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ECAS Course Evaluations (Fa 2021)

Course: ENV5-385-1: Topics: Environmental Studies - Fall 2021
Instructor: Debjani Sihi *
Response Rate: 4/5 (80.00 %)

1 - Percentage of classes you did NOT attend (whether on-campus or synchronous/online).

Response Option	Weight	Frequency	Percent	Percent Responses	Means
0%	(1)	1	25.00%	<div><div></div></div>	
1-5%	(2)	2	50.00%	<div><div></div></div>	
6-10%	(3)	1	25.00%	<div><div></div></div>	
11-15%	(4)	0	0.00%	<div><div></div></div>	
16-20%	(5)	0	0.00%	<div><div></div></div>	
21-25%	(6)	0	0.00%	<div><div></div></div>	
26-30%	(7)	0	0.00%	<div><div></div></div>	
31-40%	(8)	0	0.00%	<div><div></div></div>	
41-50%	(9)	0	0.00%	<div><div></div></div>	
51-60%	(10)	0	0.00%	<div><div></div></div>	
61-80%	(11)	0	0.00%	<div><div></div></div>	
81-99%	(12)	0	0.00%	<div><div></div></div>	
				0 25 50 100	
Response Rate					
4/5 (80.00%)					

2 - You are taking this course (select all that apply):

Response Option	Weight	Frequency	Percent	Percent Responses	Means
To complete a General Education Requirement	(1)	0	0.00%	<div><div></div></div>	
For your major/minor	(2)	3	75.00%	<div><div></div></div>	
As a prerequisite for another course	(3)	0	0.00%	<div><div></div></div>	
As a pre-professional requirement	(4)	0	0.00%	<div><div></div></div>	
Because you are interested in the subject	(5)	3	75.00%	<div><div></div></div>	
Response Rate		4/5 (80%)			

3 - Your expected grade:

Response Option	Weight	Frequency	Percent	Percent Responses	Means
A	(1)	2	50.00%	<div><div></div></div>	
A-	(2)	2	50.00%	<div><div></div></div>	
B+	(3)	0	0.00%	<div><div></div></div>	
B	(4)	0	0.00%	<div><div></div></div>	
B-	(5)	0	0.00%	<div><div></div></div>	
C+	(6)	0	0.00%	<div><div></div></div>	
C	(7)	0	0.00%	<div><div></div></div>	
C-	(8)	0	0.00%	<div><div></div></div>	
D+	(9)	0	0.00%	<div><div></div></div>	
D	(10)	0	0.00%	<div><div></div></div>	
S	(11)	0	0.00%	<div><div></div></div>	
U	(12)	0	0.00%	<div><div></div></div>	
				0 25 50 100	
Response Rate					
4/5 (80.00%)					


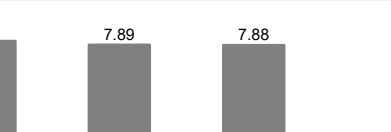
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4 - Please respond to the following questions focused on the instructor, Debjani Sihi. -

How well organized was the class?

Response Option		Weight	Frequency	Percent	Percent Responses	Means								
1 (Not at all)		(1)	0	0.00%										
2		(2)	0	0.00%										
3		(3)	0	0.00%										
4		(4)	0	0.00%										
5 (Somewhat)		(5)	0	0.00%										
6		(6)	0	0.00%										
7		(7)	1	25.00%										
8		(8)	2	50.00%										
9 (Very)		(9)	1	25.00%										
N/A		(0)	0	0.00%										
					0	25	50	100	Question	Dept		ECAS		
Response Rate		Mean	STD	Median	Dept		Mean	STD	Median	ECAS		Mean	STD	Median
4/5 (80.00%)		8.00	0.82	8.00	231		7.89	1.56	9.00	23352		7.88	1.66	9.00


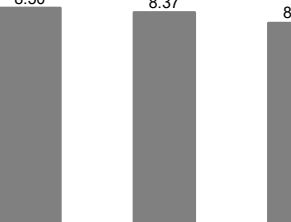
4 - Please respond to the following questions focused on the instructor, Debjani Sihi. -

Was the instructor enthusiastic about the material?

Response Option		Weight	Frequency	Percent	Percent Responses	Means								
1 (Not at all)		(1)	0	0.00%										
2		(2)	0	0.00%										
3		(3)	0	0.00%										
4		(4)	0	0.00%										
5 (Somewhat)		(5)	0	0.00%										
6		(6)	0	0.00%										
7		(7)	0	0.00%										
8		(8)	0	0.00%										
9 (Very)		(9)	4	100.00%										
N/A		(0)	0	0.00%										
					0	25	50	100	Question	Dept		ECAS		
Response Rate		Mean	STD	Median	Dept		Mean	STD	Median	ECAS		Mean	STD	Median
4/5 (80.00%)		9.00	0.00	9.00	231		8.62	0.88	9.00	23352		8.33	1.31	9.00

4 - Please respond to the following questions focused on the instructor, Debjani Sihi. -

How concerned was the instructor with what students learned from the course?

