



HIST 14000 1, REES 26012 1, SOSC 24100 1 - Introduction to Russian Civilization II - Instructor(s): Eleonora Gilburd

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

Number Enrolled: **21**

Number of Responses: **11**

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 about Russian history from the time of troubles up until the soviet era through in depth analysis of sources from the time period.
history of russia from tsar nicolas to post soviet era
soviet russia
Russian history. I feel like a lot of time is spent on the history of the areas surrounding Russia, like Estonia, Kazak, Muslims, etc. Then it's mostly Stalinism and after.
I got a great overview of Russian history since the early 19th century, and a lot of work with textual analysis.
Learned about Russian history from the end of the Russian empire until contemporary Russian
We continued learning about Russian history from where we left off in quarter one.
stalin, soviet thought, globalization and russia, russian literature
Russian History from the end of the Decembrist Revolt to the fall of the Soviet Union, including some modern day implications.
The origins of the Russian Revolution of 1917, the formation of the Soviet Union and how it changed over time.

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

Comments
lectures were good, eleonor is so knowledgeable
lectures were most helpful. and the discussions of the readings
The lectures were great and focused on many interesting niche subjects, although it sometimes felt like they had lost the narrative thread of Russian history. However, I was able to learn a lot about specific areas I previously knew little about.
Lectures and discussions really helped me grasp the material.
lectures were the most important, readings were interesting but not always covered in class due to time constraints
Lectures were all super engaging and helpful, Prof. Gilburd is unbelievably knowledgable and the way she incorporates her own experiences into the lectures makes everything feel incredibly real and relevant (especially for a history class).
Professor Gilburd's lectures are always very thorough and interesting and provide a really great context to the readings.

Please respond to the following:

	Mean	Median	Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Neutral	Agree	Strongly Agree
This course challenged me intellectually.	4.80	5.00	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	20.00%	80.00%
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.	4.80	5.00	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	20.00%	80.00%
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
There is a heavy reading load.

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
I enjoyed the class discussion and lectures. Professor Gilburd is clearly passionate about the subject and was an excellent professor.
lectures and SO helpful at office hours or if you have a question beyond the scope of the class— will give incredibly thought out and detailed answer
Professor Gilburd is so great! I highly recommend taking civ with her. She is so knowledgeable on the subject and overall just a kind understanding person. If you need clarification on anything or an extension she is super understanding. Don't worry about the bulk of reading she assigns and if you don't fully grasp it all because she definitely does a thorough job of breaking down everything in class. It is really impressive how much material we managed to get through.
Lectures are helpful
Professor Gilburd's lectures were great, and the readings were also well chosen
Professor Gilburd is an incredible person. She is so passionate about what she teaches. I had a difficult quarter and she went way out of her way to help me succeed. Her lectures were captivating and her discussions were very interesting. Overall though, her willingness to help students outside of class is what makes her a truly wonderful professor.
lectures + slides
Her extreme knowledgeability, willingness to engage in discussion outside of class hours, and overall caring and understanding nature. Prof. Gilburd was an amazing instructor, so happy I took this class.
The lectures

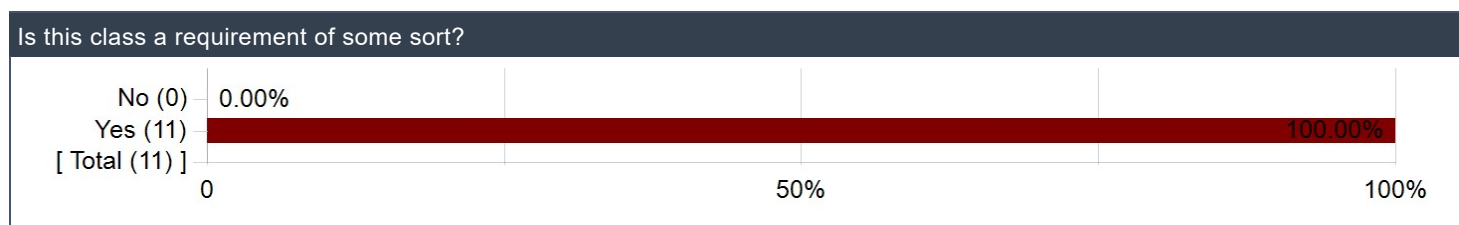
What could the instructor modify to help you learn more?

