



# SOSC 12600 3 - Self, Culture, and Society III - Instructor(s) - Murat Bozluolcay

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

Number Enrolled: **17**

Number of Responses: **8**

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## 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
The importance of the social sciences and how we view ourselves as a society, as well as how our ideas change throughout time.
How to think critically about texts and concepts that I'm unfamiliar with.
Post WW2 intellectual movements, orientalism, structuralism and post-structuralism,
The most important thing I learned from this class is the role of social sciences in society.
– key ideas from kuhn, foucault and said
– way to connect the 3 key texts to current events/ contemporary society

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

Comments
Discussions facilitated helpful discussion and discussion boards were useful for supplementing class material.
Lectures were very helpful for understanding readings as well as discussion posts. Essays should have been longer to encourage more thought—but prompts were very creative and well designed.
Professor Bozluolcay was great at explaining difficult concepts
I really appreciated the lecture material and the reading material. The reading material was carefully chosen to yield a rich discussion in class, which the professor moderated exceptionally, allowing both discussion and lecture.
– discussion were useful for better understanding readings

**Please respond to the following:**

	Mean	Median	Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Neutral	Agree	Strongly Agree
This course challenged me intellectually.	4.71	5.00	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	28.57%	71.43%
I understood the purpose of this course and what I was expected to gain from it.	4.57	5.00	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	42.86%	57.14%
I understood the standards for success on assignments.	4.71	5.00	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	28.57%	71.43%
Class time enhanced my ability to succeed in graded assignments.	4.71	5.00	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	28.57%	71.43%
I received feedback on my performance that helped me improve my subsequent work.	4.71	5.00	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	28.57%	71.43%
My work was evaluated fairly.	4.86	5.00	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	14.29%	85.71%
I felt respected in this class.	4.86	5.00	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	14.29%	85.71%
Overall, this was an excellent course.	4.50	4.50	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	50.00%	50.00%

**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
General attitude and manner in which he guided discussions
He was very passionate about course content and always asked very interesting discussion questions.
He would often go back to explain the concepts in the text, found that super useful
His patience with explaining the dense text, which greatly helped me and my classmates' understanding of the material. He balanced both discussion and lecture, which also helped immensely.
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– the instructor did a good job picking out key concepts from the reading to make sure we discussed many of the key ideas so we didn't stray off track or get caught in really specific details</li> <li>– I really appreciated how this quarter added a bunch of more articles that complimented our longer readings, especially having more current articles was useful to help connect the ideas we read about in the first half of the quarter to contemporary issues</li> </ul>

## What could the instructor modify to help you learn more?

Comments
Sometimes the questions asked in class were very specific to themes/connections that I did not pick up on in reading it, and themes that I had questions about in reading did not get discussed at all. Giving more time to have us bring up questions we had may help fill silences, too.
Nothing
Encourage us to improve our essay-writing skills more.
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– I struggled with the way that the professor led discussion. It seemed like a lot of time the instructor was asking questions where he wanted a very specific answer and when we didn't answer he would answer himself, which made discussions quite stagnant. Sometimes it might have been better if the instructor just made the point that he wanted so we could get into more interesting discussion</li> </ul>

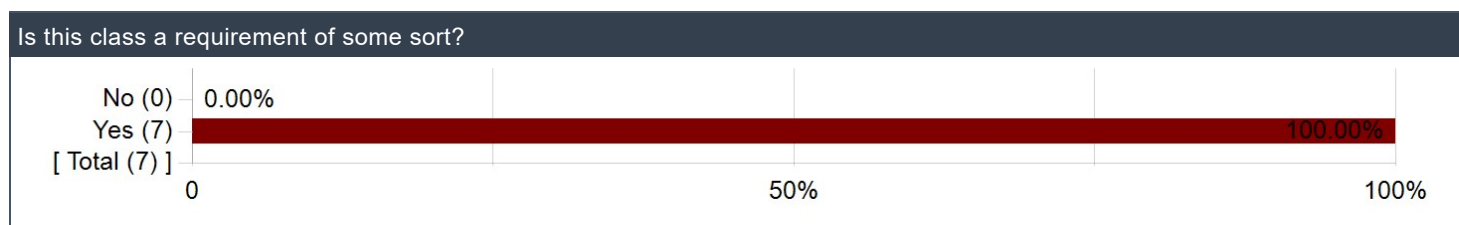
## The Instructor . . .