Response Option				Weight	Frequency	Percent	Percent Responses	Means										
1 (Not at all)				(1)	0	0.00%												
2				(2)	0	0.00%												
3				(3)	0	0.00%												
4				(4)	0	0.00%												
5 (Somewhat)				(5)	0	0.00%												
6				(6)	0	0.00%												
7				(7)	0	0.00%												
8				(8)	2	50.00%												
9 (Very)				(9)	2	50.00%												
N/A				(0)	0	0.00%												
							0	25	50	100	Question		Dept		ECAS			
Response Rate		Mean	STD	Median	Dept		Mean	STD	Median	ECAS		Mean	STD	Median				
4/5 (80.00%)		8.50	0.58	8.50	231		8.37	1.17	9.00	23352		8.06	1.56	9.00				

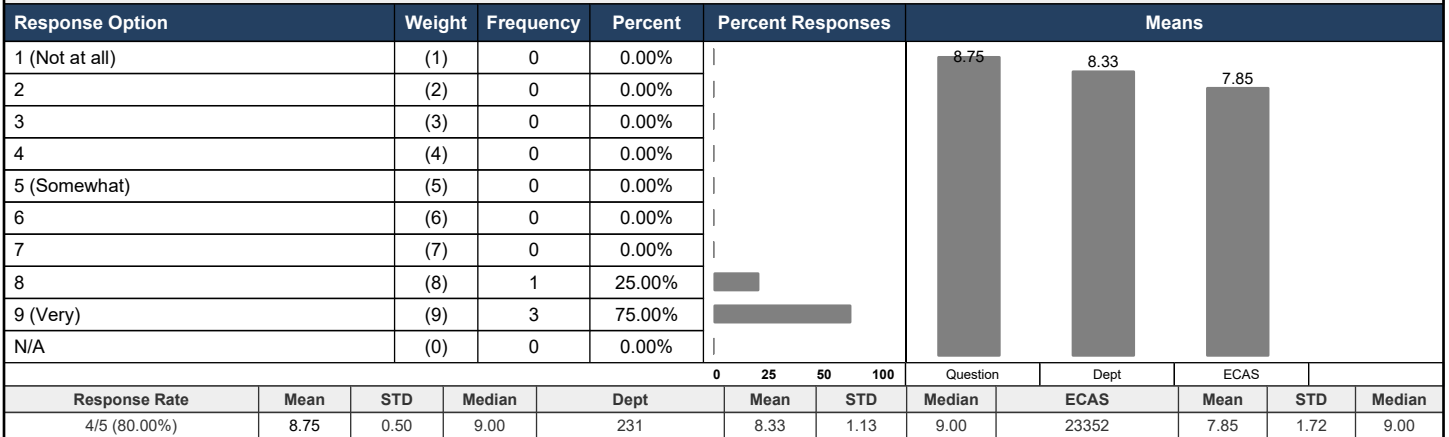
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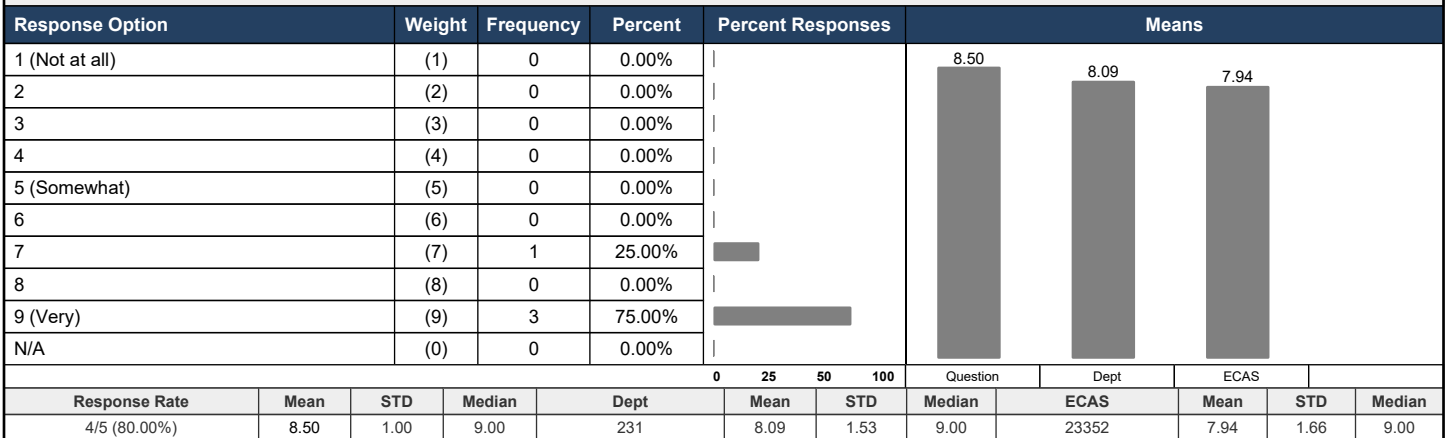
4 - Please respond to the following questions focused on the instructor, Debjani Sihi. -

How clearly did the instructor explain specific concepts relevant to the course?



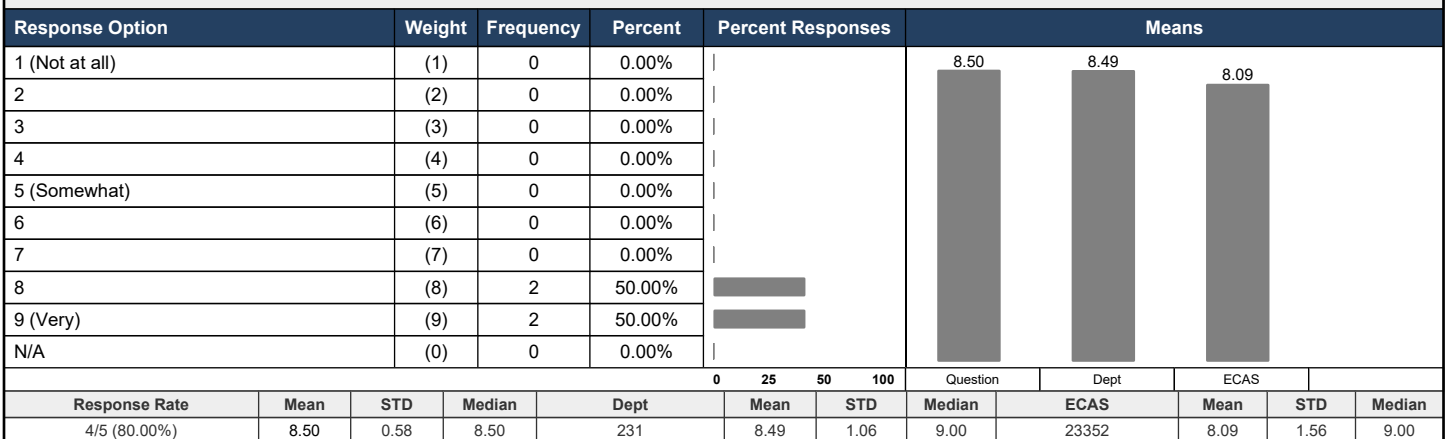
4 - Please respond to the following questions focused on the instructor, Debjani Sihi. -

