



HUMA 11000 14 - Readings in World Literature I - Instructor(s): Geoffrey Rees

Project Title: **College Course Feedback - Autumn 2023**

Number Enrolled: **12**

Number of Responses: **7**

Report Comments

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

Creation Date: **Friday, February 2, 2024**

What are the most important things that you learned in this course? Please reflect on the knowledge and skills you gained.

Comments
Rooting an argument from the terms of the text, and not adding any of your own impositions to the text. I think this creates really strong arguments and makes you think really hard on how to analyze the text.
I think the content of this course gives important context for all modern media. The books are all classics that have been very important in history,
Staying grounded in the terms of the text and not allowing connotation or bias or assumption to impede arguments.
The most important thing learned in this course was close reading and analysis of text.
How to write as desired
Close reading and paying attention to niche details in a book
Using terms of the text to develop analyzation.

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

Comments
Every class was structured as a discussion, so hearing my classmates thoughts on the text and then hearing how my professor interpreted them was a really good way to learn how to think about the text, and write our papers.
Discussions helped to understand what Professor Rees was looking for in our assignments.
Lectures were helpful in finding places in the books that we could analyze for essays.
Office hours with prof rees helped the most
discussions are very helpful
Office hours and class discussions helped a bit more towards the end. Had to get the hang of his writing style.

Please respond to the following:

	Mean	Median	Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Neutral	Agree	Strongly Agree
This course challenged me intellectually.	4.29	4.00	0.00%	0.00%	14.29%	42.86%	42.86%
I understood the purpose of this course and what I was expected to gain from it.	2.86	3.00	14.29%	14.29%	57.14%	0.00%	14.29%
I understood the standards for success on assignments.	2.43	2.00	14.29%	42.86%	28.57%	14.29%	0.00%
Class time enhanced my ability to succeed in graded assignments.	3.71	4.00	0.00%	14.29%	14.29%	57.14%	14.29%
I received feedback on my performance that helped me improve my subsequent work.	3.57	4.00	14.29%	0.00%	14.29%	57.14%	14.29%
My work was evaluated fairly.	3.29	4.00	0.00%	28.57%	14.29%	57.14%	0.00%
I felt respected in this class.	4.14	5.00	14.29%	0.00%	0.00%	28.57%	57.14%
Overall, this was an excellent course.	3.14	4.00	14.29%	14.29%	14.29%	57.14%	0.00%

Additional comments about the course:

Comments
I feel like it's very hard to get an A in the course because the assignments are graded pretty hard. I feel like most people get a B and only one or two people get an A.
This class doesn't acknowledge the historical context or significance of the text. You are expected to make claims about texts without actually understanding their real life importance. There also aren't prompts or real guidelines for the assignments in this course.
Very different style of reading/writing than I've been exposed to
Prof Rees is a great man and a great educator.

I would recommend this course to:

	No	Yes
Highly-motivated and well-prepared students	28.57%	71.43%
Anyone interested in the topic	57.14%	42.86%

Thinking about your time in the class, what aspect of the instructor's teaching contributed most to your learning?

Comments
His way of thinking is very unique and makes you think about the text much deeper.
The discussions on how to analyze movie stills for our final assignment was useful.
Working on developing the kind of evidence and claims that are expected.
The instructor was very helpful in lecture and was very accessible during office hours.
instruction and advice on how to write the desired way
his discussion on particular details in the book
His ability to weave in normal discussions into textual discussions.

What could the instructor modify to help you learn more?

Comments
Maybe do some more writing practice in class. We did this once and I thought it was very helpful.
It would have been helpful at the beginning of the year to have more guidance on what he expected in our essays. The average grade on the first assignment was very low.
More explicit instructions/more guidance on the style of writing expected.
The instructor's standards for essays were very unclear—he expected close reading and analysis of the novel without making any of our own interpretations, only using evidence from the book. However, would often call our writing "summary" and his own examples would make claims that we were not allowed to make. Very confusing and unclear standards.
Can educate students on expectations in the beginning as opposed to at the end of the quarter
speaking a little bit slower

The Instructor . . .

