



RUSS 20303 2, RUSS 20303 2 - Second-Year Russian III - Instructor(s) - Erik Houle

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

Number Enrolled: **8**

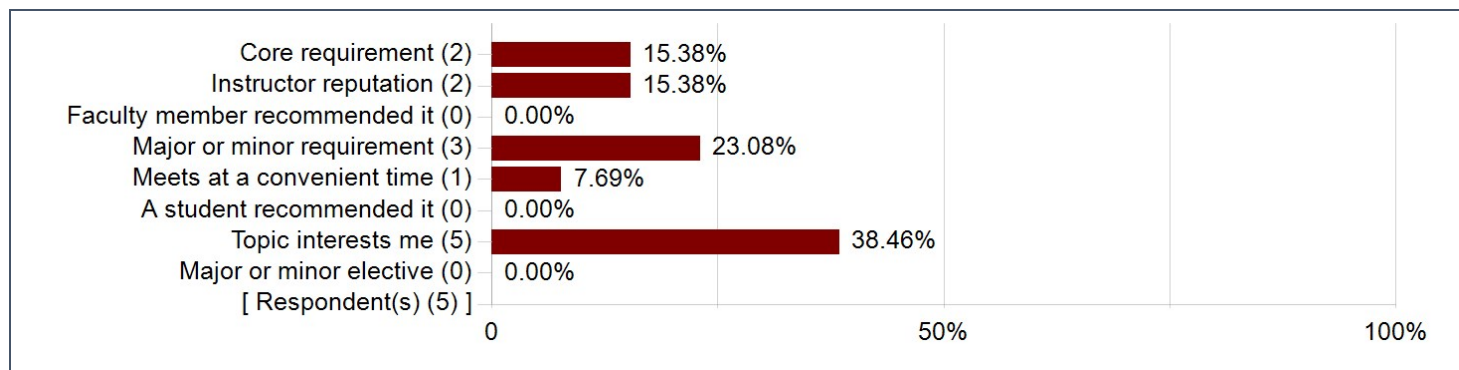
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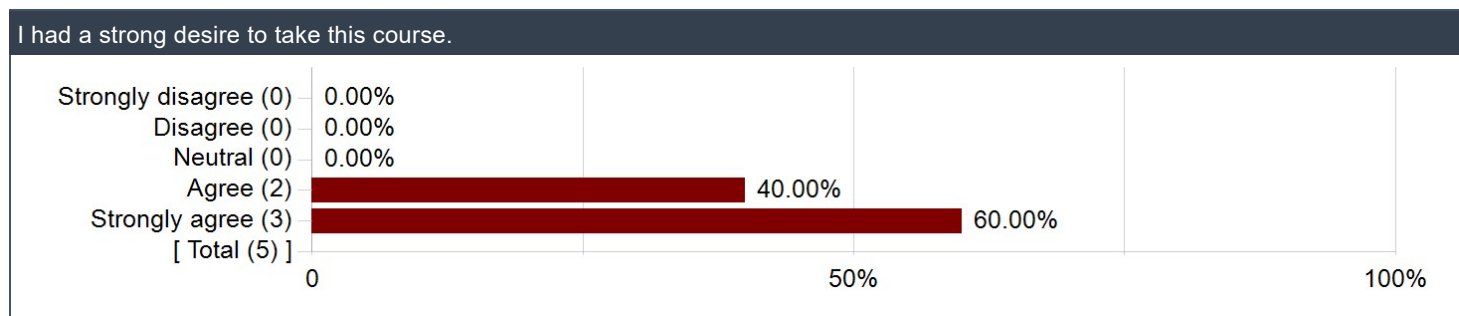
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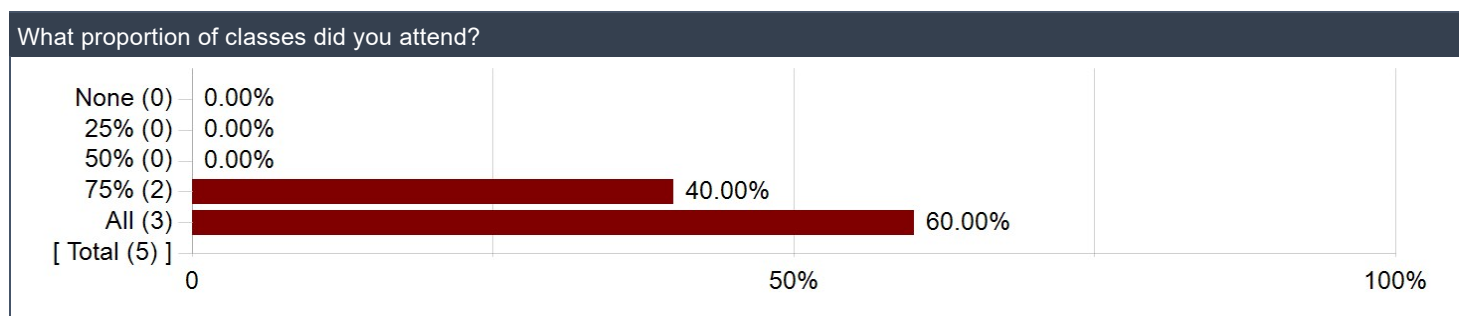
Why did you choose to take this course? (Select all that apply)