How clearly did the instructor communicate the objectives and requirements for the course?



4 - Please respond to the following questions focused on the instructor, Debjani Sihi. -

How well did the instructor respond to students' questions?



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4 - Please respond to the following questions focused on the instructor, Debjani Sihi. -

How accessible was the instructor for individual discussion about the course?

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1 (Not at all)		(1)	0	0.00%									
2		(2)	0	0.00%									
3		(3)	0	0.00%									
4		(4)	0	0.00%									
5 (Somewhat)		(5)	0	0.00%									
6		(6)	0	0.00%									
7		(7)	0	0.00%									
8		(8)	1	25.00%									
9 (Very)		(9)	3	75.00%									
N/A		(0)	0	0.00%									
					02550100	Question		Dept		ECAS			
Response Rate		Mean	STD	Median	Dept	Mean	STD	Median	ECAS		Mean	STD	Median
4/5 (80.00%)		8.75	0.50	9.00	231	8.43	1.11	9.00	23352		8.13	1.53	9.00

5 - How much did this course promote your progress on the following learning objectives?

Acquiring factual knowledge.

Response Option		Weight	Frequency	Percent	Percent Responses	Means							
1. Not at all or very little		(1)	0	0.00%									
2.		(2)	0	0.00%									
3.		(3)	0	0.00%									
4.		(4)	0	0.00%									
5. Somewhat		(5)	0	0.00%									
6.		(6)	0	0.00%									
7.		(7)	0	0.00%									
8.		(8)	0	0.00%									
9. Very much		(9)	4	100.00%									
N/A		(0)	0	0.00%									
					02550100	Question		Dept		ECAS			
Response Rate		Mean	STD	Median	Dept	Mean	STD	Median	ECAS		Mean	STD	Median
4/5 (80.00%)		9.00	0.00	9.00	176	8.42	1.02	9.00	19682		7.80	1.74	9.00

5 - How much did this course promote your progress on the following learning objectives?

Understanding basic principles and concepts.

Response Option				Weight	Frequency	Percent	Percent Responses	Means							
1. Not at all or very little				(1)	0	0.00%			9.00	8.37	7.90				
2.				(2)	0	0.00%									
3.				(3)	0	0.00%									
4.				(4)	0	0.00%									
5. Somewhat				(5)	0	0.00%									
6.				(6)	0	0.00%									
7.				(7)	0	0.00%									
8.				(8)	0	0.00%									
9. Very much				(9)	4	100.00%									
N/A				(0)	0	0.00%									
								0	25	50	100	Question	Dept	ECAS	
Response Rate		Mean	STD	Median	Dept		Mean	STD	Median	ECAS		Mean	STD	Median	
4/5 (80.00%)		9.00	0.00	9.00	176		8.37	1.23	9.00	19682		7.90	1.66	9.00	