	Mean	Median	Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Neutral	Agree	Strongly Agree	N/A
Organized the course clearly.	4.86	5.00	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	14.29%	85.71%	0.00%
Presented lectures that enhanced your understanding.	4.57	5.00	0.00%	0.00%	14.29%	14.29%	71.43%	0.00%
Facilitated discussions that were engaging and useful.	4.29	4.00	0.00%	0.00%	14.29%	42.86%	42.86%	0.00%
Stimulated your interest in the core ideas of the course.	4.57	5.00	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	42.86%	57.14%	0.00%
Challenged you to learn.	4.57	5.00	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	42.86%	57.14%	0.00%
Helped you gain significant learning from the course content.	4.71	5.00	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	28.57%	71.43%	0.00%
Was available and helpful outside of class.	4.57	5.00	0.00%	0.00%	14.29%	14.29%	71.43%	0.00%
Motivated you to think independently.	4.57	5.00	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	42.86%	57.14%	0.00%
Worked to create an inclusive and welcoming learning environment.	4.71	5.00	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	28.57%	71.43%	0.00%
Overall, this instructor made a significant contribution to your learning.	4.57	5.00	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	42.86%	57.14%	0.00%

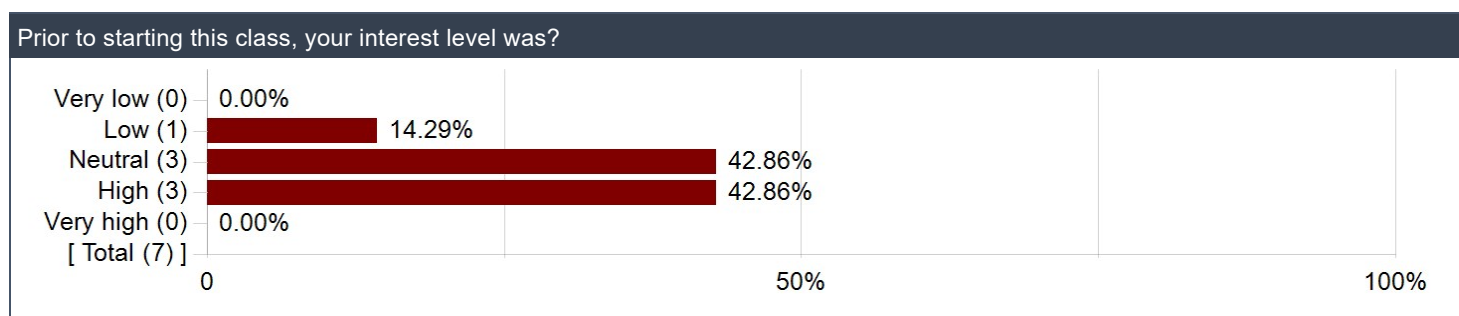
## How much did the following elements of the course contribute to your learning gains?

	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	5.00	5.00	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	100.00%	0.00%
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	N/A	N/A	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	100.00%

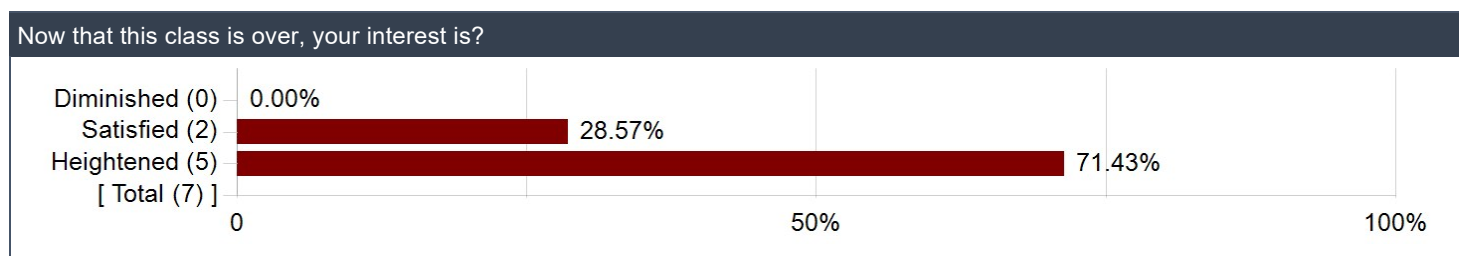
## Is this class a requirement of some sort?



