



SOSC 12400 17 - Self, Culture, and Society I - Instructor(s) - Omar Kutty

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

Number Enrolled: **18**

Number of Responses: **5**

Report Comments

Opinions expressed in these evaluations are those of students enrolled in the specific course and do not represent the University.

Creation Date: **Friday, January 31, 2025**

What are the most important things that you learned in this course? Please reflect on the knowledge and skills you gained.

Comments
I really enjoyed getting to read authors like Marx and Smith whom I had heard about but never had the chance to engage with to the same extent as here.
Labour theory of value and other fundamental theories in early social thought regarding capitalism.
Interesting perspectives on the development of society and the experience of individuals under capitalism. Lots of exposure to different genres of philosophical and political theory (Khalidun, Smith, von Mises, Marx, Weber, Fromm).
The skill to analyze the texts and study the course content in depth with classmates, specifically the topic related to the capitalism and mechanism beneath it

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

Comments
Lectures contributed to deep understanding of the readings
We mainly did discussions in class which were helpful especially for more complex readings.
everyone elses ideas helped the conversation develop
Class usually took a discussion format that was pretty conducive to participation and synthesis of interesting ideas / conversation, with solid guidance from the prof.
The final papers and class discussions really help me understand the concept of the class

Please respond to the following:

	Mean	Median	Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Neutral	Agree	Strongly Agree
This course challenged me intellectually.	4.40	4.00	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	60.00%	40.00%
I understood the purpose of this course and what I was expected to gain from it.	4.40	4.00	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	60.00%	40.00%
I understood the standards for success on assignments.	4.00	4.00	0.00%	0.00%	20.00%	60.00%	20.00%
Class time enhanced my ability to succeed in graded assignments.	4.20	5.00	0.00%	20.00%	0.00%	20.00%	60.00%
I received feedback on my performance that helped me improve my subsequent work.	3.60	4.00	0.00%	20.00%	20.00%	40.00%	20.00%
My work was evaluated fairly.	4.00	4.00	0.00%	20.00%	0.00%	40.00%	40.00%
I felt respected in this class.	4.60	5.00	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	40.00%	60.00%
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
n/a
Kutty's a great prof — really cares about the students Getting the content and understanding the upshots of the theories we're reading. Paper prompts were generally well-thought-out and sufficiently interesting.

I would recommend this course to:

	No	Yes
Highly-motivated and well-prepared students	0.00%	100.00%
Anyone interested in the topic	20.00%	80.00%

Thinking about your time in the class, what aspect of the instructor's teaching contributed most to your learning?

Comments
Guidance in what was important in the reading was helpful.
I found the mediating comments in discussions helpful because it allowed us to engage with a little more direction with the course materials.
Incorporating modern ideas into the examples/theories of the past.
He has a plan for what overall he wants us to get to, which was very helpful in generally orienting the discussions. Overviews of the most important points was also quite helpful.
The engaging class discussions and anything beyond what we've talked about in class

What could the instructor modify to help you learn more?

Comments
N/A
more emphasis on what the specific implications are across the texts.
Nothing in particular, class structure was solid.
Be more organized in terms of identifying skills need to succeed for the class

The Instructor . . .

	Mean	Median	Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Neutral	Agree	Strongly Agree	N/A
Organized the course clearly.	3.80	4.00	0.00%	20.00%	0.00%	60.00%	20.00%	0.00%
Presented lectures that enhanced your understanding.	4.20	4.00	0.00%	0.00%	20.00%	40.00%	40.00%	0.00%
Facilitated discussions that were engaging and useful.	4.60	5.00	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	40.00%	60.00%	0.00%
Stimulated your interest in the core ideas of the course.	4.40	4.00	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	60.00%	40.00%	0.00%
Challenged you to learn.	4.00	4.00	0.00%	0.00%	20.00%	60.00%	20.00%	0.00%
Helped you gain significant learning from the course content.	3.80	4.00	0.00%	20.00%	0.00%	60.00%	20.00%	0.00%
Was available and helpful outside of class.	4.20	4.00	0.00%	0.00%	20.00%	40.00%	40.00%	0.00%
Motivated you to think independently.	4.20	4.00	0.00%	0.00%	20.00%	40.00%	40.00%	0.00%
Worked to create an inclusive and welcoming learning environment.	4.60	5.00	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	40.00%	60.00%	0.00%
Overall, this instructor made a significant contribution to your learning.	4.60	5.00	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	40.00%	60.00%	0.00%

