



# SOSC 12400 31 - Self, Culture, and Society I - Instructor(s) - Hanna Pickwell

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

Number Enrolled: **17**

Number of Responses: **9**

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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
I learned about various socioeconomic theories. I also developed my writing and analytic skills.
How to format essays.
writing skills, outlooks on political landscapes (communism, capitalism, etc)
Political economy; it was a very interesting class.
I read original texts from Khaldun, Smith, Marx, and Weber. It was fascinating. I learned to think and reflect on society.

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

Comments
discussions helped me understand the ideas in the text.
The essays were helpful and not too overwhelming.
discussions really helped open up the text that we read as homework
The class discussions were nice; readings are the most important: there was a very reasonable amount of reading assigned for each class.

**Please respond to the following:**

	Mean	Median	Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Neutral	Agree	Strongly Agree
This course challenged me intellectually.	4.14	4.00	0.00%	14.29%	0.00%	42.86%	42.86%
I understood the purpose of this course and what I was expected to gain from it.	3.86	4.00	0.00%	14.29%	14.29%	42.86%	28.57%
I understood the standards for success on assignments.	3.71	4.00	0.00%	14.29%	28.57%	28.57%	28.57%
Class time enhanced my ability to succeed in graded assignments.	4.14	4.00	0.00%	14.29%	0.00%	42.86%	42.86%
I received feedback on my performance that helped me improve my subsequent work.	4.14	4.00	0.00%	14.29%	0.00%	42.86%	42.86%
My work was evaluated fairly.	4.57	5.00	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	42.86%	57.14%
I felt respected in this class.	4.29	5.00	0.00%	14.29%	0.00%	28.57%	57.14%
Overall, this was an excellent course.	4.00	4.00	0.00%	0.00%	28.57%	42.86%	28.57%

**Additional comments about the course:**

Comments
The teacher was great, she set a great ambiance in the class, not too much pressure, made us feel comfortable and heard sharing our opinions. I think this can be a great course if you're enthusiastic and end up with a great group but nonetheless are balancing work with other courses. I would remark, though, that the professor mostly guided the class during open conversation (which has its own merits), without so much personal input, a little bit more of which I would have appreciated.

**I would recommend this course to:**

	No	Yes
Highly-motivated and well-prepared students	33.33%	66.67%
Anyone interested in the topic	16.67%	83.33%

## Thinking about your time in the class, what aspect of the instructor's teaching contributed most to your learning?

Comments
Hanna helped facilitate productive discussions during class time.
The feedback on essays was very helpful.
they were able to spearhead and lead discussions really well without taking them over
Discussions

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

Comments
I think that sometimes allowing the conversation to flow more easily. Also, giving more precise grading criteria for papers.
More structured class time, it felt very all over the place a lot and I wasn't sure what to take away from every class which caused me to misunderstand the text.
maybe less discussions? My hum class did discussions for maybe half the overall class time, which was filled in by other things such as written in-class assignments, more in-depth small group stuff, etc. I'm not actually sure that would be better though its just the only thing I can think of

## The Instructor . . .

	Mean	Median	Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Neutral	Agree	Strongly Agree	N/A
Organized the course clearly.	4.43	5.00	0.00%	0.00%	14.29%	28.57%	57.14%	0.00%
Presented lectures that enhanced your understanding.	4.17	4.50	0.00%	0.00%	28.57%	14.29%	42.86%	14.29%
Facilitated discussions that were engaging and useful.	4.43	5.00	0.00%	0.00%	14.29%	28.57%	57.14%	0.00%
Stimulated your interest in the core ideas of the course.	4.14	5.00	14.29%	0.00%	0.00%	28.57%	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.	4.57	5.00	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	42.86%	57.14%	0.00%
Was available and helpful outside of class.	4.71	5.00	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	28.57%	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.	4.43	5.00	0.00%	0.00%	14.29%	28.57%	57.14%	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.**

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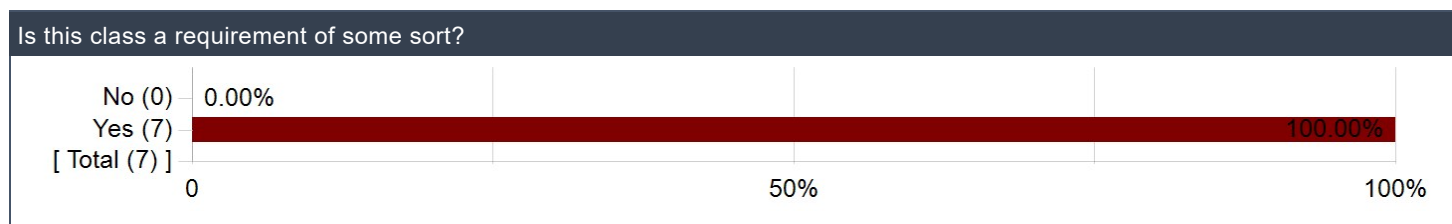
## The TA/CA or Intern. . .