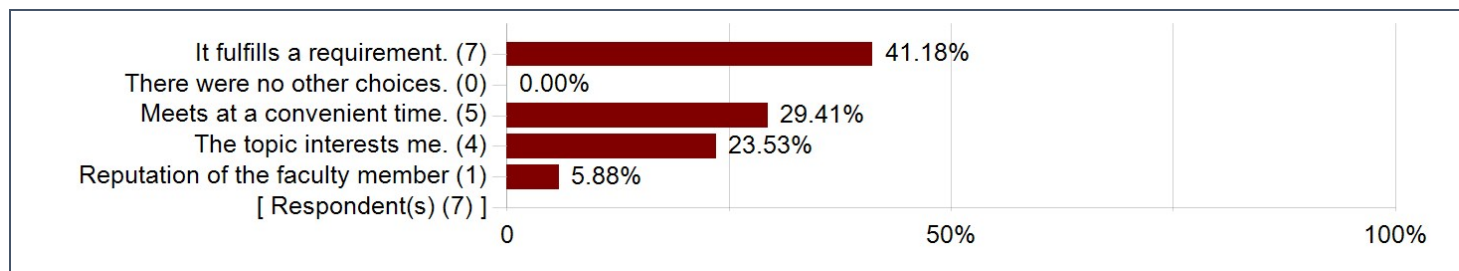
## Prior to starting this class, your interest level was?



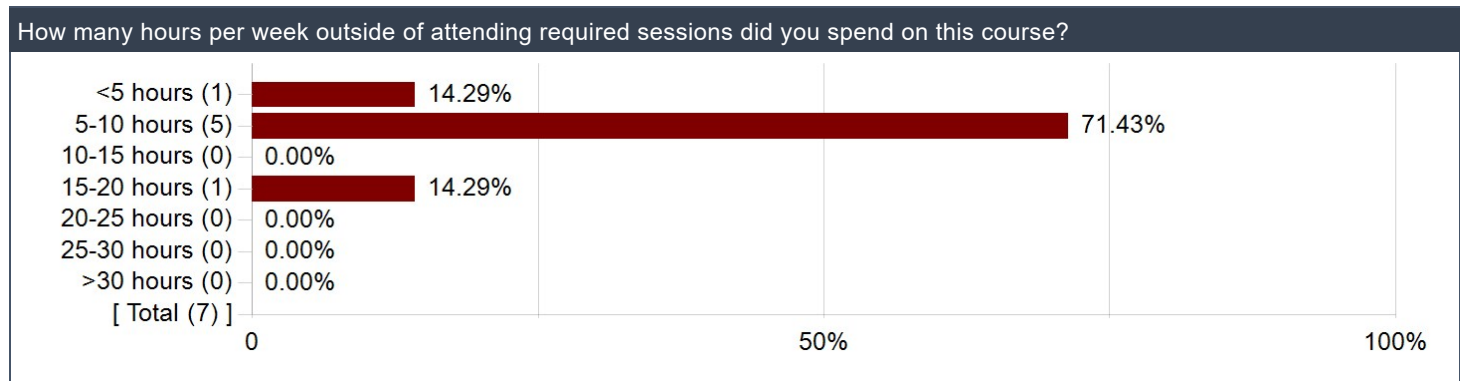
## Now that this class is over, your interest is?



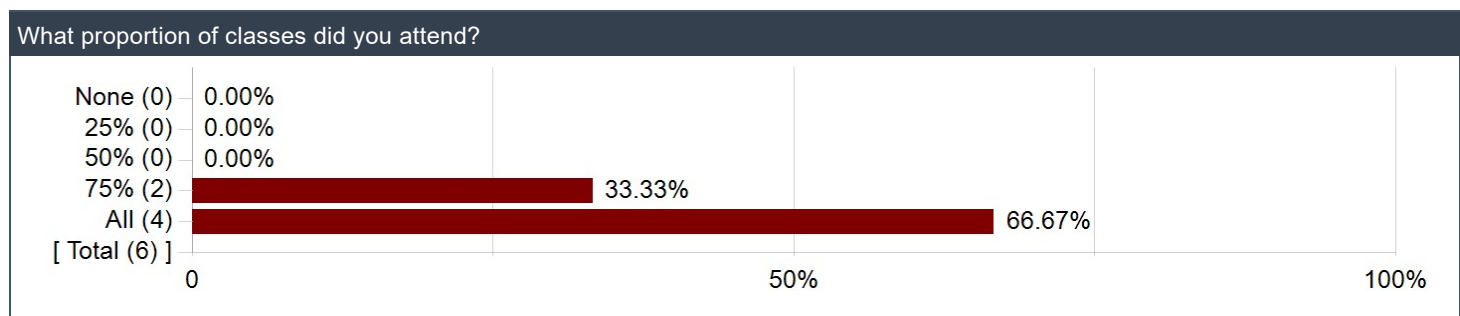
## Why did you choose to take this course? (Select all that apply)



## 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
Easy
Much more relaxed than the previous two quarters of SOSC
– the readings were difficult but not more difficult than the previous quarters of SOSC, the workload was more manageable compared to previous quarters because of the short length of writing assignments