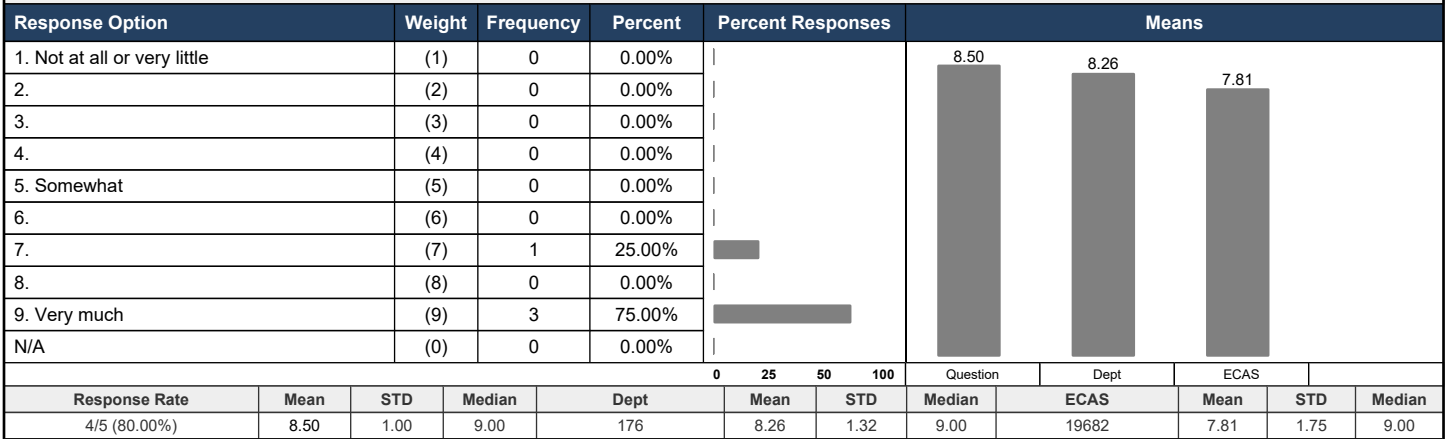
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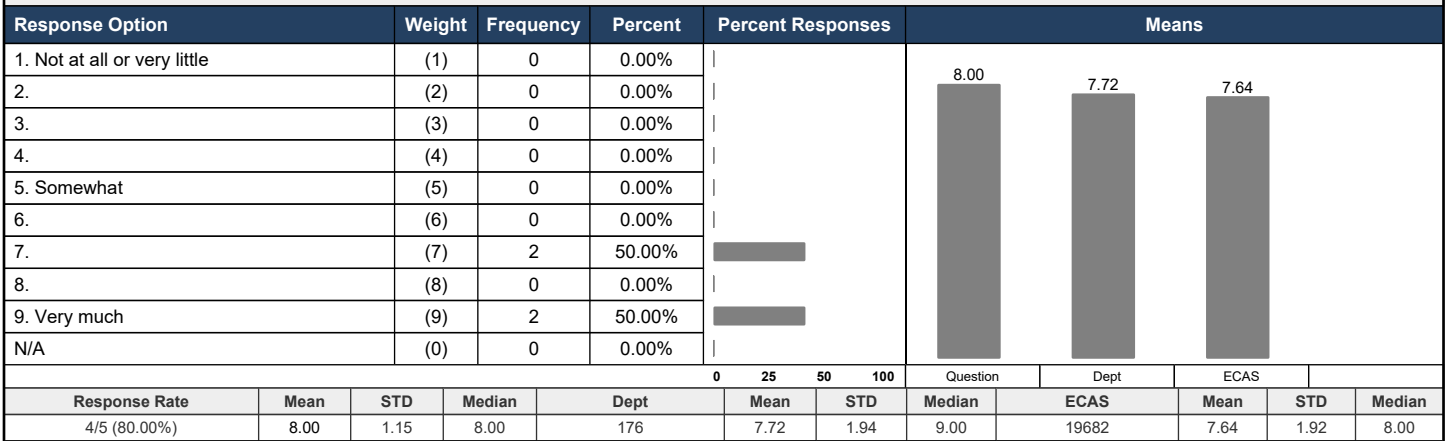
5 - How much did this course promote your progress on the following learning objectives?

Being able to apply facts, concepts and principles to specific questions.



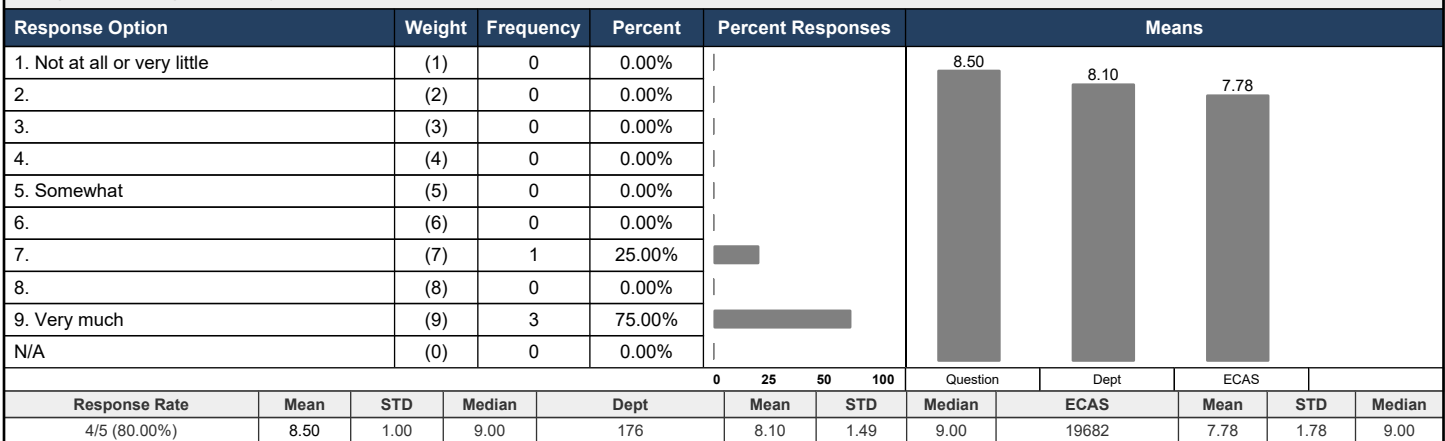
5 - How much did this course promote your progress on the following learning objectives?

Being able to assess or critique ideas and arguments.



5 - How much did this course promote your progress on the following learning objectives?

Being able to integrate and synthesize information.



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6 - Please answer the following questions, again focusing on the instructor (Debjani Sihi). -

How well did the exams and/or assignments reflect the course material?

Response Option		Weight	Frequency	Percent	Percent Responses	Means								
1 (Not at all)		(1)	0	0.00%		8.67	8.25	7.94						
2		(2)	0	0.00%										
3		(3)	0	0.00%										
4		(4)	0	0.00%										
5 (Somewhat)		(5)	0	0.00%										
6		(6)	0	0.00%										
7		(7)	0	0.00%										
8		(8)	1	25.00%										
9 (Very)		(9)	2	50.00%										
N/A		(0)	1	25.00%										
					0	25	50	100	Question	Dept		ECAS		
Response Rate		Mean	STD	Median	Dept		Mean	STD	Median	ECAS		Mean	STD	Median
4/5 (80.00%)		8.67	0.58	9.00	231		8.25	1.37	9.00	23350		7.94	1.63	9.00

6 - Please answer the following questions, again focusing on the instructor (Debjani Sihi). -

Was the instructor's feedback on exams, papers, performance useful?

