



HUMA 14100 8 - Reading Cultures: Collection, Travel, Exchange II - Instructor(s): Martha T Roth

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

Number Enrolled: **19**

Number of Responses: **10**

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.

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| How to write |
| Argumentation |
| Problem construction, argumentative writing, and learning how translation and cultures affect literature. |
| The most important things I learned in this course was to really evaluate the person who was telling the story, and how that leads to certain things being emphasized and omitted. For every book that we read, we spent a majority of the first class going into the author's background, which really emphasized the cultural impacts as well as the personal themes that would be present in the book. |
| How to write argumentative essays and discuss them |
| Close reading, new thinking on the meaning of traveling |
| I've learned how to closely analyze a text and then apply what I've learned through essays |

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

| Comments |
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| Writing seminars helped me learn to write |
| In class discussions provided insight into the texts we were reading. |
| discussions in class |
| Mainly, our class was outside of class reading and discussions. Our professor would usually summarize what we read, and then try to focus in on the key themes that continued throughout the book, as well talk about what interested us. Our class time was where, if we spoke up, we could talk about what confused and interested us. |
| I enjoyed the discussions we had in class |
| Discussions were great |
| The seminars contributed most to my learning |
| Mostly lectures and 2-3 essays every quarter |

Please respond to the following:

| | Mean | Median | Strongly Disagree | Disagree | Neutral | Agree | Strongly Agree |
|--|------|--------|-------------------|----------|---------|--------|----------------|
| This course challenged me intellectually. | 4.33 | 5.00 | 11.11% | 0.00% | 0.00% | 22.22% | 66.67% |
| I understood the purpose of this course and what I was expected to gain from it. | 4.78 | 5.00 | 0.00% | 0.00% | 11.11% | 0.00% | 88.89% |
| I understood the standards for success on assignments. | 4.67 | 5.00 | 0.00% | 0.00% | 11.11% | 11.11% | 77.78% |
| Class time enhanced my ability to succeed in graded assignments. | 4.33 | 5.00 | 11.11% | 0.00% | 0.00% | 22.22% | 66.67% |
| I received feedback on my performance that helped me improve my subsequent work. | 4.89 | 5.00 | 0.00% | 0.00% | 0.00% | 11.11% | 88.89% |
| My work was evaluated fairly. | 4.78 | 5.00 | 0.00% | 0.00% | 0.00% | 22.22% | 77.78% |
| I felt respected in this class. | 4.89 | 5.00 | 0.00% | 0.00% | 0.00% | 11.11% | 88.89% |
| Overall, this was an excellent course. | 4.44 | 5.00 | 0.00% | 11.11% | 11.11% | 0.00% | 77.78% |

Additional comments about the course:

| Comments |
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| Personally, I really liked this course; especially the book selection and how we tried to go into all of the details. We also focused on the impacts of translation and moving stories across cultures, which was just fascinating. This is Professor Roth's last year teaching, but it was awesome in her class! |
| The reason that this course did not go well was due to me, not the professor. I had a marvelous professor, I just do not know how to write, and my shortcomings are my own responsibility. |
| Roth is awesome |

I would recommend this course to:

| | No | Yes |
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| 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 |
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| Going over the passages we read and creating discussions around them to enhance our comprehension of them respectively. |
| Led interesting discussions and was clearly informed on what she was speaking about. |
| Discussions we have in class. |
| My instructor would make sure that we looked at multiple viewpoints and were aware of influences on the stories. This helped me really think about what is always important in stories—other perspectives. |
| Discussions and background information |
| The instructor's own insight on the books is usually very illuminating and sometimes allow me to look at the material at a whole new angle. |
| Very great and engaging lecturer |

What could the instructor modify to help you learn more?

| Comments |
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| I have no idea I just didn't read anything ever so maybe make it more inclusive perhaps? |
| Allowing the discussion to leave where she wants to go – sometimes an interesting topic would come up and she would quickly transition to her next item without fully delving into it. It would also be nice if she could remember our names after two quarters of being with her. |
| N/A. Professor Roth is great! |
| I don't really have anything off the top of my head. Sometimes class was more of a summary than a discussion, but that's a side effect of how much we would talk in class. |
| N/A |

The Instructor . . .

