

Section 1: General Information

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A.Consent and Data Privacy

By completing and submitting this feedback questionnaire, you are providing your consent for the use of your responses for the purpose of course improvement and academic research. Your personal information, such as name and email, will remain confidential and will not be linked to your responses in any publicly shared reports or analysis.

Your feedback will be aggregated and used in an anonymous and summarized form to identify areas of improvement and enhance the course materials, teaching strategies, and overall learning experience. Your participation is entirely voluntary, and you may choose to skip any questions you do not wish to answer.

If you have any concerns or questions about the use of your data or this feedback process, please feel free to contact the course instructor or the course coordinator.

B.B. Submission

Please submit your completed questionnaire by **Tuesday 08.08.2023**. Your feedback is greatly appreciated and will be instrumental in making positive changes to the course.

Thank you in advance for your valuable input!

Section 2: Course Materials

1. How would you rate the clarity and organization of the course materials (lectures, slides, handouts, etc.)?

- Excellent
- Good
- Satisfactory
- Needs Improvement
- Poor

2. Were the course materials relevant and aligned with the learning objectives?

- Yes, completely.
- Yes, to some extent.
- No, not really.

3. Were the course materials easily accessible and well-organized, making it convenient for self-study and revision?

- Yes
- Somewhat
- No

4. Were there any topics or concepts in the course materials that you found particularly challenging to understand? If yes, please specify (Lecture/Slide No.).

All course contents were clear.

5. Were there any multimedia elements (videos, interactive content, etc.) incorporated into the course materials that you found helpful for your learning? If yes, please specify.

I will submit some website resources on the course assignment file that helped me to discover more about this course.

6. Were there any additional resources you would have liked to see for better understanding the course content? If yes, please specify.

I would've liked to practice more tutorials and labs to better understand the algorithms used to deal with documents.

Section 3: Teaching Strategies

1. Did the instructor encourage critical thinking and problem-solving skills during class discussions and assignments?

- Yes, consistently.
- Yes, occasionally.
- No, rarely.

2. How would you rate the instructor's ability to communicate complex concepts clearly?

- Excellent
- Good
- Satisfactory
- Needs Improvement
- Poor

3. Did the instructor encourage active participation and discussions during lectures or class activities?

- Yes, frequently.
- Yes, occasionally.
- No, rarely.

4. Which teaching strategies or methods used by the instructor were most effective in facilitating your learning?

The instructor does not sit and teach, which I found a very effective way to teach and deliver the contents of the course.

Moreover, the course instructor uses visual contents to deliver new concepts of the course, such as drawing on the board.

In addition, the course instructor gives related examples and real-life examples of and topic in the course, which I find really helpful or at least a very interesting thing for me.

5. Were there any teaching strategies that you found less effective or challenging to follow? If yes, please specify.

There are some examples that an expert or a higher educated person see it as a super clear example for him, but in case of student's knowledge it is not, and the student will probably consider it as an irrelevant example.

6. Were the assignments, projects, and assessments relevant and beneficial for reinforcing your understanding of the course concepts?

Sure.

7. How effective were the real-life examples, case studies, or practical applications used by the instructor to illustrate course concepts?

They were effective for sure; we have used practical applications as tutorials and they were a little bit hard, but the course instructor was explaining every single line of code which made it simpler.

8. Were there any innovative teaching methods or activities that you found particularly engaging and effective? If yes, please describe.

The first slides of the course were not full of information, which had me visiting online resources on websites or YouTube videos and then take notes. This was a good methodology because it forces the student to self-learn.

The side lines beside each slide on the printed copy were useful to take notes. I find it very difficult for other courses to take notes because there is no blank space in the paper. But this has a disadvantage as well, the slides are too small to read which might causes eye-strain headache.

Section 4: Instructor Attitude

1. How would you rate the instructor's attitude and approachability towards students' questions and concerns?

- Very positive and supportive
- Generally positive
- **Neutral**
- Somewhat negative
- Very negative

2. Did the instructor demonstrate enthusiasm and passion for the subject matter, which positively influenced your engagement in the course?

- **Yes, always.**
- Yes, most of the time.
- Not consistently

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- **Yes, most of the time.**
- Not consistently

4. How approachable was the instructor for discussing academic concerns, course-related questions, or career guidance?

- **Very approachable**
- Approachable
- Neutral
- Less approachable
- Not approachable at all

5. Did the instructor provide constructive feedback on your assignments and performance in a timely manner?

Not yet, but soon he will ([:

6. Were you comfortable seeking clarification or additional help from the instructor outside of class hours?

24/7 (God bless him)

7. Were there any instances where the instructor demonstrated bias or favoritism? If yes, please elaborate.

No, there weren't

8. Were there any instances where the instructor provided personalized feedback or support tailored to individual student needs?

No. there weren't

Section 5: Overall Learning Experience

1. How would you rate your overall learning experience in this course?

- Excellent
- Good
- Satisfactory
- Needs Improvement
- Poor

2. How would you rate the level of difficulty of the course in relation to your background knowledge and skill level?

- Very challenging
- Challenging
- Moderate
- Easy
- Very easy

3. What aspects of the course or teaching methods contributed the most to your learning experience?

Course instructor has knowledge in almost every field under the IT umbrella, which made him provide related examples all the time, I remember one of his examples is discovering the relationship between terrorist individuals using "Social network" (criminal networks) or how to find the first one who wrote a rumor using DSS features/ network analysis.

4. What improvements or changes would you suggest enhancing the course materials or teaching methods?

Section 3: Question 5

5. Were there any specific learning objectives or topics that you would have liked to see covered more extensively in the course? If yes, please specify.

Probably the "Soundex" part

6. On a scale of 1 to 10, how likely are you to recommend this course to your peers?

8/10

7. Please share any additional comments, feedback, or suggestions about the course.

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