



SPAN 10100 1, SPAN 10100 1 - Beginning Elementary Spanish I - Instructor(s): Felipe Pieras-Guasp

Project Title: **College Course Feedback - Autumn 2023**

Number Enrolled: **10**

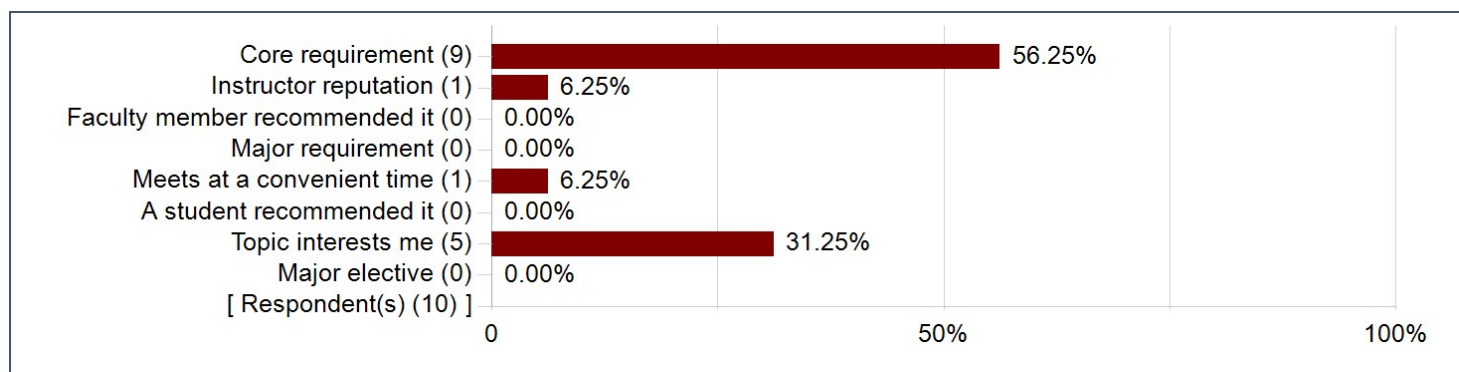
