

# SOSC 15300 15 - Classics of Social and Political Thought III - Instructor(s) - Andreas Glaeser

Project Title: College Course Feedback - Spring 2024

Number Enrolled: **11**Number of Responses: **6** 

#### **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

How to synthesize texts from various authors into one essay (i.e. writing an essay prompt from the critical lens of a certain author on the work of another).

We learned about how many writers, including Tocqueville, Marx, Nietzsche, Hayek, and Wendy Brown, viewed issues such as democracy, morality, and the development of societies over time

I learned a significant amount about democracy and economics.

Understanding important classics and economic texts

sociology

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

#### Comments

Discussions were incredibly helpful. Professor Glaeser did an amazing job facilitating discussions and providing relevant background information for each text we approached.

Professor Glaeser taught an amazing class. This course felt more like being under a philosopher's tutelage than simply a roundtable of other students—professor Glaeser often begun the class with ~20 minutes of lecture, which I IMMENSELY appreciated. Some of these readings were dense and difficult to understand, and more than that, Glaeser provided historical context and helped us to understand the thoughts of the author we were reading now as they compared to their contemporaries.

The discussions were very beneficial to my learning. The prof could ramble from time to time, but his ramblings were almost always relevant and very entertaining.

Professor Glaeser would give a mini-recap and then guide the discussion

Dr. Glaeser was clearly knowledgeable about the material. His lectures helped me understand complex topics.

## Please respond to the following:

	Mean	Median	Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Neutral	Agree	Strongly Agree
This course challenged me intellectually.	4.67	5.00	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	33.33%	66.67%
I understood the purpose of this course and what I was expected to gain from it.	4.33	4.50	0.00%	0.00%	16.67%	33.33%	50.00%
I understood the standards for success on assignments.	4.17	4.50	0.00%	0.00%	33.33%	16.67%	50.00%
Class time enhanced my ability to succeed in graded assignments.	4.67	5.00	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	33.33%	66.67%
I received feedback on my performance that helped me improve my subsequent work.	4.50	4.50	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	50.00%	50.00%
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.	5.00	5.00	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	100.00%
Overall, this was an excellent course.	4.83	5.00	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	16.67%	83.33%

#### Additional comments about the course:

#### Comments

n/a

This was the best quarter of SOSC I took, and I enjoyed both my first and second sections a lot also. The grading was pretty tough though, and the length of the readings was pretty long compared to other classes.

#### I would recommend this course to:

	No	Yes
Highly-motivated and well-prepared students	0.00%	100.00%
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

The discussions!

The lectures he started class with and the discussions he facilitated

The professor's vast amount of knowledge was very beneficial for my learning experience. His passion for the content and for teaching was also hugely helpful.

Professor Glaeser was excellent at guiding discussions and is brilliant

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

#### Comments

N/a

greater availability of office hours, and maybe not reading texts that extensively cite authors we have not read

N/A

N/A

The readings were very long, sometimes I didn't finish them, particularly during midterms and finals.

#### The Instructor . . .

	Mean	Median	Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Neutral	Agree	Strongly Agree	N/A
Organized the course clearly.	4.80	5.00	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	20.00%	80.00%	0.00%
Presented lectures that enhanced your understanding.	5.00	5.00	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	100.00%	0.00%
Facilitated discussions that were engaging and useful.	5.00	5.00	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	100.00%	0.00%
Stimulated your interest in the core ideas of the course.	4.80	5.00	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	20.00%	80.00%	0.00%
Challenged you to learn.	4.80	5.00	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	20.00%	80.00%	0.00%
Helped you gain significant learning from the course content.	4.60	5.00	0.00%	0.00%	20.00%	0.00%	80.00%	0.00%
Was available and helpful outside of class.	4.40	5.00	0.00%	0.00%	20.00%	20.00%	60.00%	0.00%
Motivated you to think independently.	4.80	5.00	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	20.00%	80.00%	0.00%
Worked to create an inclusive and welcoming learning environment.	5.00	5.00	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	100.00%	0.00%
Overall, this instructor made a significant contribution to your learning.	4.80	5.00	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	20.00%	80.00%	0.00%

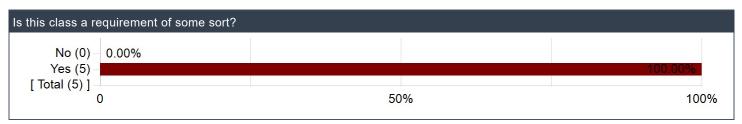
### How much did the following elements of the course contribute to your learning gains?

	Mean	Median	No Gain	A Little Gain	Moderate Gain	Good Gain	Great Gain	N/A
Laboratory Experience	5.00	5.00	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	33.33%	66.67%
Field Trips	5.00	5.00	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	33.33%	66.67%
Library Sessions	5.00	5.00	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	33.33%	66.67%
Review Sessions	5.00	5.00	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	33.33%	66.67%
Writing Seminars	4.00	5.00	0.00%	33.33%	0.00%	0.00%	66.67%	0.00%

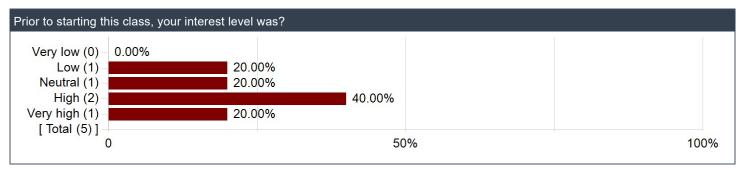
### Other course elements not mentioned above:



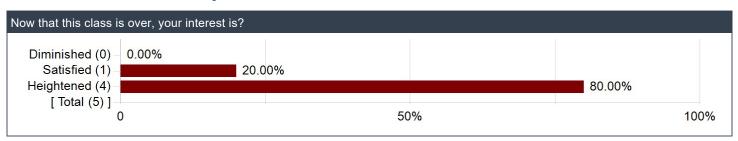
## Is this class a requirement of some sort?



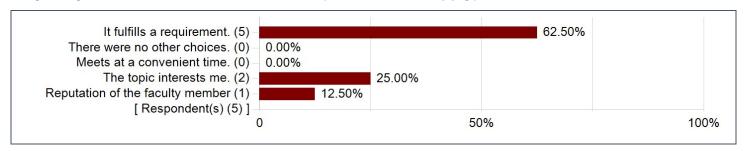
## Prior to starting this class, your interest level was?



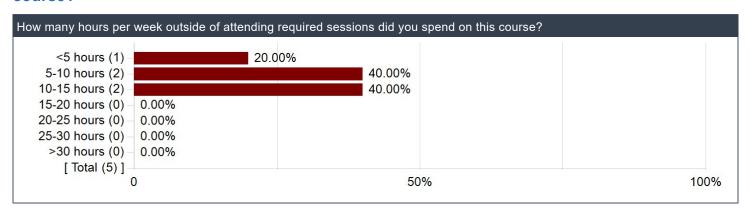
### Now that this class is over, your interest is?



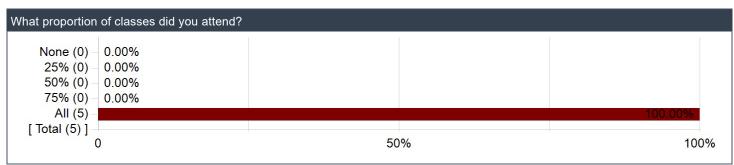
### Why did you choose to take this course? (Select all that apply)



## 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
I felt very well prepared for this class from the previous 2 quarters of SOSC.
similar
Challenging