

HUMA 18100 5 - Poetry and the Human II - Instructor(s): Anna Elena Torres

Project Title: College Course Feedback - Winter 2024

Number Enrolled: **19** Number of Responses: **11**

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 analyze poems

I learned how to better write an essay and analyze text.

Learned about poetry about performance.

How to analyze and appreciate poetry, what the power of poetry is, and how poetry is a mechanism of expression for the author.

I learned a lot about the boundaries of poetry, and the blurred lines that poetry has.

I learned many effective writing skills and improved my language cohesion.

poetry

different ways to interpret poetry; analyze what poetry means to us

I gained tons of perspective in literature specifically poetry. While I had some bad writing experiences in high school, this course really sparked further interest in writing and thinking more broadly. I taught me to always strive for more perspective and corroboration of ideas and learning.

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

Comments

Discussions did not contribute much to my learning at all. The assignments seemed seperate.

Discussions helped understand contexts of the poems.

Discussions always encouraged us to think deeply about what a specific aspect of a poem may mean.

The lectures/discussion were helpful in facilitating poetry that was hard to understand at times.

Lectures were very fun, albeit a little boring at times, but the further in the course we went the funner it became.

poem readings were good

the assignments were very interesting because it moved away from the traditional essay style and focused on more creative projects

The lectures were very engaging and Dr. Torres was always very well prepared to lead a great discussion. It was a very open floor to talk and we were never pressured to share if we didn't want to. However, I think this format was most beneficial as it led to diverse perspectives and different ideas that I would not have been able to acquire otherwise.

Please respond to the following:

	Mean	Median	Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Neutral	Agree	Strongly Agree
This course challenged me intellectually.	4.09	4.00	0.00%	9.09%	9.09%	45.45%	36.36%
I understood the purpose of this course and what I was expected to gain from it.	4.09	4.00	0.00%	9.09%	18.18%	27.27%	45.45%
I understood the standards for success on assignments.	4.27	4.00	0.00%	0.00%	18.18%	36.36%	45.45%
Class time enhanced my ability to succeed in graded assignments.	3.91	4.00	9.09%	0.00%	27.27%	18.18%	45.45%
I received feedback on my performance that helped me improve my subsequent work.	4.27	4.00	0.00%	9.09%	0.00%	45.45%	45.45%
My work was evaluated fairly.	4.60	5.00	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	40.00%	60.00%
I felt respected in this class.	4.55	5.00	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	45.45%	54.55%
Overall, this was an excellent course.	4.27	4.00	0.00%	0.00%	18.18%	36.36%	45.45%

Additional comments about the course:

Comments

Very teacher dependent but good course to take if you enjoy poetry.

Sometimes the material and discussions feel like it's going no where. But it is important to note that the professor doesn't really expect a correct answer.

super easy class

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

Individual comments on assignments.

Asking engaging questions.

Patience and adaptability

The facilitated discussions helped the most.

Class discussions

discusions

showing us videos of poets reading the poems and different ways to perform poems

She was very respectful and engaged all throughout the class. She employed many different modes of teaching which kept the class engagement high and exciting.

What could the instructor modify to help you learn more?

Comments

It was hard to tell what we were supposed to be learning. It seemed very abstract and hypothetical at some points.

Not much different

spending more time with specific poems to break down and analyze each word

I feel that she could modify discussions to make them a bit more engaging, and also maybe give questions that are a bit easier to answer within the scope of the course.

I think some more ice breaker towards the beginning of the class would benefit this course immensely.

nothing

be more clear about the expectations of the assignments and be more efficient with grading =

I think instead of weekly discussion posts due on Wednesday, the posts should be due on Sunday after a whole week's worth of material has been shared. This way, students get summarize their favorite or most memorable parts of the week and really summarize their findings there.

The Instructor . . .

	Mean	Median	Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Neutral	Agree	Strongly Agree	N/A
Organized the course clearly.	4.30	4.00	0.00%	0.00%	10.00%	50.00%	40.00%	0.00%
Presented lectures that enhanced your understanding.	4.30	4.50	0.00%	10.00%	0.00%	40.00%	50.00%	0.00%
Facilitated discussions that were engaging and useful.	4.20	4.50	0.00%	10.00%	10.00%	30.00%	50.00%	0.00%
Stimulated your interest in the core ideas of the course.	4.20	4.50	0.00%	10.00%	10.00%	30.00%	50.00%	0.00%
Challenged you to learn.	4.40	4.50	0.00%	0.00%	10.00%	40.00%	50.00%	0.00%
Helped you gain significant learning from the course content.	4.30	4.50	0.00%	10.00%	0.00%	40.00%	50.00%	0.00%
Was available and helpful outside of class.	4.50	5.00	0.00%	0.00%	10.00%	30.00%	60.00%	0.00%
Motivated you to think independently.	4.50	4.50	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	50.00%	50.00%	0.00%
Worked to create an inclusive and welcoming learning environment.	4.70	5.00	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	30.00%	70.00%	0.00%
Overall, this instructor made a significant contribution to your learning.	4.30	4.50	0.00%	0.00%	20.00%	30.00%	50.00%	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

Ted Alexander

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Ted Alexander was helpful for our writing seminars and teaching us how to improve our overall writing skills. He was very prompt with communication and feedback on questions.