	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%	0.00%	100.00%	0.00%	0.00%
Gave you useful feedback on your work.	4.00	4.00	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	100.00%	0.00%	0.00%
Stimulated your interest in the core ideas of the class.	4.00	4.00	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	100.00%	0.00%	0.00%
Challenged you to learn.	4.00	4.00	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	100.00%	0.00%	0.00%
Helped you succeed in the class.	5.00	5.00	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	100.00%	0.00%
Was available and helpful outside of class.	5.00	5.00	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	100.00%	0.00%
Overall, this individual made a significant contribution to your learning.	4.00	4.00	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	100.00%	0.00%	0.00%

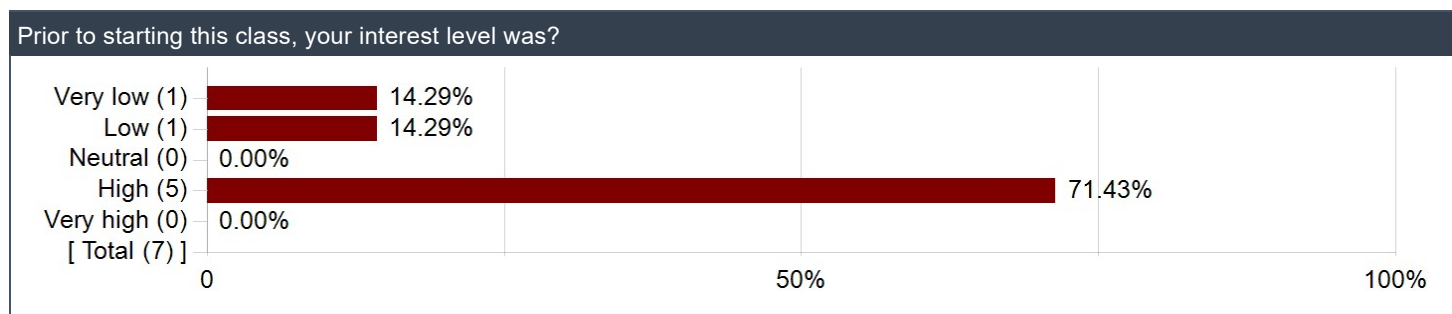
## How much did the following elements of the course contribute to your learning gains?

	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	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	3.75	4.00	0.00%	0.00%	25.00%	75.00%	0.00%	0.00%

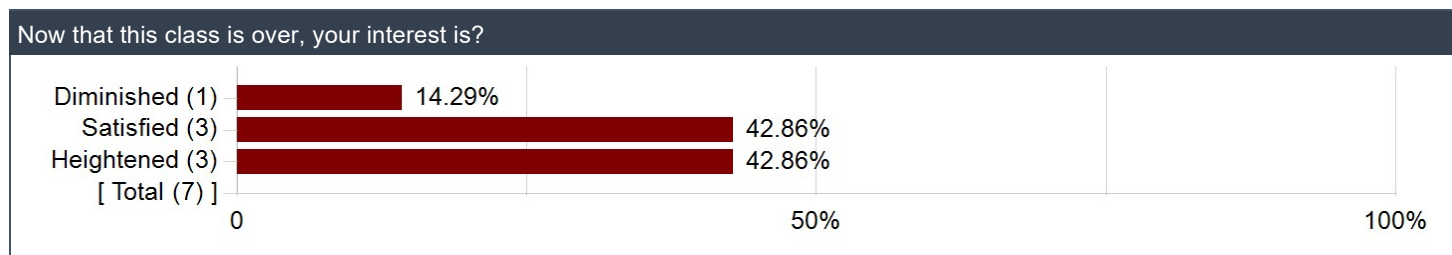
## Is this class a requirement of some sort?



