SOSC 14300 9 - Mind III - Instructor(s) - Yuan Leong

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

Number Enrolled: **19**
Number of Responses: **17**

Report Comments

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

Creation Date: **Thursday, July 11, 2024**

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

Comments
We learned how to analyze and assess the limitations of research papers, along with how context can influence psychological mechanisms.
I learned how to understand empirical research articles and apply them to broader sociological phenomena
The importance of considering context when studying psychological phenomena
How to analyze research papers in a efficient and thorough manner.
Got really indepth about the mind and learning how the material applied to real life things going on.
I learned some more psychology. There were some interesting topics covered this quarter.
How to efficiently analyze empirical papers. I also learned about a variety of different phenomena that are affected by context.
I learned a lot about psychological phenomena within different contexts, specifically the effect on the environment on our perceptions of the world

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

Comments
The different lectures felt pretty disconnected. Discussions and weekly discussion posts gave me a better idea of how the topics covered in the lectures each week were connected to the common themes of the quarter.
The weekly discussion posts were very helpful especially because they were graded out of more points, so there was more room for improvement without fear of errors
Lectures and readings introduced us to core concepts, discussions allowed us to share personal opinions and questions.
Lectures were great to learn and the classes were awesome to see real world questions around the topics we would learn about
The lectures were sometimes interesting, depending on the lecturer. The discussions were fine.
The lectures helped introduce the context and the phenomena, and the readings helped further that knowledge and test the phenomena in difference contexts.
Classes were split into lecture and discussion. I think this is a great design as we were introduced to the topic on the first day, and then able to discuss and delve deeper into the topic on the second.

Please respond to the following:

	Mean	Median	Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Neutral	Agree	Strongly Agree
This course challenged me intellectually.	3.91	4.00	9.09%	9.09%	0.00%	45.45%	36.36%
I understood the purpose of this course and what I was expected to gain from it.	4.75	5.00	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	25.00%	75.00%
I understood the standards for success on assignments.	4.75	5.00	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	25.00%	75.00%
Class time enhanced my ability to succeed in graded assignments.	4.67	5.00	0.00%	8.33%	0.00%	8.33%	83.33%
I received feedback on my performance that helped me improve my subsequent work.	4.77	5.00	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	23.08%	76.92%
My work was evaluated fairly.	4.85	5.00	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	15.38%	84.62%
I felt respected in this class.	4.77	5.00	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	23.08%	76.92%
Overall, this was an excellent course.	4.77	5.00	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	23.08%	76.92%

Additional comments about the course:

Comments
We learned a lot of interesting stuff, and I feel like my writing skills and ability to analyze research improved somewhat.
I really enjoyed all 3 quarters of Mind. And this quarter YC facilitated great discussions that were interesting and went beyond a summary of the readings/lecture.

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
Our instructor did a good job of explaining why we should actually care about the topics covered in the lectures each week. He also helped us develop our discussion posts by providing us with feedback.
The professor prepared slides for each discussion class, which posed questions that were related to the week's papers, but also reached other areas of interest. The class was very engaging and easy to participate more.
I really liked Professor Leong's discussion plans. Instead of requiring that every point raised be grounded in the lecture/reading, he encouraged us to discuss more casually the implications and applications of those topics. The discussions were just really interesting conversations!
Created slides that would connect the lectures and real world events and questions going on. Made the class incredibly engaging and fun.
YC was an excellent professor that helped guide the discussion in way that balanced each student voice! He is also a very motivated, passionate professor that allowed all of the to be very invested in the course content and what he presented to us in class
The professor was pretty nice and graded the discussion posts leniently. The discussion posts were only on one of the readings and were very formulaic, such that it usually took a couple of hours each week to do the assignment with basically a guaranteed 10/10. He did not care if people completely zoned out during discussion. The discussions were usually pretty interesting and covered topics not explicitly mentioned in the lecture or readings.
The slides presented in class really helped me understand the subject being taught.
The presentations and feedback about discussion posts helped the most.
I truly liked YC as a professor. He was always very engaging and thoughtful, and he seemed to have a lot of experience in the field. I felt that he was approachable and genuine as well, and I feel that he cared about each student individually.
he is very passionate about what he teaches and actually applies what we learn to current events and issues

What could the instructor modify to help you learn more?

Comments
Not much, he did a great job.
nothing he was great
n/a!
Nothing. Great professor. Really enjoyed it.
Maybe we could have talked about the non–empirical paper in discussion each week because I'm sure nobody read them.
I think he did an excellent job.

The Instructor . . .