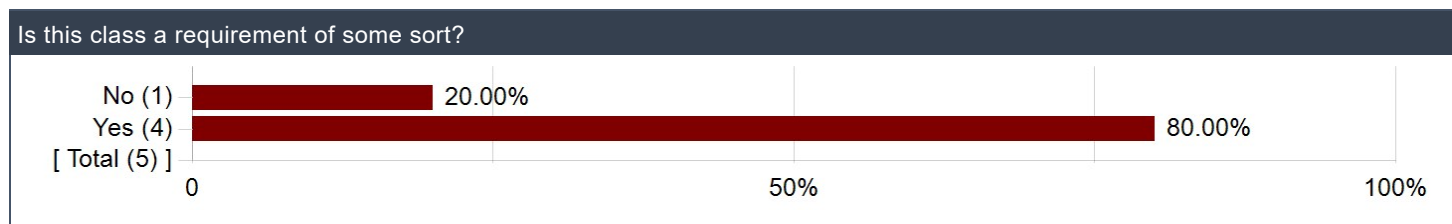
How much did the following elements of the course contribute to your learning gains?

	Mean	Median	No Gain	A Little Gain	Moderate Gain	Good Gain	Great Gain	N/A
Laboratory Experience	NRP	NRP	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Field Trips	NRP	NRP	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Library Sessions	NRP	NRP	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Review Sessions	4.00	4.00	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	100.00%	0.00%	0.00%
Writing Seminars	4.00	4.00	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	100.00%	0.00%	0.00%

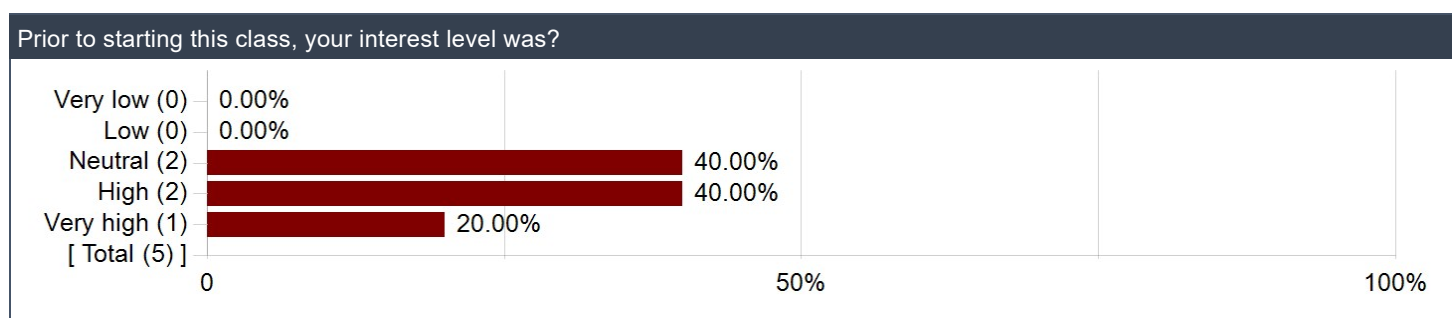
Other course elements not mentioned above:

Comments
"Office Hours" for the papers, quite helpful.

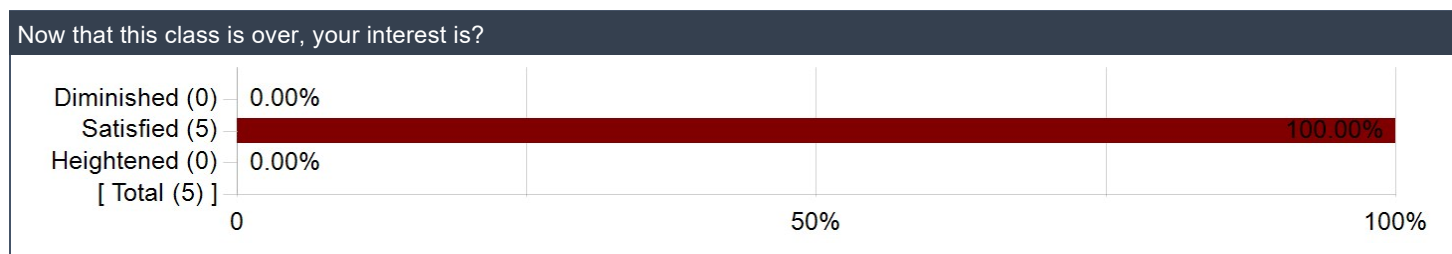
Is this class a requirement of some sort?



