Instructor: Miazi, Md Nazmus Sakib

Subject: CS

Catalog & Section: **5340 06**Course ID: **40855**Objectives:

Enrollment: 65

Responses Incl Declines: 17

Declines: 1

Instructor Related Questions: Md Nazmus Sakib Miazi (13 comments)

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

- 1 The prep work and assignments for this course taught me what I needed to learn and rarely required me to rely on the professor or TAs for help. When I did have questions though the professor answered my Teams messages and Piazza posts in an effective manner. I really appreciated that because I have had professors who were not as communicative or active in discussions. I also liked that he gave out example assignments and projects. This was very helpful.
- 2 The professor has excellent communication skills and is always available to assist students. He is readily accessible through the team for any queries and is a fantastic educator with a clear understanding of the course content. His well-structured assignments are incredibly beneficial for thoroughly learning the subject.
- 3 Prof Miazi is a ray of sunshine. I love his positive attitude. He's great at summarizing information and he's super responsive. He obviously cares about his students and wants to give everyone the tools to succeed. He's very approachable.
- 4 very nice and detailed.
- 5 He is extremely considerate to his students and he is responsive even outside of his office hours.

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

- 1 Though I really appreciate the professor being kind, lenient, and understanding, sometimes the changing of the due dates and types of assignments was annoying. Since I work ahead, these changes could be seen as unfair. For example, for extending the due dates, the students who did not work ahead technically got more time to work on their assignment. Though he addressed this, we also at first had prep work homework assignments that were changed to optional assignments, then extra credit. Before they were extra credit, I did not like that I did the work and did not get credit for it. Though he changed it, he stopped asking for the prep work in some modules. I was still doing it regardless since I take notes on the course material. So I personally was fine with that type of assignment and liked that there were more points to distribute throughout my entire grade. Other than this small thing though, I though the professor was good, very nice, and responsive.
- 2 N/A
- 3 This isn't really an instructor thing I don't think, but combining course levels with graduate and undergrads in the same section really didn't work. As a grad student, I thought this class was pretty easy (and informative! But as a CS grad student, the amount of work was very light), but younger students kept posting on Piazza that there was too much work and that they were overwhelmed. There was clearly a huge gap in what grad students expected versus what undergrads expected.

I am loving the group project - it's super fun and exciting to work on - but I think it might work better as a 1-2 person group rather than a 3-4 person group.

I also think that the paper would have been more effective as a test or other activity. It was sort of excruciating spending so much time pointing out where design elements were when what we needed to do was evaluate how they were used. I think an exam or something where we identify different design elements would be good and then in our paper we could spend way less time identifying the elements and instead do a real world activity like a traffic light evaluation with recommendations, or some other analysis/recommendations report actually used in a marketing agency would have been more relevant.

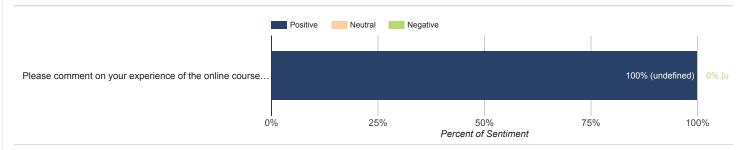
4 The downside of him being extremely considerate, was that he had to alter deadlines (pushed back deadlines) and/or project requirements to accommodate to his student's requests.

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

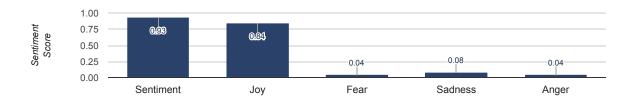
- 1 I appreciated that he was vocal and answered questions and follow-ups on Piazza. Excluding introductions and team posts, there is not one un-answered question/follow-up. He was also quick to reply to private Teams' messages and was willing to meet outside of his office hours. That was very kind of him. I also found the prep work he published to be effective (same goes for the assignments and quizzes). I also appreciated that he was on top of his work and posted modules a week in advance. Seeing as how I like to work ahead this was a huge help for me.
- 2 Professor Md Nazmus Sakib Miazi is an outstanding educator with a clear understanding of the course material, and he teaches exceptionally well. He has organized this online course effectively, making it easy for students to learn, form groups, and collaborate on projects. I thoroughly enjoyed this course and the opportunity to learn under his guidance.
- 3 This is my second online class with Prof Miazi. He's delightful and obviously cares about his students and their success. I think he does a great job instructing, and would love to see him remake some of the resources that were available in some of the weekly modules.
- 4 Even though he had to altered some deadlines and project requirements, he was also very considerate and flexible to groups that were on track to turn in projects based on the original requirements.

Questions to Assess Students' Online Experience (7 comments)

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



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- everything is good and the instructor is very nice and willing to help $\star\star\star\star\star$
- 4 great★★★★★
- 6 good★★★★★
- 7 Professor Miazi provided an organized and friendly virtual class. He is always responsive and considerate. I really enjoyed this class and the topics that we learned. 🗙 🖈 🖈 🖈

Student Self-Assessment of their Effort to Achieve Course Outcomes (5 comments)

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

- 1 I had a pretty good time in this course! I will say that had I not had such good luck with my project partner, I do not think I would be able to say the same thing. Having such a great partner really made this class, especially because a lot of the class was project/team based. I think I did my best in this course and do not think there is anything I could have done to make the course better for myself.
- 2 do the prep work properly
- 3 I wish I had tried to organize my group earlier than I did.
- 4 more focus on the slides
- 5 I feel I did pretty well in this class. I usually submitted the weekly assignments 2 to 3 days prior to the deadline. This applied the same to the group project for the second half of the course.