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Organized the course clearly.	4.75	5.00	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	25.00%	75.00%	0.00%
Presented lectures that enhanced your understanding.	4.83	5.00	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	16.67%	83.33%	0.00%
Facilitated discussions that were engaging and useful.	4.83	5.00	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	16.67%	83.33%	0.00%
Stimulated your interest in the core ideas of the course.	4.83	5.00	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	16.67%	83.33%	0.00%
Challenged you to learn.	4.67	5.00	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	33.33%	66.67%	0.00%
Helped you gain significant learning from the course content.	4.83	5.00	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	16.67%	83.33%	0.00%
Was available and helpful outside of class.	4.67	5.00	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	33.33%	66.67%	0.00%
Motivated you to think independently.	4.83	5.00	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	16.67%	83.33%	0.00%
Worked to create an inclusive and welcoming learning environment.	4.75	5.00	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	25.00%	75.00%	0.00%
Overall, this instructor made a significant contribution to your learning.	4.75	5.00	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	25.00%	75.00%	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
Writing Tutor: Mia Thacker was very helpful and great
Mia provided helpful suggestions for my final paper. The writing workshop was not super helpful, but then they never are.
Mia Thacker

The TA/CA or Intern. . .

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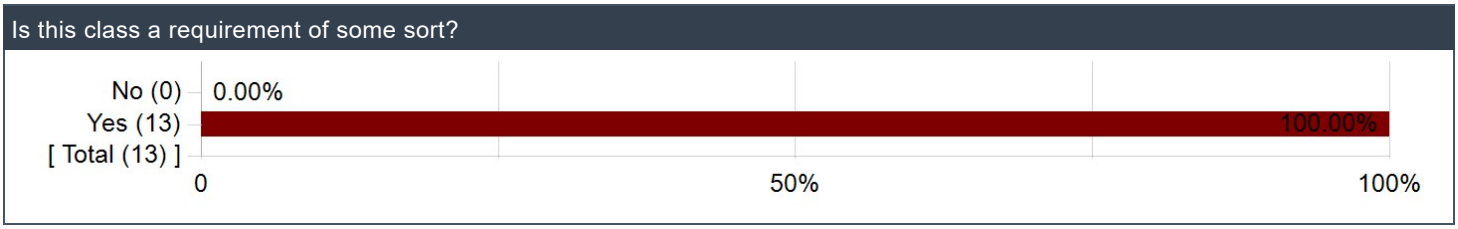
Facilitated discussions that supported your learning.	3.50	3.50	0.00%	0.00%	33.33%	33.33%	0.00%	33.33%
Gave you useful feedback on your work.	4.33	4.00	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	66.67%	33.33%	0.00%
Stimulated your interest in the core ideas of the class.	3.33	4.00	0.00%	33.33%	0.00%	66.67%	0.00%	0.00%
Challenged you to learn.	3.50	3.50	0.00%	0.00%	33.33%	33.33%	0.00%	33.33%
Helped you succeed in the class.	4.00	4.00	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	100.00%	0.00%	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.	4.33	4.00	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	66.67%	33.33%	0.00%

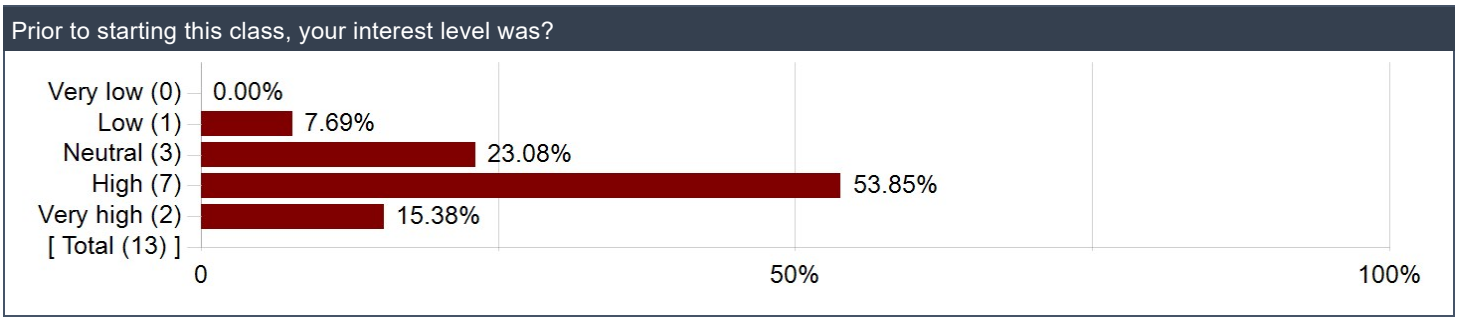
How much did the following elements of the course contribute to your learning gains?