| | Mean | Median | Strongly Disagree | Disagree | Neutral | Agree | Strongly Agree | N/A |
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| Organized the course clearly. | 4.56 | 5.00 | 0.00% | 0.00% | 0.00% | 44.44% | 55.56% | 0.00% |
| Presented lectures that enhanced your understanding. | 4.67 | 5.00 | 0.00% | 0.00% | 0.00% | 33.33% | 66.67% | 0.00% |
| Facilitated discussions that were engaging and useful. | 4.67 | 5.00 | 0.00% | 0.00% | 0.00% | 33.33% | 66.67% | 0.00% |
| Stimulated your interest in the core ideas of the course. | 4.00 | 5.00 | 11.11% | 11.11% | 0.00% | 22.22% | 55.56% | 0.00% |
| Challenged you to learn. | 4.11 | 5.00 | 11.11% | 0.00% | 11.11% | 22.22% | 55.56% | 0.00% |
| Helped you gain significant learning from the course content. | 4.00 | 5.00 | 11.11% | 11.11% | 0.00% | 22.22% | 55.56% | 0.00% |
| Was available and helpful outside of class. | 4.56 | 5.00 | 0.00% | 0.00% | 0.00% | 44.44% | 55.56% | 0.00% |
| Motivated you to think independently. | 4.22 | 5.00 | 11.11% | 0.00% | 0.00% | 33.33% | 55.56% | 0.00% |
| Worked to create an inclusive and welcoming learning environment. | 4.78 | 5.00 | 0.00% | 0.00% | 0.00% | 22.22% | 77.78% | 0.00% |
| Overall, this instructor made a significant contribution to your learning. | 4.11 | 5.00 | 11.11% | 0.00% | 11.11% | 22.22% | 55.56% | 0.00% |

Please include the name of the TA/CA/Intern you are evaluating. What aspects of the TA's teaching contributed most to your learning? What could the TA modify to help you learn more? Please include any additional feedback for the TA/CA/Intern.

| Comments |
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| Karen Xu actually contributed the most to the class through the writing seminars for my case. |
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| Karen Xu. She was always available by email and would work to make sure she was free during the week of our essays, even though she had a ridiculous amount of students. Her comments were probably the most helpful, because I could see what I needed to focus on when working on my rewrites. I would have liked to have a writing seminar focused more explicitly on the intro and conclusion paragraphs, but we had limited time. |
| Karen |
| Karen Xu |
| Karen Xu actively participates in discussion during seminars and give us good insights on the topic. |

The TA/CA or Intern. . .

| | Mean | Median | Strongly Disagree | Disagree | Neutral | Agree | Strongly Agree | N/A |
|--|------|--------|-------------------|----------|---------|--------|----------------|-------|
| Facilitated discussions that supported your learning. | 4.83 | 5.00 | 0.00% | 0.00% | 0.00% | 16.67% | 83.33% | 0.00% |
| Gave you useful feedback on your work. | 4.67 | 5.00 | 0.00% | 0.00% | 0.00% | 33.33% | 66.67% | 0.00% |
| Stimulated your interest in the core ideas of the class. | 4.50 | 5.00 | 0.00% | 0.00% | 16.67% | 16.67% | 66.67% | 0.00% |
| Challenged you to learn. | 4.67 | 5.00 | 0.00% | 0.00% | 0.00% | 33.33% | 66.67% | 0.00% |
| Helped you succeed in the class. | 4.50 | 4.50 | 0.00% | 0.00% | 0.00% | 50.00% | 50.00% | 0.00% |
| Was available and helpful outside of class. | 4.67 | 5.00 | 0.00% | 0.00% | 0.00% | 33.33% | 66.67% | 0.00% |
| Overall, this individual made a significant contribution to your learning. | 4.50 | 4.50 | 0.00% | 0.00% | 0.00% | 50.00% | 50.00% | 0.00% |

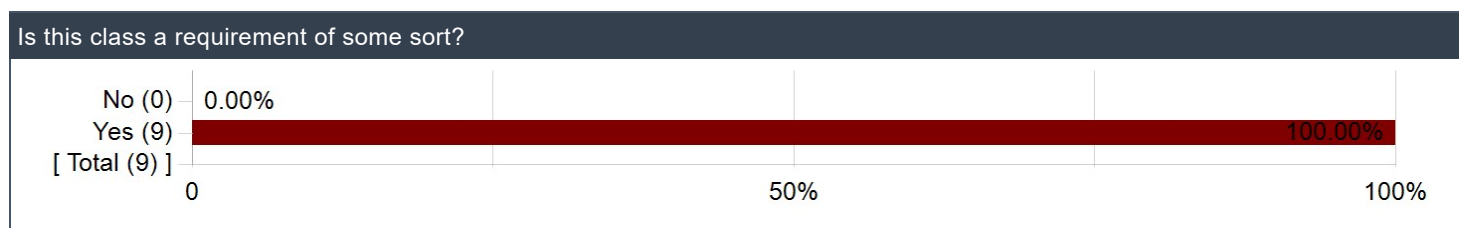
How much did the following elements of the course contribute to your learning gains?

