FSE 201: Engineering UGTA UGTA Self-Selected Contribution Template

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Session: C

Activity Title: Muddiest Point Survey and Lesson

Expected Points:

Activity Summary:

I began implementing a muddiest point reflection by reviewing the instructor's notes on each of the class's modules and selecting general topics that students can expect to see on the midterm exam. Once I selected some topics, I created a Google Form that listed those topics. The form also asked students to select one or more of those topics that they would like to see covered during the midterm exam review session. The survey received 22 responses from students, which was about a third of the class body. Once I received information on the most highly requested topics, I compared that information with the existing midterm questions and prepared some on-paper notes addressing those topics to present during the midterm review session. I also received a slide deck from the instructor, which had some exam review questions. I used my notes from the muddiest point survey to supplement this deck during the lesson, which occurred on October 8th.

I think that these muddiest point reflections are generally useful since they give students a chance to confront topics that they are least familiar with to help them feel more confident in taking an exam. For the class I'm assisting, my muddiest point lesson was helpful, especially since I was given the opportunity to cover questions that directly related to questions they would find on the exam. Unfortunately, because time was spent by the instructor explaining the Respondus Lockdown Browser exam process, my explanation on some of the muddiest point issues was rushed slightly. In future review sessions, I'll have to try to make more time to review topics that students were especially concerned in. However, the review session was ultimately successful because sample test questions were explored in-depth and the topic the most students were unconfident in was addressed thoroughly. My instructor informed me that I did an excellent job hosting the review session.

Activity Supporting Materials and Documentation:

Link to muddiest point survey:

https://docs.google.com/forms/d/14B1gScMIOeCaDDw2Dog99HLOPDP8Bs6_eBa0wwFh4iw/edit#responses

Link to video recording of review lesson:

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=VyrmoEMCvsQ&feature=emb_logo