

NORW 10100 1, NORW 10100 1 - First-Year Norwegian I - Instructor(s): Kimberly Kenny

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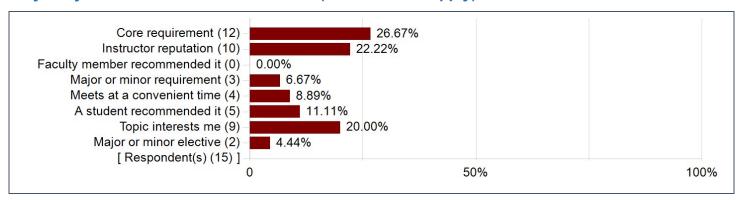
Report Comments

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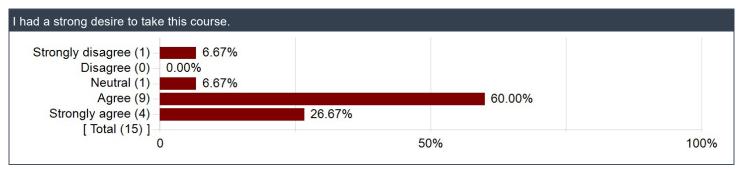
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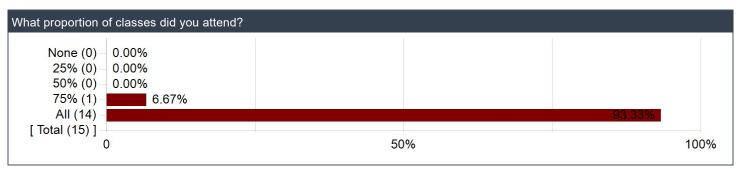
Why did you choose to take this course? (Select all that apply)



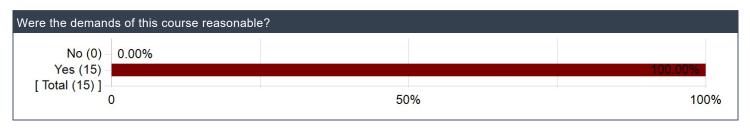
I had a strong desire to take this course.



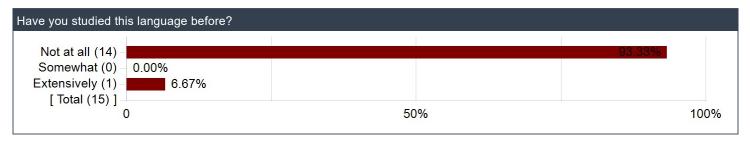
What proportion of classes did you attend?



Were the demands of this course reasonable?



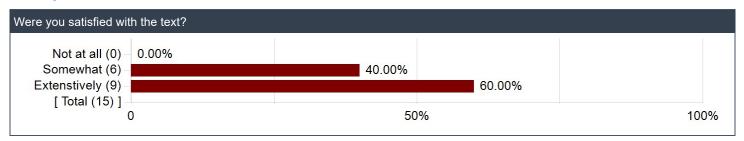
Have you studied this language before?



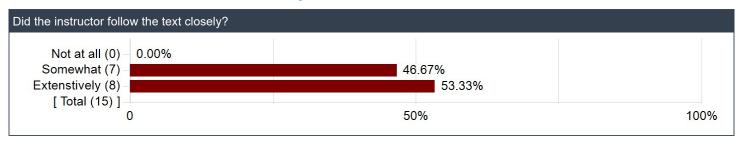
Rate the extent to which different aspects of the language were stressed:

	Mean	Median	Not At All	A Little	Some	A Lot	Extremely	Vigorously
Speaking	5.27	6.00	6.67%	0.00%	0.00%	13.33%	13.33%	66.67%
Spelling	3.67	4.00	0.00%	26.67%	13.33%	33.33%	20.00%	6.67%
Reading	4.07	4.00	0.00%	0.00%	46.67%	13.33%	26.67%	13.33%
Writing	4.20	4.00	0.00%	6.67%	20.00%	33.33%	26.67%	13.33%
Grammar	4.53	4.00	0.00%	0.00%	13.33%	40.00%	26.67%	20.00%
Vocabulary	4.73	4.00	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	53.33%	20.00%	26.67%

Were you satisfied with the text?



Did the instructor follow the text closely?



