

SOSC 14100 6 - Mind I - Instructor(s): Edward Awh

Project Title: College Course Feedback - Autumn 2023

Number Enrolled: **19** Number of Responses: **14**

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 think about influences of the mind in more than one way

Nothing completely new, very boring class if you know something about psych.

Lot into the mind constructing reality, lots of examples and commonalities in life.

How we gain a deeper understanding of our sensations.

I learned a lot about how the mind constructs reality and the various processes involved in this

The way the mind works! I thought this was from a sociological aspect but it turned out to be an elementary psychology course that I enjoyed a lot more than I thought I would

How the mind constructs our reality through concepts and assumptions

In Mind, I learned about how the mind operates in several different contexts and how this tends to affect us in our everyday lives.

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

Comments

lectures and discussion presented a large array of different ideas

Discussions were engaging, lectures were mostly fun with good examples.

Lectures and discussions were helpful in their own ways. Readings were informative too.

Lectures contributed the most to my learning by providing material from a wide range of sources. The discussions allowed me to get a deeper understanding of topics, by hearing opinions from both the professor and my classmates

Lectures were a little hectic because of the fact that it was 300+ people at a time but the lectures were definitely made by people who knew their audience and made most of them engaging. Some of them were actually quite funny!!! And the notes were posted online; this made it easier if a class was missed or if notes had to be reviewed because our final papers required notes that were almost direct transcriptions of the lectures which is virtually impossible to do so having the slides to match with points discussed verbally was really nice

Discussions were a little awkward because no one wanted

to talk but when we were able to make them more fun when we could think of modern examples, like relating consumerism and jarring fashion trends with overimitation to fit in

The lectures and readings were very interesting

The lectures were valuable as they provided a basis of knowledge in a topic, which we could then reinforce through the discussions that would discuss after we had all had the opportunity to develop a more in depth understanding of the topics.

Please respond to the following:

	Mean	Median	Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Neutral	Agree	Strongly Agree
This course challenged me intellectually.	3.69	4.00	0.00%	7.69%	23.08%	61.54%	7.69%
I understood the purpose of this course and what I was expected to gain from it.	3.92	4.00	7.69%	0.00%	15.38%	46.15%	30.77%
I understood the standards for success on assignments.	4.23	4.00	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	76.92%	23.08%
Class time enhanced my ability to succeed in graded assignments.	4.31	4.00	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	69.23%	30.77%
I received feedback on my performance that helped me improve my subsequent work.	3.55	4.00	0.00%	27.27%	9.09%	45.45%	18.18%
My work was evaluated fairly.	4.50	4.50	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	50.00%	50.00%
I felt respected in this class.	4.54	5.00	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	46.15%	53.85%
Overall, this was an excellent course.	4.38	4.00	0.00%	0.00%	7.69%	46.15%	46.15%

Additional comments about the course:

Comments

Fascinating lectures enhanced by the smaller discussion groups!

That is a little boring but fulfills the requirement for sosc. I wouldn't recommend it for psych majors who already took some psych classes because this one repeats all of the concepts you learned. For anybody, who is just interested in how the mind works and thinks about taking psych classes – excellent introduction.

I would recommend this course to:

	No	Yes
Highly-motivated and well-prepared students	7.69%	92.31%
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

Facilitating discussions by asking thought provoking questions

Very engaging class discussions.

The discussions were the only nice aspect of this course since we were asking the professor random topics about memory, attention, etc. and he shared information about a lot of interesting studies conducted and his own lab findings.

Discussion, seminar style, prompt questions, got us to think.

Having discussion leaders was helpful.

Providing multiple sources from researches to support claims made on the topics, and making class interactive

Bringing examples from his own life to stimulate discussion

He was the clear leader in our discussions and helped steer the discussions in a productive direction

I think Professor Awh expertise and wisdom in the field of psychology was the aspect of class that was most valuable, often lectures ended into us just answering questions because he always proved to have such great answers to our questions.

What could the instructor modify to help you learn more?

Comments

I would prefer if there was more than one paper so that we would have some degree of preparation before the final.

More one-on-one.

Having more structured debates would probably have been helpful.

n/a

Move away from pure Socratic seminar and introduce some of his own discussion questions instead

Nothing

I think implementing some sort of feedback system for the weekly responses would be valuable, as I had little to no idea if what I was writing was good writing by the courses standards.

The Instructor . . .

