



# HUMA 17100 7 - Language and the Human II - Instructor(s): S. Gray

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

Number Enrolled: **19**

Number of Responses: **10**

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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
Linguistics and identity
The connections and intersections of language and identity such as racial and gender identity and also sexuality.
How to think critically
I learned how to properly think about questions and their limitations, along with considering the importance of why we ask certain questions and why there cannot always be an answer, or shouldn't be. He was also very helpful with the writing process and structuring arguments.
Languages and their impact on an individual's identity. Focused more on foreign countries and foreign languages.
Learning how to logically write and structure essays
How language and identity intersect, public vs. private identity, and how to articulate my thoughts clearly in essay format

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

Comments
Discussions allowed people to provide lots of real-world examples and connections which was cool
through the various texts, we discuss how language can be an important part of which someone identifies as something
Th electures satisfied any questions i had about the reading assignments we did.
Every aspect of this course was designed so each student can engage in any way they wish, and express or explore what they wish while still following the track of the course. The professor did an excellent job of keeping us engaged. He wanted us to think beyond the course and allowed us to do so without being overwhelmed. The students really knew why they were doing an assignment, everything was done with purpose.
Dr. Gray can keep a discussion going and definitely made the class feel more interactive. He implemented the blackboard and demonstrated motivation to teach the class and engage us as much as possible.
All the discussions were very well contributing to my learning, and the intellectual discussions that really aided in my learning.
Weekly commonplace assignments, essays, discussions were helpful

## Please respond to the following:

	Mean	Median	Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Neutral	Agree	Strongly Agree
This course challenged me intellectually.	4.22	4.00	0.00%	0.00%	11.11%	55.56%	33.33%
I understood the purpose of this course and what I was expected to gain from it.	4.44	4.00	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	55.56%	44.44%
I understood the standards for success on assignments.	4.22	4.00	0.00%	11.11%	0.00%	44.44%	44.44%
Class time enhanced my ability to succeed in graded assignments.	4.11	4.00	0.00%	0.00%	22.22%	44.44%	33.33%
I received feedback on my performance that helped me improve my subsequent work.	4.44	5.00	0.00%	0.00%	11.11%	33.33%	55.56%
My work was evaluated fairly.	4.56	5.00	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	44.44%	55.56%
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.	4.60	5.00	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	40.00%	60.00%

## Additional comments about the course:

Comments
Dr Gray is very nice and inclusive in discussions. The expectations for the course felt relatively low, although the essay prompts were harder this quarter.
Sam is the best instructor that I have had. Any class he teaches, please take it.

### 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
Discussions
constantly posing discussion questions and building off of classmates' ideas too. the class is pretty freeform which I do like because that allows us to talk about various topics but still be able to connect them back to our main ideas.
Proffesor Grey is a very intelligent individual, just going to lecture will have you coming out with more information than you went into it with.
The instructors ability to present complex ideas in a digestible way. He really made an effort to teach but also talk with the class not to the class. Each student was able to engage.
Professor Gray is amazing, take this course! He is so understanding and has such a thorough understanding of the texts.
Dr. Gray organized lecture material well and the discussions were very facilitated. Our weekly commonplace entries (reflection paragraphs on our readings) helped guide our class discussions and ensured we were keeping up with the readings.
The discussions
Instructor comments during discussion, and feedback on our rough drafts before turning in final paper

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

Comments
Structure Tuesday classes a little better, perhaps by doing more to guide discussions
i can't really think of anything
N/A
Honestly, I don't have much to say. Sometimes the grading took a little bit longer than I would have hoped but overall it was all good.
This quarter's classes implemented different kinds of sources – fictional texts, articles, autobiographies, documentaries, and comedy shows. Given that our essays had to include more than one source, it has been difficult to properly navigate referencing both to support our claims. Given no experience nor much help from the writing department, I felt that my feedback was filled with structural analysis rather content. It made writing more difficult.
Nothing, he is the best instructor I have had.

## The Instructor . . .

	Mean	Median	Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Neutral	Agree	Strongly Agree	N/A
Organized the course clearly.	4.56	5.00	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	44.44%	55.56%	0.00%
Presented lectures that enhanced your understanding.	4.86	5.00	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	11.11%	66.67%	22.22%
Facilitated discussions that were engaging and useful.	4.56	5.00	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	44.44%	55.56%	0.00%
Stimulated your interest in the core ideas of the course.	4.78	5.00	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	22.22%	77.78%	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.	4.44	5.00	0.00%	0.00%	22.22%	11.11%	66.67%	0.00%
Was available and helpful outside of class.	4.67	5.00	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	33.33%	66.67%	0.00%
Motivated you to think independently.	4.67	5.00	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	33.33%	66.67%	0.00%
Worked to create an inclusive and welcoming learning environment.	4.78	5.00	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	22.22%	77.78%	0.00%
Overall, this instructor made a significant contribution to your learning.	4.67	5.00	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	33.33%	66.67%	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
NA