Response Option		Weight	Frequency	Percent	Percent Responses	Means								
1 (Not at all)		(1)	0	0.00%		8.25	7.96	7.60						
2		(2)	0	0.00%										
3		(3)	0	0.00%										
4		(4)	0	0.00%										
5 (Somewhat)		(5)	0	0.00%										
6		(6)	0	0.00%										
7		(7)	1	25.00%										
8		(8)	1	25.00%										
9 (Very)		(9)	2	50.00%										
N/A		(0)	0	0.00%										
					0	25	50	100	Question	Dept		ECAS		
Response Rate		Mean	STD	Median	Dept		Mean	STD	Median	ECAS		Mean	STD	Median
4/5 (80.00%)		8.25	0.96	8.50	231		7.96	1.66	9.00	23350		7.60	1.98	8.00

6 - Please answer the following questions, again focusing on the instructor (Debjani Sihi). -

Were the instructor's grading criteria for the course clear?


Response Option				Weight	Frequency	Percent	Percent Responses	Means						
1 (Not at all)				(1)	0	0.00%		8.00	8.08	7.82				
2				(2)	0	0.00%								
3				(3)	0	0.00%								
4				(4)	0	0.00%								
5 (Somewhat)				(5)	0	0.00%								
6				(6)	1	25.00%								
7				(7)	0	0.00%								
8				(8)	1	25.00%								
9 (Very)				(9)	2	50.00%								
N/A				(0)	0	0.00%								
							0	25	50	100	Question	Dept	ECAS	
Response Rate		Mean	STD	Median	Dept		Mean	STD	Median	ECAS	Mean	STD	Median	
4/5 (80.00%)		8.00	1.41	8.50	231		8.08	1.69	9.00	23350	7.82	1.81	9.00	

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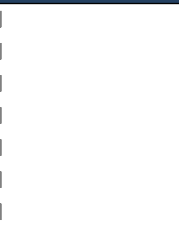
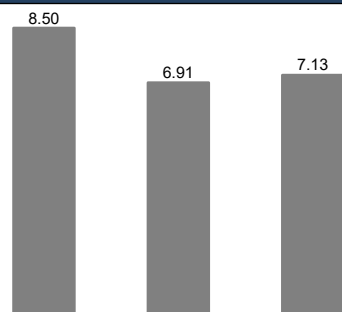


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7 - Which of these best describes your primary physical location while enrolled in this course?

Response Option	Weight	Frequency	Percent	Percent Responses	Means			
Atlanta metro area	(1)	4	100.00%					
Other U.S. location	(2)	0	0.00%					
International location	(3)	0	0.00%					
				0 25 50 100				
Response Rate								
4/5 (80.00%)								

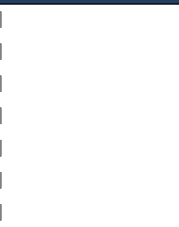
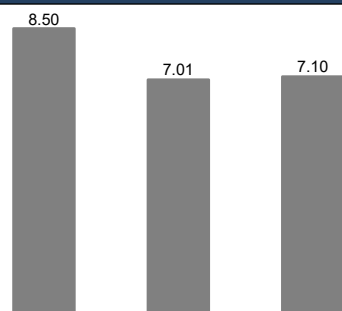


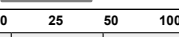
8 - How effective were each of the following components in helping you achieve the stated learning outcomes? Mark "N/A" for those components not used in this course.

live Zoom sessions

Response Option	Weight	Frequency	Percent	Percent Responses	Means									
1 (Not effective at all)	(1)	0	0.00%											
2	(2)	0	0.00%											
3	(3)	0	0.00%											
4	(4)	0	0.00%											
5 (About average)	(5)	0	0.00%											
6	(6)	0	0.00%											
7	(7)	0	0.00%											
8	(8)	1	25.00%											
9 (Very effective)	(9)	1	25.00%											
N/A	(0)	2	50.00%											
				02550100	Question		Dept		ECAS					
Response Rate		Mean	STD	Median	Dept		Mean	STD	Median	ECAS		Mean	STD	Median
4/5 (80.00%)		8.50	0.71	8.50	114		6.91	2.03	7.00	3571		7.13	2.14	8.00

8 - How effective were each of the following components in helping you achieve the stated learning outcomes? Mark "N/A" for those components not used in this course.

recorded lectures

Response Option	Weight	Frequency	Percent	Percent Responses	Means									
1 (Not effective at all)	(1)	0	0.00%											
2	(2)	0	0.00%											
3	(3)	0	0.00%											
4	(4)	0	0.00%											
5 (About average)	(5)	0	0.00%											
6	(6)	0	0.00%											
7	(7)	0	0.00%											
8	(8)	1	25.00%											
9 (Very effective)	(9)	1	25.00%											
N/A	(0)	2	50.00%											
				02550100	Question		Dept		ECAS					
Response Rate		Mean	STD	Median	Dept		Mean	STD	Median	ECAS		Mean	STD	Median
4/5 (80.00%)		8.50	0.71	8.50	114		7.01	1.95	7.00	3571		7.10	2.24	8.00



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9 - How effective overall was the instructor's use of technology in helping you achieve the stated learning outcomes?

