

HUMA 12300 4 - Human Being and Citizen I - Instructor(s): Sarah McDaniel

Project Title: College Course Feedback - Autumn 2023

Number Enrolled: 17 Number of Responses: 8

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

I learned how to read fast, form ideas quickly, and structure those ideas articulately both in class discussions and in papers.

Critical thinking, constructing an argument

How to craft an argumentative essay on your interpretations of topics like love, death, and divinity.

Text interpretation, discussion skills

The meaning of being a citizen

Learning about humanity

Developed reading comprehension and writing skills, intro to 'great books'

I practiced close-reading analysis.

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

Comments

I really like how Professor McDaniel combined lecturing with discussions. She's always open to input from her students and is always able to make the most out of concepts and points we bring up. This really encourages us to learn by speaking and by listening.

During class we reviewed the assigned readings and discussed questions. We often went over historical context for the readings in class, which was very helpful. In general, the weekly micro—assignments forced me to engage with the text. There were one or two that seemed tangential.

Discussions and lectures were very insightful and helpful. The written assignments enabled us to make connections to real life but were not as interesting as the discussions.

The discussions are really interesting and help you think of interesting claims for your essays. The assigned reading is sometimes a lot, but mostly interesting and manageable.

Discussion help us make connection to past text and further analyze the text we were currently working on

I really enjoyed the micro-assignments. It made learning fun and not overwhelming. The lectures were enjoyable and insightful

The classes were great! Pretty good discussions and varying class structures to keep you engaged. Professor McDaniel is amazing and is a really good teacher in addition to being an academic.

Discussions were great! Sarah's a fantastic facilitator.

Please respond to the following:

	Mean	Median	Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Neutral	Agree	Strongly Agree
This course challenged me intellectually.	4.00	4.00	0.00%	0.00%	25.00%	50.00%	25.00%
I understood the purpose of this course and what I was expected to gain from it.	4.00	4.00	0.00%	0.00%	25.00%	50.00%	25.00%
I understood the standards for success on assignments.	4.25	4.50	0.00%	0.00%	25.00%	25.00%	50.00%
Class time enhanced my ability to succeed in graded assignments.	4.25	4.50	0.00%	0.00%	25.00%	25.00%	50.00%
I received feedback on my performance that helped me improve my subsequent work.	4.43	5.00	0.00%	0.00%	14.29%	28.57%	57.14%
My work was evaluated fairly.	4.50	5.00	0.00%	0.00%	12.50%	25.00%	62.50%
I felt respected in this class.	4.75	5.00	0.00%	0.00%	12.50%	0.00%	87.50%
Overall, this was an excellent course.	4.71	5.00	0.00%	0.00%	14.29%	0.00%	85.71%

Additional comments about the course:

Comments

N/A

If you can take it with professor McDaniel definitely do it! It's a great HUM and the time commitment is not crazy for autumn 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

Her respect for every student's opinion and her willingness to just sit with you and talk about your life or your path outside of classroom.

Lectures

Her questions to prompt discussion are really useful.

When we had small groups

She varied the structure of class a lot which kept us very engaged. I liked that the way the discussion posts were structured changed each week and some of them were very fun to do and read. She's also just a really lovely person and that makes the class environment great!

I liked how she lectured for about ten or so minutes, just to frame the discussion to come — helped ensure a productive class time.

What could the instructor modify to help you learn more?

Comments

Nothing! Great course!

Not much, Professor McDaniel did a great job to make sure that everyone is being heard.

N/A

n/a

I don't love the writing exercises in class when they're longer than a paragraph. They're difficult to finish and often take our focus away from the content on its own a bit too early

The Instructor . . .

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	Mean	Median	Disagree	Disagree	Neutral	Agree	Agree	N/A
Organized the course clearly.	4.50	5.00	0.00%	0.00%	12.50%	25.00%	62.50%	0.00%
Presented lectures that enhanced your understanding.	4.71	5.00	0.00%	0.00%	12.50%	0.00%	75.00%	12.50%
Facilitated discussions that were engaging and useful.	4.63	5.00	0.00%	0.00%	12.50%	12.50%	75.00%	0.00%
Stimulated your interest in the core ideas of the course.	4.63	5.00	0.00%	0.00%	12.50%	12.50%	75.00%	0.00%
Challenged you to learn.	4.63	5.00	0.00%	0.00%	12.50%	12.50%	75.00%	0.00%
Helped you gain significant learning from the course content.	4.38	4.50	0.00%	0.00%	12.50%	37.50%	50.00%	0.00%
Was available and helpful outside of class.	4.63	5.00	0.00%	0.00%	12.50%	12.50%	75.00%	0.00%
Motivated you to think independently.	4.63	5.00	0.00%	0.00%	12.50%	12.50%	75.00%	0.00%
Worked to create an inclusive and welcoming learning environment.	4.75	5.00	0.00%	0.00%	12.50%	0.00%	87.50%	0.00%
Overall, this instructor made a significant contribution to your learning.	4.57	5.00	0.00%	0.00%	14.29%	14.29%	71.43%	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