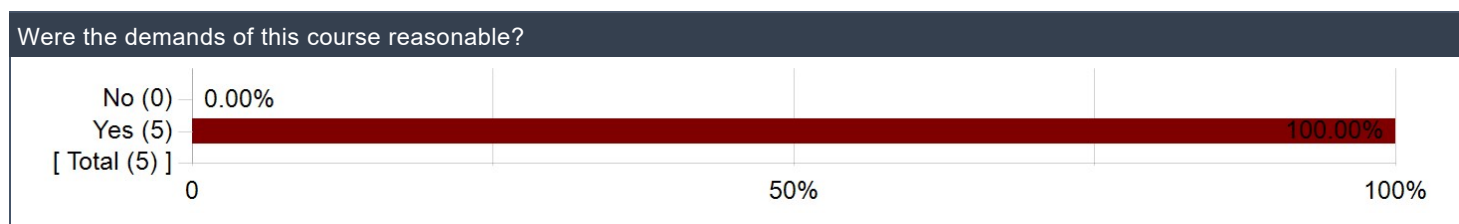
I had a strong desire to take this course.



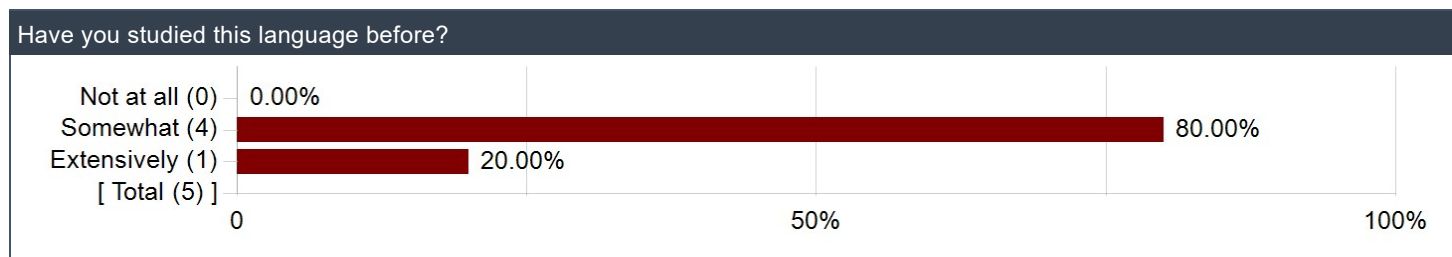
What proportion of classes did you attend?



Were the demands of this course reasonable?



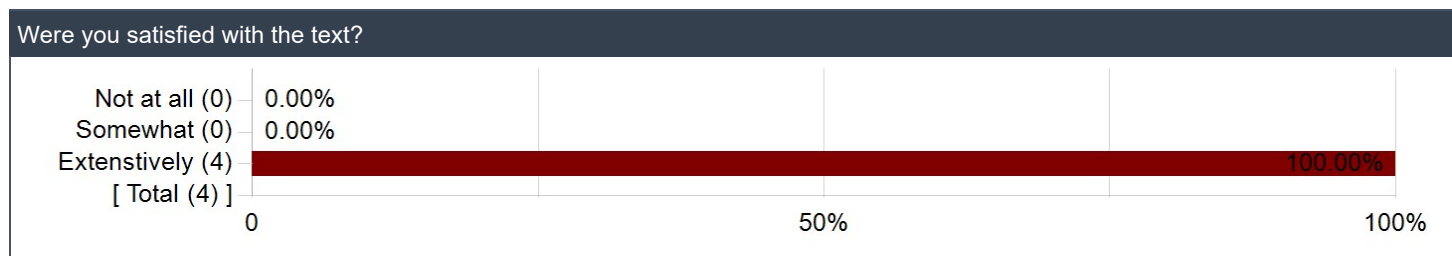
Have you studied this language before?



