

HUMA 11100 2 - Readings in World Literature II - Instructor(s): Maria Anna Mariani

Project Title: College Course Feedback - Winter 2024

Number Enrolled: 11
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.

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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 a lot about the autobiographical genre, including its limitations that may make someone an unreliable narrator for their own story. We also looked at different styles of writing that made each autobiography unique.

This was just a continuation of last quarter, there was a lot of writing and synthesizing close readings.

How to read an autobiography.

The most important skill that I have learned in this course is how to closely read the text as well as how to interconnect the themes of autobiography throught the course.

Improved my close reading skills.

Writing skills

I learned how to close read and analyze important passages of autobiographies. I also developed a deep knowledge for autobiographies.

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

Comments

Our class discussions were always helpful in terms of getting different perspectives on the readings and noticing something you may have overlooked before. The discussions are also helpful in terms of finding something to write about in one of your essays.

This quarter we had some lectures online and some in person and honestly it was okay. We read, discussed, and that was basically it.

The discussions were really awesome. I would sometimes feel confused from the readings, but we would always go over specific passages in depth. I felt like discussion time always had a lot of participation from everyone, and I think that's really impressive. Kudos to Professor Mariani!

The lectures were very helpful in understanding the text and opening new perspective on other's point of view.

Lectures helped me understand the texts better.

class discussions helped advanced my learning

Readings facilitated discussions and discussions inspired papers.

Please respond to the following:

	Mean	Median	Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Neutral	Agree	Strongly Agree
This course challenged me intellectually.	4.14	4.00	0.00%	0.00%	14.29%	57.14%	28.57%
I understood the purpose of this course and what I was expected to gain from it.	3.86	4.00	0.00%	14.29%	14.29%	42.86%	28.57%
I understood the standards for success on assignments.	3.86	4.00	0.00%	14.29%	14.29%	42.86%	28.57%
Class time enhanced my ability to succeed in graded assignments.	4.14	4.00	0.00%	0.00%	28.57%	28.57%	42.86%
I received feedback on my performance that helped me improve my subsequent work.	4.29	4.00	0.00%	0.00%	14.29%	42.86%	42.86%
My work was evaluated fairly.	4.14	4.00	0.00%	0.00%	28.57%	28.57%	42.86%
I felt respected in this class.	4.29	4.00	0.00%	0.00%	14.29%	42.86%	42.86%
Overall, this was an excellent course.	4.14	4.00	0.00%	0.00%	28.57%	28.57%	42.86%

Additional comments about the course:

Comments

We get to read a lot of texts from different parts of the world which is definitely interesting and worth exploring.

n/a

I would recommend this course to:

	No	Yes
Highly-motivated and well-prepared students	14.29%	85.71%
Anyone interested in the topic	14.29%	85.71%

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

Comments

She asks very interesting questions that force you to dig deeper into the text, and she allows students to speak more to build on ideas.

She always had great questions to prompt discussion.

The discussions were really helpful. I liked that Professor Mariani sometimes brought in alternative material like interview questions during class. That made the books more understandable.

The instructor's additional material and background on the text and author really gave a helpful insight on how to analyze a certain part of the text and how it certain memories or time frame can be manipulate.

Prof. Mariani made discussions very open and encouraged everyone to speak.

discussions

The instructor always came to class super prepared and with lots of content to analyze.

What could the instructor modify to help you learn more?

Comments

Really long readings in a short period of time, made it difficult to do close readings on the whole text.

I feel like sometimes the discussion would grow stagnant and we would still be on the same point.

Nothing!

n/a

Honestly, sometimes discussion stalled because the readings were so long. I think that many of my classmates did not complete the readings and that prevented them from effectively participating in discussion. I know this is on them, but readings of upwards of 100 pages between classes can be very difficult and sometimes impossible to fit in.

The Instructor . . .

	Mean	Median	Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Neutral	Agree	Strongly Agree	N/A
Organized the course clearly.	4.29	4.00	0.00%	0.00%	14.29%	42.86%	42.86%	0.00%
Presented lectures that enhanced your understanding.	4.29	4.00	0.00%	0.00%	14.29%	42.86%	42.86%	0.00%
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.	4.29	4.00	0.00%	0.00%	14.29%	42.86%	42.86%	0.00%
Challenged you to learn.	4.29	4.00	0.00%	0.00%	14.29%	42.86%	42.86%	0.00%
Helped you gain significant learning from the course content.	4.29	4.00	0.00%	0.00%	14.29%	42.86%	42.86%	0.00%
Was available and helpful outside of class.	4.29	4.00	0.00%	0.00%	14.29%	42.86%	42.86%	0.00%
Motivated you to think independently.	4.29	4.00	0.00%	0.00%	14.29%	42.86%	42.86%	0.00%
Worked to create an inclusive and welcoming learning environment.	4.29	4.00	0.00%	0.00%	14.29%	42.86%	42.86%	0.00%
Overall, this instructor made a significant contribution to your learning.	4.29	4.00	0.00%	0.00%	14.29%	42.86%	42.86%	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 Our writing specialist was Karen Xu, and she was always very encouraging and allowed us to build on our ideas that really helped me learn how to be a better writer. Karen Karen Xu. Really helpful! Karen Xu

The TA/CA or Intern...