	Mean	Median	Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Neutral	Agree	Strongly Agree	N/A
Organized the course clearly.	4.38	4.00	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	61.54%	38.46%	0.00%
Presented lectures that enhanced your understanding.	4.73	5.00	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	23.08%	61.54%	15.38%
Facilitated discussions that were engaging and useful.	4.46	5.00	0.00%	0.00%	15.38%	23.08%	61.54%	0.00%
Stimulated your interest in the core ideas of the course.	4.62	5.00	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	38.46%	61.54%	0.00%
Challenged you to learn.	4.46	4.00	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	53.85%	46.15%	0.00%
Helped you gain significant learning from the course content.	4.62	5.00	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	38.46%	61.54%	0.00%
Was available and helpful outside of class.	4.50	5.00	0.00%	0.00%	7.69%	30.77%	53.85%	7.69%
Motivated you to think independently.	4.62	5.00	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	38.46%	61.54%	0.00%
Worked to create an inclusive and welcoming learning environment.	4.69	5.00	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	30.77%	69.23%	0.00%
Overall, this instructor made a significant contribution to your learning.	4.69	5.00	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	30.77%	69.23%	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.

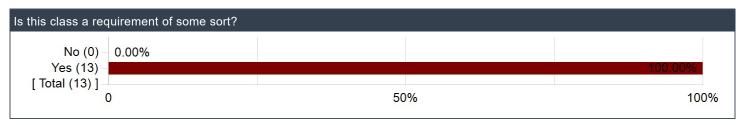
Comments

Emma Adler (writing advisor); I never talked to her tbh but the one time I met her during class she seemed friendly

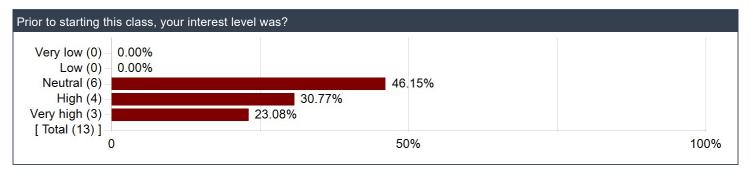
The TA/CA or Intern. . .

	Mean	Median	Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Neutral	Agree	Strongly Agree	N/A
Facilitated discussions that supported your learning.	N/A	N/A	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	100.00%
Gave you useful feedback on your work.	N/A	N/A	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	100.00%
Stimulated your interest in the core ideas of the class.	N/A	N/A	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	100.00%
Challenged you to learn.	N/A	N/A	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	100.00%
Helped you succeed in the class.	N/A	N/A	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	100.00%
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.	N/A	N/A	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	100.00%

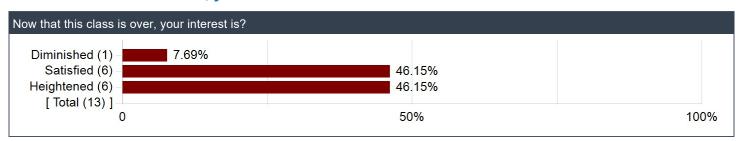
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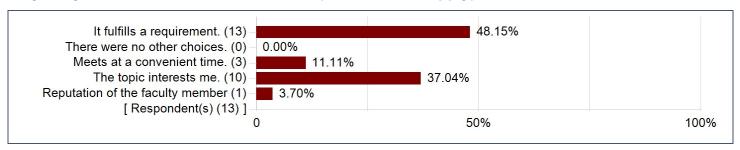
Prior to starting this class, your interest level was?



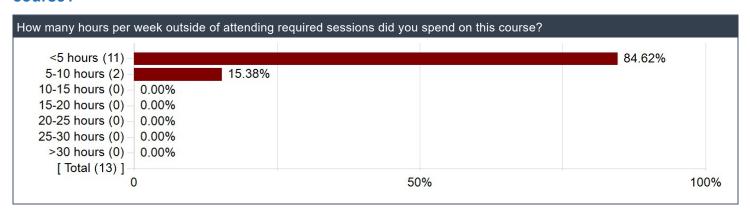
Now that this class is over, your interest is?



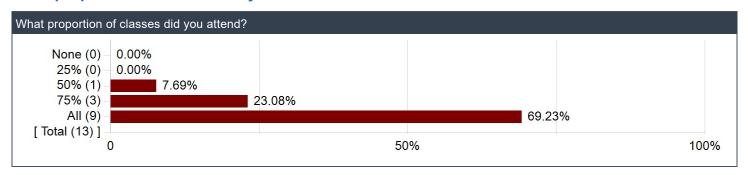
Why did you choose to take this course? (Select all that apply)



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 difficult	
Neuro background helps, but manageable without it.	
Not difficult AT ALL	
Fairly easy.	
It was quite easy (with AP Psych as my only background)	
Very easy	
It was pretty easy to understand	
Never taken a psychology/neurology related class but found this course to be really interesting and accessible.	