Explain:

Comments

The professor assigned take—home tests which consisted of content from specific chapters of the text. Similarly, her powerpoints were mostly based off of specific sections of the text.

Kim is the best prof I've had at the school. She is super understanding that this is an INTRO class, and doesn't make it seem like you need to know everything coming into it. She is very good at following our book and is very good at getting you out of your comfort zone.

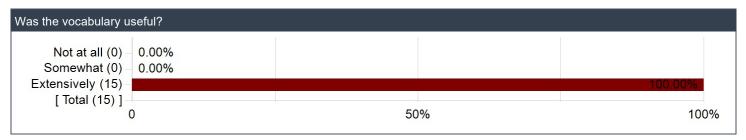
I felt that the textbook could have been better, however, the instructor did a wonderful job drawing out the most useful parts of it and taking advantage of the online learning system that comes with it. The website that is unlocked by the textbook is very helpful.

she used real life analigies a lot which helped learning process

We were to study assigned pages in the text and then the class lesson focused on that assigned homework from the day prior. This allowed us to be more productive in class because everyone was expected to have an understanding of the lesson's content before the lesson took place.

Some book some freestyle

Was the vocabulary useful?



Why?

Comments

The vocabulary helped us express ourselves when answering questions.

The vocabulary was extremely useful, because it was all very practical. I can now have basic conversations in Norwegian.

helped to speak

The vocabulary was very useful because by the end of the quarter everyone possessed general conversational skills and vocabulary.

you learn a surprising amount for one quarter

Conversational

Describe the format of the class (lecture, drills, etc.). Was this format productive? Please be specific.

Comments

About half of the class was her asking a question and then calling on students to answer it while asking follow—up questions. We also had to engage in coversation with other students. She lectured a little bit when talking about vocabulary and grammar, but it was at a minimum. Sometimes, we played games (e.g., scrabble) to reinforce vocabulary and new concepts. I thought the class was well structured and helpful in internalizing the material.

Class was mostly speaking in Norwegian, and you catch on really quickly. We also did fun exercises, partner work, and games.

Essentially a big discussion all class in Norwegian. It was very helpful and productive.

seminar; imersive environment

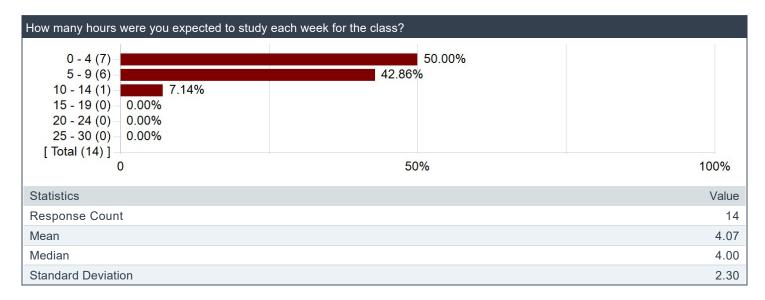
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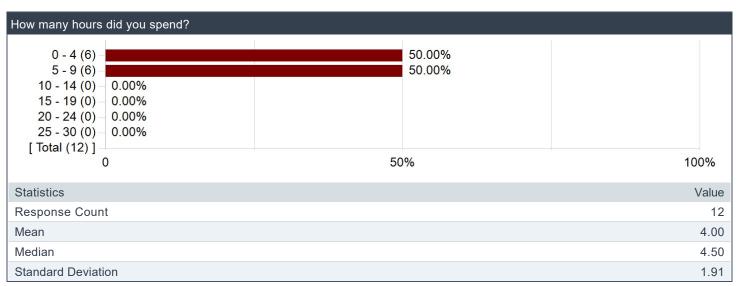
The class was centered around speaking, so we interacted with the professor and with other students throughout each class. There was very little individual work. This format worked quite well and was highly productive because it meant that we were constantly practicing and honing our skills from the current class and classes prior.