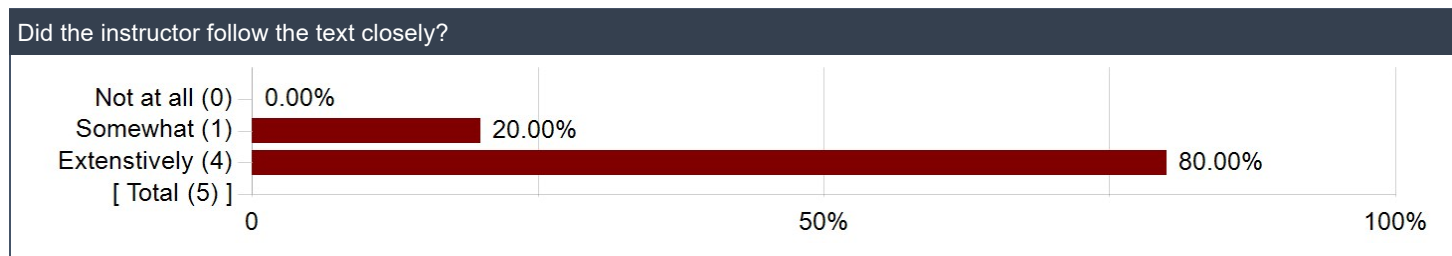
Rate the extent to which different aspects of the language were stressed:

	Mean	Median	Not At All	A Little	Some	A Lot	Extremely	Vigorously
Speaking	4.40	4.00	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	60.00%	40.00%	0.00%
Spelling	3.40	4.00	0.00%	20.00%	20.00%	60.00%	0.00%	0.00%
Reading	3.80	4.00	0.00%	0.00%	40.00%	40.00%	20.00%	0.00%
Writing	4.00	4.00	0.00%	0.00%	20.00%	60.00%	20.00%	0.00%
Grammar	4.60	4.00	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	60.00%	20.00%	20.00%
Vocabulary	4.80	5.00	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	40.00%	40.00%	20.00%

Were you satisfied with the text?



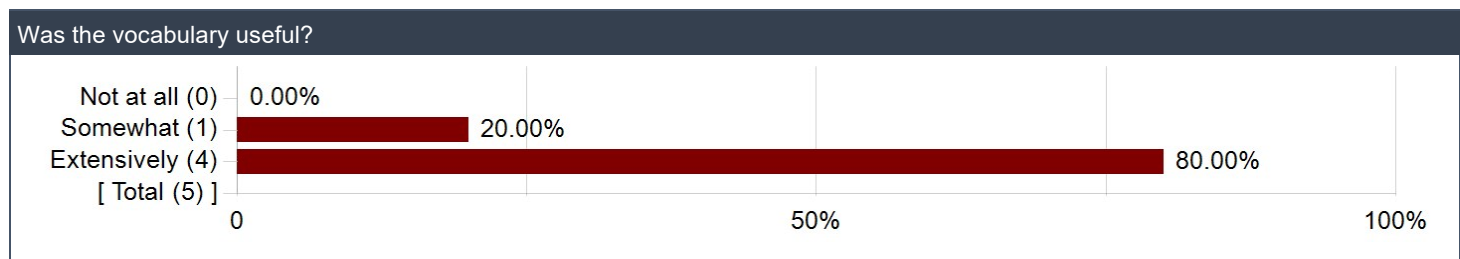
Did the instructor follow the text closely?



Explain:

Comments
text made it easy to understand grammar and vocab
The Text was used as a helpful resource as well as a general guide for the structure of the course.

Was the vocabulary useful?

