

HUMA 14100 6 - Reading Cultures: Collection, Travel, Exchange II - Instructor(s): Kevin King

Project Title: College Course Feedback - Winter 2024

Number Enrolled: 19 Number of Responses: 12

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 analyze a text and write an interpretive argument

How to write a good essay

Close reading, analyzing texts, and constructing essays

I read a lot of interesting works

In this course the most important things I learned were to close read, be able to distinguish and make a warrant in reading/writing. Furthermore, being to lead a discussion based on a class read text.

Became a better writer and better at critical thinking

How to read and analyze a variety of styles of literature.

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

Comments

Discussions were really interesting, but generally just the practice of writing essay improved my learning the most

It's mostly discussion

Discussions were very useful for understanding the texts, professor Kevin King was a great leader of discussions

Definitely having guiding questions assigned were very helpful in thinking towards the topics of discussions.

Really enjoyed the reading material for the second quarter in this sequence, and discussion sections with Kevin were great.

The readings were very fun. Kevin did a very good job leading discussions and providing historical context to the readings.

Please respond to the following:

	Mean	Median	Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Neutral	Agree	Strongly Agree
This course challenged me intellectually.	4.64	5.00	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	36.36%	63.64%
I understood the purpose of this course and what I was expected to gain from it.	4.27	4.00	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	72.73%	27.27%
I understood the standards for success on assignments.	4.45	4.00	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	54.55%	45.45%
Class time enhanced my ability to succeed in graded assignments.	4.45	4.00	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	54.55%	45.45%
I received feedback on my performance that helped me improve my subsequent work.	4.73	5.00	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	27.27%	72.73%
My work was evaluated fairly.	4.55	5.00	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	45.45%	54.55%
I felt respected in this class.	4.64	5.00	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	36.36%	63.64%
Overall, this was an excellent course.	4.55	5.00	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	45.45%	54.55%

Additional comments about the course:

Comments

Professor Kevin King was great in helping me to understand what the texts throughout the course were showing beyond the surface level, and was always available for help outside of class.

Really liked the inclusion of secondary sources that we read alongside the texts this quarter

N/A

Highly recommend Kevin as an instructor — he's a great teacher, super interesting, and makes the material accessible while challenging students to get the most out of the course.

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

Kevin was good at facilitating the discussion

He steps back to let us lead the discussion but joins as needed to keep us on track and notice the most important aspects of the reading,

Guided discussion and introduced important ideas during discussion

leading insightful discussions

The way Kevin directed our discussions helped me understand the texts better and helped me with ideas when writing essays

Definitely being able to expand on students ideas and being able to bring in multiple points together to clarify or show the class a specific point regarding the discussion.

Kevin is super thoughtful and interesting — overall a great teacher

The discussions were very fun and helpful, provided that you had done the reading. The student–led discussions were helpful in understanding how to read the text on my own rather than through questions asked by the professor. I appreciated how Kevin didn't do much lecturing, and had us do the lecturing instead.

What could the instructor modify to help you learn more?

Comments

I think having smaller group activities/discussions every so often would be beneficial

Nothing more, really, I love Kevin he's amazing

Nothing, I feel like professor Kevin King did an excellent job

I feel the cohesion that connects all the texts to the overarching theme of the quarter could be made more clear.

I wish there was more of a focus on translation in this class. Most of the text we read were translations and I feel like we should have explored translation further and how translation warps each of the texts.

The Instructor . . .

	Mean	Median	Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Neutral	Agree	Strongly Agree	N/A
Organized the course clearly.	4.36	4.00	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	63.64%	36.36%	0.00%
Presented lectures that enhanced your understanding.	4.13	4.00	0.00%	9.09%	0.00%	36.36%	27.27%	27.27%
Facilitated discussions that were engaging and useful.	4.73	5.00	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	27.27%	72.73%	0.00%
Stimulated your interest in the core ideas of the course.	4.55	5.00	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	45.45%	54.55%	0.00%
Challenged you to learn.	4.64	5.00	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	36.36%	63.64%	0.00%
Helped you gain significant learning from the course content.	4.45	4.00	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	54.55%	45.45%	0.00%
Was available and helpful outside of class.	4.60	5.00	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	36.36%	54.55%	9.09%
Motivated you to think independently.	4.36	4.00	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	63.64%	36.36%	0.00%
Worked to create an inclusive and welcoming learning environment.	4.45	4.00	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	54.55%	45.45%	0.00%
Overall, this instructor made a significant contribution to your learning.	4.64	5.00	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	36.36%	63.64%	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

Dorin. He was really fun and good at facilitating discussion and provoking unique thought process

Dorin

Dorin Smith

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Dorin is great!! I found the writing seminars very helpful in improving my writing and brainstorms for essays

Dorin Smith was the writing seminar guy. He was very good at criticizing essays in a kind way. However, I felt like he injected a lot of his own ideas into my writing when I met with him for office hours.