| | Mean | Median | No Gain | A Little Gain | Moderate Gain | Good Gain | Great Gain | N/A |
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| Laboratory Experience | 4.00 | 4.00 | 0.00% | 0.00% | 0.00% | 16.67% | 0.00% | 83.33% |
| Field Trips | 4.33 | 4.00 | 0.00% | 0.00% | 0.00% | 33.33% | 16.67% | 50.00% |
| Library Sessions | 3.33 | 4.00 | 0.00% | 16.67% | 0.00% | 33.33% | 0.00% | 50.00% |
| Review Sessions | 4.00 | 4.00 | 0.00% | 0.00% | 0.00% | 16.67% | 0.00% | 83.33% |
| Writing Seminars | 4.33 | 4.50 | 0.00% | 0.00% | 16.67% | 33.33% | 50.00% | 0.00% |

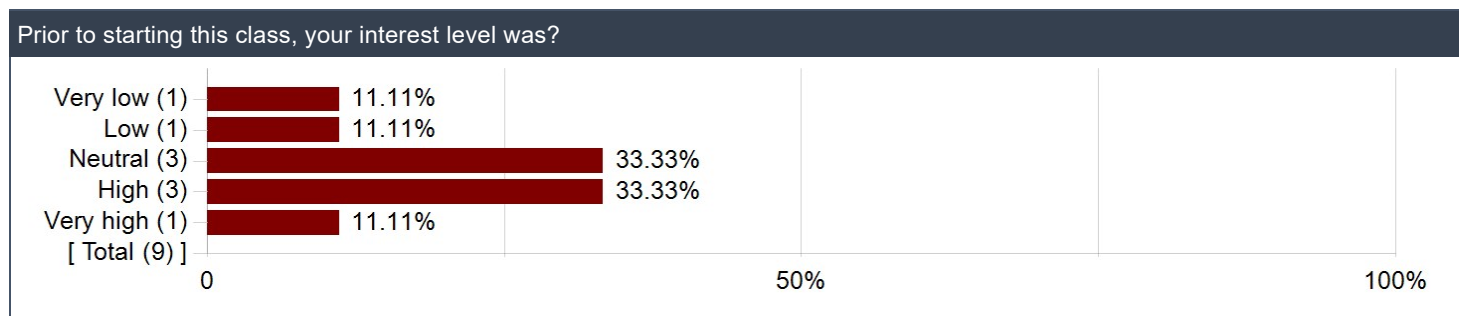
Other course elements not mentioned above:

| Comments |
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| We also went to see plays. |

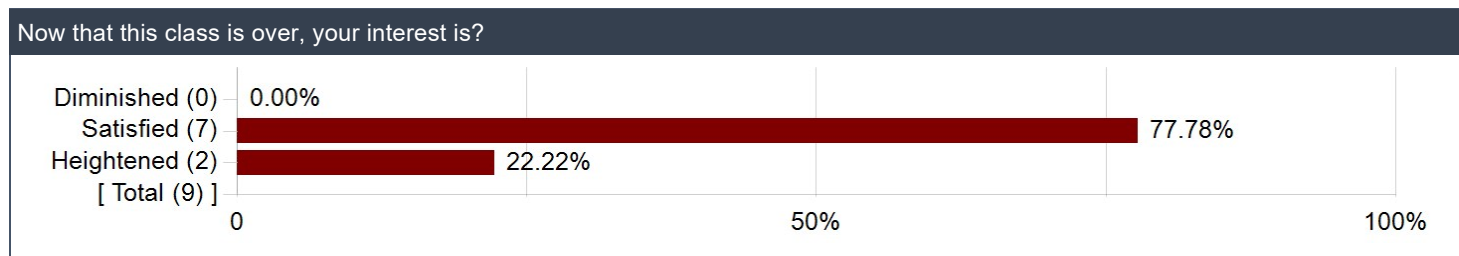
Is this class a requirement of some sort?



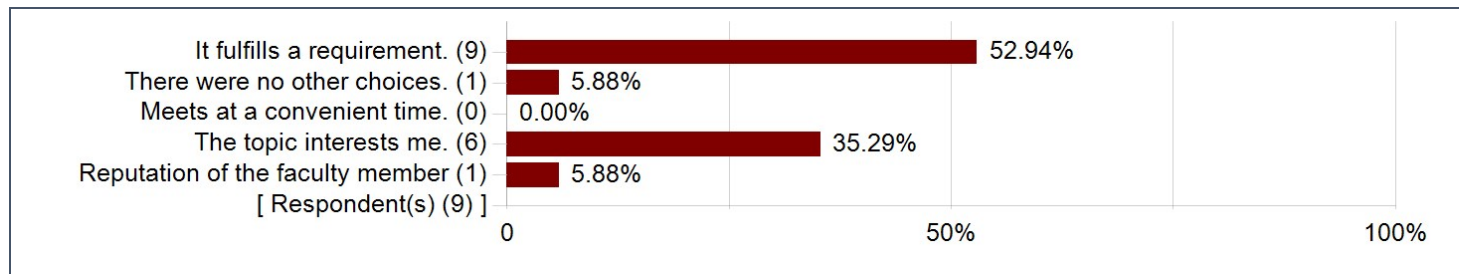
Prior to starting this class, your interest level was?