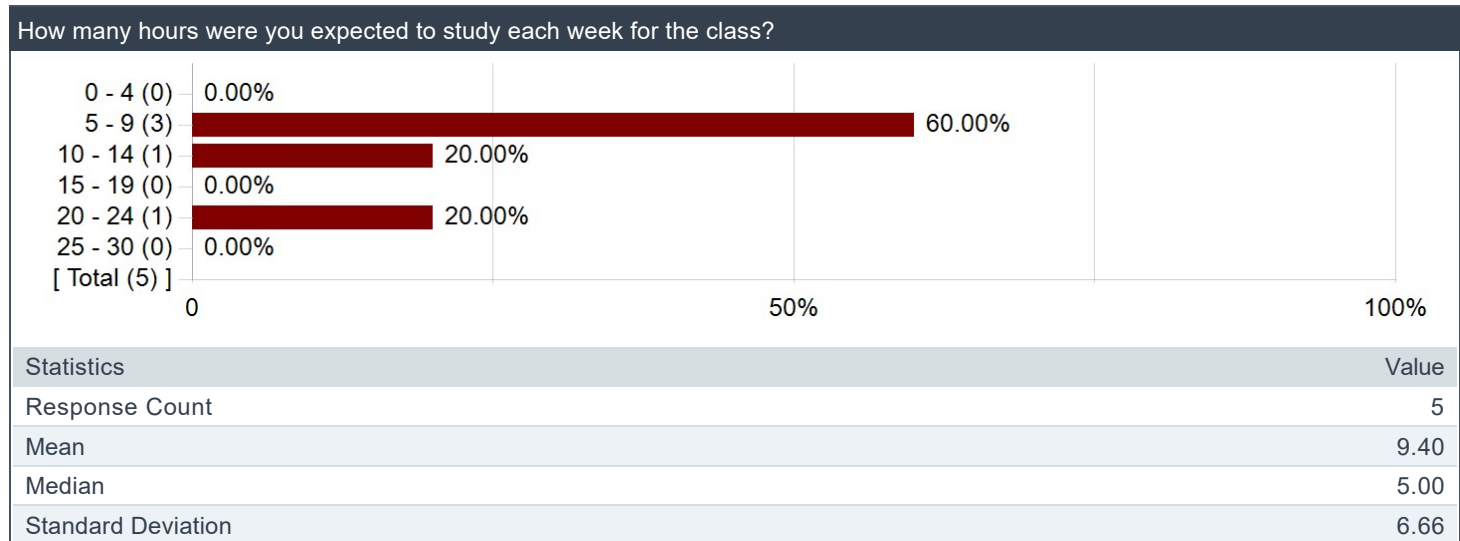


Why?

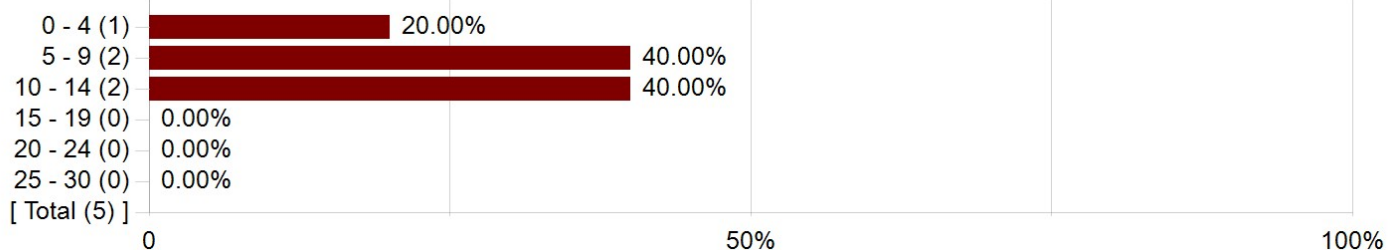
Comments
applied to everyday situations
The entire breadth of vocabulary learned over the year was very extensive and relevant.
some random words that we never really used, but overall pretty useful.

Describe the format of the class (lecture, drills, etc.). Was this format productive? Please be specific.

Comments
drills in class to work on grammar and vocab
Three lectures and two drills per week. The sequence progresses systematically and is really helpful for learning the language in context.
Generally a mixture of short lecture and then practice and drills. The broad mixture was helpful in developing skills in speaking and reading.
group work, lectures on grammar, speaking/reading exercises. productive and useful!