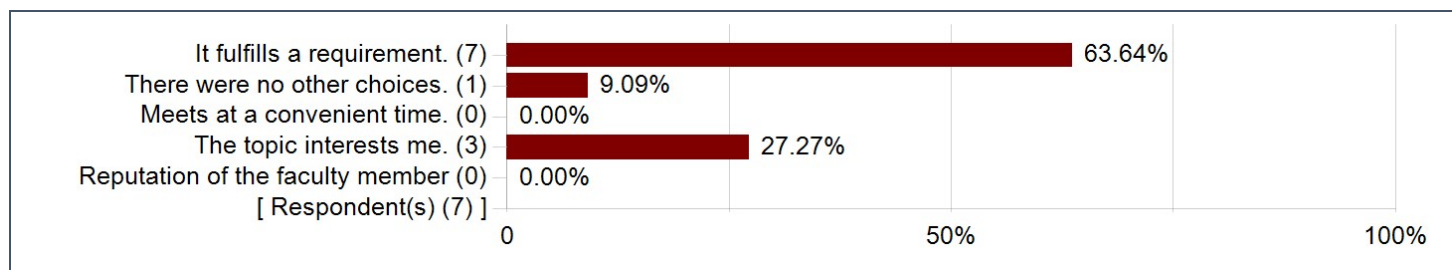
## Prior to starting this class, your interest level was?



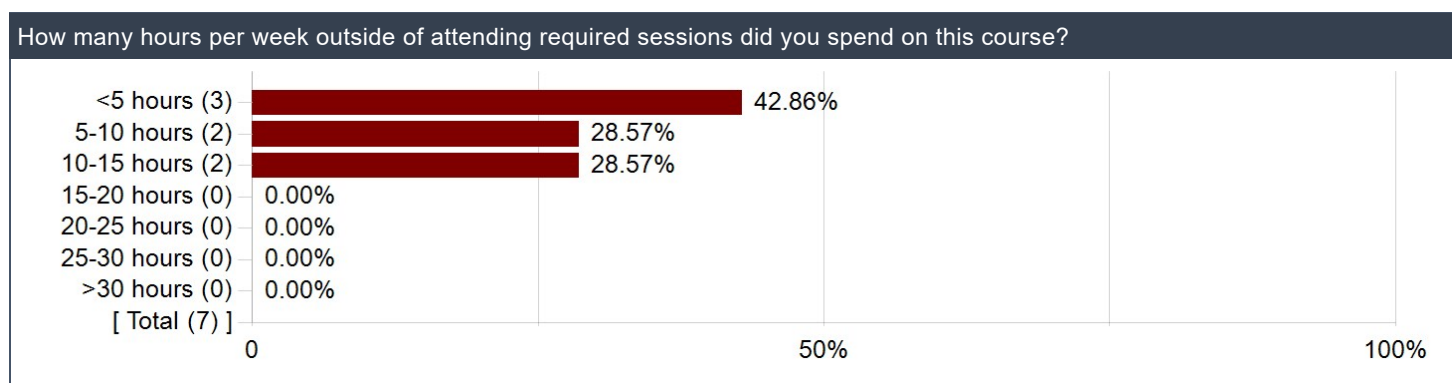
## Now that this class is over, your interest is?



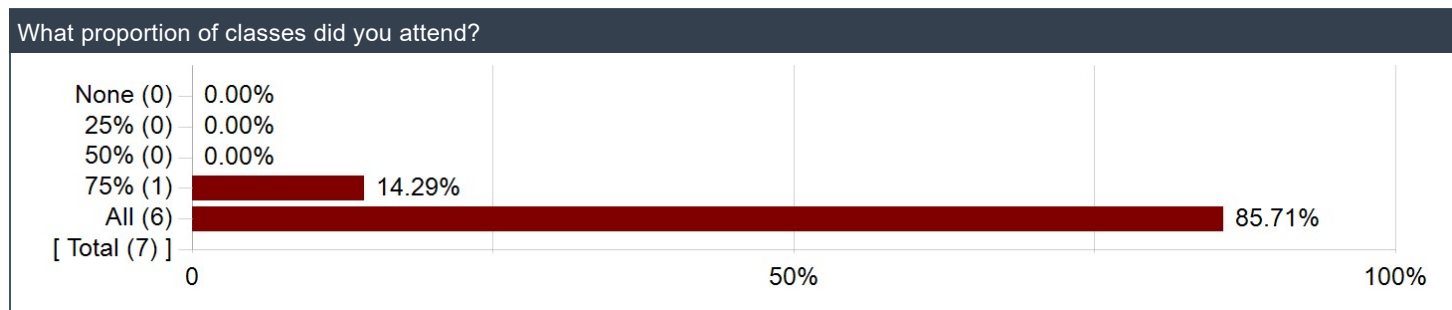
## Why did you choose to take this course? (Select all that apply)



## 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
The class wasn't difficult there were just a lot of readings and the essays were graded truthfully.
the texts we read are extremely difficult in my opinion, atleast relative to prior classes readings. I am a second year psych/business econ major. The essays as well had much harder prompts to answer, with the standards of an essay also being higher. I never felt the class was unfair, however. Just difficult.
You can come into this a "beginner".