



KREY 12301 1, KREY 12301 1, LACS 12301 1, LACS 12301 1 - Kreyòl for Speakers of Romance Languages II - Instructor(s): Gerdine Ulysse

Project Title: **College Course Feedback - Winter 2024**

Number Enrolled: **6**

Number of Responses: **4**

Report Comments

Opinions expressed in these evaluations are those of students enrolled in the specific course and do not represent the University.

Creation Date: **Thursday, March 28, 2024**

What are the most important things that you learned in this course? Please reflect on the knowledge and skills you gained.

Comments
I learned how to conduct myself in a market, what questions to ask, and how to respond to what I needed. Using my vocabulary skills to communicate also was beneficial.
How to speak, write, and read creole. I also loved discussions on the culture and food
This course focuses on language as much as it does culture. I learned the nuances of Haitian Kreyol as a language (By way of grammar concepts, vocabulary, and speaking exercises) and Haitian culture (through in class discussions, discussion posts, and the different units covered). More specifically, I learned how to navigate and use Haitian kreyol with the following themes: travel, transportation, food/eating, health, and religion.

Describe how aspects of this course (lectures, discussions, labs, assignments, etc.) contributed to your learning.

Comments
The course has slides explaining what will be taught, activities to help with our speaking, and more. There is a language partner component to help increase your speaking.
Lectures were super useful for getting the basics down, but chatting with other students, teachers, and folks who've been speaking the lingo all their lives really kicked things up a notch. It's one thing to know your stuff from books and lectures, but it's a whole different game when you have to use it on the fly in a real convo. Those chats forced me to think on my feet and apply what I learned in real time, making everything stick way better. Plus, dealing with all the slang, accents, and cultural quirks along the way made it way more interesting and fun. Mixing up classroom learning with actual talking was the perfect combo for getting the hang of things fast.
All aspects of this course worked really well to contribute to my learning. Homework and weekly assignments are used as a way to reinforce us listening and reading the language. Sometimes the exercises felt a little disconnected from the course grammar. This could be a symptom of the textbook and not the class though. I most enjoyed talking to heritage speakers and doing presentations to improve my language skills.

Please respond to the following:

	Mean	Median	Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Neutral	Agree	Strongly Agree
This course challenged me intellectually.	3.00	3.00	33.33%	0.00%	33.33%	0.00%	33.33%
I understood the purpose of this course and what I was expected to gain from it.	5.00	5.00	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	100.00%
I understood the standards for success on assignments.	5.00	5.00	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	100.00%
Class time enhanced my ability to succeed in graded assignments.	5.00	5.00	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	100.00%
I received feedback on my performance that helped me improve my subsequent work.	5.00	5.00	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	100.00%
My work was evaluated fairly.	5.00	5.00	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	100.00%
I felt respected in this class.	5.00	5.00	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	100.00%
Overall, this was an excellent course.	5.00	5.00	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	100.00%

Additional comments about the course:

Comments
Gerdien is an AMAZING professor who goes out of her way to make sure her students excel. You won't regret this class.
love the professor, best at uchicago, what she gets paid isn't enough get her a raise
Gerdine is a phenomenal professor. I have never experienced a course or teaching like this in all of my four years of undergrad. In the past, I have had some challenging experiences with RLL, the Spanish department, and overall language learning at UChicago. I'm leaving with a restored confidence in language learning, an interest in Haitian kreyol, and real speaking capabilities in the language. If you're even curious or interested in this class I would recommend it. And I wouldn't be deterred by the title of the class (for romance speakers). Kreyol and French and even Spanish are all different languages with different grammar structures. It helps to know one sometimes but it is absolutely not necessary. Apart from that, you can tell that Gerdine goes above and beyond for her students. She creates a safe, fun learning environment that does not chastise mistakes or intellectual curiosity.

I would recommend this course to:

	No	Yes
Highly-motivated and well-prepared students	0.00%	100.00%
Anyone interested in the topic	0.00%	100.00%

Thinking about your time in the class, what aspect of the instructor's teaching contributed most to your learning?

Comments
Her teaching in class and reviewing conversation questions were beneficial.
Her patience, she makes sure everyone gets something before she moves on, but also allows you to learn on your own and with partners
Professor Ulyesse has great energy in every class, we learned the language and culture. This is one of the best classes I have had and I plan to take more courses with her in the future . The course was diversely interactive .
I most appreciated Gerdine's availability when student wanted to ask questions during and outside of class about the course content.

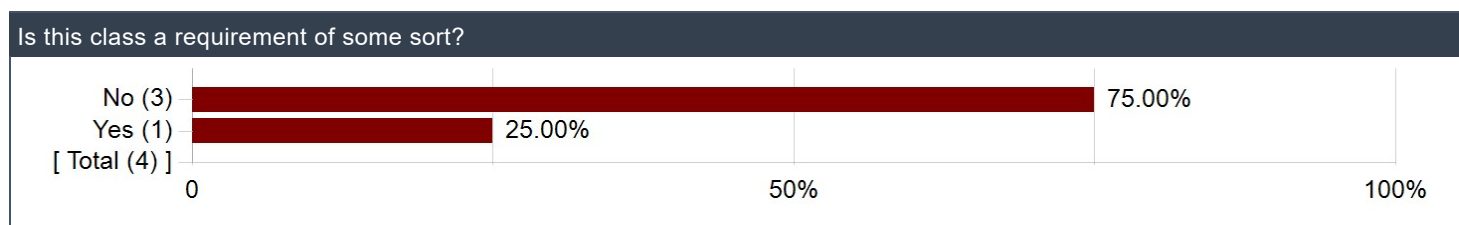
What could the instructor modify to help you learn more?