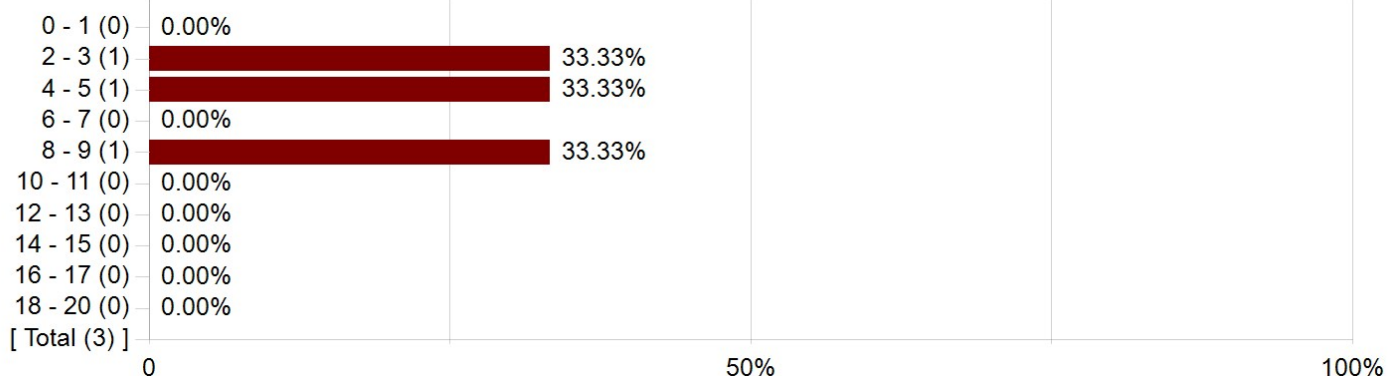


How many hours did you spend?



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Response Count	5
Mean	6.80
Median	5.00
Standard Deviation	2.95

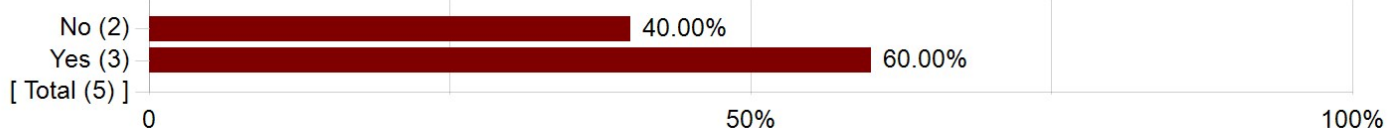
How many written quizzes were given?



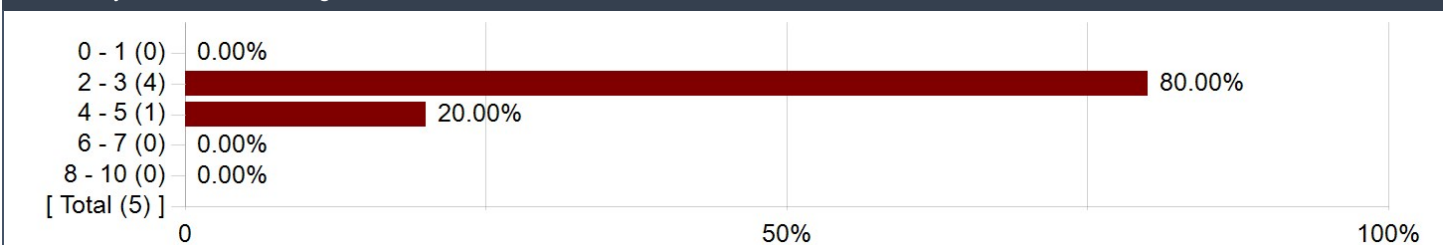
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Mean	5.33
Median	4.00
Standard Deviation	3.21

Were there daily assignments? (i.e., journals)?

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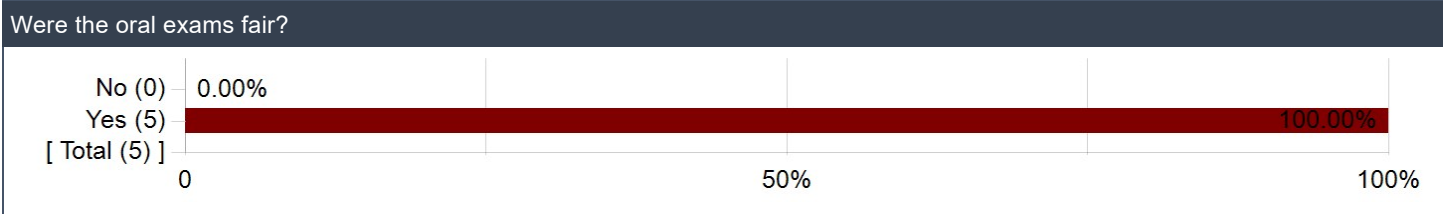


How many oral exams were given?