	Mean	Median	Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Neutral	Agree	Strongly Agree	N/A
Organized the course clearly.	3.71	4.00	0.00%	14.29%	14.29%	57.14%	14.29%	0.00%
Presented lectures that enhanced your understanding.	3.43	3.00	0.00%	0.00%	57.14%	42.86%	0.00%	0.00%
Facilitated discussions that were engaging and useful.	3.71	4.00	0.00%	0.00%	28.57%	71.43%	0.00%	0.00%
Stimulated your interest in the core ideas of the course.	3.14	4.00	28.57%	0.00%	0.00%	71.43%	0.00%	0.00%
Challenged you to learn.	3.86	4.00	0.00%	14.29%	0.00%	71.43%	14.29%	0.00%
Helped you gain significant learning from the course content.	3.29	4.00	14.29%	14.29%	0.00%	71.43%	0.00%	0.00%
Was available and helpful outside of class.	4.29	4.00	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	71.43%	28.57%	0.00%
Motivated you to think independently.	3.43	4.00	14.29%	14.29%	14.29%	28.57%	28.57%	0.00%
Worked to create an inclusive and welcoming learning environment.	3.86	4.00	0.00%	14.29%	0.00%	71.43%	14.29%	0.00%
Overall, this instructor made a significant contribution to your learning.	3.57	4.00	0.00%	28.57%	0.00%	57.14%	14.29%	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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Sophia Sherry. Always available to give quality feedback. Very in–depth feedback. Ran office hours as well.

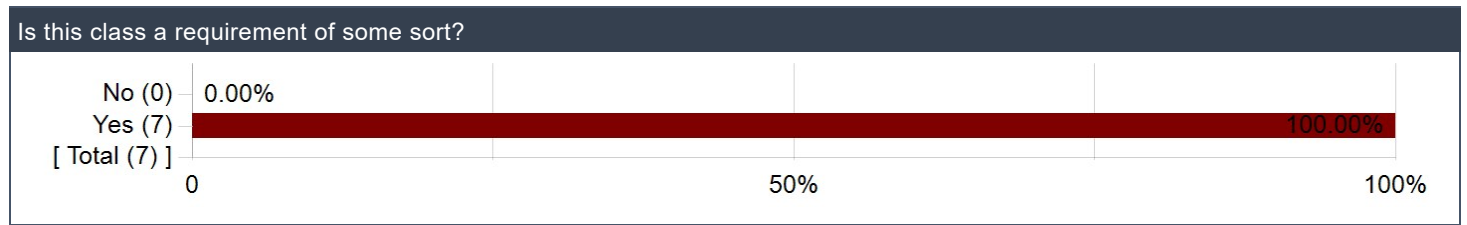
The TA/CA or Intern. . .

	Mean	Median	Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Neutral	Agree	Strongly Agree	N/A
Facilitated discussions that supported your learning.	4.25	4.00	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	75.00%	25.00%	0.00%
Gave you useful feedback on your work.	4.25	4.00	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	75.00%	25.00%	0.00%
Stimulated your interest in the core ideas of the class.	3.75	4.00	0.00%	0.00%	25.00%	75.00%	0.00%	0.00%
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.	4.25	4.00	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	75.00%	25.00%	0.00%
Was available and helpful outside of class.	4.25	4.00	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	75.00%	25.00%	0.00%
Overall, this individual made a significant contribution to your learning.	4.00	4.00	0.00%	0.00%	25.00%	50.00%	25.00%	0.00%