	Mean	Median	Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Neutral	Agree	Strongly Agree	N/A
Facilitated discussions that supported your learning.	4.50	4.50	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	50.00%	50.00%	0.00%
Gave you useful feedback on your work.	4.50	4.50	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	50.00%	50.00%	0.00%
Stimulated your interest in the core ideas of the class.	4.50	4.50	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	50.00%	50.00%	0.00%
Challenged you to learn.	4.50	4.50	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	50.00%	50.00%	0.00%
Helped you succeed in the class.	4.50	4.50	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	50.00%	50.00%	0.00%
Was available and helpful outside of class.	4.50	4.50	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	50.00%	50.00%	0.00%
Overall, this individual made a significant contribution to your learning.	4.50	4.50	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	50.00%	50.00%	0.00%

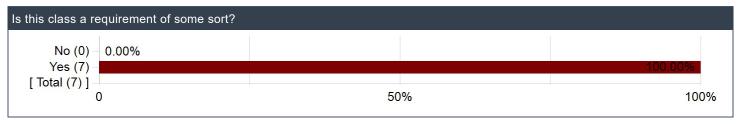
How much did the following elements of the course contribute to your learning gains?

	Mean	Median	No Gain	A Little Gain	Moderate Gain	Good Gain	Great Gain	N/A
Laboratory Experience	4.00	4.00	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	16.67%	0.00%	83.33%
Field Trips	4.00	4.00	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	16.67%	0.00%	83.33%
Library Sessions	4.00	4.00	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	16.67%	0.00%	83.33%
Review Sessions	4.00	4.00	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	16.67%	0.00%	83.33%
Writing Seminars	4.17	4.00	0.00%	0.00%	16.67%	50.00%	33.33%	0.00%

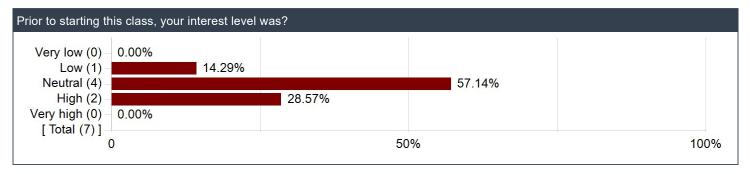
Other course elements not mentioned above:



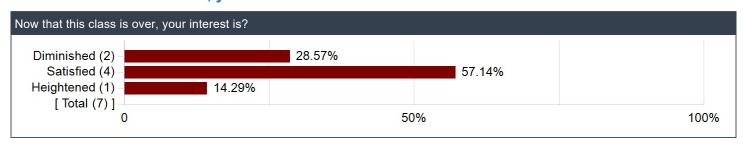
Is this class a requirement of some sort?



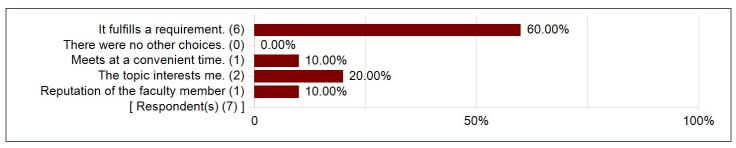
Prior to starting this class, your interest level was?



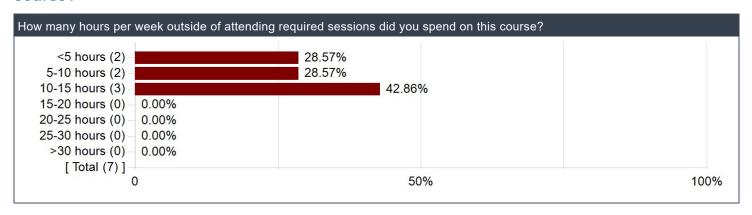
Now that this class is over, your interest is?



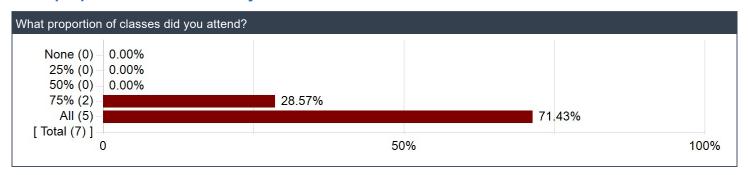
Why did you choose to take this course? (Select all that apply)



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

The most difficult thing for me was managing long readings that I wasn't used to before, but besides that the writing seminars are really helpful to make you a better writer and I felt like I improved a lot.

Doable as a non-humanities major

Extra Help for Writing Techniques. Participation Grade

Not too bad, reading was a lot.