



# HUMA 12400 9 - Human Being and Citizen II - Instructor(s): Peter Metzel

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

Number Enrolled: **19**

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 read a lot of books I would not have otherwise read, and I really like that.
I learned so much: analysis, cool books, references, writing, and discussing.
I learned how to read and properly analyze a variety of different classical works. Also how to write both philosophical and literary papers.
how to synthesize difficult texts
I think the most important thing that I learned is how to read literary texts and analyze them at a collegiate level
how to write essays
Human Being Citizen. Read Aristotle's Ethics, Augustine's Confession, and Dante's Inferno.
I learned how to write essays with a defined scope and argument.

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

Comments
The discussions were fun and also very chill
Class time is spent talking about cool topics and a group presentation. Essays are well-graded and with good prompts. Peter is great to talk to about anything, but essays especially.
The class discussions were very helpful, especially when Peter shared his views on the text. He provided very useful knowledge to the class. Office hours were extremely helpful to better understand specific portions of the text. His comments on essay were extremely useful in learning how to write better.
class discussions helped me understand what i struggled with in the readings, and clarify any opinions I had previously formed
Discussions with my peers helped me to gain an understanding of how to talk about these kinds of texts
it was fun discourse which stimulated academic thought
Seminar provides a lot of insights from peers.
Discussions; helpful at times.

## Please respond to the following:

	Mean	Median	Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Neutral	Agree	Strongly Agree
This course challenged me intellectually.	4.44	4.00	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	55.56%	44.44%
I understood the purpose of this course and what I was expected to gain from it.	4.00	4.00	0.00%	11.11%	11.11%	44.44%	33.33%
I understood the standards for success on assignments.	4.11	4.00	0.00%	11.11%	11.11%	33.33%	44.44%
Class time enhanced my ability to succeed in graded assignments.	4.11	4.00	0.00%	11.11%	11.11%	33.33%	44.44%
I received feedback on my performance that helped me improve my subsequent work.	4.56	5.00	0.00%	0.00%	11.11%	22.22%	66.67%
My work was evaluated fairly.	4.67	5.00	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	33.33%	66.67%
I felt respected in this class.	4.67	5.00	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	33.33%	66.67%
Overall, this was an excellent course.	4.33	5.00	0.00%	11.11%	0.00%	33.33%	55.56%

### Additional comments about the course:

Comments
A bit slow to grade, but not a big deal.
I love professor metzel
The readings this quarter were more interesting than the first. Be prepared for books focused on ancient greek and roman culture.

### I would recommend this course to:

	No	Yes
Highly-motivated and well-prepared students	11.11%	88.89%
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
He is really good at leading discussions and fining things to talk about in the books
Peter is great: allows for mostly student-guided discussion, but he also adds a lot of his own very cool insights. Is never afraid to say that he doesn't know something. Guides well, super nice, and fun class!
The essay feedback. It was the best, most in-depth feedback I have ever seen. The feedback was super helpful in understanding and improving my writing.
his willingness to admit, the gaps in his knowledge, made the entire course more approachable
The professor pointed us to interesting passages to consider and gave evidence both for and against certain interpretations while giving us room to support our own arguments
his efficacy
Weaving his understanding within the discussion.
. His essay comments were very detailed. I took note of these critiques and each essay improved.

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

Comments
nothing
Not much to be honest.
Be a little more on top of the work
if he could get our essays back to us faster, so we have time to review them and ask questions
not much the course needs to shorten the amount books required
N/A
I wish he gave us our essays back on time. Also, it didn't seem like the teacher knew more about the books than the students.

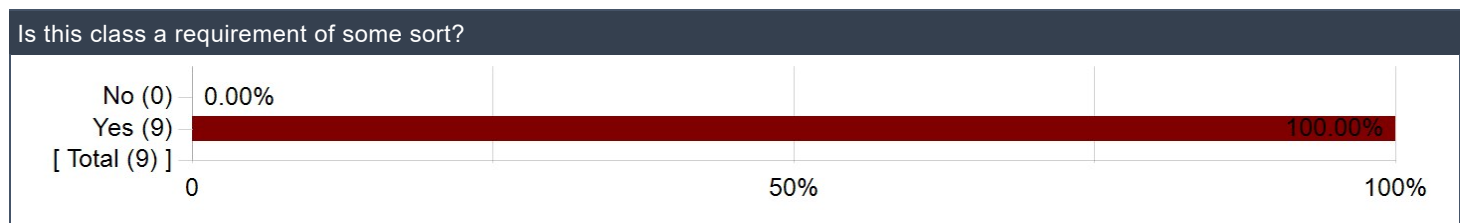
## The Instructor . . .

