

GREK 10300 2, GREK 10300 2 - Introduction to Attic Greek III: Prose - Instructor(s) - Benjamin Yates

Project Title: College Course Feedback - Spring 2024

Number Enrolled: 12 Number of Responses: 9

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

The course is mainly dedicated to the Greek grammar and the reading skills that apply to original texts.

I felt as though I was really thinking about the structure of Greek in a great deal of depth in class!

I think the most important thing that I learned in this class was conditions, the optative, and the subjunctive.

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

Comments

The lectures illustrate the grammar point clearly. We also did a lot of excercise during class time to enhance our reading skills. The assignments and the feedbacks are helpful for me to grasp the points of the textbook.

I believe being called upon randomly was very useful in getting us to actively participate in class and engage with Greek in a meaningful manner!

I appreciated the teacher making connections to Greek texts other than our textbook. I also appreciated the flexibility with the assignments, and the detailed feedback provided by the instructor.

Please respond to the following:

	Mean	Median	Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Neutral	Agree	Strongly Agree
This course challenged me intellectually.	5.00	5.00	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	100.00%
I understood the purpose of this course and what I was expected to gain from it.	5.00	5.00	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	100.00%
I understood the standards for success on assignments.	5.00	5.00	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	100.00%
Class time enhanced my ability to succeed in graded assignments.	5.00	5.00	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	100.00%
I received feedback on my performance that helped me improve my subsequent work.	5.00	5.00	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	100.00%
My work was evaluated fairly.	5.00	5.00	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	100.00%
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.	5.00	5.00	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	100.00%

Additional comments about the course:

Comments

The instructor was a fantastic teacher. He was good at answering questions and breaking down complex topics in a way that was understandable.

I would recommend this course to:

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

The illustration of the grammar points, and the guidance for us to go through the Greek texts and practice our reading skills.

Again, I believe the work done in class to study syntax and focus us to consider the sentence or the grammatical element in the moment was very beneficial to our learning!

Having us read the Greek out loud, as well as occasionally calling on people by going around in a circle. I get nervous in class sometimes, and this would let me prepare my answers.

What could the instructor modify to help you learn more?

Comments

The classes could be more clearly divided into different sections – some for grammar and other points on the textbook, and some for reading practice.

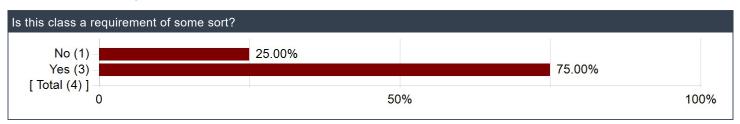
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I think I'd have handouts, either on canvas or paper versions, re explaining some of the concepts from the textbook with practice questions.

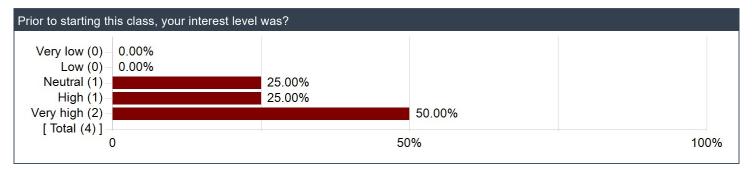
The Instructor . . .

	Mean	Median	Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Neutral	Agree	Strongly Agree	N/A
Organized the course clearly.	5.00	5.00	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	100.00%	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.	5.00	5.00	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	100.00%	0.00%
Challenged you to learn.	5.00	5.00	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	100.00%	0.00%
Helped you gain significant learning from the course content.	5.00	5.00	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	100.00%	0.00%
Was available and helpful outside of class.	4.75	5.00	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	25.00%	75.00%	0.00%
Motivated you to think independently.	5.00	5.00	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	100.00%	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.	5.00	5.00	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	100.00%	0.00%

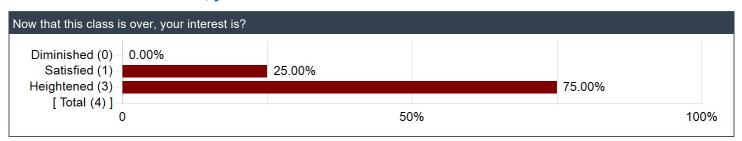
Is this class a requirement of some sort?