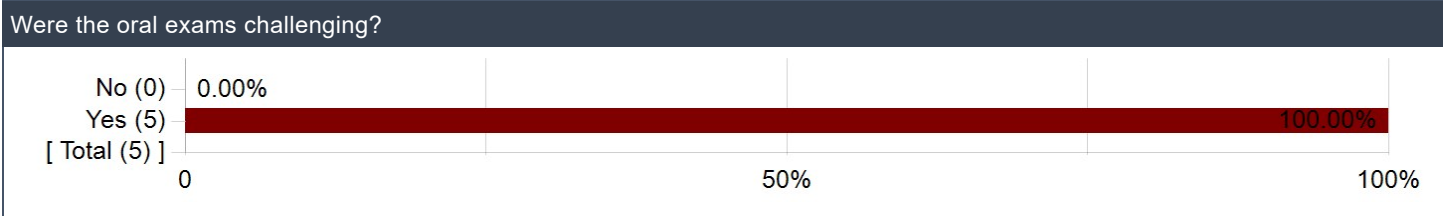


Statistics	Value
Response Count	5
Mean	3.20
Median	3.00
Standard Deviation	0.45

Were the oral exams fair?



Were the oral exams challenging?



Why? Please be specific.

Comments
challenged knowledge of grammar and vocab in the language
They pushed and required good application of skills, but were always conducted well and the expectations were reasonable.

If there were required outside activities (i.e. foreign films or SCOLA), describe your experience.

Comments
none

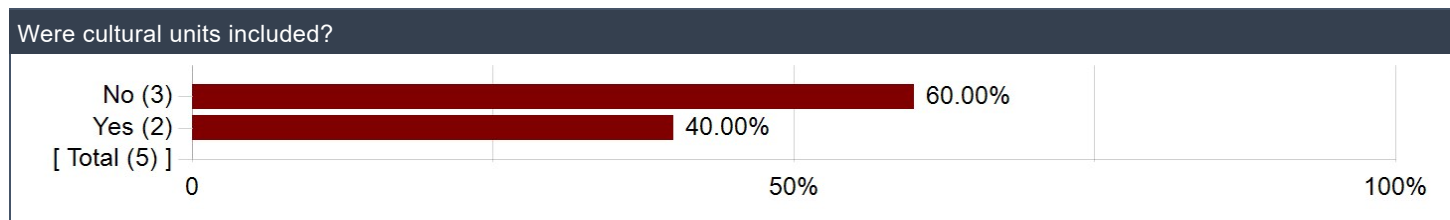
Was your instructor organized?

Mean	Median	Very Unorganized	Somewhat Unorganized	Fairly Organized	Somewhat Organized	Very Organized
5.00	5.00	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	100.00%

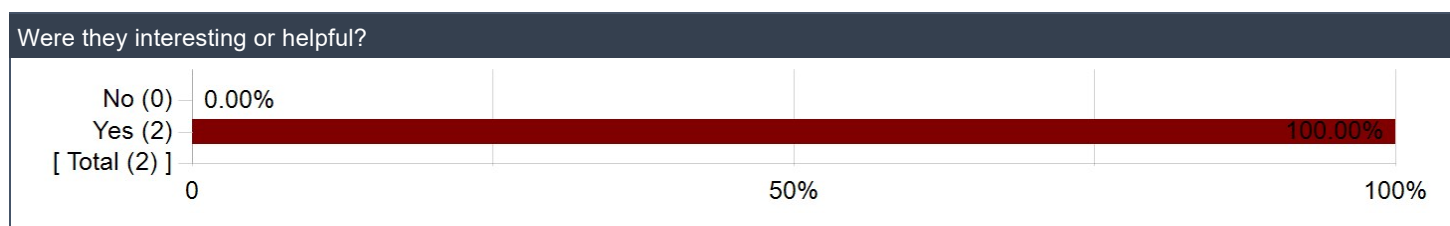
Explain

Comments
Erik is always organized especially with the amount of assignments he was dealing with. There was always a good structural sense of how the class was conducted.