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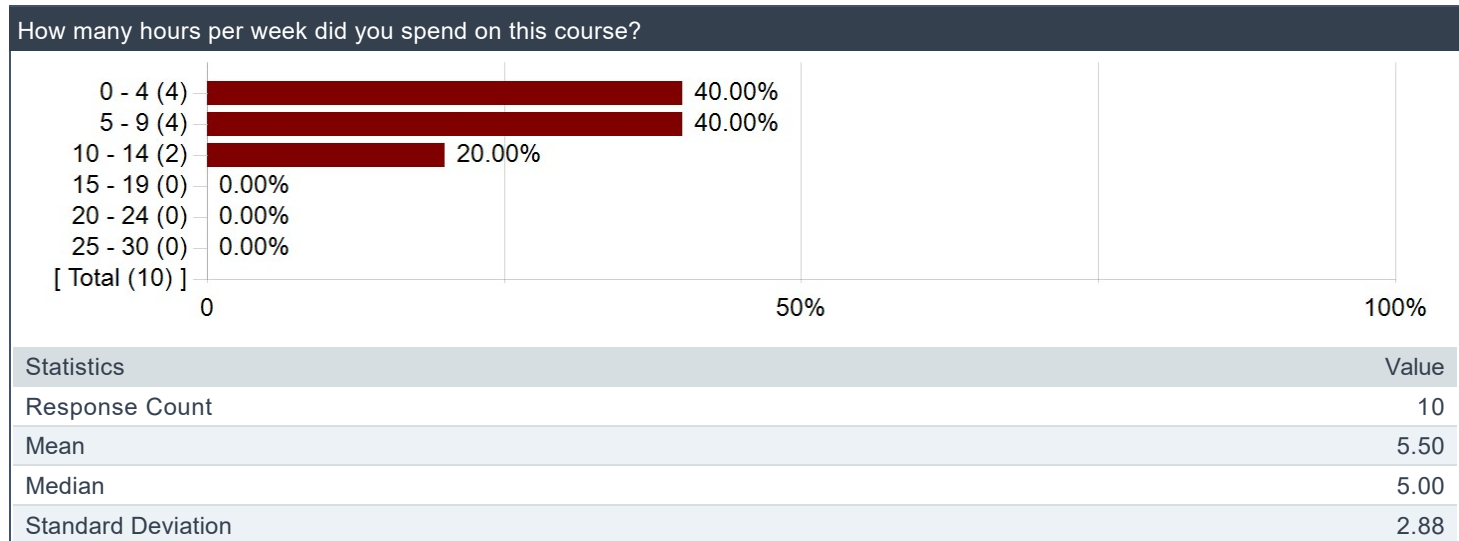
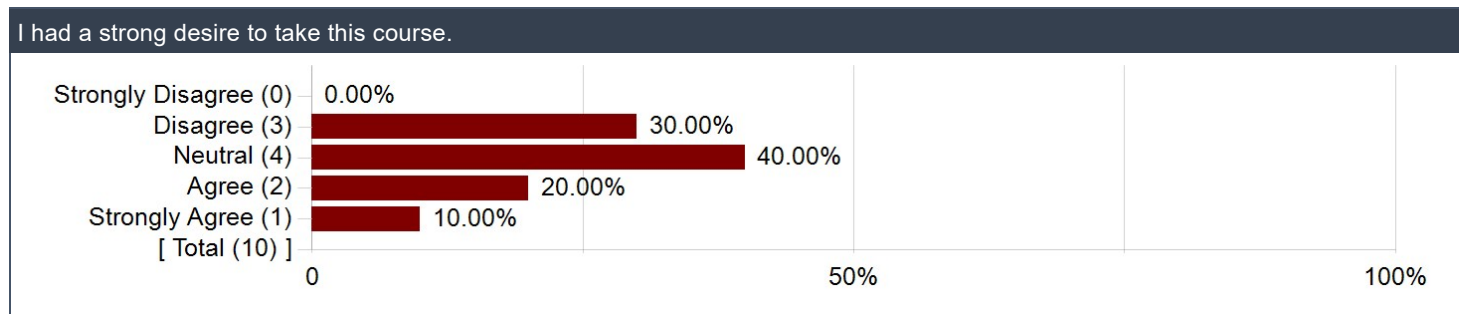
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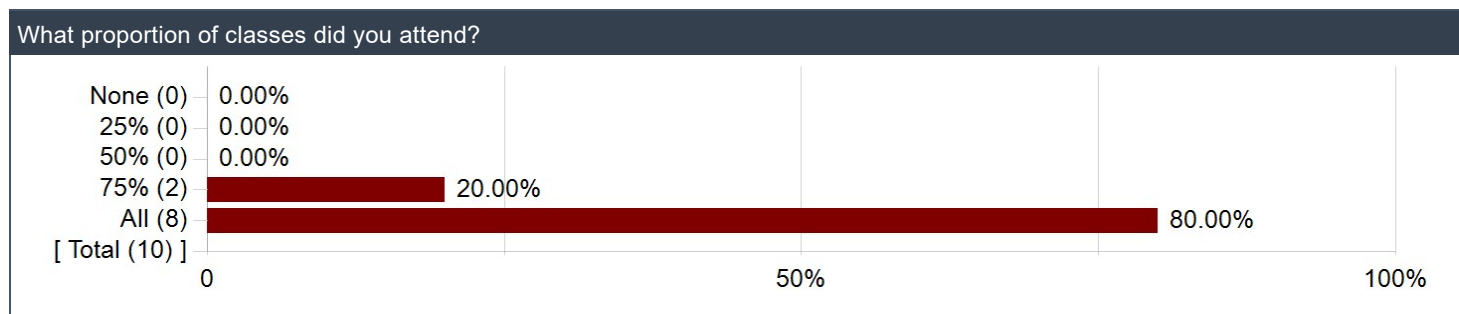
Why did you choose to take this course? (Select all that apply)