Comments
Nothing!
nothing really, i mean theres a lot of homework but it isn't too difficult. maybe the weeks we have projects, quizzes, or tests we could do 1 hw instead of 2
The only thing that I could think to modify is spacing out the assignment the end of the course be a week. As an individual assignments they were easy to complete, however, to do a quiz and create a blog was a bit difficult to manage.

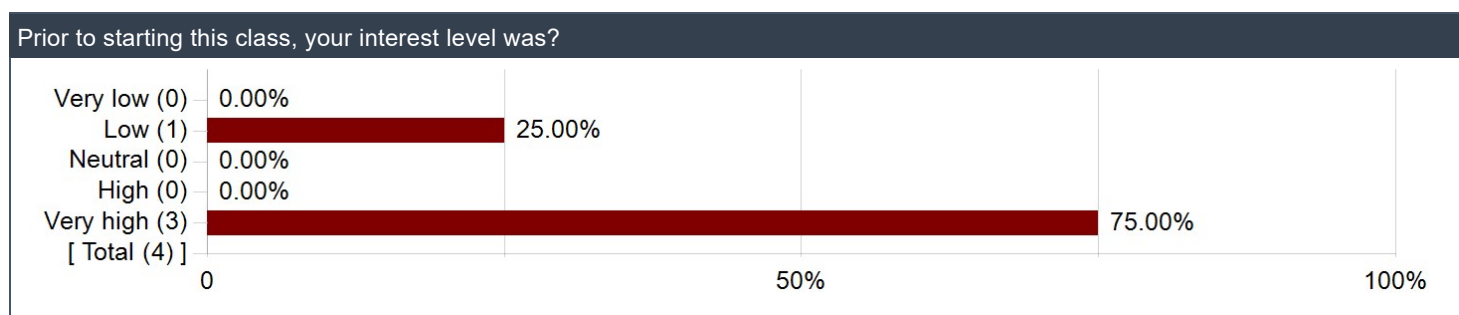
The Instructor . . .

	Mean	Median	Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Neutral	Agree	Strongly Agree	N/A
Organized the course clearly.	5.00	5.00	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	100.00%	0.00%
Presented lectures that enhanced your understanding.	5.00	5.00	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	100.00%	0.00%
Facilitated discussions that were engaging and useful.	5.00	5.00	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	100.00%	0.00%
Stimulated your interest in the core ideas of the course.	5.00	5.00	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	100.00%	0.00%
Challenged you to learn.	5.00	5.00	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	100.00%	0.00%
Helped you gain significant learning from the course content.	5.00	5.00	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	100.00%	0.00%
Was available and helpful outside of class.	5.00	5.00	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	100.00%	0.00%
Motivated you to think independently.	5.00	5.00	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	100.00%	0.00%
Worked to create an inclusive and welcoming learning environment.	5.00	5.00	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	100.00%	0.00%
Overall, this instructor made a significant contribution to your learning.	5.00	5.00	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	100.00%	0.00%

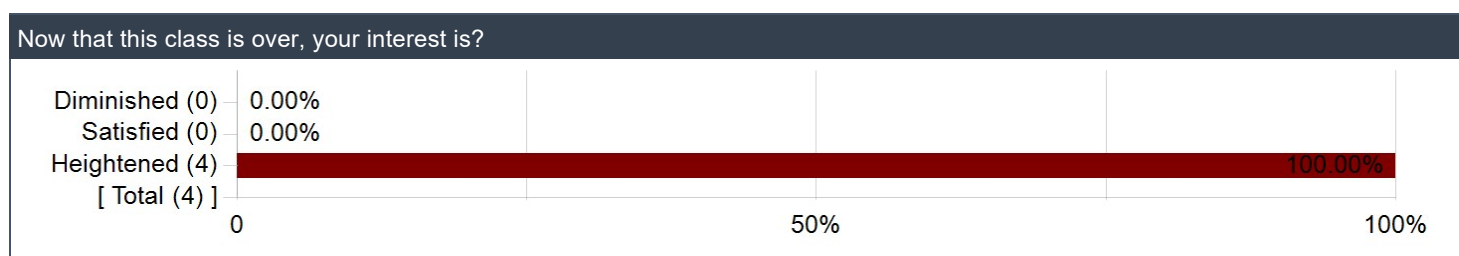
Is this class a requirement of some sort?