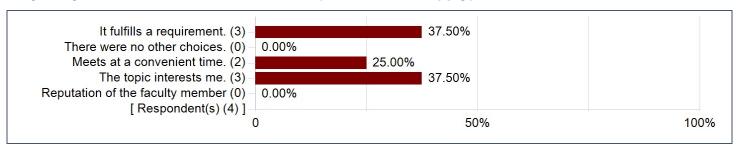
Prior to starting this class, your interest level was?



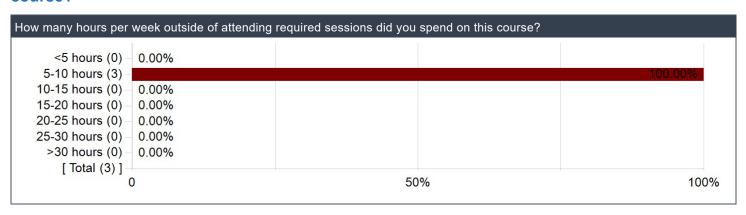
Now that this class is over, your interest is?



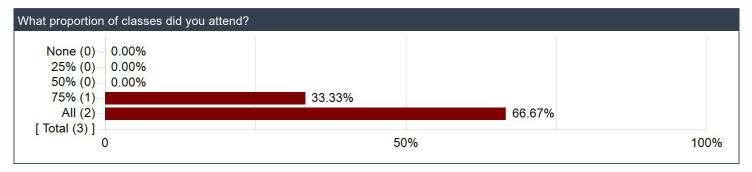
Why did you choose to take this course? (Select all that apply)



How many hours per week outside of attending required sessions did you spend on this course?



What proportion of classes did you attend?



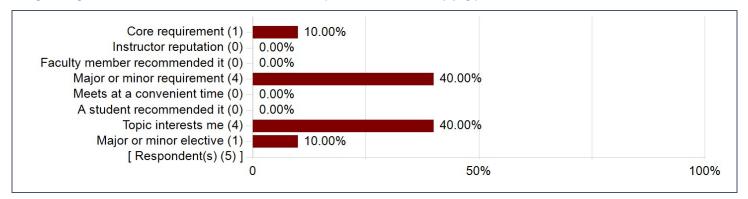
Please comment on the level of difficulty of the course relative to your background and experience.

Comments

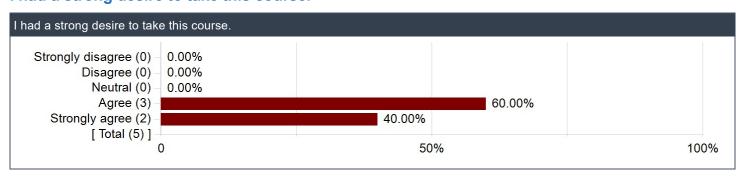
Challenging but Manageable

This course was moderately difficult. I have been learning Latin for a while, so I was familiar with some of the topics this course covered, just not how they functioned within the Greek language. I really enjoyed comparing what I know of Latin and using that while learning Greek.

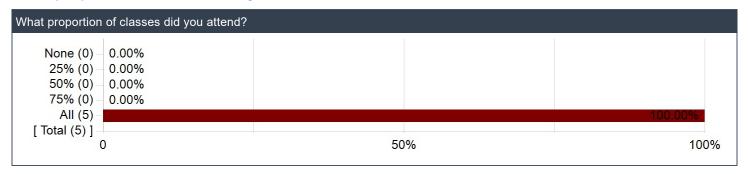
Why did you choose to take this course? (Select all that apply)



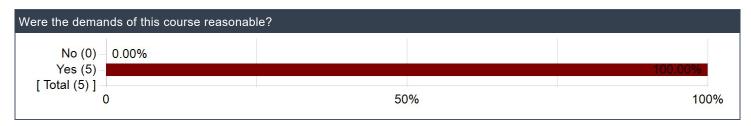
I had a strong desire to take this course.



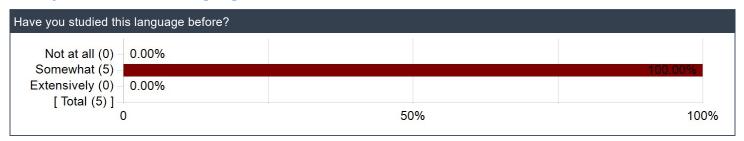
What proportion of classes did you attend?



Were the demands of this course reasonable?



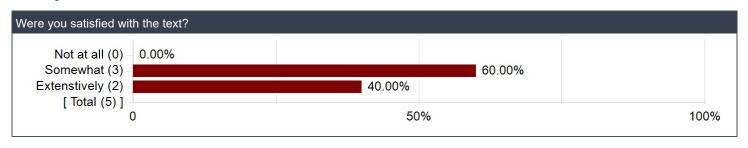
Have you studied this language before?



