

# SOSC 16300 7 - Global Society III - Instructor(s) - Keegan Boyar

Project Title: College Course Feedback - Spring 2024

Number Enrolled: 21
Number of Responses: 6

### **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

How to properly structure a social sciences research paper.

How to conduct research and go about writing a research paper

I learned how to effectively write a research paper.

**Nothing** 

How to efficiently and effectively write a research paper. How to best find sources for your research topic.

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

#### Comments

I believe that in class workshops with our peers were the most helpful learning tool, as we were able to see examples of other projects and get direct feedback from others on our progress.

Lectures were helpful, but most helpful was class discussions about our projects. Assignments were also helpful in getting started.

The paper–specific assignments were very helpful. Meeting with my group was also helpful in knowing how I was doing with my report.

N/A, the most helpful assignment was breaking down the final project

The assignments I found most helpful in contributing to my learning. The readings weee not very helpful, but peer review and class discussion helped gain insight into aspects of a good research paper. I found the readings not really helpful and applicable to the research project. They just took time away from time being spent on the research project. The purpose of some of the readings seemed unclear and some of the time wouldn't be talked about in depth which made reading them seem like a waste of time.

# Please respond to the following:

	Mean	Median	Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Neutral	Agree	Strongly Agree
This course challenged me intellectually.	3.67	4.00	16.67%	0.00%	0.00%	66.67%	16.67%
I understood the purpose of this course and what I was expected to gain from it.	4.33	4.00	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	66.67%	33.33%
I understood the standards for success on assignments.	4.17	4.50	0.00%	16.67%	0.00%	33.33%	50.00%
Class time enhanced my ability to succeed in graded assignments.	3.33	4.00	16.67%	16.67%	0.00%	50.00%	16.67%
I received feedback on my performance that helped me improve my subsequent work.	4.17	4.00	0.00%	0.00%	16.67%	50.00%	33.33%
My work was evaluated fairly.	4.17	4.50	0.00%	0.00%	33.33%	16.67%	50.00%
I felt respected in this class.	4.67	5.00	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	33.33%	66.67%
Overall, this was an excellent course.	3.50	4.00	0.00%	16.67%	16.67%	66.67%	0.00%

### Additional comments about the course:

#### Comments

This course is fine but there was little to no preparation for the lectures. Would not recommend reading the assigned readings as they're often very long and you don't talk in class. Unclear grading since there has only been one graded assignment all quarter.

### 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

Professor Boyar provided good feedback on our research projects and was readily available to help outside of class.

The instructor's personalized advice on how to proceed in my project was helpful.

Professor Boyar left very helpful feedback and was really helpful in guiding my work in office hours.

The emphasis on the mini–assignments contributed most to my learning. The professor did a good job of making sure that each of the mini–assignments were done effectively so that you weren't in time crunch to finish the paper. Peer review sessions were helpful as well. The organization of the course was pretty helpful in allowing me to complete the research in a timely manner. I think the emphasis on participation did have a positive impact on me because it incentivized contributing to the discussion.

# What could the instructor modify to help you learn more?

#### Comments

I feel like a lot of the classes which we didn't have readings for were a bit unproductive and unhelpful towards the completion of our research projects. It may have been more helpful to just have these classes cancelled and used towards working on our projects asynchronously.

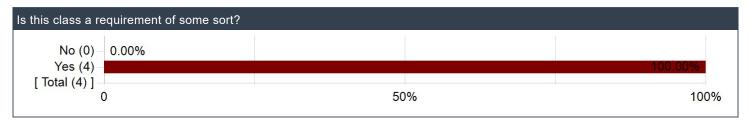
Class discussions were sometimes a little repetitive. I think guiding more interesting conversations might have helped keep the class engaged on discussion days.

Some of the class discussions lacked a clear structure or purpose and were focused on initial thoughts and interests in the readings and completing assignments. I feel like a more structured agenda in these class discussion would help facilitate better discussions.

