

TAPS 10200 3 - Acting Fundamentals - Instructor(s): Heidi Coleman

Project Title: College Course Feedback - Winter 2024

Number Enrolled: 17 Number of Responses: 9

Report Comments

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

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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 stage scenes and think more critically about a role.

One of the things that I feel I learned in this class was how to pay close attention to my environment and how those things can have an impact on how a given conversation can come across

How to act and throw myself out of my comfort zone.

I learned a lot of important methods of acting and understanding the scripts we were using in class

how to act and memorize lines

To relax and enjoy the course

We were taught how to memorize things and help the viewer buy into our character's world.

how to perform freely

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

Comments

Lectures, discussions, acting games and scene work helped so much in my learning experience in Coleman's class.

Our Journal Entries really delved into an internal reflection something that I really valued in our assignments and also connected to how that can change our acting choices

Acting the scenes.

The class was extremely interactive, which really brought the whole course to life for me!

All classes were studio sessions, where we sometimes did exercises or presentations. The presentations were useless, they were just the prof talking about whatever she decided was interesting (notably not necessarily relevant), and didn't connect to subsequent exercises in class. Having the freedom to choose your own materials for the monologues and other projects was fun and let us be more creative, which was good.

The performances helped with public speaking

Please respond to the following:

	Mean	Median	Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Neutral	Agree	Strongly Agree
This course challenged me intellectually.	3.63	4.00	0.00%	25.00%	12.50%	37.50%	25.00%
I understood the purpose of this course and what I was expected to gain from it.	4.63	5.00	0.00%	0.00%	12.50%	12.50%	75.00%
I understood the standards for success on assignments.	4.25	4.50	0.00%	12.50%	0.00%	37.50%	50.00%
Class time enhanced my ability to succeed in graded assignments.	4.63	5.00	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	37.50%	62.50%
I received feedback on my performance that helped me improve my subsequent work.	4.13	5.00	0.00%	25.00%	0.00%	12.50%	62.50%
My work was evaluated fairly.	4.50	5.00	0.00%	12.50%	0.00%	12.50%	75.00%
I felt respected in this class.	4.75	5.00	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	25.00%	75.00%
Overall, this was an excellent course.	4.57	5.00	0.00%	0.00%	14.29%	14.29%	71.43%

Additional comments about the course:

Comments

I wish she would give more feedback on performances but other that that Heidi Coleman was an AMAZING teacher. She is the kindest, most accepting person ever and cares a lot about her students. Overall she made class so interesting so I definitely recommend selecting her as your TAPS Professor.

The professor spends a lot of time building an alternate universe where we're in an acting conservatory and this is our passion, and sometimes fully loses herself in the delusion that she loses the train of thought of what she's teaching. It's also generally unclear what is wanted from all of the assignments, though it also does feel like if you put in effort, you will be fine.

I would recommend this course to:

	No	Yes
Highly-motivated and well-prepared students	11.11%	88.89%
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 liveliness and her great energy!

Great teacher, she gave great advice teacher, gave me great advice to improve my acting.

She has been extremely engaging because of her passion for this topic, and her feedback has been extremely helpful!

she gave good feedback on scenes

The scene workshopping — seeing that sort of feedback in real time was quite helpful to see the impact of slight tweaks to the vibe of the entire scene.

Her energy

What could the instructor modify to help you learn more?

Comments

Give more feedback

I only wish we had more class time, but she always managed it very well!

Be more structured in the course organization. We derailed from the syllabus because we missed so much class (including a time where our professor decided we would not be having class one week), and it sort of felt like we were freefalling through the material. Also, she could provide more detail about what she actually wanted from the assignments instead of just giving vague instructions and then handwaving and saying "you'll be fine".

not much

The Instructor . . .