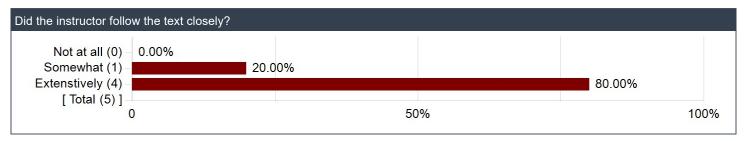
Rate the extent to which different aspects of the language were stressed:

	Mean	Median	Not At All	A Little	Some	A Lot	Extremely	Vigorously
Speaking	3.40	3.00	20.00%	0.00%	40.00%	20.00%	0.00%	20.00%
Spelling	3.60	3.00	0.00%	0.00%	80.00%	0.00%	0.00%	20.00%
Reading	4.60	4.00	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	60.00%	20.00%	20.00%
Writing	2.80	3.00	0.00%	20.00%	80.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%
Grammar	5.40	5.00	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	60.00%	40.00%
Vocabulary	5.00	5.00	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	40.00%	20.00%	40.00%

Were you satisfied with the text?



Did the instructor follow the text closely?



Explain:

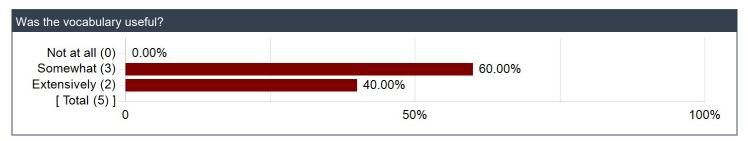
Comments

Most of what we did would come from our textbook

We did not really follow a specific text for the duration of the course, but read some portions of Xenophon and Demosthenes I LOVE BEN HE IS THE BEST.

We followed chapters of the book for homework.

Was the vocabulary useful?



Why?

Comments

The vocabulary was also from the textbook

Establishing a strong vocabulary is integral to creating the foundations of the language

n/a

Ensuring that we learned vocabulary was definitely helpful to be able to read more effectively.

Describe the format of the class (lecture, drills, etc.). Was this format productive? Please be specific.

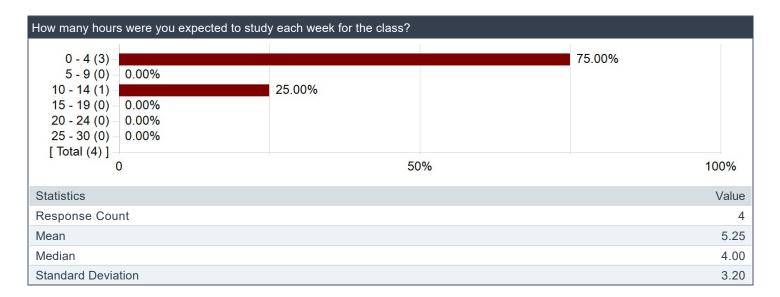
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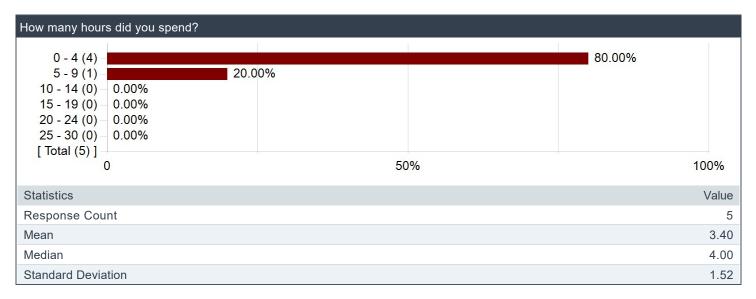
Translate at home, and then translate in class. Some lectures about grammar/vocab points in class when we got to them. Pretty good system that let us get hands—on experience but also the necessary guidance.