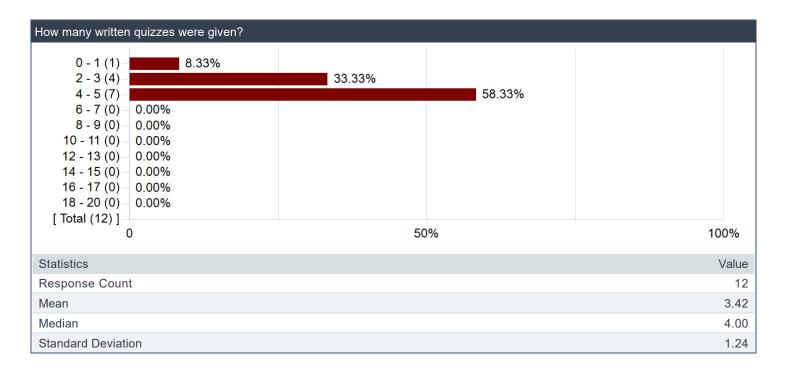
the class structure is very productive, the class is basically just speaking norwegian with your classmates

Conversational lectures that help teach students through speaking and writing.

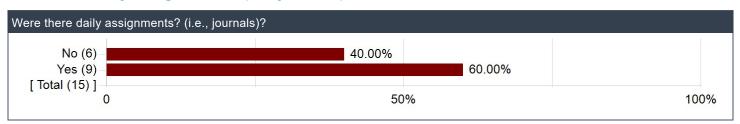
Taught us how to have a practical conversation

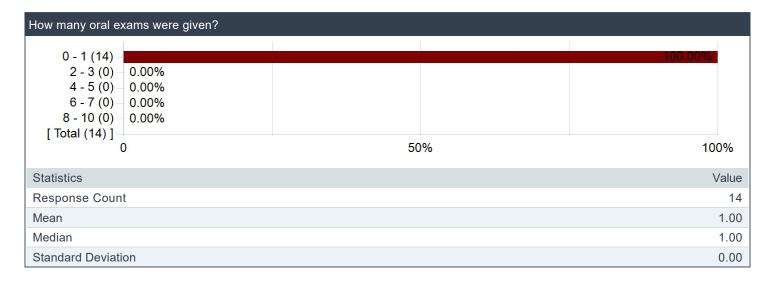




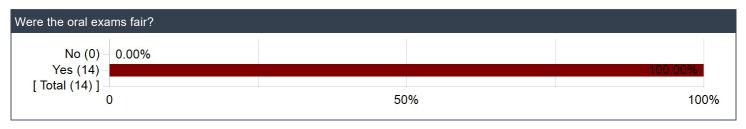


Were there daily assignments? (i.e., journals)?

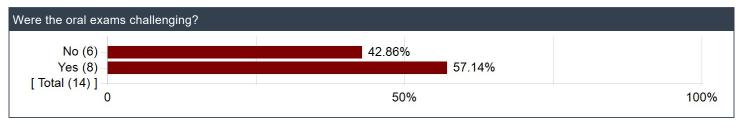




Were the oral exams fair?



Were the oral exams challenging?



Why? Please be specific.

Comments

I haven't taken the oral final yet, but I expect it to be along the lines of what we did in class. The professor gave us a list of questions she'll pull from to prepare, so I don't think it will be too bad. It is only worth 5% of the grade as well.

They were challenging, because it's a new language and Norwegians speak quickly, but very reasonable. We were given a list of questions that could be asked.

full on conversation, but fun as well

great prof

We were given material to prepare, but sometimes the response I wanted to give exceeded the basic level of Norwegian vocabulary I had which made it challenging.

really simple, all the stuff you have been practicing all quarter and she is so nice during it

Listening is hard

It was very conversational and not stressful at all.

If there were required outside activities (i.e. foreign films or SCOLA), describe your experience.

Comments

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Was your instructor organized?

Mean	Median	Very Unorganized	Somewhat Unorganized	Fairly Organized	Somewhat Organized	Very Organized
5.00	5.00	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	100.00%

Explain

Comments

She had powerpoints which she posted regularly following class.

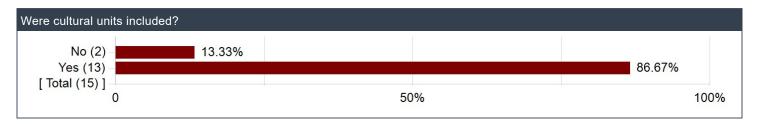
Professor Kim is wonderful. Her class is structured really clearly and expectations are set from the beginning.

The instructor clearly knows what she's doing, not just in terms of knowing the material but also in terms of knowing how to effectively teach it.

