



HUMA 12400 16 - Human Being and Citizen II - Instructor(s): Benjamin Jeffery

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

Number Enrolled: **17**

Number of Responses: **8**

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 learnt how to read and interpret texts. Gained a deeper understanding into Christianity, happiness and morality.
Analytical skills and how to compose an argument.
I learned how to challenge my own ideas during discussions
This quarter was much more philosophical and enjoyable than the last.
Knowledge of the classics! Nicomachean Ethics, Augustine's Confessions, and Dante's Inferno are all very culturally important books. I've also gained a lot of college writing ability.

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

Comments
Discussions helped me understand the text better and offered another perspective
The in class discussions were very helpful in understanding the readings at a much deeper level than I first analyzed.
Reading out loud the text and breaking down what the author was trying to say
Writing seminars helped me improve my writing throughout the quarter
Discussion was interesting at times.
The reading paired with the discussions is very effective and I feel like the discussions help me digest the books much more than I could reading them on my own. Papers combined with writing seminars reflective on them have been effective at improving my writing.

Please respond to the following:

	Mean	Median	Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Neutral	Agree	Strongly Agree
This course challenged me intellectually.	4.86	5.00	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	14.29%	85.71%
I understood the purpose of this course and what I was expected to gain from it.	4.57	5.00	0.00%	0.00%	14.29%	14.29%	71.43%
I understood the standards for success on assignments.	3.71	4.00	0.00%	28.57%	14.29%	14.29%	42.86%
Class time enhanced my ability to succeed in graded assignments.	4.71	5.00	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	28.57%	71.43%
I received feedback on my performance that helped me improve my subsequent work.	4.57	5.00	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	42.86%	57.14%
My work was evaluated fairly.	4.00	4.00	0.00%	14.29%	14.29%	28.57%	42.86%
I felt respected in this class.	4.71	5.00	0.00%	0.00%	14.29%	0.00%	85.71%
Overall, this was an excellent course.	4.14	5.00	0.00%	14.29%	14.29%	14.29%	57.14%

Additional comments about the course:

Comments
Though I would not choose to take humanities in general unless forced by the core curriculum, I am glad that I read these texts because I genuinely found the concepts interesting.

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
Facilitating discussions, clarifying what the text was saying
The way the readings were broken down and the topics covered were very interesting and it helped me further my own analytical skills.
Professor was helpful and respectful
The questions he asked to prompt conversation.
Asking thought provoking questions during discussions helped when I was stuck on what to say. The comments I received on my essays were very detailed and clear on what I could change in order to improve.
Discussion questions
I very much appreciate how the instructor can guide discussions to interesting places without interjecting his own opinion or imposing himself too much on the conversation.

What could the instructor modify to help you learn more?

Comments
Allow more opportunities for participation because some students tend to talk more and "take" the points that I would raise.
N/a
Discussion was sometimes boring because it was the same thing everyday. Also, discussion is usually a conversation with the professor where students don't talk to each other, but instead talk to Ben which isn't amazing.

The Instructor . . .

	Mean	Median	Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Neutral	Agree	Strongly Agree	N/A
Organized the course clearly.	4.71	5.00	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	28.57%	71.43%	0.00%
Presented lectures that enhanced your understanding.	4.50	5.00	0.00%	0.00%	14.29%	14.29%	57.14%	14.29%
Facilitated discussions that were engaging and useful.	4.29	4.00	0.00%	0.00%	14.29%	42.86%	42.86%	0.00%
Stimulated your interest in the core ideas of the course.	4.17	4.50	0.00%	16.67%	0.00%	33.33%	50.00%	0.00%
Challenged you to learn.	4.67	5.00	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	33.33%	66.67%	0.00%
Helped you gain significant learning from the course content.	4.33	5.00	0.00%	16.67%	0.00%	16.67%	66.67%	0.00%
Was available and helpful outside of class.	4.40	5.00	0.00%	0.00%	16.67%	16.67%	50.00%	16.67%
Motivated you to think independently.	4.50	4.50	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	50.00%	50.00%	0.00%
Worked to create an inclusive and welcoming learning environment.	4.33	4.50	0.00%	0.00%	16.67%	33.33%	50.00%	0.00%
Overall, this instructor made a significant contribution to your learning.	4.29	5.00	0.00%	14.29%	0.00%	28.57%	57.14%	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
Tom Sawyer. Funny and positive attitude that I enjoyed the presence of.
Tom Sawyer! He is a really kind person and I enjoyed working with him

The TA/CA or Intern. . .