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1 (Not effective at all)		(1)	0	0.00%									
2		(2)	0	0.00%									
3		(3)	0	0.00%									
4		(4)	0	0.00%									
5 (Average or mixed)		(5)	1	25.00%									
6		(6)	0	0.00%									
7		(7)	1	25.00%									
8		(8)	0	0.00%									
9 (Very effective)		(9)	2	50.00%									
N/A		(0)	0	0.00%									
					0	25	50	100	Question	Dept	ECAS		
Response Rate		Mean	STD	Median	Dept	Mean	STD	Median	ECAS	Mean	STD	Median	
4/5 (80.00%)		7.50	1.91	8.00	150	7.56	1.59	8.00	4671	7.65	1.78	8.00	



10 - Please estimate the following in terms of intellectual engagement.

Percent of live online class sessions that I felt intellectually engaged with the materials or activities

Response Option		Weight	Frequency	Percent	Percent Responses	Means								
Less than 10%		(1)	0	0.00%										
10-30%		(2)	0	0.00%										
31-50%		(3)	0	0.00%										
51-70%		(4)	1	25.00%										
More than 70%		(5)	1	25.00%										
N/A		(0)	2	50.00%										
					0	25	50	100	Question	Dept		ECAS		
Response Rate		Mean	STD	Median	Dept		Mean	STD	Median	ECAS		Mean	STD	Median
4/5 (80.00%)		4.50	0.71	4.50	114		4.11	1.14	5.00	3571		3.98	1.27	4.00

10 - Please estimate the following in terms of intellectual engagement.

Percent of the time I felt intellectually engaged with the asynchronous videos and other content, if applicable

Response Option				Weight	Frequency	Percent	Percent Responses	Means							
Less than 10%				(1)	0	0.00%									
10-30%				(2)	0	0.00%									
31-50%				(3)	0	0.00%									
51-70%				(4)	1	25.00%									
More than 70%				(5)	1	25.00%									
N/A				(0)	2	50.00%									
							0	25	50	100	Question	Dept		ECAS	
Response Rate		Mean	STD	Median	Dept		Mean	STD	Median	ECAS		Mean	STD	Median	
4/5 (80.00%)		4.50	0.71	4.50	114		4.10	1.09	4.00	3571		3.99	1.26	4.00	

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11 - Answer each of the following questions about your online course, in comparison with in-person courses in similar disciplines, with '1' representing "Much less effective," "Useless," or "Light workload," while '9' represents "Very effective," "Very Useful," or "Heavy workload."

effectiveness of the course in challenging you intellectually

Response Option	Weight	Frequency	Percent	Percent Responses	Means						
1	(1)	0	0.00%			8.75	7.01	6.71	Question	Dept	ECAS
2	(2)	0	0.00%								
3	(3)	0	0.00%								
4	(4)	0	0.00%								
5	(5)	0	0.00%								
6	(6)	0	0.00%								
7	(7)	0	0.00%								
8	(8)	1	25.00%								
9	(9)	3	75.00%								
N/A	(0)	0	0.00%								
					0	25	50	100	Question	Dept	ECAS
Response Rate	Mean	STD	Median	Dept	Mean	STD	Median	ECAS	Mean	STD	Median
4/5 (80.00%)	8.75	0.50	9.00	114	7.01	2.04	7.50	3571	6.71	2.38	7.00

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usefulness of the instructors' feedback

Response Option	Weight	Frequency	Percent	Percent Responses	Means						
1	(1)	0	0.00%			8.50	7.56	6.92	Question	Dept	ECAS
2	(2)	0	0.00%								
3	(3)	0	0.00%								
4	(4)	0	0.00%								
5	(5)	0	0.00%								
6	(6)	0	0.00%								
7	(7)	1	25.00%								
8	(8)	0	0.00%								
9	(9)	3	75.00%								
N/A	(0)	0	0.00%								
					0	25	50	100	Question	Dept	ECAS
Response Rate	Mean	STD	Median	Dept	Mean	STD	Median	ECAS	Mean	STD	Median
4/5 (80.00%)	8.50	1.00	9.00	114	7.56	1.64	8.00	3571	6.92	2.31	8.00

