Testimony of Teaching Effectiveness

- She cares if students are learning and taking away meaningful things from her courses. When I took Human Memory with her, she tied difficult concepts from the course to things in everyday life which made things easier to understand and made things meaningful. Karla makes sure that students have all the resources they need to succeed including lecture material posted on D2L where students can easily access, being available to answer questions anytime, and giving feedback on assignments. She makes sure that students are prepared for tests and quizzes as well and grades fairly. Overall, her teaching style enables students to be successful.

- I had the pleasure of taking a class with Dr. Lassonde, Intro to Cognitive Psychology. My experience in this class was by far one of the best I've had so far at this university, with Dr. Lassonde largely to thank for that. She clearly has expertise in the area of psychology and she teaches with passion for her subject. I also noticed that she cared whether or not her students had learned. The experience I had in her classroom was both engaging and informative and I will definitely consider taking courses with her in the future.

- Reports I have heard and seen suggest that Dr. Lassonde is an exceptional teacher who is actively sought out by students. Evaluations validate what I have heard and lead me to believe that this performance merits advancement to full professor.

- She wants to know that the students are understanding. She take time to go over many examples to ensure a better understanding. Also making herself available for help in and outside of class

- She used language everyone understood and was loud enough to be heard anywhere in the room. Her teaching methods were great, in class and in Tophat as well.

- Amazing teaching abilities, kind and caring about what is learned in her classes.

- Professor Lassonde has a unique teaching style where she uses real world examples that students can use to apply theories and concepts. She also makes sure to provide different forms of examples that helps to approach difficult materials at various angles to maximize learning.

- Dr. Lassonde does an excellent job of engaging students and keeping her courses interesting. She's done a nice job of designing courses that address the program's core competencies, and she is well-regarded by students.

- Dr. Lassonde has a knack for knowing just what a student needs to succeed in her class; she provides assistance when it is needed and she will go to great lengths to help you succeed.

- Karla is a creative and engaged instructor, continually seeking new ways to challenge her students and connect them to course material. Students speak highly of her as a professor, and I notice that they often remember concepts from her courses and connect them to information
they learn in my classes, showing an outstanding ability to retain and use the course material that they learn from her.

- So far during my time at MNSU, I have had Dr. Lassonde for two courses (soon to be three), and I have personally never had a teacher better than her. Along with being an extremely understanding and compassionate professor, who is always willing to support her students’ learning in any way that she can, Dr. Lassonde is also open to learning from her students as well. When aiming to teach in the most effective way possible, Dr. Lassonde employs her knowledge of learning by developing, and constantly modifying, different methods that facilitate mastery and elaborative learning (rather than simply teaching concepts in a way in which students can’t relate the information to their own lives, and then often resort to cramming and forgetting the information shortly thereafter).

- Karla is well spoken and can make even the headrest of information digestible. She has passion when she teaches and believes that she can make a change to the world one student at a time.

- Presents the material very clearly and effectively

- Dr. Karla Lassonde was my cognitive psychology professor last year. One who’s wisdom and professional knowledge exceeded my expectations in every way. From the quickness in answering factual questions, to her well positioned arguments for explanation; it’s evident to her students that she represents years of diligent study and responsible scholarship.

- My favorite classes within my major of psychology were taught by Karla (human memory and Cognition). She relayed information in a unique way that was both understandable and memorable. She effectively facilitated thoughtful discussions related to course content which wasn't always the case in both grad and undergrad academia experience.

- Professor Karla is very up to date with her teaching. She makes use of real life examples to simplify her teaching. She also gives a listening ear to what students learn and any possible questions they have.

- STRONG TEACHING STYLE AND EASY-GOING WITH ASSIGNMENTS AND EXAMS

- Karla sticks to her topics will and presents them in an organized fashion I found easy to follow. She is also a natural at nonverbal communication. It is obvious in her teaching that she knows more than you, but the way she holder herself does not hold any superiority, but of kindness. It is clear a student’s learning is of the utmost importance to her.