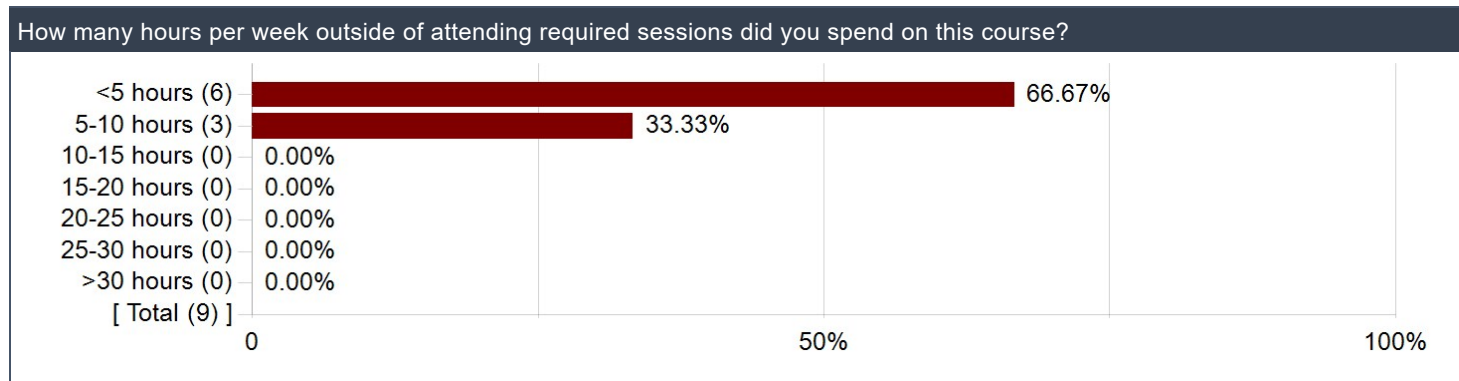
Now that this class is over, your interest is?



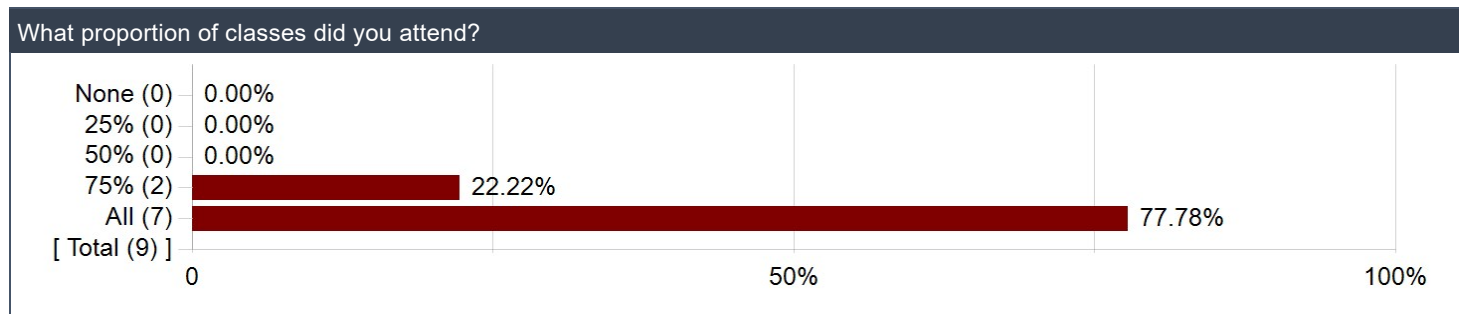
Why did you choose to take this course? (Select all that apply)



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 |
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| I had read one of the books we had to write a paper on prior to attending the class so I was fairly well prepared. Otherwise, I just read the parts of the book we were meant to to write the papers and that's it. |
| Very good transitional humanities course into college |
| This class felt like it had a reasonable amount of difficulty. There was a lot of reading, but this depends on what book we are reading as well as how closely you are reading. My professor and TA graded fairly, and provided opportunities to ask for help on the essays. |
| It was great |
| I did have to relearn how to format and write essays but that's just my background |