	Mean	Median	Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Neutral	Agree	Strongly Agree	N/A
Organized the course clearly.	4.33	4.00	0.00%	0.00%	11.11%	44.44%	44.44%	0.00%
Presented lectures that enhanced your understanding.	4.22	5.00	0.00%	11.11%	11.11%	22.22%	55.56%	0.00%
Facilitated discussions that were engaging and useful.	4.33	5.00	0.00%	11.11%	0.00%	33.33%	55.56%	0.00%
Stimulated your interest in the core ideas of the course.	4.22	5.00	0.00%	11.11%	11.11%	22.22%	55.56%	0.00%
Challenged you to learn.	4.33	5.00	0.00%	0.00%	22.22%	22.22%	55.56%	0.00%
Helped you gain significant learning from the course content.	4.33	5.00	0.00%	11.11%	0.00%	33.33%	55.56%	0.00%
Was available and helpful outside of class.	4.56	5.00	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	44.44%	55.56%	0.00%
Motivated you to think independently.	4.33	5.00	0.00%	0.00%	22.22%	22.22%	55.56%	0.00%
Worked to create an inclusive and welcoming learning environment.	4.44	5.00	0.00%	0.00%	11.11%	33.33%	55.56%	0.00%
Overall, this instructor made a significant contribution to your learning.	4.33	5.00	0.00%	11.11%	0.00%	33.33%	55.56%	0.00%

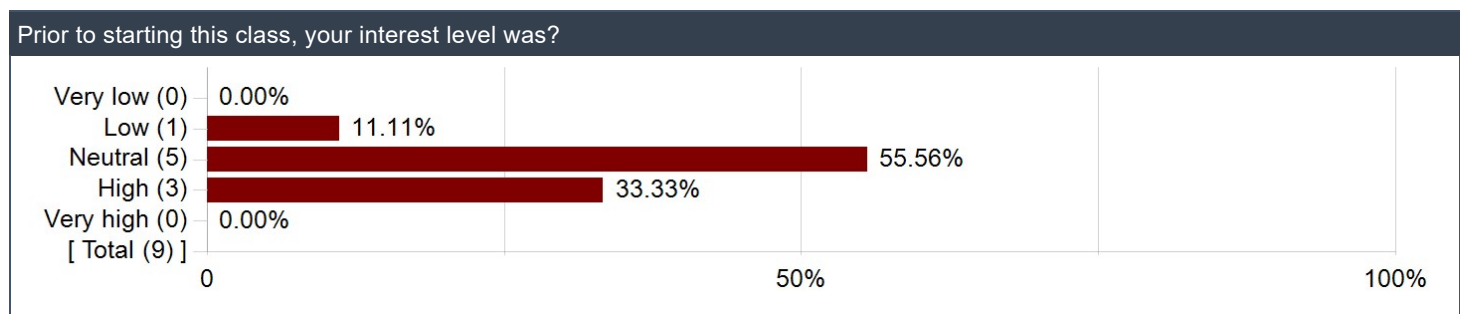
## How much did the following elements of the course contribute to your learning gains?

	Mean	Median	No Gain	A Little Gain	Moderate Gain	Good Gain	Great Gain	N/A
Laboratory Experience	2.00	2.00	0.00%	20.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	80.00%
Field Trips	2.00	2.00	0.00%	20.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	80.00%
Library Sessions	2.00	2.00	0.00%	20.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	80.00%
Review Sessions	2.00	2.00	0.00%	20.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	80.00%
Writing Seminars	2.86	3.00	0.00%	42.86%	42.86%	0.00%	14.29%	0.00%

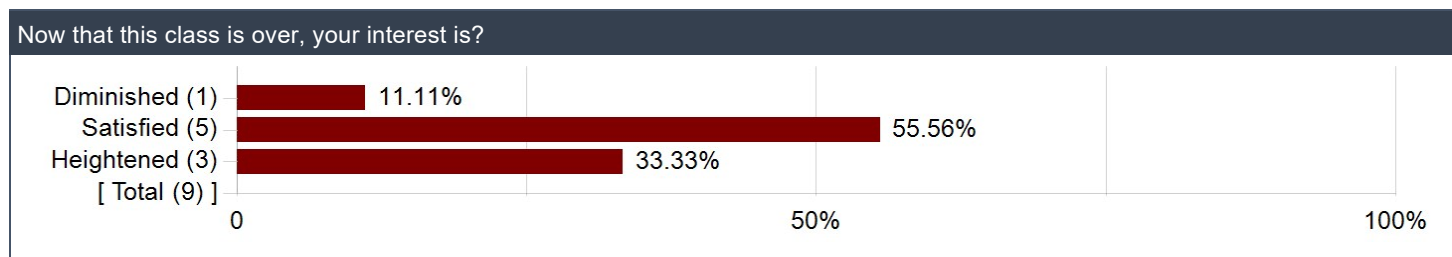
## Is this class a requirement of some sort?