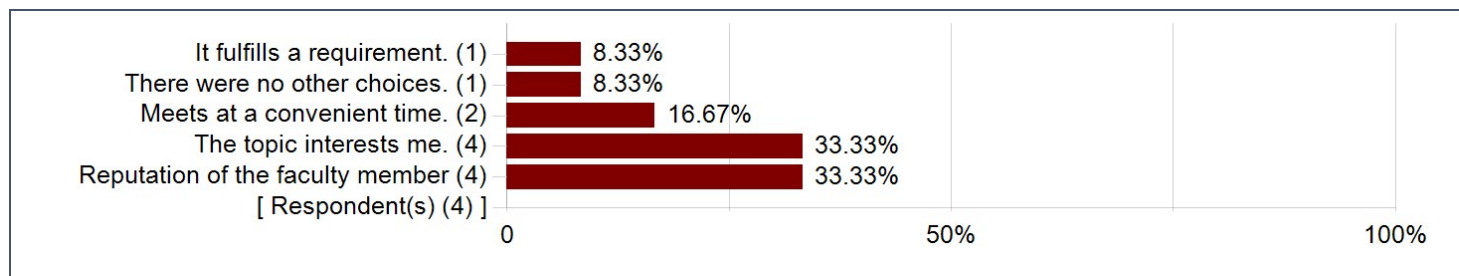
Prior to starting this class, your interest level was?



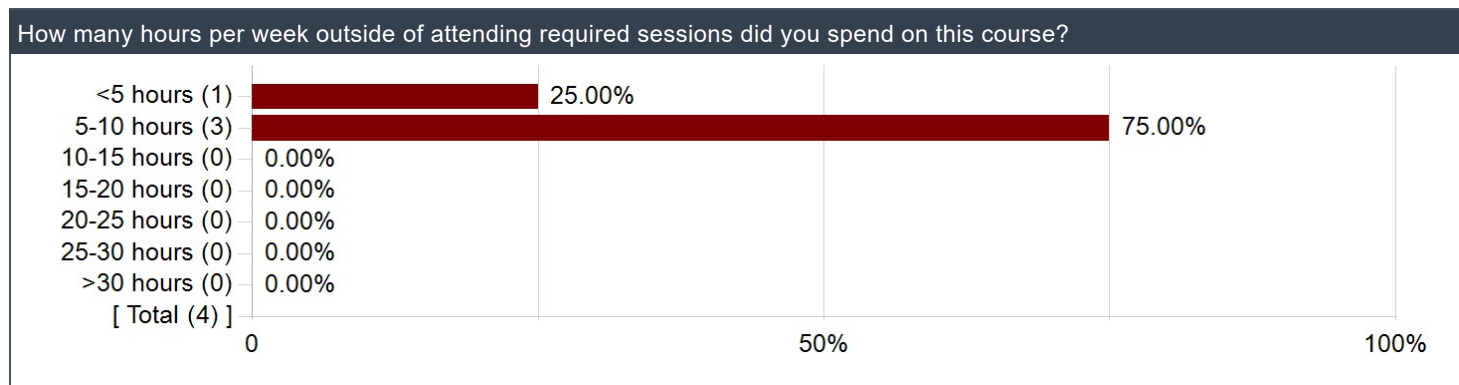
Now that this class is over, your interest is?



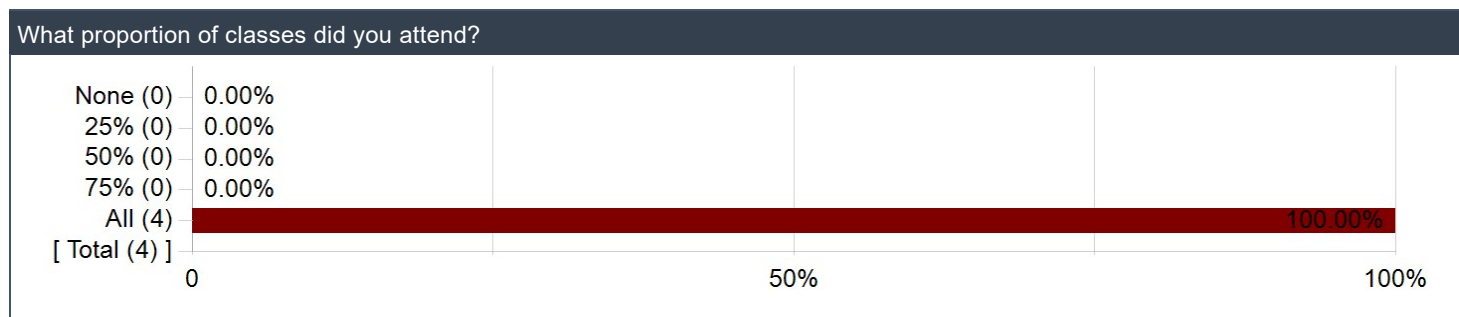
Why did you choose to take this course? (Select all that apply)



How many hours per week outside of attending required sessions did you spend on this course?



What proportion of classes did you attend?



Please comment on the level of difficulty of the course relative to your background and experience.

Comments
Not difficult at all! I am a native speaker, so I am biased, but Kreyol can be easy to pick up. I hope you take the class
the language itself is hard to learn solo but she really makes it easy
The course material was more digestible than other language courses.