	Mean	Median	Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Neutral	Agree	Strongly Agree	N/A
Facilitated discussions that supported your learning.	5.00	5.00	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	100.00%	0.00%
Gave you useful feedback on your work.	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 class.	NRP	NRP	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Challenged you to learn.	4.00	4.00	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	100.00%	0.00%	0.00%
Helped you succeed in the class.	4.00	4.00	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	100.00%	0.00%	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%
Overall, this individual made a significant contribution to your learning.	5.00	5.00	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	100.00%	0.00%

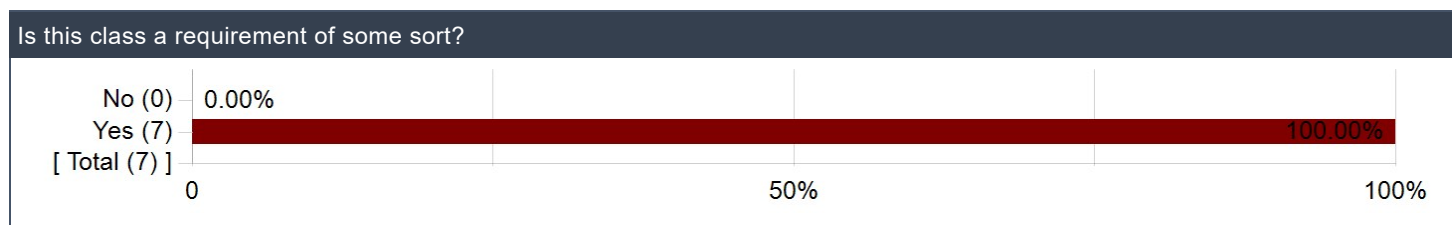
How much did the following elements of the course contribute to your learning gains?

	Mean	Median	No Gain	A Little Gain	Moderate Gain	Good Gain	Great Gain	N/A
Laboratory Experience	N/A	N/A	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	100.00%
Field Trips	N/A	N/A	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	100.00%
Library Sessions	N/A	N/A	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	100.00%
Review Sessions	N/A	N/A	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	100.00%
Writing Seminars	4.33	5.00	0.00%	16.67%	0.00%	16.67%	66.67%	0.00%

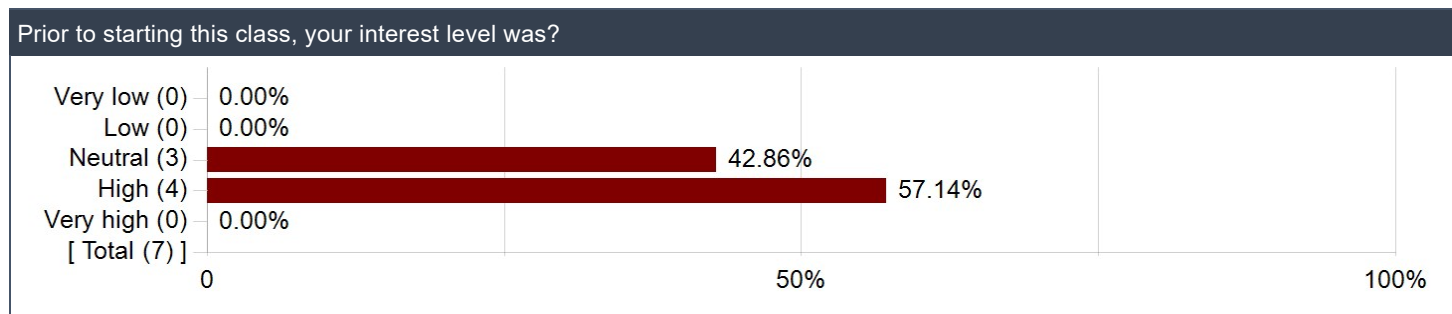
Other course elements not mentioned above:

Comments
We had to see a play about a book that we read last quarter so I was a bit unsure how it was relevant to the material we covered this quarter
Writing Seminars were great! I especially appreciate how my instructor worked with me to schedule a make-up for a seminar he couldn't run due to being sick

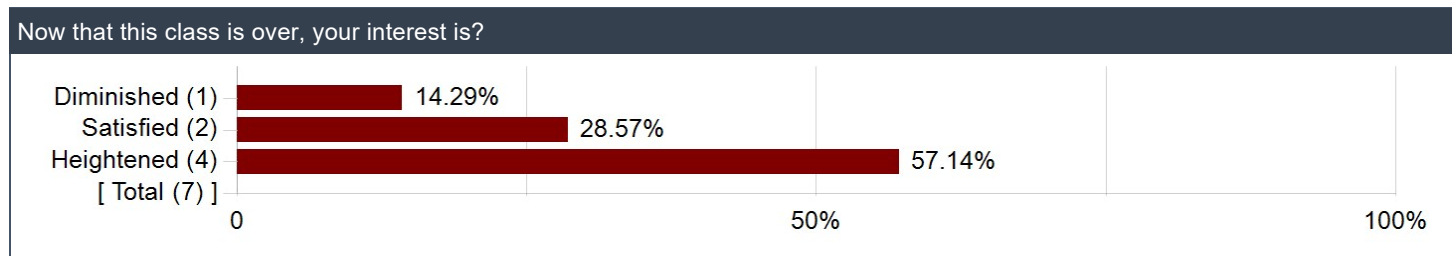
Is this class a requirement of some sort?