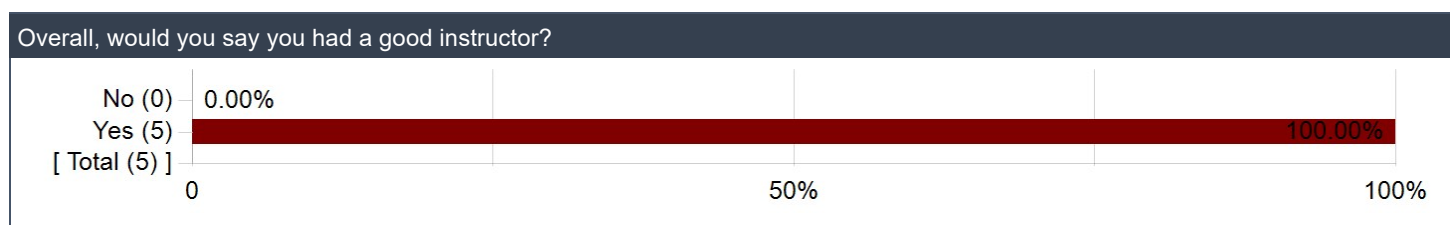
Were cultural units included?



Were they interesting or helpful?



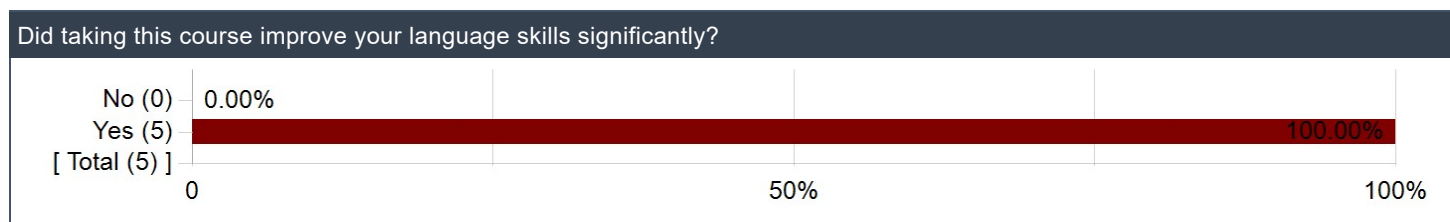
Overall, would you say you had a good instructor?



Why?

Comments
did constant practice of the language in a fun and engaging way
Erik is very passionate and is very good at facilitating language learning. He frequently offers helpful feedback on assignments and is willing to meet outside of class hours to address difficulties or troubles. He is also very personable and funny, going to his classes are often enjoyable. He is one of my favorite instructors that I have had at this school.
Erik is one of the best professors I have had at UChicago. He is incisive and intuitive when it comes to teaching and knowing what is important.

Did taking this course improve your language skills significantly?



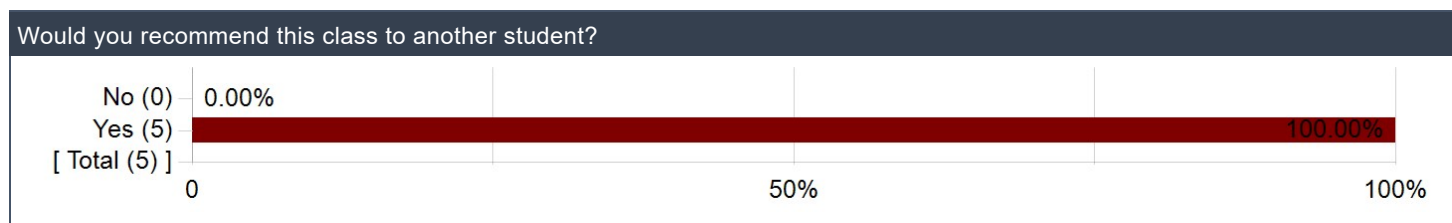
In what way?

Comments
better communication and understanding
A lot of this course felt focused on reinforcing and deepening. After establishing the basics in first year Russian, we often revisited old topics but with new vocab, more complex sentence composition, and more complex grammar focused even more on being able to communicate an understand the language.

How would you improve this course?

Comments
noway
The textbook's homework were annoying to have to rip out because they were not perforated.

Would you recommend this class to another student?



Why?

Comments
teaches the language very well
I'd definitely recommend this class to any one who wants to learn Russian and/or just another language. I've learned so much from Erik and enjoyed the class. It's been such a pleasure.
If you are interested in deepening your knowledge of Russian it's a great opportunity.