

# Course Evaluation Data Dictionary for Eval25



**Note**

This article is also available as a PDF file: [Eval Data Dictionary.pdf](#)



**Tip: custom\_data\_field**

It is possible to add a custom\_data\_field to the XML upload and be able to use it like any other field once it's in the system. For example, access restrictions, bindings, report filtering, etc.

The data dictionary includes options for custom fields. Use these to add whatever data you wish to your instance of Eval25. Once your file, including your new custom\_data field(s), has been uploaded into Eval25, open a ticket in the Help Center (email [support@collegenet.com](mailto:support@collegenet.com)) to let us know how the custom\_data field(s) should be masked within Eval25. We will then change custom\_data\_n to appear however you wish. Please note that moving forward, however, the field(s) within your data file should still be loaded as custom\_data\_n.

**Course Evaluation Data Dictionary**

**Note for file generation:**

- The file may contain data for multiple sessions, but can only contain data for one term.
- Required fields ("RF"), primary keys ("PK"), and foreign keys ("FK") are noted as appropriate.
- All primary keys are required fields.
- All fields not marked as RF or PK are optional.

**Tables:**

RF/PK/FK	data type	description	examples	
school				
school_code	PK	varchar	abbreviated school name (PK)	ENGR, EDUC

school_name	RF	varchar	name of the school (required)	School of Engineering, School of Education
<b>department</b>				
dept_code	PK	varchar	abbreviated department name (PK)	EE, CW
dept_name	RF	varchar	name of the department (major) (required)	Electrical Engineering, Creative Writing
school_code	FK	varchar	abbreviated school name, FK to school table	ENGR, EDUC
<b>course (section)</b>				
course_id	PK	varchar	course CRN (PK)	42725
offering		varchar	course offering number (PK)	1, 2, 3
section	PK	varchar	course section (PK)	P07B, S05, 1, 2, 3
dept_code	FK	varchar	department code, (PK); FK to department table	MUSIC, EE
subject	RF	varchar	subject of the course (required)	Music, History, Drama, EE
number	RF	varchar	course number (required)	136A, 65A, 139W
course_name		varchar	course name	INTERMEDIATE POETRY WRITING, SENIOR RESEARCH SEMINAR
type		varchar	course type for mapping survey questions to this type of courses	E, B, SEM (Seminar), LEC (Lecture), WKS (Workshop)
level		varchar	course level (Graduate / Undergraduate)	GR, UG
class_size		smallint	how many students in the class	50, 12, 6

class_time		varchar	class meeting time (combined for all days)	7:00-9:00 TUTH, 7:00-7:50 W
combined_section		varchar	identifier used to combine the results of multiple cross-listed CRN sections (do not include tag for non- combined sections)	2156
credit_hour		varchar	credit hours for course	3
eval_type		varchar	arbitrary type for mapping survey questions to this type of courses	online, on-campus, enrolled, non-enrolled
class_number		varchar	an alternate unique identifier for each course section. CRN.	2354
topic_id		varchar	course topic id	45
topic_title		varchar	course topic title	Into to Physics
instruction_mode		varchar	course instruction mode	In Person, Internet
location		varchar	course location	Main Campus
core_course		varchar	Identifier of which courses fulfill general ed requirements (from class attributes)	AREA 1
honors		varchar	Honors course	Honors
mean_code		varchar	Code used to group course means together in some reports (used by Stanford only at this point)	Engineering
custom_data_1		varchar(30)	Custom field for clients' own use. Maximum char limit of 30.	

custom_data_2		varchar(30)	Custom field for clients' own use. Maximum char limit of 30.	
custom_data_3		varchar(30)	Custom field for clients' own use. Maximum char limit of 30.	
custom_data_4		varchar(30)	Custom field for clients' own use. Maximum char limit of 30.	
custom_data_5		varchar(30)	Custom field for clients' own use. Maximum char limit of 30.	
custom_data_6		varchar(30)	Custom field for clients' own use. Maximum char limit of 30.	
custom_data_7		varchar(30)	Custom field for clients' own use. Maximum char limit of 30.	
custom_data_8		varchar(30)	Custom field for clients' own use. Maximum char limit of 30.	
custom_data_9		varchar(30)	Custom field for clients' own use. Maximum char limit of 30.	
custom_data_10		varchar(30)	Custom field for clients' own use. Maximum char limit of 30.	
<b>student</b>				
student_id	PK/RF	varchar	unique identifier of student	951045103

