20	4.60
36 – 99	701	4.11	3.63	4.00	4.25	4.58
> 99	204	4.00	3.69	3.93	4.07	4.27

Fall 2001 – Spring 2004