	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	3.67	4.00	16.67%	0.00%	0.00%	66.67%	16.67%	0.00%

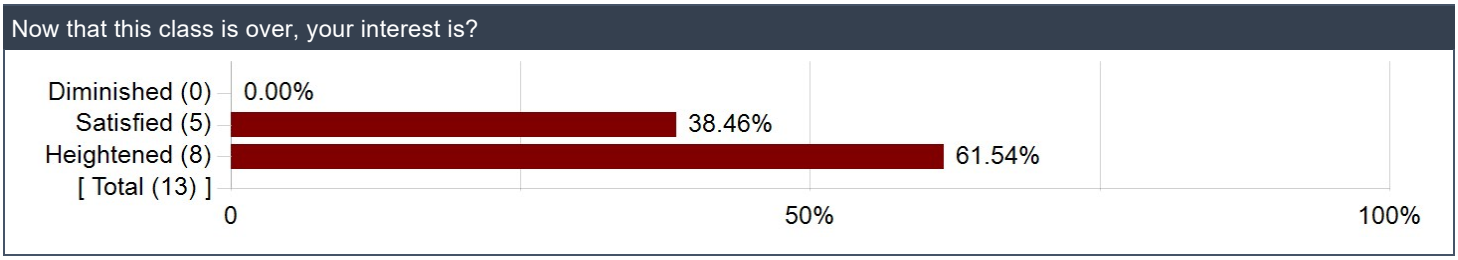
Is this class a requirement of some sort?



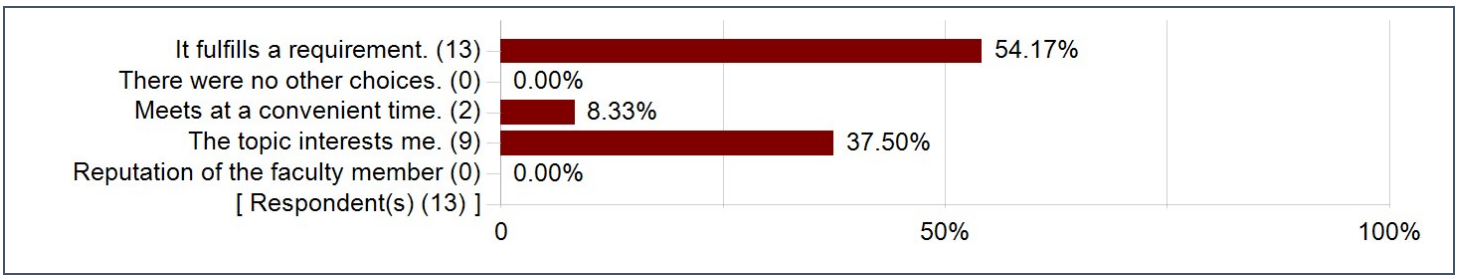
Prior to starting this class, your interest level was?



Now that this class is over, your interest is?



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



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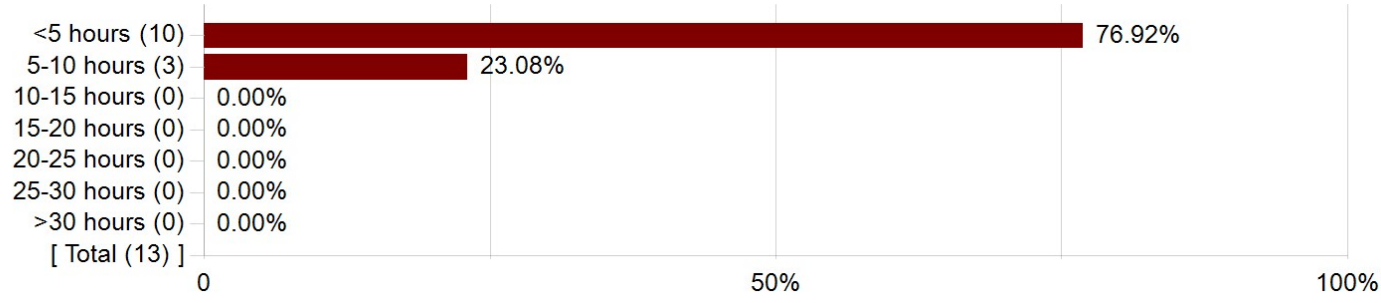

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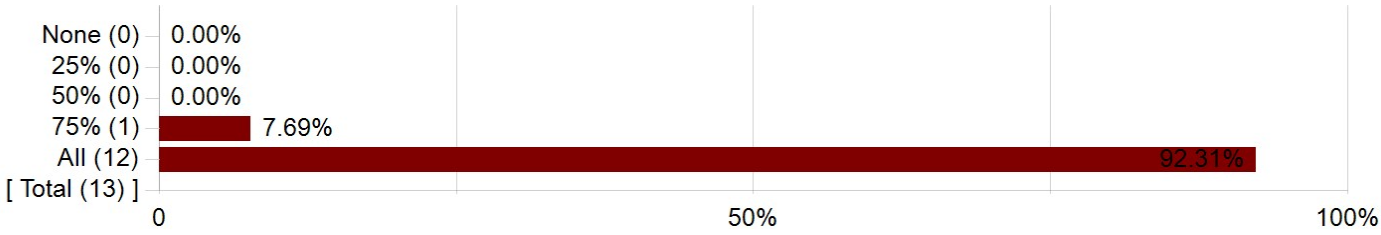

Please comment on the level of difficulty of the course relative to your background and experience.

Comments
not difficult
If you've already taken the first two quarters of mind then you know what to expect.
you do not need any background or experience
Very approachable & interesting
Very interesting class. Not very difficult but its more about grasping the concepts. If you do this you'll succeed.