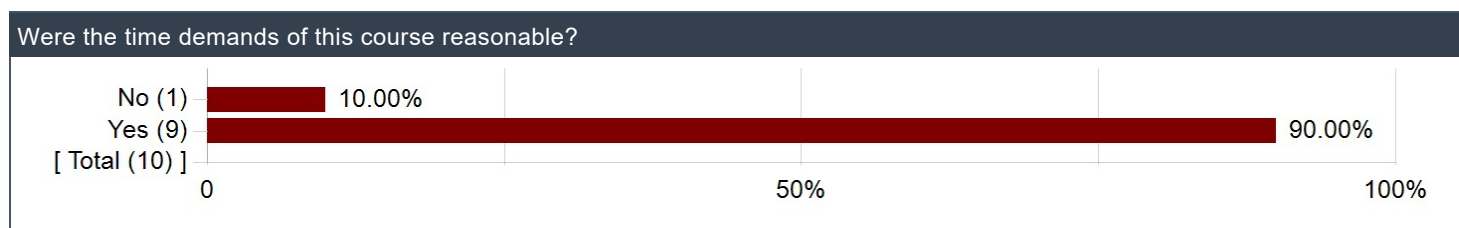
I had a strong desire to take this course.



What proportion of classes did you attend?



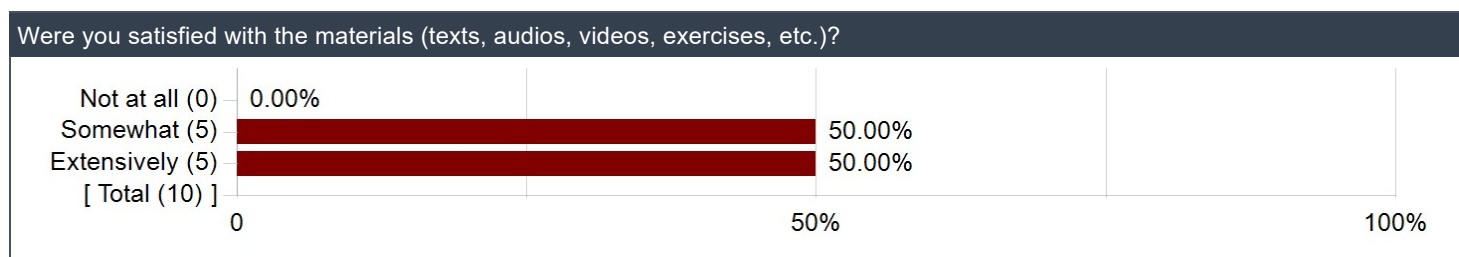
Were the time demands of this course reasonable?



Rate the extent to which different aspects of the language were stressed:

	Mean	Median	Not At All	A Little	Some	A Lot	Extremely	Vigorously
Speaking	3.50	3.50	0.00%	0.00%	20.00%	30.00%	30.00%	20.00%
Reading	3.10	3.00	0.00%	10.00%	0.00%	60.00%	30.00%	0.00%
Writing	3.10	3.00	0.00%	20.00%	0.00%	40.00%	30.00%	10.00%
Grammar	3.20	3.50	0.00%	10.00%	20.00%	20.00%	40.00%	10.00%
Vocabulary	3.50	3.50	0.00%	0.00%	20.00%	30.00%	30.00%	20.00%
Listening	3.10	3.00	0.00%	0.00%	10.00%	70.00%	20.00%	0.00%

Were you satisfied with the materials (texts, audios, videos, exercises, etc.)?



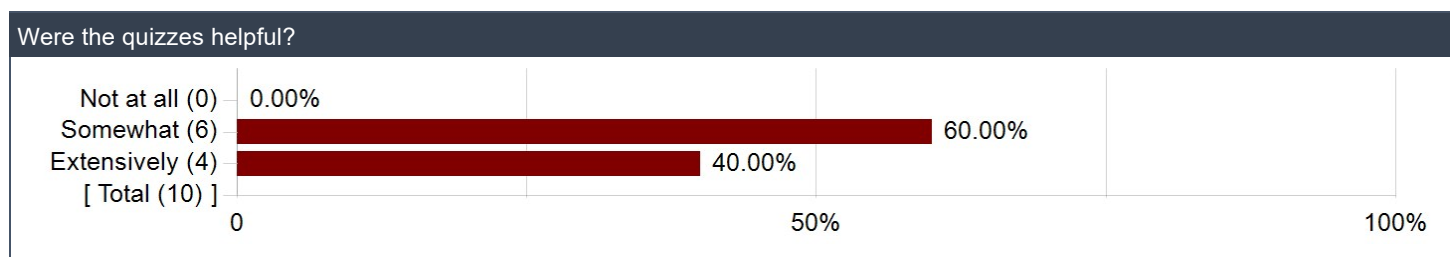
Please explain:

Comments
Some of the homework exercises were just a struggle to complete
Some of the audios are a bit difficult to understand due to static/background noise
I was extensively satisfied with the materials because there were a lot that were offered that helped with the understanding of the course within such little time that we have to learn basics of a new language we are trying to learn.
I thought the textbook was helpful to prepare for our exams.
Spanish Hub can have issues occasionally. Other than that, the material is good. The in-classroom portion is the best part of class.
Some of the material was too far above our level to understand
Course textbook was relatively mediocre, but all other material was great

What did you learn about culture through language?