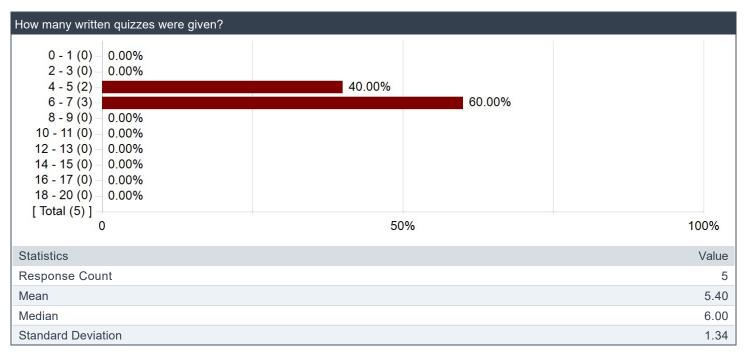
The format of the class included preparing homework and going over it in class. It was productive but I think a variety of assignments and a greater focus on reading prose may have been more helpful

drills

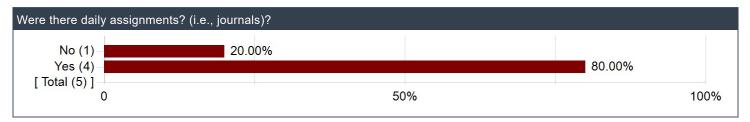
We went over the homework and discussed; I think this could've been more productive if we'd gone faster.







Were there daily assignments? (i.e., journals)?



If there were required outside activities (i.e. foreign films or SCOLA), describe your experience.



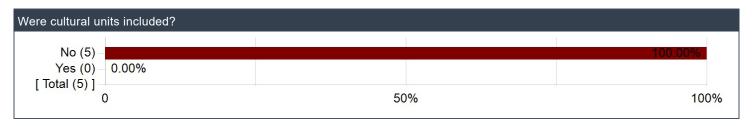
Was your instructor organized?

Mean	Median	Very Unorganized	Somewhat Unorganized	Fairly Organized	Somewhat Organized	Very Organized
4.40	5.00	0.00%	0.00%	20.00%	20.00%	60.00%

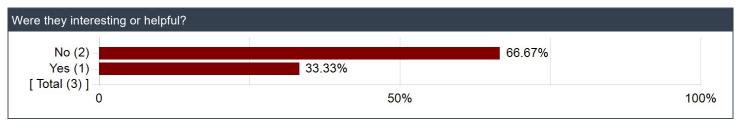
Explain

Comments Had everything on a syllabus, but didn't have the last few weeks planned out. Overall though very on top of things and communicative. Ben was prepared each day to review the homework assignments with us and help us with what we misunderstood he the best Grades and feedback were always uploaded on time.

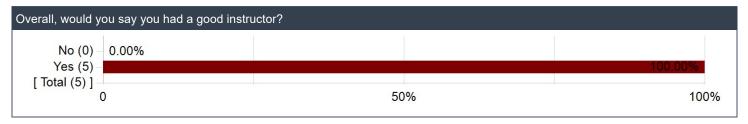
Were cultural units included?



Were they interesting or helpful?



Overall, would you say you had a good instructor?



Why?

Comments

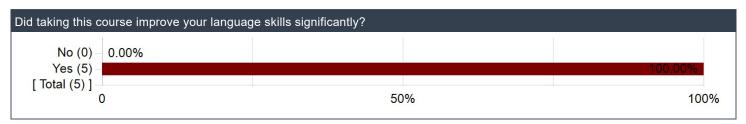
Ben was really fun and made everyone very welcome, and we developed a lot of inside jokes over the quarter. He's also super passionate and effective at teaching Greek.

Ben is very knowledgeable about Greek and is enthusiastic about teaching

He's amazing and was hilarious and made it fun to learn

He was helpful, lenient and organized

Did taking this course improve your language skills significantly?



In what way?

Comments

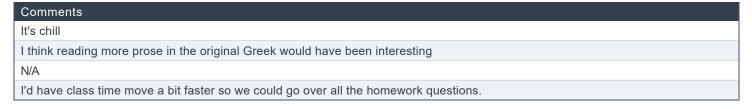
Learned more vocab and grammar

This built upon the first two quarters of Attic Greek and expanded our vocabulary and grammar skills

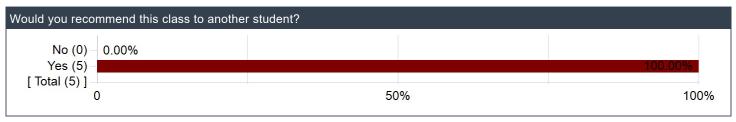
confidence in pronunciation and translation

By the end, I understood a lot more about subordinate clauses and greek grammar.

How would you improve this course?



Would you recommend this class to another student?



Why?

Comments

Great time, super positive experience

Anyone interested in the ancient Mediterranean should take this sequence

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