

Instructor: **Savage, Saiph**
Subject: **CS**
Catalog & Section: **5170 01**
Course ID: **19318**
Objectives:

Enrollment: **11**
Responses Incl Declines: **11**
Declines: **0**

Instructor Related Questions: Saiph Savage (26 comments)

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

- 1 Kind
Empathetic
Experienced and know what she is teaching.
- 2 I'm one semester away from graduation, and I can say with confidence that this is the best class and instructor I've ever had in Northeastern.

Not only because I could tell the course material was developed with effort and care, the instructor really cares about students, not only in class but also future career outside of class, and are willing to help us do well and connect with the industry if we put in the effort.
- 3 Clear communication
Engaging
Lightweight and interactive
- 4 The instructor is very kind and control the tempo of this late-night 3hours class very well.
- 5 The instructed personally knew each of us and gave us positive feedback
- 6 The course was always interactive and involved. Instructor managed to keep everyone engaged. Specially in class activities were very helpful in learning the concepts covered during the class in more details.
- 7 Communication
- 8 The instructor's own research topic is this, so things she taught felt more relevant.
- 9 The course is excellent in terms of providing a practical perspective to designing AI systems.
She is the best professor. I am really glad to study and advised by her. She is very encouraging, supportive and always provide positive feedback.

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

- 1 NA
- 2 One improvement that I see is that sometimes we have a little too much time for in-class discussion, more than necessary to fully discuss the topic at hand
- 3 More in-class technical activities
- 4 Nothing
- 5 Some of the inclass activities were not very clear in terms of what perspective and what is expected. For example, Coming from a computer science and software developer background, I looked at few tasks with developer mindset but what was actually required was to think in terms of end user or different stake holder.
- 6 Perhaps more on UI/UX since the class was majorly on ML side
- 7 I think in general the course is pretty good. The difficulty is not very high.
- 8 Nothing, the course is perfect.

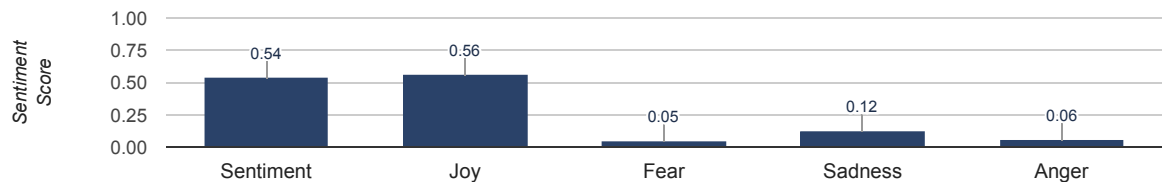
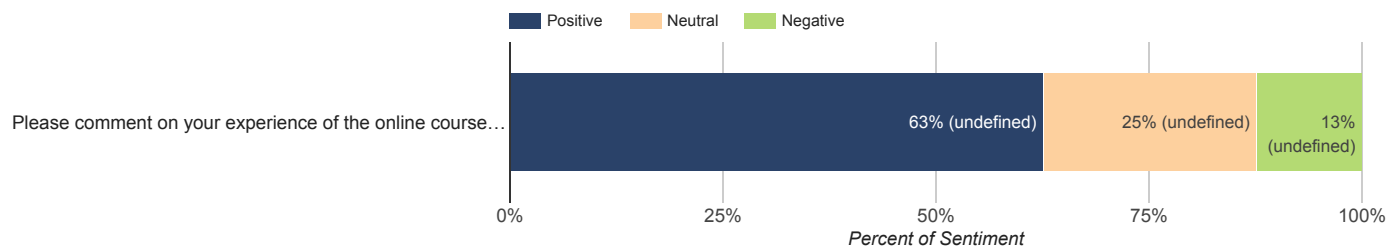
Q: Please expand on the instructor's strengths and/or areas for improvement in facilitating inclusive learning.

- 1 NA
- 2 The professor definitely put in way more effort than obligated, such as setting up office hours, answer emails, and help with projects and papers even outside of strictly class material, and have frequently shown willingness to help so that every student can feel free to seek help.

Teaching skills can be learned, but it's quite rare to find a instructor that cares about student's progress and education, this I think is the instructor's biggest asset in facilitating inclusive learning.
- 3 Instructor keeps up with current news and tech. Encourages others to do their best. Also connects us with industry actors and opportunities.
- 4 Perhaps more coding aspects can be included in the class materials, mainly the class is about design concepts.
- 5 Everything was great. Continue the great work.
- 6 Professor kept the class very organized, interacted with all and motivated everyone to participate.
- 7 N/A
- 8 I think the strength lies in that fact that she herself is a HCI researcher. This makes topics more relevant.
- 9 Prof. Saiph has great knowledge and expertise in this field. She taught me a lot not just on the concepts related to the domain but also on ethical, moral aspects of designing AI to eliminate bias as much as possible.

Questions to Assess Students' Online Experience (8 comments)

Q: Please comment on your experience of the online course environment in the open-ended text box.



- 1 NA ★★★★★
- 2 I don't think this class has a strong online component since it's primarily in person, but what's there on Canvas is great. ★★★★★
- 3 It was great ★★★★★
- 4 This is an in-person class. ★★★★★
- 5 We had the classes in person and were great ★★★★★
- 6 Luckily all classes were conducted in classroom. ★★★★★
- 7 Excellent ★★★★★
- 8 We didn't do online. We met in class. ★★★★★

Student Self-Assessment of their Effort to Achieve Course Outcomes (8 comments)

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

- 1 NA
- 2 I think I would have gained more if I have more prior knowledge on AI
- 3 More technical assessments for the course
- 4 I could have connected with the TA more and used more of office hours
- 5 This course covers more HCI material than I knew. I could spend more time understanding and going through some of it and practice more.
- 6 More personal reading
- 7 The course was pretty good for me.
- 8 I could have read more on the basics of HCI since I don't have a background in that. But this class was amazing and adequate to introduce to me to that topic.