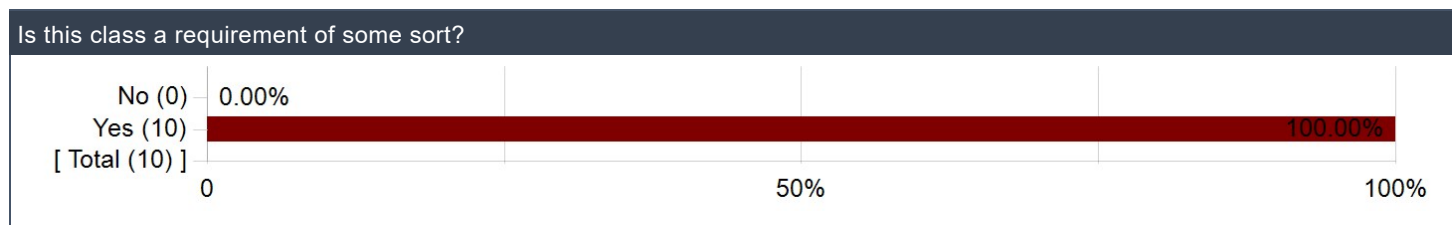
## The TA/CA or Intern. . .

	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%	50.00%	0.00%	50.00%
Gave you useful feedback on your work.	4.00	4.00	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	50.00%	0.00%	50.00%
Stimulated your interest in the core ideas of the class.	4.00	4.00	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	50.00%	0.00%	50.00%
Challenged you to learn.	4.00	4.00	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	50.00%	0.00%	50.00%
Helped you succeed in the class.	4.00	4.00	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	50.00%	0.00%	50.00%
Was available and helpful outside of class.	4.00	4.00	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	50.00%	0.00%	50.00%
Overall, this individual made a significant contribution to your learning.	4.00	4.00	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	50.00%	0.00%	50.00%

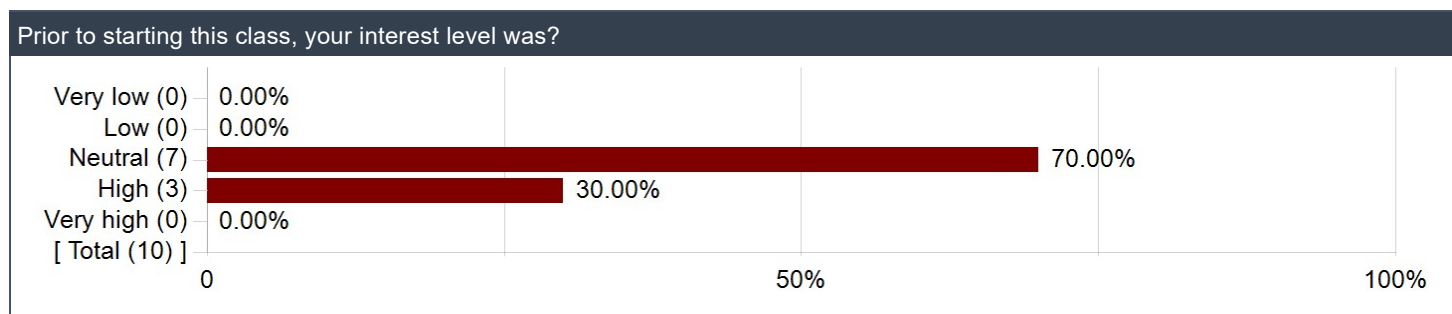
## How much did the following elements of the course contribute to your learning gains?

	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	2.83	2.50	16.67%	33.33%	16.67%	16.67%	16.67%	0.00%

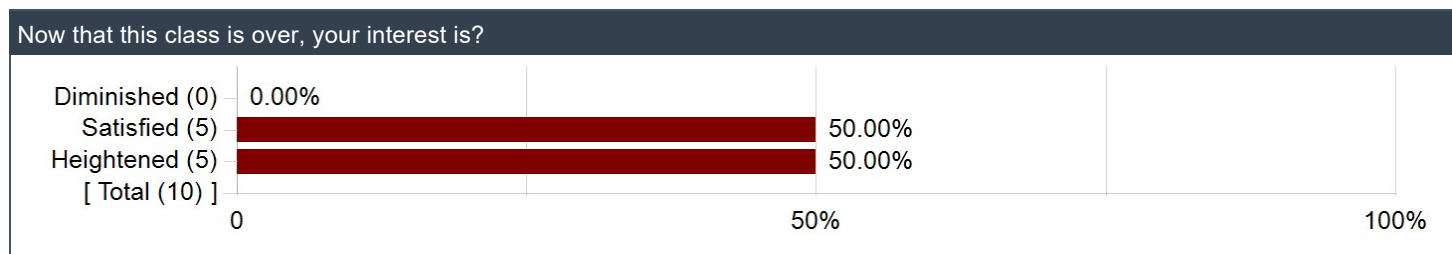
## Is this class a requirement of some sort?