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.	4.67	5.00	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	33.33%	66.67%	0.00%
Stimulated your interest in the core ideas of the class.	4.17	4.00	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	83.33%	16.67%	0.00%
Challenged you to learn.	4.67	5.00	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	33.33%	66.67%	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.	4.33	4.00	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	66.67%	33.33%	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%

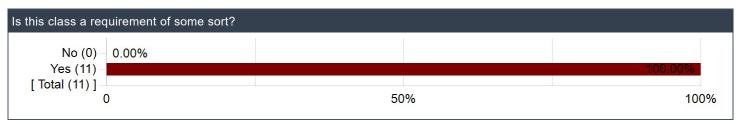
How much did the following elements of the course contribute to your learning gains?

	Mean	Median	No Gain	A Little Gain	Moderate Gain	Good Gain	Great Gain	N/A
Laboratory Experience	N/A	N/A	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	100.00%
Field Trips	3.67	3.50	0.00%	0.00%	30.00%	20.00%	10.00%	40.00%
Library Sessions	2.50	2.50	0.00%	10.00%	10.00%	0.00%	0.00%	80.00%
Review Sessions	N/A	N/A	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	100.00%
Writing Seminars	4.18	4.00	0.00%	0.00%	18.18%	45.45%	36.36%	0.00%

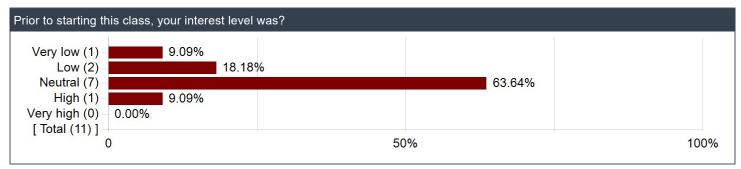
Other course elements not mentioned above:

Comments	
N/A	

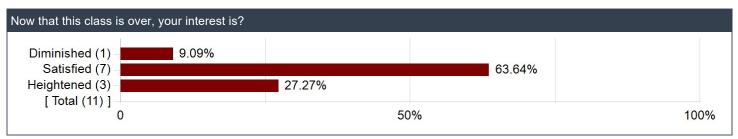
Is this class a requirement of some sort?



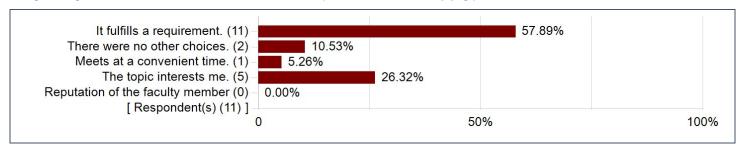
Prior to starting this class, your interest level was?



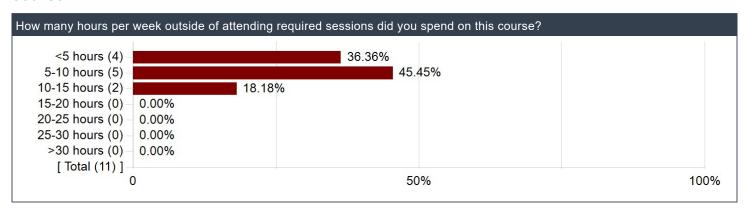
Now that this class is over, your interest is?



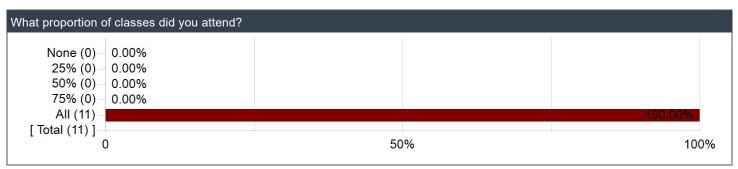
Why did you choose to take this course? (Select all that apply)



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 interpretive literary demands for this class are significantly higher than high school but nothing unfeasible A lot was expected from the essays compared to anything I had done before, but we were eased into those expectations and provided a lot of feedback to improve This course was somewhat difficult Much easier to do well on essays if you have a strong background in writing