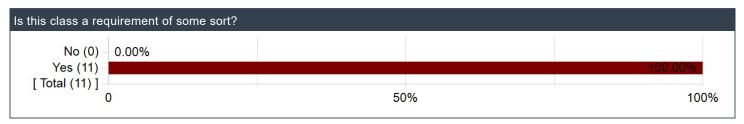
The TA/CA or Intern. . .

	Mean	Median	Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Neutral	Agree	Strongly Agree	N/A
Facilitated discussions that supported your learning.	4.40	5.00	0.00%	0.00%	20.00%	20.00%	60.00%	0.00%
Gave you useful feedback on your work.	4.40	5.00	0.00%	0.00%	20.00%	20.00%	60.00%	0.00%
Stimulated your interest in the core ideas of the class.	4.20	4.00	0.00%	0.00%	20.00%	40.00%	40.00%	0.00%
Challenged you to learn.	4.20	4.00	0.00%	0.00%	20.00%	40.00%	40.00%	0.00%
Helped you succeed in the class.	4.40	5.00	0.00%	0.00%	20.00%	20.00%	60.00%	0.00%
Was available and helpful outside of class.	4.40	5.00	0.00%	0.00%	20.00%	20.00%	60.00%	0.00%
Overall, this individual made a significant contribution to your learning.	4.40	5.00	0.00%	0.00%	20.00%	20.00%	60.00%	0.00%

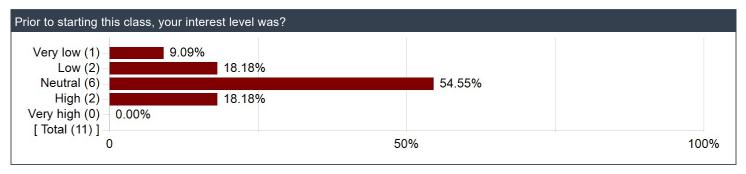
How much did the following elements of the course contribute to your learning gains?

	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	3.50	3.50	0.00%	16.67%	0.00%	0.00%	16.67%	66.67%
Library Sessions	4.00	4.00	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	16.67%	0.00%	83.33%
Review Sessions	N/A	N/A	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	100.00%
Writing Seminars	4.14	5.00	0.00%	14.29%	14.29%	14.29%	57.14%	0.00%

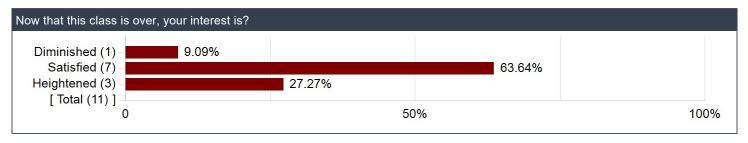
Is this class a requirement of some sort?



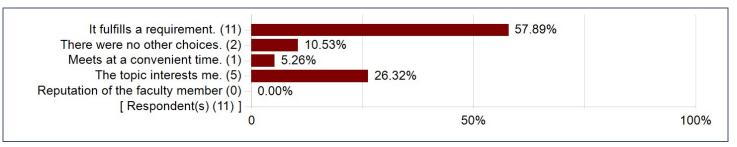
Prior to starting this class, your interest level was?



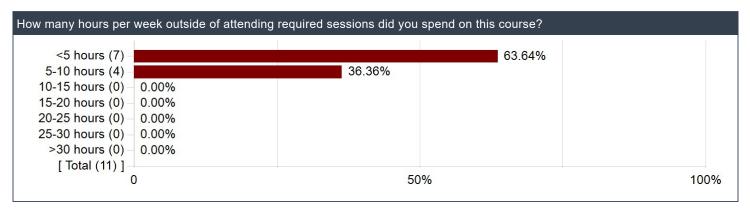
Now that this class is over, your interest is?



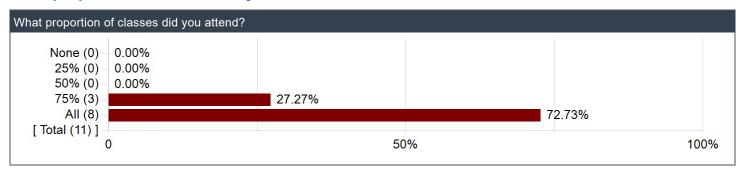
Why did you choose to take this course? (Select all that apply)



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 not bad at all I am very experienced in reciting poetry, so the course wasn't extremely difficult. However it's more about knowing how to write a good essay than actually knowing poetry. relatively easy; a lot of essays but easy to get into the swing of it Fairly calm very easy class and profesor is really nice and flexible was not really difficult; the projects towards the end of the course were a little tedious to do weekly. Not much experience but overall not too difficult. Definitely manageable.