Comments
lighten reading load so we can cover everything in class and do it justice
Not much really. its a lot of material so sometimes we have to do make-up sessions on zoom which is fine. I guess in a perfect world this wouldn't have to happen, but I think the only way that would be possible is if they cut some of the content which I assume is out of her control.
Professor is very nice, and knowledgeable. I do hope less readings can be assigned, as this quarter feels more heavy than last one. It's just that sometimes I open canvas for tomorrow, and see an entire novella there, worth 200 pages. I was like, what ... ?
I think it would be useful to have more structured and planned out lectures, as well as to throw some secondary source material (other than the textbook) in with the primary sources
We need longer quarters to fit everything that we need to learn. There is too much content for nine weeks to cover all of Russian history.
more discussion. last quarter we had one lecture day and one discussion day, and I think this strategy worked better than two lecture-heavy sessions

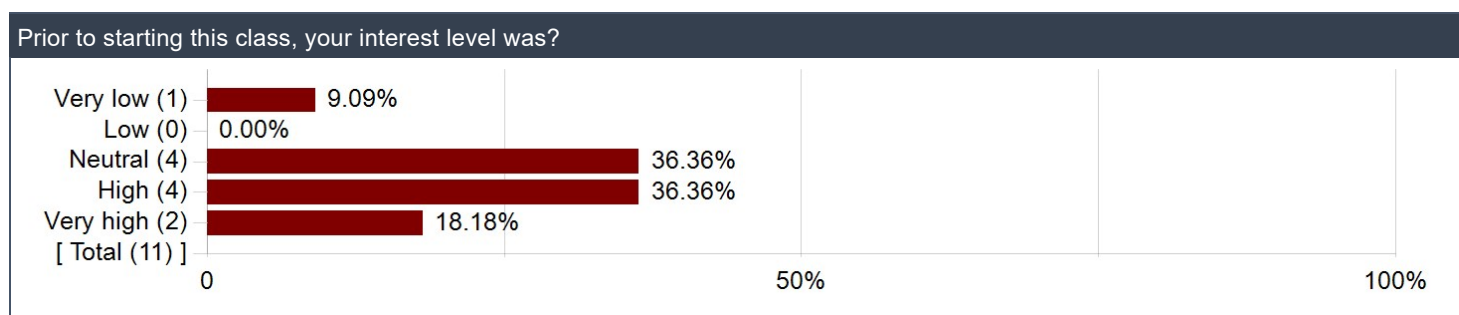
The Instructor . . .

	Mean	Median	Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Neutral	Agree	Strongly Agree	N/A
Organized the course clearly.	4.30	4.50	0.00%	0.00%	20.00%	30.00%	50.00%	0.00%
Presented lectures that enhanced your understanding.	4.90	5.00	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	10.00%	90.00%	0.00%
Facilitated discussions that were engaging and useful.	4.80	5.00	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	20.00%	80.00%	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%

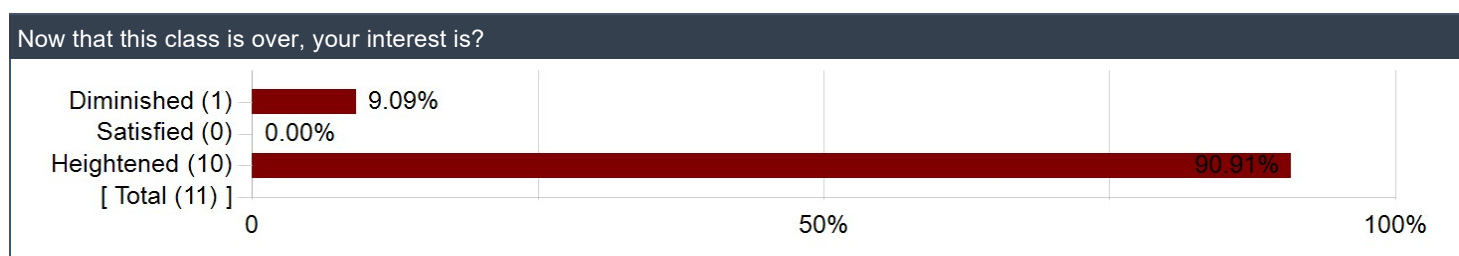
Is this class a requirement of some sort?



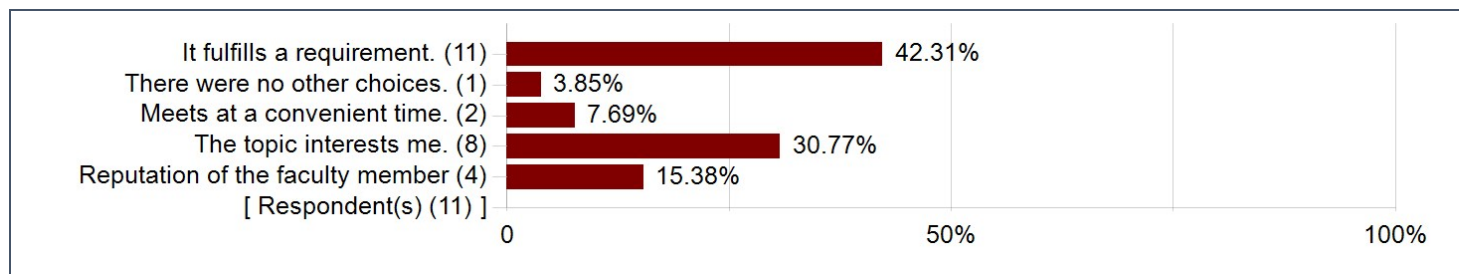
Prior to starting this class, your interest level was?