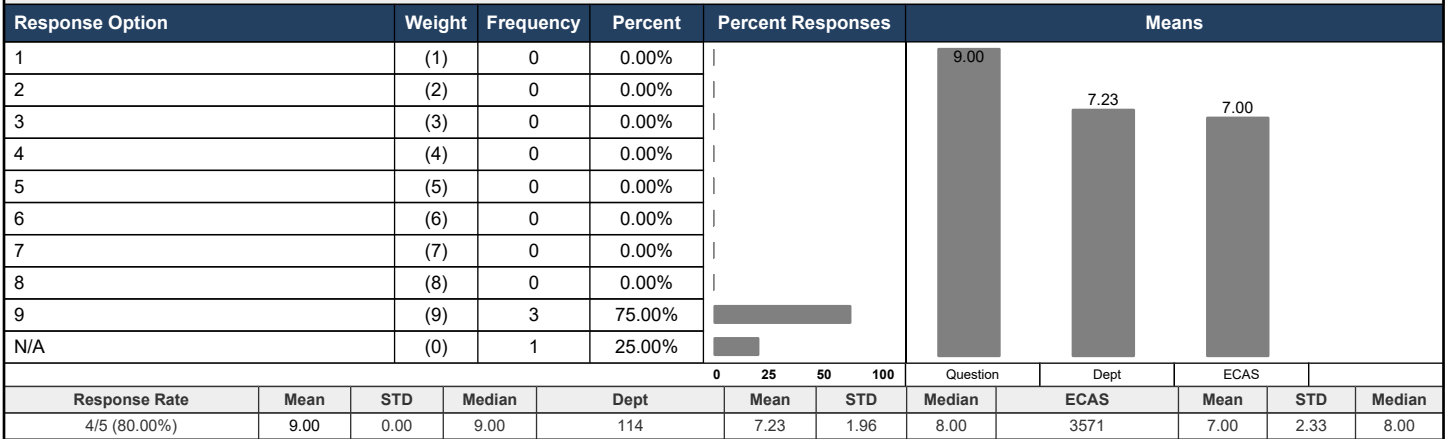
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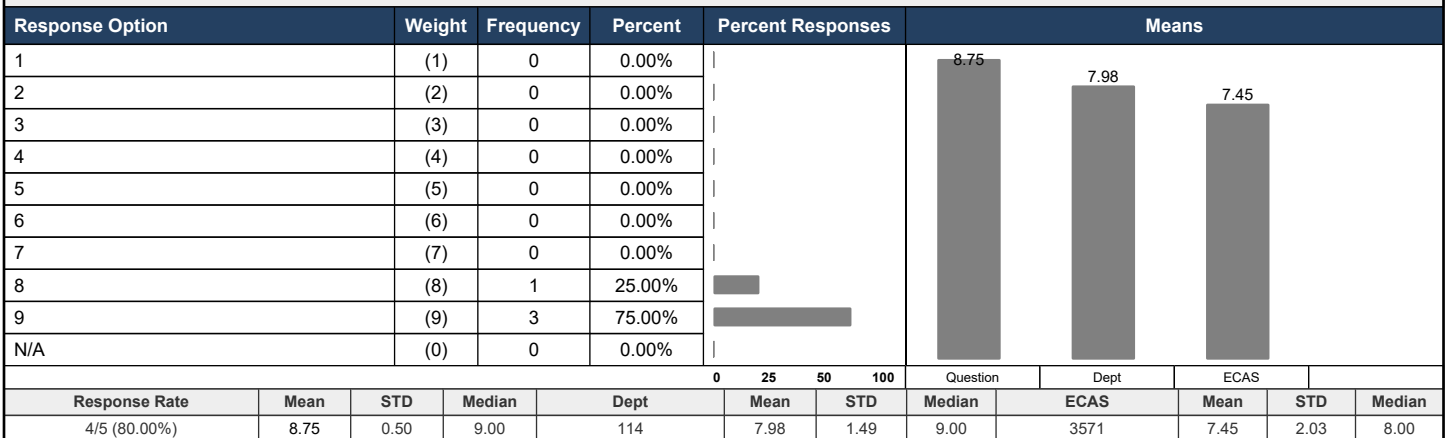
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instructors' ability to engage with the students in the remote environment



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course's success in accomplishing the objectives stated in the course syllabus



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course workload (1=light, 9=heavy)

Response Option		Weight	Frequency	Percent	Percent Responses	Means								
1		(1)	0	0.00%										
2		(2)	0	0.00%										
3		(3)	0	0.00%										
4		(4)	0	0.00%										
5		(5)	2	50.00%										
6		(6)	0	0.00%										
7		(7)	2	50.00%										
8		(8)	0	0.00%										
9		(9)	0	0.00%										
N/A		(0)	0	0.00%										
					0	25	50	100	Question	Dept		ECAS		
Response Rate		Mean	STD	Median	Dept		Mean	STD	Median	ECAS		Mean	STD	Median
4/5 (80.00%)		6.00	1.15	6.00	114		5.55	1.90	5.00	3571		5.49	2.39	6.00

12 - What approach used in this course was most effective in helping you achieve the stated learning objectives of the course?

Response Rate	4/5 (80%)
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> I think paying attention in class and asking questions was crucial for my understanding. Supplementing the class with reading and writing assignments helped too. lectures Discussion-based student led presentations Bi weekly presentations were very effective as well as the weekly assignments. I definitely learned a lot from having to synthesize and then present information about the topics that were presented. 	

13 - Did any of the following reduce your ability to participate/engage fully in the course? Select all that apply.

Response Option		Weight	Frequency	Percent	Percent Responses	
Limited internet access		(1)	0	0.00%	<div><div></div></div> <div><div></div></div> <div><div></div></div> <div><div></div></div> <div><div></div></div> <div><div></div></div>	
Distractions from the physical environment in which I was accessing the internet		(2)	0	0.00%		
Distractions from my personal technology (phone, computer, etc)		(3)	1	33.33%		
Time zone differences		(4)	0	0.00%		
Health or work-related stress (yours or family/roommate)		(5)	2	66.67%		
Other		(6)	1	33.33%		
Response Rate		3/5 (60%)				

14 - Indicate the level of difficulty you experienced in each of the following domains.

Internet connectivity issues

Response Option		Weight	Frequency	Percent	Percent Responses	Means										
No (or few) issues		(1)	3	75.00%												
Some issues, easily resolved		(2)	0	0.00%												
Some issues, never fully resolved		(3)	0	0.00%												
N/A		(0)	1	25.00%												
					0	25	50	100	Question	Dept		ECAS				
Response Rate		Mean	STD	Median	Dept		Mean	STD	Median	ECAS		Mean	STD	Median		
4/5 (80.00%)		1.00	0.00	1.00	114		1.32	0.51	1.00	3571		1.39	0.57	1.00		

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14 - Indicate the level of difficulty you experienced in each of the following domains.

Difficulties with my computer or other device

Response Option			Weight	Frequency	Percent	Percent Responses	Means							
No (or few) issues			(1)	3	75.00%									
Some issues, easily resolved			(2)	0	0.00%									
Some issues, never fully resolved			(3)	0	0.00%									
N/A			(0)	1	25.00%									
						0	25	50	100	Question	Dept		ECAS	
Response Rate		Mean	STD	Median	Dept	Mean	STD	Median	ECAS		Mean	STD	Median	
4/5 (80.00%)		1.00	0.00	1.00	114	1.33	0.55	1.00	3571		1.33	0.55	1.00	

14 - Indicate the level of difficulty you experienced in each of the following domains.