Thomas Sawyer

Tom Sawyer. In general, he was very helpful in the writing labs.

Tom Sawyer. He seemed to be busy and was often unable to help.

Tom Sawyer (Writing Seminar Instructor) was really helpful during the writing seminars, and offered lots of interesting ways to structure paragraphs.

Writing specialist Tom Sawyer– he made us submit things way too early. He was nice but a bit high strung.

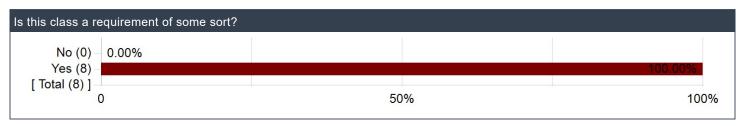
The TA/CA or Intern. . .

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

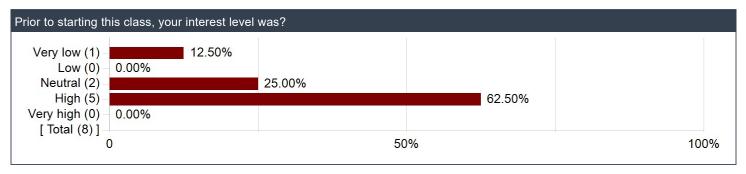
How much did the following elements of the course contribute to your learning gains?

	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	3.25	3.50	0.00%	20.00%	20.00%	40.00%	0.00%	20.00%
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	4.17	4.00	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	83.33%	16.67%	0.00%

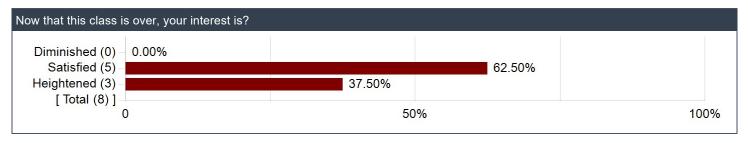
Is this class a requirement of some sort?



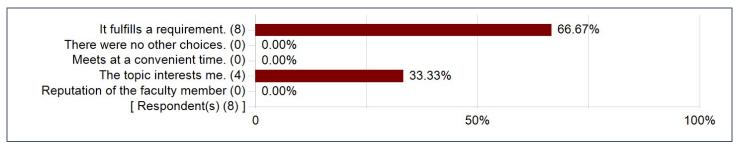
Prior to starting this class, your interest level was?



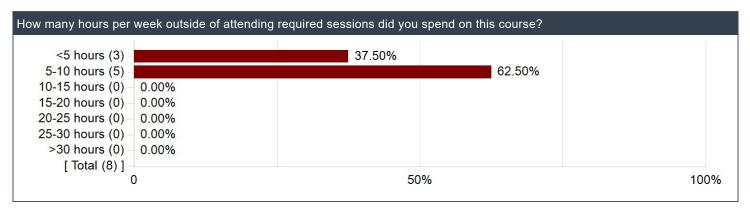
Now that this class is over, your interest is?



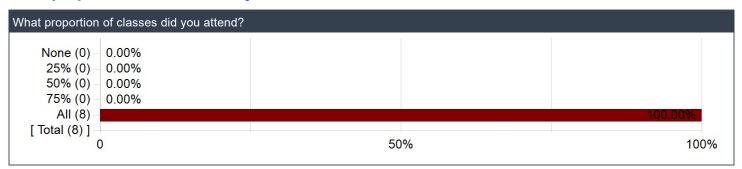
Why did you choose to take this course? (Select all that apply)



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

It's friendly for everyone who loves reading!

The readings were pretty dense. I hadn't read many classics before this course. There wasn't very much writing for our section. However, the writing assignments were slightly more difficult than in my high school.

Not very difficult as long as you participate a little and designate time to do the microassignments.

not very diffiicult

Pretty manageable! Take it!

I took a lot of english classes in high school, and felt very well-prepared for this course.