student_firstname	RF	varchar	student first name	William
student_preferredname		varchar	student preferred name When left blank, first name will be used	Will
student_middlename		varchar	student middle name	Adam
student_lastname	RF	varchar	student last name	Smith
student_email	RF	varchar	student email address	willasmith@collegenetu.edu
student_career		varchar	student career	UGRD
student_gender		varchar	student gender	M
student_acad_level		varchar	student academic level	10
student_ethnicity		varchar	student ethnicity	Blue
student_age		varchar	student age	21
student_cum_gpa		varchar	student cumulative gpa	2.21
student_acad_plan		varchar	student academic plan	Art
<b>instructor</b>				
instructor_id	PK/RF	varchar	unique identifier of instructor	950312387
instructor_firstname	RF	varchar	instructor first name	Jennifer
instructor_preferredname		varchar	instructor preferred name When left blank, first name will be used	Jenn
instructor_middlename		varchar	instructor middle name	Eva
instructor_lastname	RF	varchar	instructor last name	Bell
instructor_email	RF	varchar	instructor email address	jebell@collegenetu.edu
instructor_type (deprecated)		varchar	type of instructor	fulltime

can_edit_viewable		bit (1 or 0)	If the Instructor Release Reports feature is on, can this instructor edit his/her report release? 0 for no, 1 for yes	1
viewable		bit (1 or 0)	If the Instructor Release Reports feature is on, can others view his/her reports? 0 for no, 1 for yes	0
<b>term</b>				
term_id	PK	varchar	unique identifier of the term	1094
term_descr		varchar	name or title of the term	2011-2012 Spring
<b>session</b>				
session_id	PK	varchar	unique identifier of the session	1, 0001, 1234
session_title		varchar	title of the session	Summer Session 1
session_start_dt		varchar	start date of the session (required if you want the session automatically created during loading)	2011-05-25, 2011-10-06 9:01 PM, 2011-10-06 21:01:00
session_end_dt		varchar	end date of the session (required if you want the session automatically created during loading)	2011-05-25, 2011-10-06 9:01 PM, 2011-10-06 21:01:00
session_report_dt		varchar	report date for the session	2011-05-25, 2011-10-06 9:01 PM, 2011-10-06 21:01:00
session_description		varchar	name or title of the session	Summer Session 1

<b>form</b>				
form_code	RF	varchar	form code to bind course-instructor to particular form; values as entered in Form Editor	MAIN, LANG
<b>TA*</b>				
ta	RF	bit (1)	Always set this to 1 in your XML file to differentiate between "parent" courses and TA courses. In addition, you need to add a <ta_type> tag that is set to 2.	
course_id	RF	varchar	Required to tie this TA course to its parent course.	
dept_code	RF	varchar	Required to tie this TA course to its parent course.	
offering		varchar	Required to tie this TA course to its parent course.	
section	RF	varchar	Required to tie this TA course to its parent course.	
session_id		varchar	Only required if the term is session-based.	
form_code		varchar	Not required --- the TA form_code will default to the parent course form_code if excluded.	
instructor_id	RF	varchar	Required to create the evaluation for this TA.	

instructor_firstname	RF	varchar	Required to create the evaluation for this TA.	
instructor_middlename		varchar		
instructor_lastname	RF	varchar	Required to create the evaluation for this TA.	
instructor_email		varchar		
instructor_type		varchar	Not required	
can_edit_viewable		bit (1 or 0)	If the Instructor Release Reports feature is on, can this instructor edit his/her report release? 0 for no, 1 for yes	
viewable		bit (1 or 0)	If the Instructor Release Reports feature is on, can others view his/her reports? 0 for no, 1 for yes	
<p>* TAs can be added by adding an XML element for each TA course/instructor combination and setting a TA flag to 1. Fields in the TA table marked as required are only necessary if TAs are being added.</p>				
<p><b>Note:</b> When associating a TA course with a parent course, the &lt;ta&gt; tag should be set to 1. In addition, to match with courses that share the same course id, rather than having to share a course id, department, offering, and section, add a &lt;ta_type&gt; tag that is set to 2. Type set to 1 TA courses will inherit most course information from their parent course, but type set to 2 TA courses will not.</p>				
<p><b>Note:</b></p>				
<p>(1) The file may contain data for multiple sessions, but only for one term.</p>				
<p>(2) To avoid manual work of mapping courses to particular sessions by Front-End interface, please include session_id in the data file (if the term is session-based)</p>				