Comments
I learned about native dishes, how people communicate, and other aspects
What I learned about culture through this language is more in-depth about the Spanish speaking countries in South America and how they are different from one another.
I didn't learn that much apart from the different cuisine

Were the quizzes helpful?



How helpful were the various types of homework?

	Mean	Median	Not At All	Somewhat	Very	N/A
Reading	2.60	3.00	0.00%	40.00%	60.00%	0.00%
Listening	2.50	2.50	0.00%	50.00%	50.00%	0.00%
Writing	2.90	3.00	0.00%	10.00%	90.00%	0.00%
Speaking	2.50	3.00	10.00%	30.00%	60.00%	0.00%

If Discussion Board/Blog Tools were used in your course, how useful did you find them?

Comments
Depending on how discussion boards and blog tools would be used for the course, I feel like it could be helpful in some aspect with trying to learn a new language such as Spanish.
n/a

How useful did you find the required out of class aural/oral activities (e.g. cultural activities, conversational practice, activities of your choice, films, etc.)?

Comments
Decently useful, it was helpful to talk with a native speaker
The out of class aural/oral activities were very helpful. It helped me a lot with keeping up with practicing Spanish before and after class and to really be engaged with learning the language.
I found the lingua meetings very useful.
The lingua meeting cultural activities could have been better, although I did enjoy the regular lingua meetings. Many people were in attendance, and the level of Spanish comprehension among attendees varied. A lot of the content was gone over very quickly. Next quarter, I will make it a priority to attend the El Cafecito cultural events.
Very useful. LinguaMeeting allowed me to be more confident in my speaking abilities.
I found them fun
Extremely useful but hard (that is not a bad thing)

Other comments:

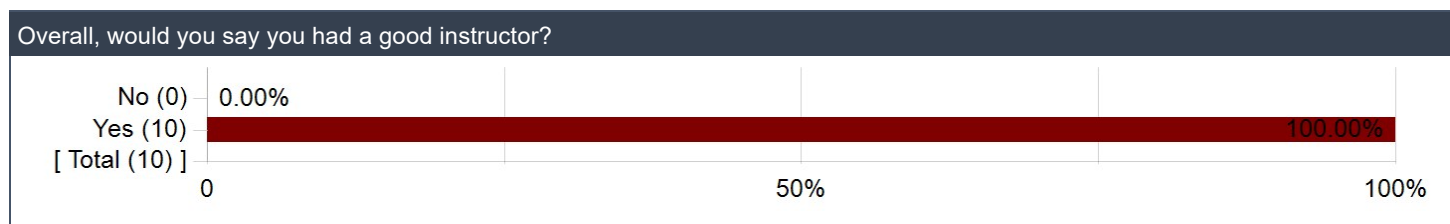
Comments
N/A
Professor Pieras-Guasp is a great professor who creates a cohesive classroom. He helps reduce the anxiety of learning a new language and making mistakes.

The Instructor

Select one option for each statement (1 lowest - 5 highest):

	Mean	Median	1- Lowest	2	3	4	5- Highest
Rate your instructor's organizational skills	4.70	5.00	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	30.00%	70.00%
Rate your instructor's ability to convey the subtleties of the language	4.80	5.00	0.00%	0.00%	10.00%	0.00%	90.00%
Rate your instructor's ability to encourage class conversation and participation in this language	4.80	5.00	0.00%	0.00%	10.00%	0.00%	90.00%
Rate your instructor's availability outside of class and willingness to help	4.78	5.00	0.00%	0.00%	11.11%	0.00%	88.89%
Rate feedback on assignments and exams	4.80	5.00	0.00%	0.00%	10.00%	0.00%	90.00%