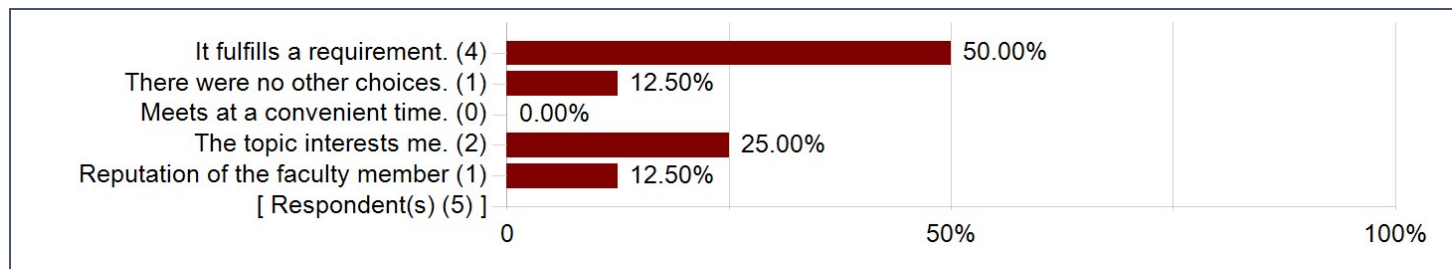
Prior to starting this class, your interest level was?



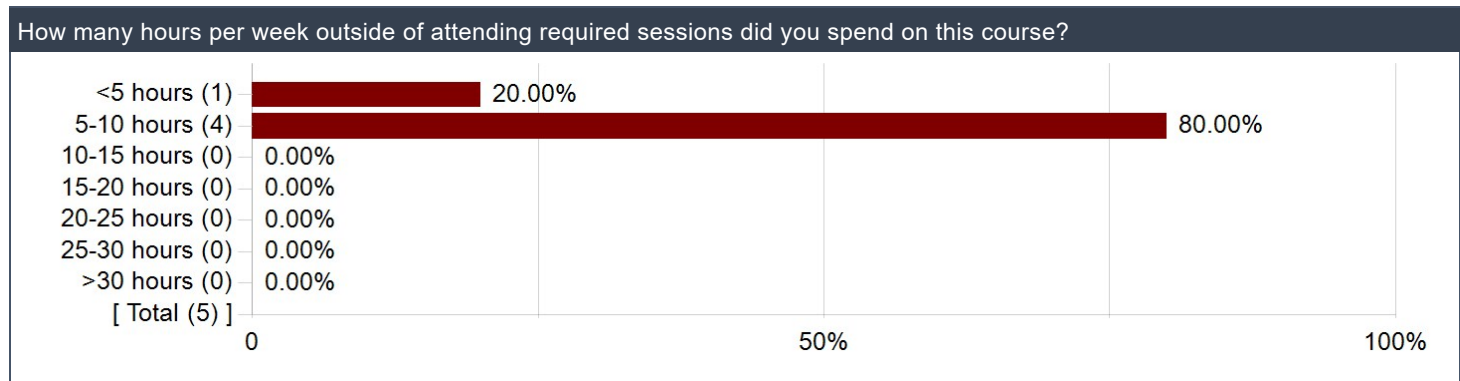
Now that this class is over, your interest is?



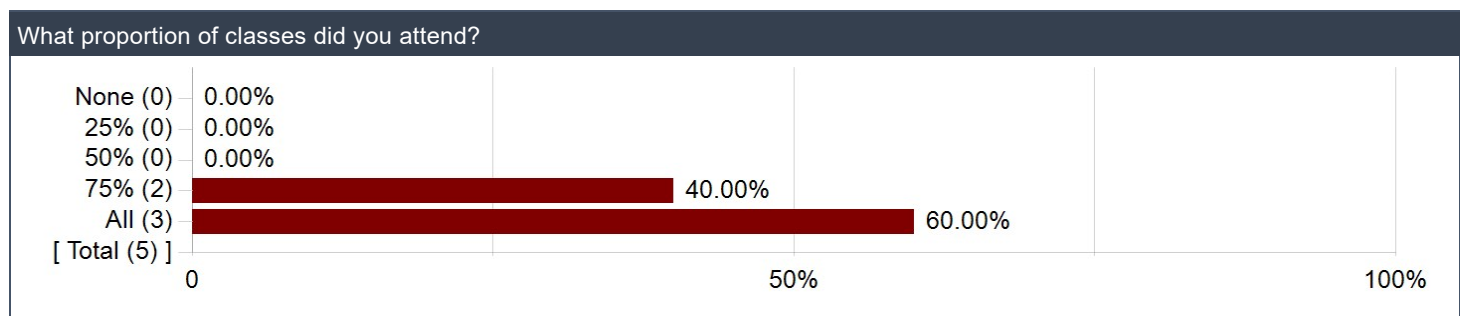
Why did you choose to take this course? (Select all that apply)



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
It was a bit confusing at first, but it is accessible to anyone who gives effort at an early stage.
It's a philosophy class, I had a bunch of debate and philosophy experience which made it pretty accessible and generally fulfilling. Nothing too crazy, but interesting enough to warrant spending substantive thought and time on.
Required a good reading comprehension skills, so if you want to excel for the class be prepared for the readings and rigor of writing standard