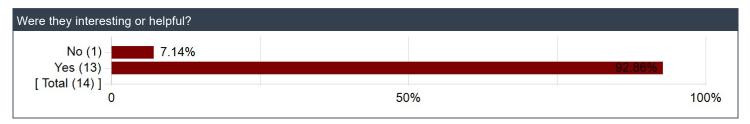
All lesson plans were well structured and made it very easy to follow along and understand the material.

Games were fun and progression of class made sense

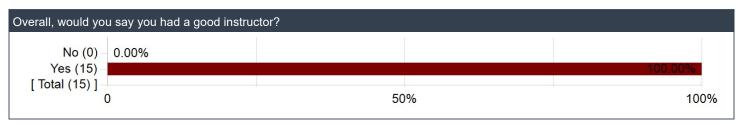
Were cultural units included?



Were they interesting or helpful?



Overall, would you say you had a good instructor?



Why?

Comments

She was very understanding when it came to deadlines and was overall a nice person. Generally, she knew what it was like to learn a language and didn't have very high expectations for us as students. She also brought baked goods to class every Friday.

She couldn't have been better. It was so relieving to have an intro professor that was more caring for her students and cared only about us learning the content and not us stressing about regurgitating information.

She really cared about her students, prioritized learning, and clearly enjoyed teaching.

The instructor is truly among the best I've ever had. She is kind and brilliant yet has high standards for us.

Most caring and engaging professor/teacher i've ever had

Amazing prof

really enthusiastic, very fun, engaging

She made it very easy to learn the language and the way she led the class meant that everyone got equal time practicing Norwegian with her and with other students. She had a strong interest in getting to know all of her students and developed a personal rapport with each student. This made it more enjoyable to and feel confident in class.

best teacher i have had

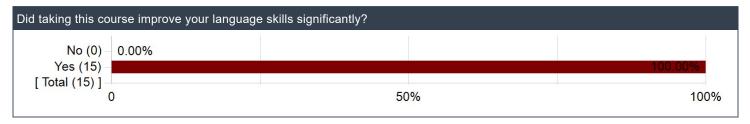
Professor Kenny is the greatest! She's super engaging and takes time to know her students.

Understanding, baked cookies, wanted us to learn

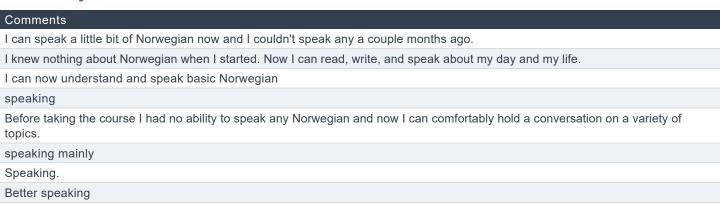
Professor Kenny made the class very interesting and conversational. It never felt like I had to learn the language, I just was. The Norwegian breakfast was definitely a plus too.

Did taking this course improve your language skills significantly?

I went from zero knowledge about Norwegian to being able to have an introductory conversation.



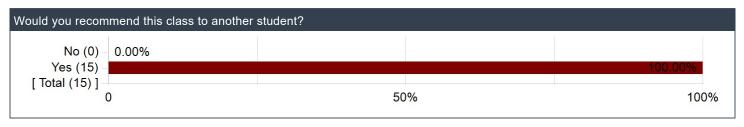
In what way?



How would you improve this course?

Comments
I honestly don't know how I would make it better. It was a very pleasant experience.
N/A.
nothing
I would add more writing components, but I do still really enjoy the amount of speaking that goes on so I don't want any changes to cut into speaking practice.
not possible
You couldn't. It's perfect.
Longer
N/A, everything was very helpful.

Would you recommend this class to another student?



Why?

Comments

If you have to take a language for the Core, it should be this one. Overall, it was a relatively laid-back and fun experience.

Professor is great, and you learn so much.

If you're interested in learning Norwegian or are looking to fulfill the language requirement, this class should be at the top of your list.

Amazing class where you'll actually learn in a very supportive and friendly environment.

too good

It is a very neat language and is taught in a very friendly, comprehensible way. It's very easy to get to know other students in the class and is fairly relaxed while being a productive setting.

TAKE IT, u will learn a lot and she is a very nice grader

Gained a lot and had fun