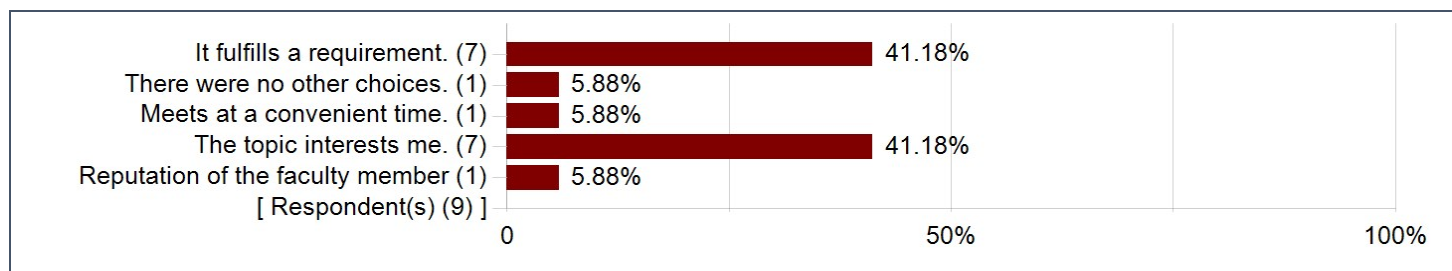
## Prior to starting this class, your interest level was?



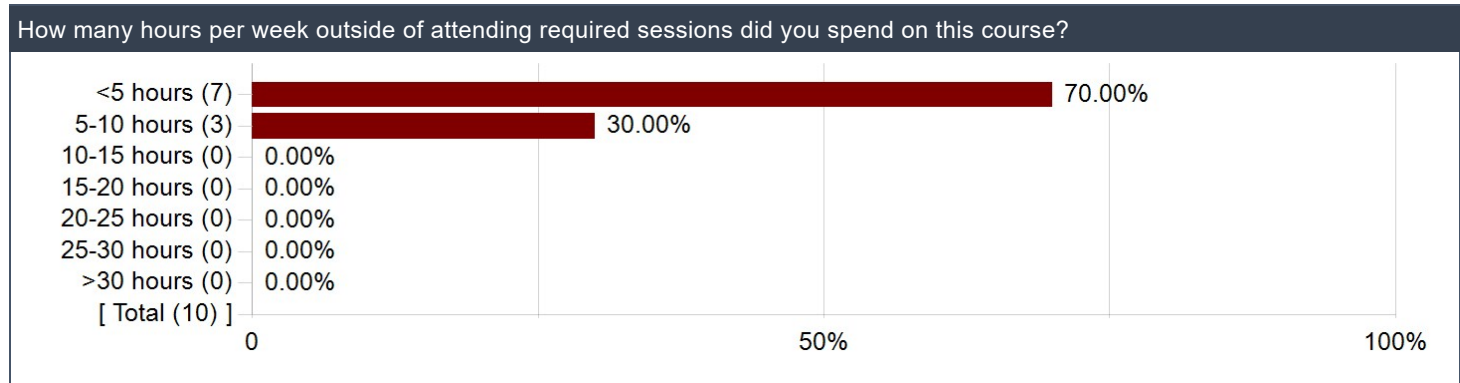
## Now that this class is over, your interest is?



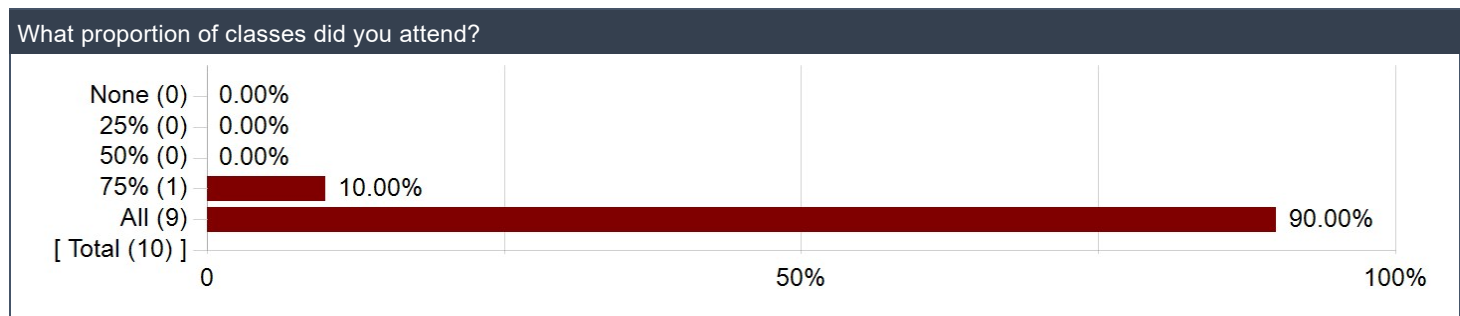
## Why did you choose to take this course? (Select all that apply)



## 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
Not very difficult. Can succeed with minimal effort
Though the topics that we are currently dealing with are not familiar to me, I think as long as I do the readings and listen to the professor and classmate's idea, I get a better understanding of the material.
fairly easy, essays can be difficult
Not too difficult
Not difficult, does not matter how much background (if any) you have
Not difficult in regards to understanding content. The grading was harsher this quarter compared to the previous one. Dr. Gray overall is a great professor and super understanding and willing to accommodate!
It is very doable. Sam is a very understanding and as 1st year that is very reassuring.