

Instructor: **Mohan, Aanchan**Subject: **CS**Catalog & Section: **6140 05**Course ID: **20452**

Objectives:

Enrollment: **12**Responses Incl Declines: **6**Declines: **0**

## Instructor Related Questions: Aanchan Mohan (12 comments)

**Q: What were the strengths of this course and/or this instructor?**

- 1 Knowledgeable about the material
- 2 It's evident that the instructor has a strong intention to deliver a comprehensive and effective learning experience. However, it seems that the actual execution did not fully align with these intentions.
- 3 Aanchan came to class very enthusiastic about course material every day. This was a very difficult class overall and his personal interest in the material kept class engaging throughout any struggles. I think this course covered a lot of interesting and in depth material. Aanchan made the math approachable in most cases and I found that to be helpful.
- 4 Engaging Teaching Methods, Creating a Supportive Environment

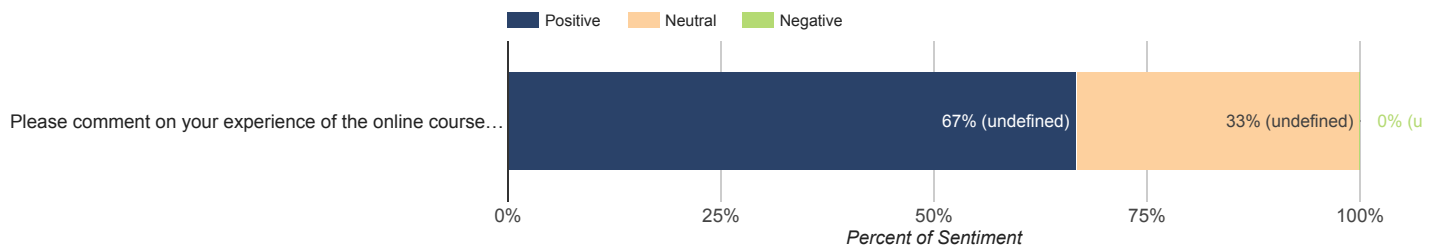
**Q: What could the instructor do to make this course better?**

- 1 leave more time for final project
- 2 It might be beneficial for the course if the instructor considers creating original lecture materials, instead of utilizing lecture slides from other universities like University of Wisconsin Madison and Stanford, and companies, such as Amazon.
- 3 I found some assignments to be quite difficult and the weekly material did not always provide me with enough understanding to be able to complete them. I think if we had more assignments, but they were smaller in size that may allow students to apply that weeks material to the homework. Assignments were very long and often covered multiple weeks worth of material. It was easy to get lost in important material, or have my mind too preoccupied with material relevant to two weeks prior. The issue I found with that is I was less invested in the current class because it had little to do with my current work. I also found some of the pre class material hard to interpret into code for our assignments. Most material covered the general overview of the subject matter and not have any concrete examples. This could be a good opportunity for class time to do more examples (which Aanchan did do from time to time).  
  
For the most part the pre-class quizzes were a good way to retain information from our readings. In class quizzes were a bit less consistent, however towards the end of class Aanchan took in a lot of feedback to make them better and a reasonable challenge for myself. For future classes I think it would be good for him to make in-class quizzes back into group quizzes if the right quiz structure is in place. There is a lot of value in working with different students every week and it allows students that don't know each other to work together. This would help for future breakout sessions that I found my group members were often quiet in.
- 4 More True/false quizzes to each class so that we can read stuff from outside the reference articles

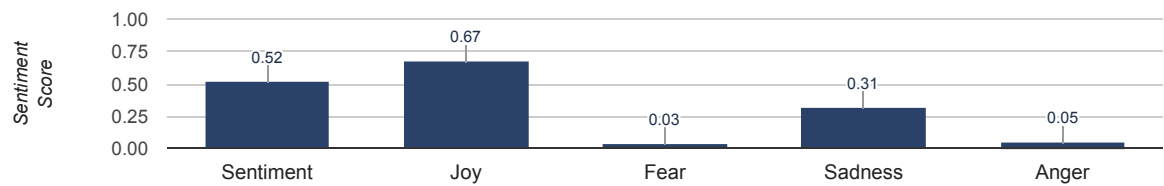
**Q: Please expand on the instructor's strengths and/or areas for improvement in facilitating inclusive learning.**

- 1 Instructor is knowledgeable about the material and encouraging every one to participate
- 2 Has there been consideration given to adhering more closely to the original syllabus without making changes throughout the course? Sticking to the outlined syllabus could provide students with a more consistent and predictable learning path, allowing for better preparation and planning for the course's progression.
- 3 It is hard for me to have much critique for this class as Aanchan is an incredibly adaptable and approachable professor. After the first assignments and quizzes he designated time in class to get student feedback. Any issues the class had he made changes on and I think the class operated better as the semester progressed.  
  
It is also worth mentioning that he did a good job pushing students (in a fair manner) to participate in class. He would try to engage all areas of the room, as it was easy for a small handful of students to do most of the contributing.
- 4 more diverse real time applications

## Questions to Assess Students' Online Experience (3 comments)

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- 1 It is accessible ★★★★★
- 2 The online materials provided each week originate from a variety of sources. While the diversity of sources is appreciated, it appears that the content is not always presented in a cohesive manner. A more structured and coherent organization of these materials are needed. ★★★★★
- 3 This course did not require or demand a lot of online interaction. The biggest factor for students would have been connecting to the Discovery Cluster, which he informed students of the first day of class. ★★★★★

Student Self-Assessment of their Effort to Achieve Course Outcomes (3 comments)

Q: What I could have done to make this course better for myself.

- 1 Better time management
- 2 To find more amazing online courses to learn.
- 3 I do not believe I could have done more to improve this class for myself. I allotted substantial time to complete all of my assignments and would complete the requested readings. Any issues I had were due to the difficulty in material and that is a learning curve issue.