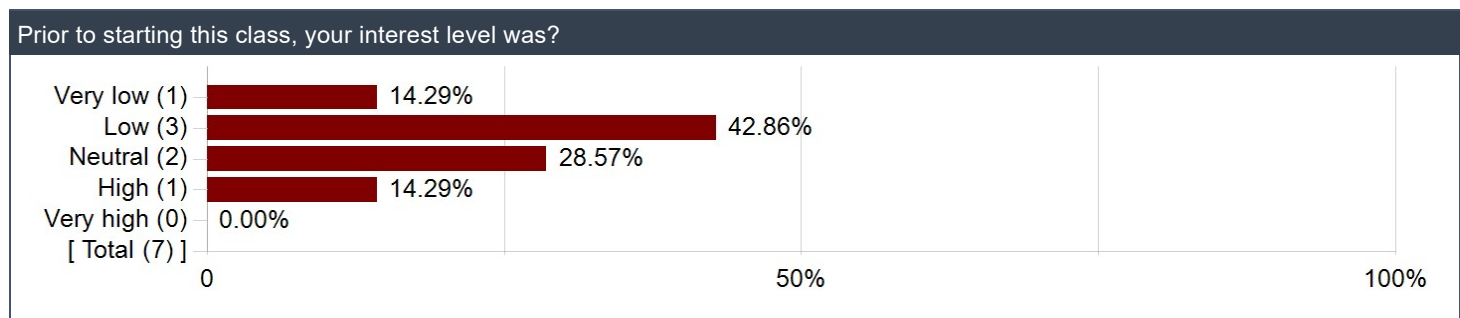
How much did the following elements of the course contribute to your learning gains?

	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	3.00	3.00	0.00%	25.00%	50.00%	25.00%	0.00%	0.00%

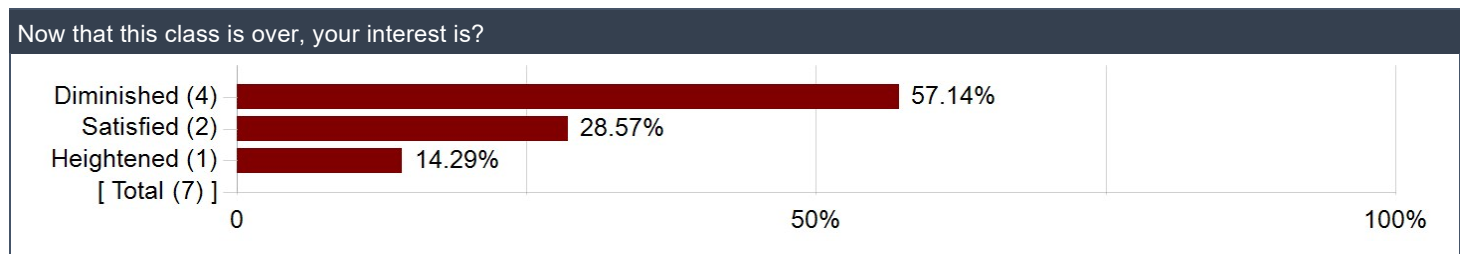
Is this class a requirement of some sort?



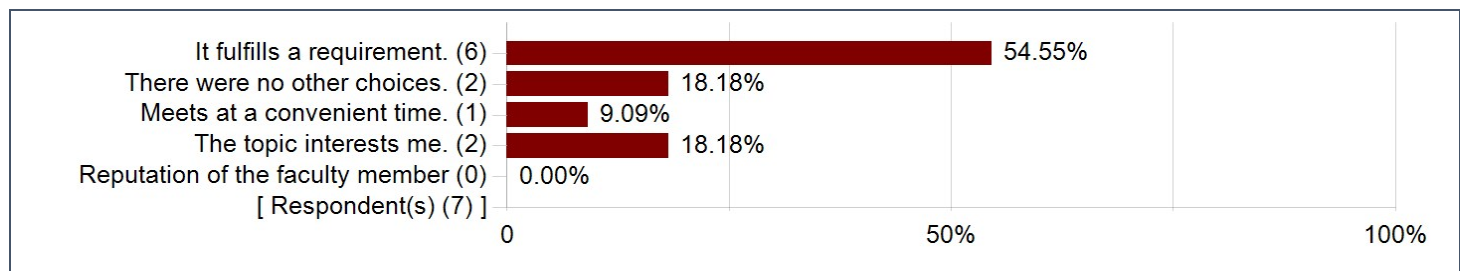
Prior to starting this class, your interest level was?