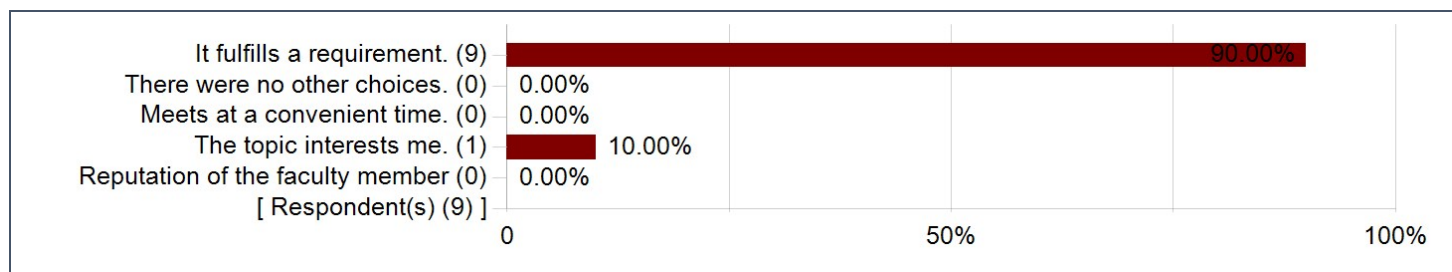
## Prior to starting this class, your interest level was?



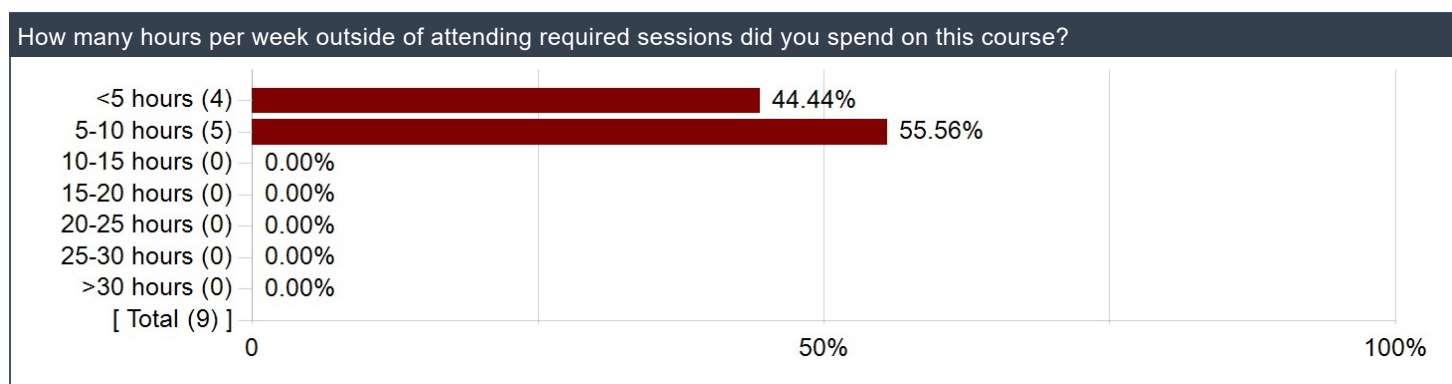
## Now that this class is over, your interest is?



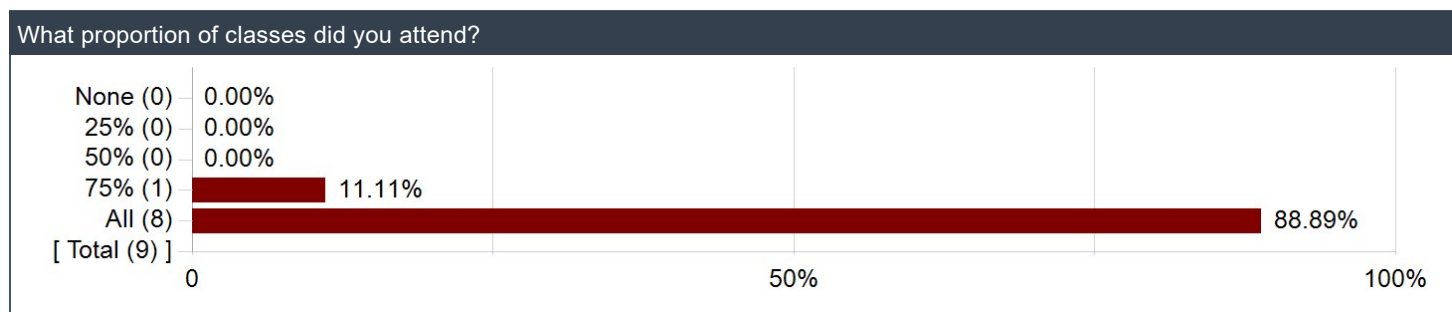
## Why did you choose to take this course? (Select all that apply)



## 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
Very manageable, but super interesting.
This was the perfect difficulty coming from a public school with strong writing. I was pushed to become a better writer but not to do more than what I am capable of.
Good beginner level course
I am not interested in the topic. So luckily the class just consisted of writing two essays and a comment every week.