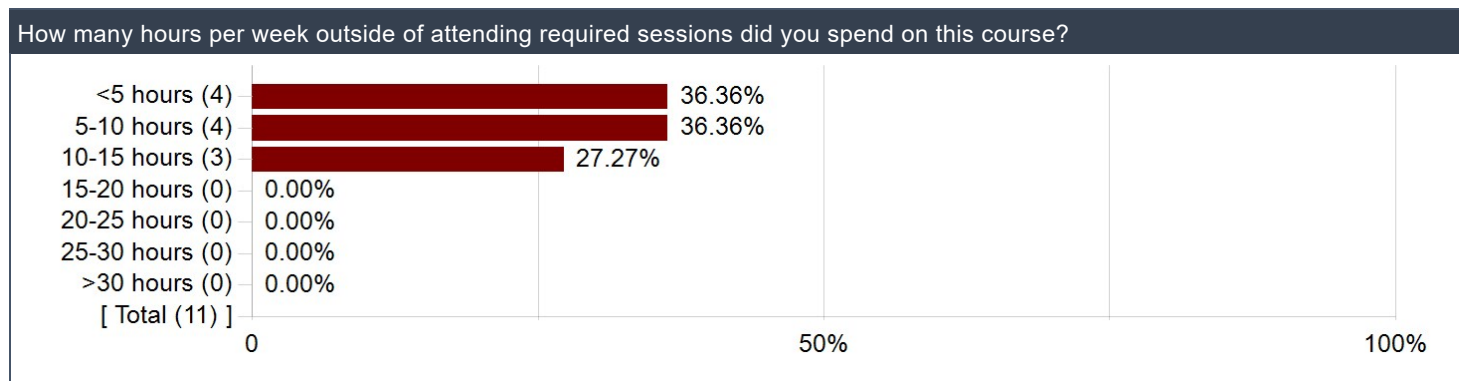
Now that this class is over, your interest is?



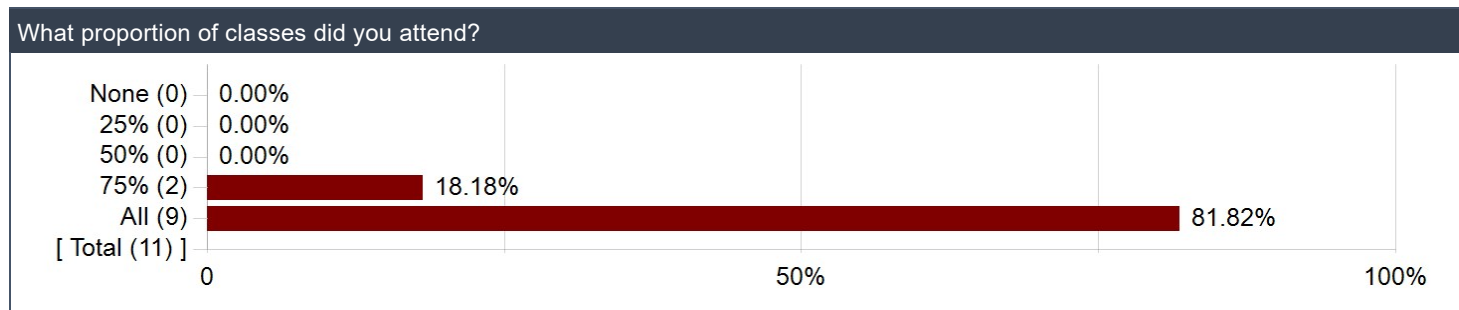
Why did you choose to take this course? (Select all that apply)



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 hard at all, eleonor is just really passionate about everyone learning
not difficult at all
Not much to say, I just want to graduate. Maybe 6.5/10 difficulty.
not too difficult
The workload is a lot but it is manageable. This was a great course and I learned a lot!
not difficult, very interesting, professor was very motivated
I think this course was a bit harder than the first quarter of Russian Civ just because it felt like we were trying to get through a lot more material and the politics of the Soviet Union especially were very complicated. However, the work is very doable and Professor Gilburd is helpful outside of class if you need clarification about the concepts.