Difficulties with Canvas

Response Option			Weight	Frequency	Percent	Percent Responses	Means								
No (or few) issues			(1)	3	75.00%										
Some issues, easily resolved			(2)	0	0.00%										
Some issues, never fully resolved			(3)	0	0.00%										
N/A			(0)	1	25.00%										
							0	25	50	100	Question	Dept		ECAS	
Response Rate		Mean	STD	Median	Dept		Mean	STD	Median	ECAS		Mean	STD	Median	
4/5 (80.00%)		1.00	0.00	1.00	114		1.18	0.46	1.00	3571		1.18	0.43	1.00	

14 - Indicate the level of difficulty you experienced in each of the following domains.

Difficulties with Zoom

Response Option			Weight	Frequency	Percent	Percent Responses	Means							
No (or few) issues			(1)	3	75.00%									
Some issues, easily resolved			(2)	0	0.00%									
Some issues, never fully resolved			(3)	0	0.00%									
N/A			(0)	1	25.00%									
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							Question		Dept		ECAS			
Response Rate		Mean	STD	Median	Dept		Mean	STD	Median	ECAS		Mean	STD	Median
4/5 (80.00%)		1.00	0.00	1.00	114		1.21	0.48	1.00	3571		1.29	0.52	1.00

14 - Indicate the level of difficulty you experienced in each of the following domains.

Difficulties with Examyty

Response Option			Weight	Frequency	Percent	Percent Responses	Means								
No (or few) issues			(1)	1	25.00%										
Some issues, easily resolved			(2)	0	0.00%										
Some issues, never fully resolved			(3)	0	0.00%										
N/A			(0)	3	75.00%										
							0	25	50	100	Question	Dept		ECAS	
Response Rate		Mean	STD	Median	Dept		Mean	STD	Median	ECAS		Mean	STD	Median	
4/5 (80.00%)		1.00	0.00	1.00	114		1.10	0.30	1.00	3571		1.18	0.45	1.00	

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14 - Indicate the level of difficulty you experienced in each of the following domains.

Other												
Response Option	Weight	Frequency	Percent	Percent Responses	Means							
No (or few) issues	(1)	1	25.00%									
Some issues, easily resolved	(2)	0	0.00%									
Some issues, never fully resolved	(3)	0	0.00%									
N/A	(4)	3	75.00%									
					0	25	50	100	Question	Dept	ECAS	
Response Rate	Mean	STD	Median	Dept	Mean	STD	Median	ECAS	Mean	STD	Median	
4/5 (80.00%)	1.00	0.00	1.00	114	1.26	0.60	1.00	3571	1.14	0.43	1.00	

15 - Please describe the other technical issues you referred to above (if any).

Response Rate	0/5 (0%)
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16 - How do you feel this course contributed to your knowledge of the Environmental Sciences (ecology, earth and atmospheric science, social science and policy)?

Response Rate	4/5 (80%)
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • It helped me better understand the interconnectedness of our spheres. Also, many of the parameters include technology and policy. • First look at biogeochemistry. It showed me more what I am not interested in that what I am, but nonetheless it was very useful. Also taught myself that I need to brush up on my chemistry. • It supplemented my interest in planetary systems that was not offered by many other courses in the department. • Surprisingly, I learned the most about social science and policy. I've taken a lot of chemistry courses so I had a good background in all the biology and chemistry covered (not that I didn't learn anything about this), but I definitely learned a lot about applying these concepts to social sciences. 	

17 - If you've taken other ENVS courses, do you feel this course has built on topics/knowledge from previous courses in this department? Please describe.

Response Rate	4/5 (80%)
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Yes, I even use what I learn in this class and apply it to projects and discussions in other classes. • It built on introductory biology, geology, and chemistry courses. • Yes absolutely • I haven't. 	

18 - What attributes of the instructor's (Debjani Sihi) teaching contributed to your interest and success in the course? -

Response Rate	4/5 (80%)
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • When we were confused, she found new ways to explain the material. I think we all walked away with clear understanding. • Her persistent interest in the topic. • Her skills in teaching and life experience facilitated the learning experience. • Dr. Sihi was a great instructor, she really helped to convey complex information in an understandable manner. I don't think I would have had any trouble with understanding this but for those not as well versed in biology and chemistry it seemed that they were not having too much trouble understanding complex biological systems. 	

19 - What were the best aspects of this course?

Response Rate	4/5 (80%)
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • I think that I appreciate the student presentations, which provided a new opportunity for learning. • good lectures • The material and the community of the class • I really liked the presentations, not a lot of science classes allow for public speaking experience and that was very interesting. Also, the content of the course was very interesting and made me consider a future in biogeochemistry. 	

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20 - What suggestions would you make to the instructor (Debjani Sihi) to help improve the course? -

Response Rate 4/5 (80%)

- I think that writing a longer synthesis or comprehensive paper at some point would be fun!
- None
- Continue an iterative approach to meeting the students needs and goals of the course, as this was very successful this semester
- I would probably say to focus more on the chemical aspects instead of a broad overview of the systems, but this would require everyone to have taken organic/inorganic chemistry prior to the class.

21 - What other feedback you would like to provide?

Response Rate 1/5 (20%)

- Maybe add chemistry prerequisites to the course to be able to go greater into depth about these reactions.

Mean of Means Calculations	Mean	Dept	ECAS	
Weighted Mean (Course)	8.60	8.17	7.79	
Weighted Mean (Instructor)	8.49	8.25	7.96	
Weighted Mean (Overall)	8.53	8.23	7.90	