	Mean	Median	Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Neutral	Agree	Strongly Agree	N/A
Organized the course clearly.	4.38	5.00	0.00%	12.50%	0.00%	25.00%	62.50%	0.00%
Presented lectures that enhanced your understanding.	4.13	4.50	0.00%	12.50%	12.50%	25.00%	50.00%	0.00%
Facilitated discussions that were engaging and useful.	4.13	4.50	0.00%	12.50%	12.50%	25.00%	50.00%	0.00%
Stimulated your interest in the core ideas of the course.	4.50	5.00	0.00%	0.00%	12.50%	25.00%	62.50%	0.00%
Challenged you to learn.	4.25	4.50	0.00%	12.50%	0.00%	37.50%	50.00%	0.00%
Helped you gain significant learning from the course content.	4.50	5.00	0.00%	0.00%	12.50%	25.00%	62.50%	0.00%
Was available and helpful outside of class.	4.63	5.00	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	37.50%	62.50%	0.00%
Motivated you to think independently.	4.63	5.00	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	37.50%	62.50%	0.00%
Worked to create an inclusive and welcoming learning environment.	4.63	5.00	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	37.50%	62.50%	0.00%
Overall, this instructor made a significant contribution to your learning.	4.25	4.50	0.00%	0.00%	25.00%	25.00%	50.00%	0.00%

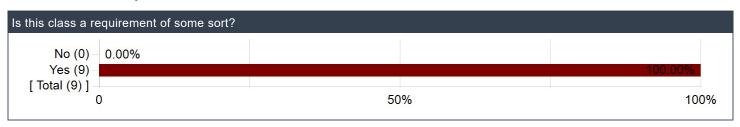
How much did the following elements of the course contribute to your learning gains?

	Mean	Median	No Gain	A Little Gain	Moderate Gain	Good Gain	Great Gain	N/A
Laboratory Experience	1.00	1.00	50.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	50.00%
Field Trips	1.50	1.50	50.00%	50.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%
Library Sessions	1.00	1.00	50.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	50.00%
Review Sessions	1.00	1.00	50.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	50.00%
Writing Seminars	1.00	1.00	50.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	50.00%

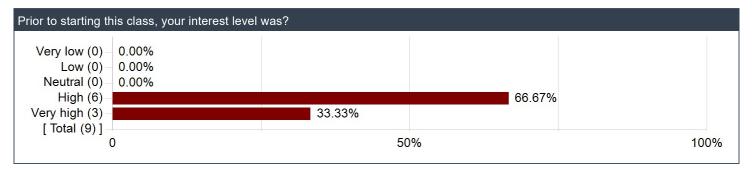
Other course elements not mentioned above:



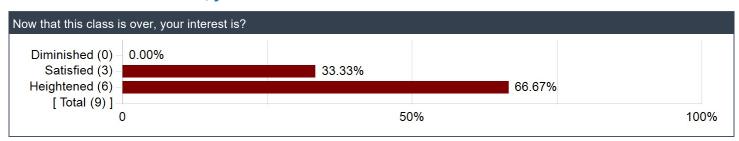
Is this class a requirement of some sort?



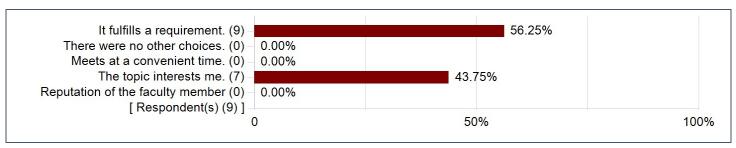
Prior to starting this class, your interest level was?



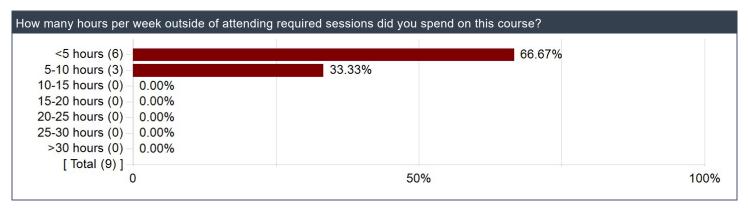
Now that this class is over, your interest is?



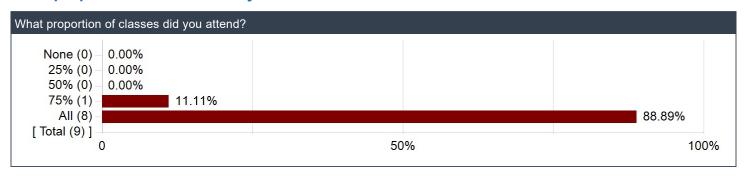
Why did you choose to take this course? (Select all that apply)



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

Easy yet interesting class!

Little prior experience and I did not find the class challenging.

I've always been interested in theatre and performing, and this was the perfect class to help me explore that

Just a really fun course if you commit to it!

I had no formal acting experience but am generally interested and have done improv before. Very fine if you could memorize lines and bring yourself to read the materials.

It was enjoyable