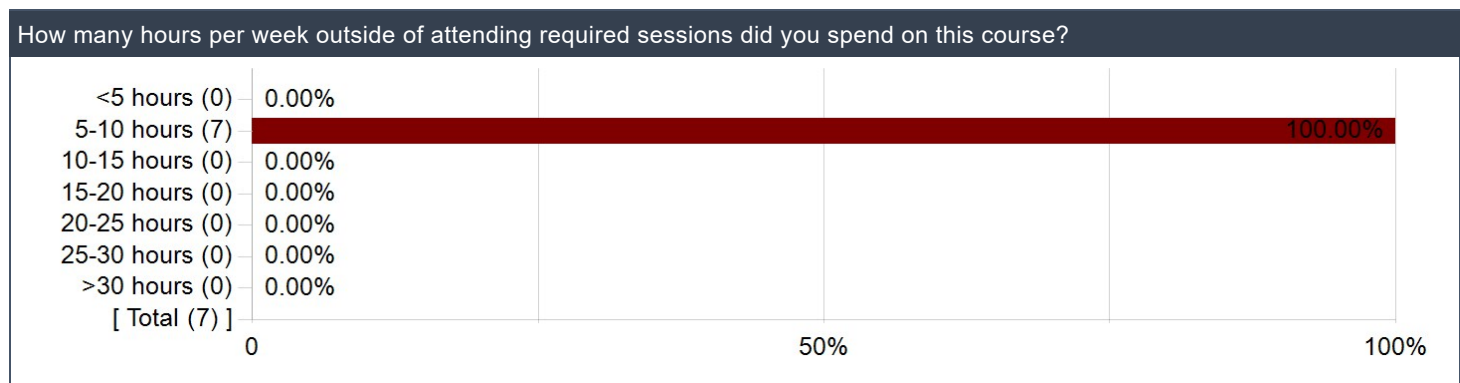
Now that this class is over, your interest is?



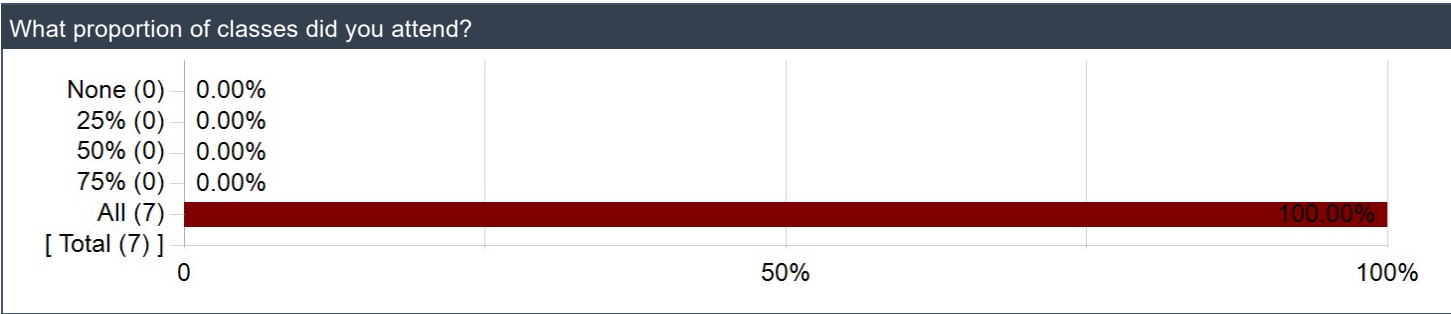
Why did you choose to take this course? (Select all that apply)



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
It wasn't too hard. It was similar to a normal literature class, but the way the professor wanted us to write was a little different and made us think a little more deeply about the text.
The writing portion of this course isn't a lot of work, but it is difficult and took a lot of time because I had no idea what was expected of me.
Much more difficult than and very different from any similar classes I've been exposed to.
No experience
hard
More difficult than typical English classes, but easier to get a hang of his writing style. Tough grading at times though.