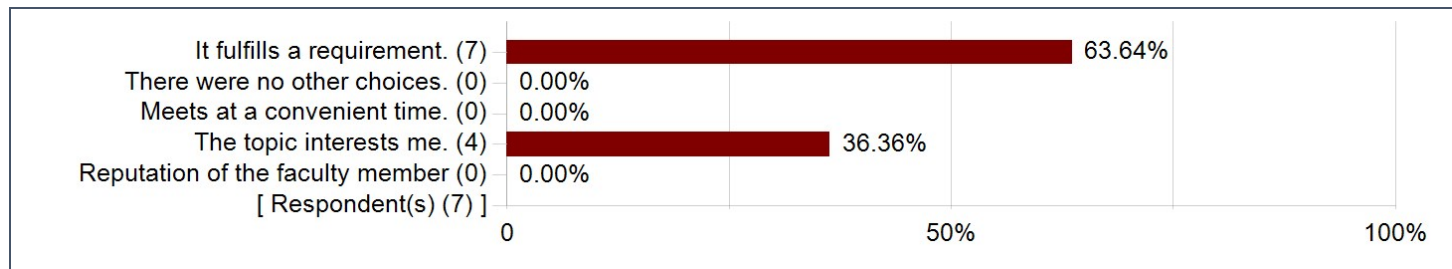
Prior to starting this class, your interest level was?



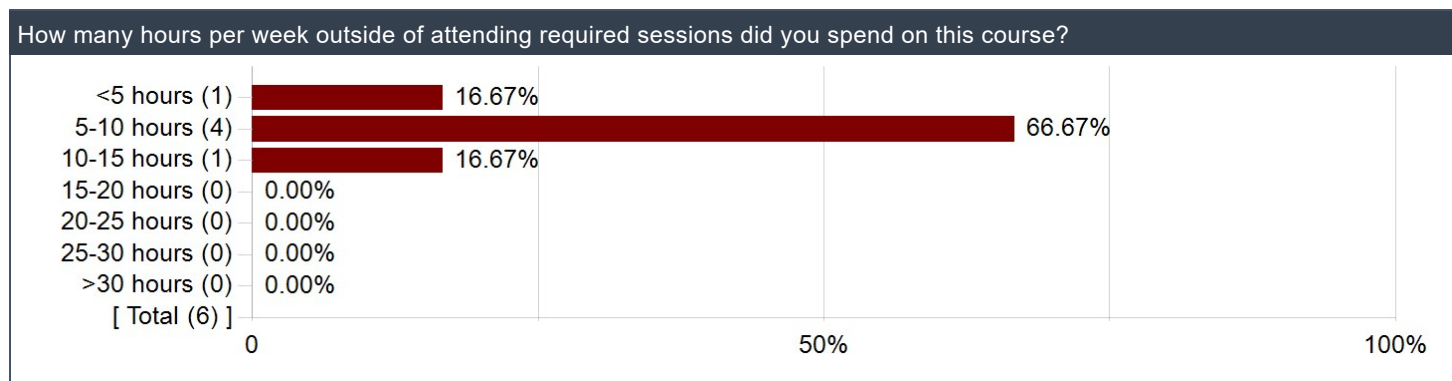
Now that this class is over, your interest is?



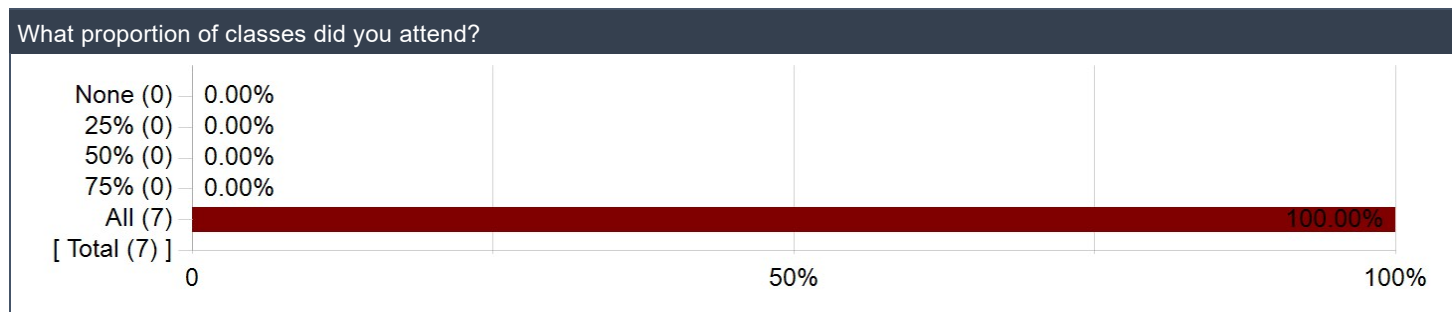
Why did you choose to take this course? (Select all that apply)



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
Quite difficult to understand the texts but was able to do so with work
I took HBC last quarter with him and this quarter was the exact same. He's a difficult teacher and harsh grader so don't take his class if you can help it
Beginning to write at a college level is challenging because I don't have much of a reference for it. However, I am managing to grow and complete the assignments without spending an extreme amount of energy