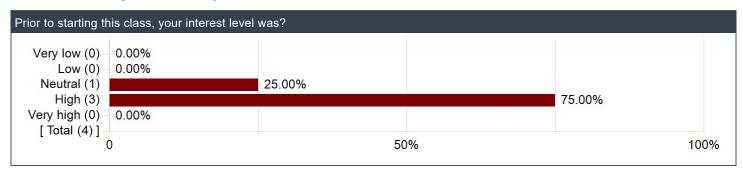
### The Instructor . . .

	Mean	Median	Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Neutral	Agree	Strongly Agree	N/A
Organized the course clearly.	4.20	4.00	0.00%	0.00%	20.00%	40.00%	40.00%	0.00%
Presented lectures that enhanced your understanding.	3.50	3.50	0.00%	0.00%	40.00%	40.00%	0.00%	20.00%
Facilitated discussions that were engaging and useful.	3.20	3.00	0.00%	0.00%	80.00%	20.00%	0.00%	0.00%
Stimulated your interest in the core ideas of the course.	4.00	4.00	0.00%	0.00%	40.00%	20.00%	40.00%	0.00%
Challenged you to learn.	4.40	4.00	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	60.00%	40.00%	0.00%
Helped you gain significant learning from the course content.	4.20	4.00	0.00%	0.00%	20.00%	40.00%	40.00%	0.00%
Was available and helpful outside of class.	4.60	5.00	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	40.00%	60.00%	0.00%
Motivated you to think independently.	4.60	5.00	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	40.00%	60.00%	0.00%
Worked to create an inclusive and welcoming learning environment.	4.60	5.00	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	40.00%	60.00%	0.00%
Overall, this instructor made a significant contribution to your learning.	4.00	4.00	0.00%	0.00%	20.00%	60.00%	20.00%	0.00%

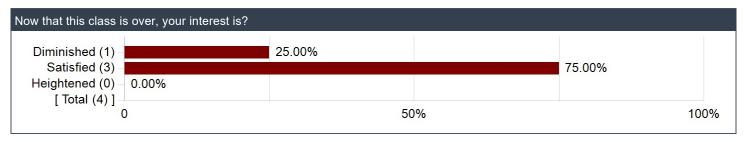
### Is this class a requirement of some sort?



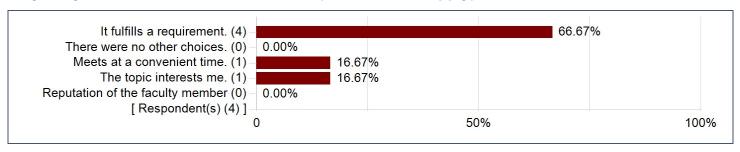
# Prior to starting this class, your interest level was?



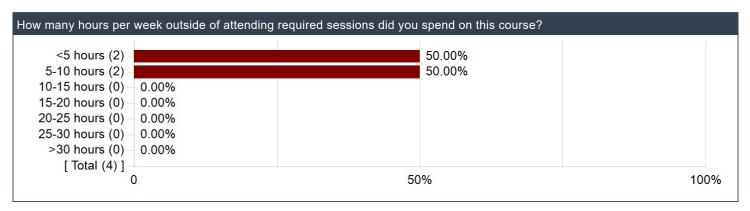
# Now that this class is over, your interest is?



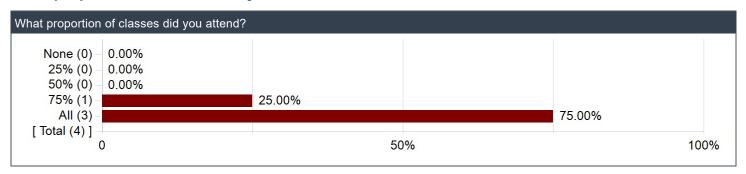
# Why did you choose to take this course? (Select all that apply)



# 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

The class is difficult because it is a large time commitment and the concepts handled can be complicated. Though the report must be quite lengthy and comprehensive, it is ultimately a very fulfilling class if you are interested in the topic.

Do not leave the research project to be done in the last minute. Other than that this is an appropriate class for people of academic backgrounds.