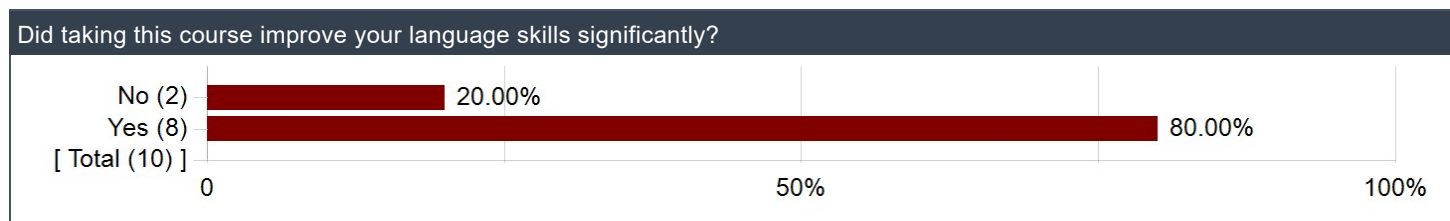
Overall, would you say you had a good instructor?



Please explain:

Comments
He worked hard to make class fun and engaging while also teaching
Prof Pieras-Guasp was a fantastic instructor! I think the online platform may have been new to him as there was some confusion when people mentioned issues with the site, but he was always willing to help figure it out and make sure people were able to do the work after the issues were brought to his attention!
Professor Felipe is such a great instructor and I am so grateful to have had him as my professor. It is difficult to get a good language professor to teach you all you need to know to get to the next step of learning a language, but Professor Felipe was patient, kind, and extremely helpful along with being understanding throughout the quarter.
He was always incredibly helpful and does a great job of explaining everything and keeping class fun.
He made the class approachable and interesting despite the rapid pace of our learning. I would not have expected to be able to build the confidence I have in Spanish today, and I credit that to him.
Encourages students
Felipe was great at explaining things especially to complete beginners like us. He was very clear and consistent and made it fun and easy to learn. I am amazed at how much I learned in this course and am very happy that Felipe was my teacher!
He is very passionate about the class
Expected a lot from us but was willing to meet us half-way in order to help us meet the high standard that he set

Did taking this course improve your language skills significantly?



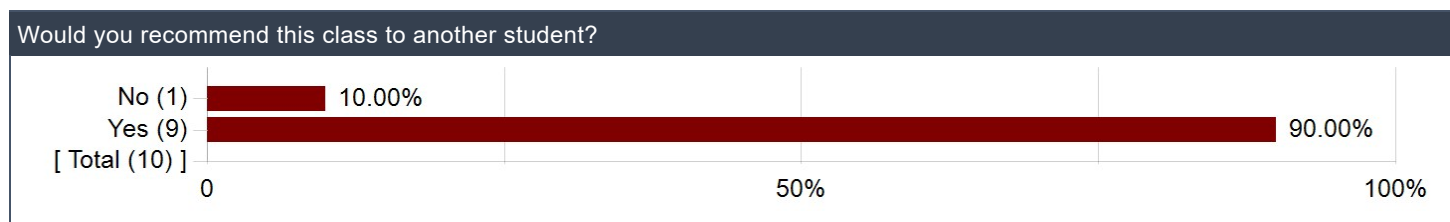
How would you improve this course?

Comments
N/A
N/A
I would practice more in class
Get a different textbook + include some form of video-guides that breakdown or review more complex topics from the textbook.

In what way?

Comments
I did not know Spanish before this course
This course improved my language skills significantly in that it helped me better speak the language, listen to the language, and become more confident in having simple conversations with others in Spanish such as family, friends, and even with patients at the hospital I volunteer at.
I feel like I can speak a lot more than compared to the beginning of the quarter.
I did not think I would know this much Spanish after 9 weeks.
I learned a lot of vocabulary and grammar.
I learned but not significantly
Able to generally pick up on what's going on in an article written in Spanish, as well as comprehend and construct basic sentences

Would you recommend this class to another student?



Why?

Comments
Because while being a requirement it is also engaging
I would recommend this class to another student because if they feel strongly about learning a language such as Spanish, it is 100% helpful and you will learn something from it even if it feels like the process of learning a new language is difficult and you feel like you won't improve, you definitely will.
I would recommend this class that wants to learn Spanish and fill a core requirement.
It's a great way to learn Spanish if you're interested.
Because it's a fun class and a good language
Great language and great way to learn a lot in very short amount of time