



HUMA 14000 11 - Reading Cultures: Collection, Travel, Exchange I - Instructor(s): Joseph Stadolnik

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

Number Enrolled: **15**

Number of Responses: **8**

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, February 2, 2024**

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

Comments
The different styles and narration of literature with different cultural backgrounds
I felt that I improved in my abilities to discuss texts in this class. I feel I learned about the cultures represented in the stories.
I learned to read and write good
I learned a lot from listening to my classmates talk in class. I didn't really gain any skills, as the paper writing instructions we were given were very elementary.
Close reading, writing a sophisticated thesis
I adequately learned how to write a college-level essay and how to interact with classmates in a collaborative manner
thoughtfully analyzing literature
How to formulate an argument and write lengthy analysis papers.

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

Comments
The readings in this course helped me to adopt new perspectives and learn new histories of different cultural groups
Discussions were helpful because they helped me understand the text better and let me get ideas from others that I wouldn't come up myself.
The class was discussion-based and very interesting. We had essays due every so often and small homework assignments.
I really enjoyed discussions in class and found them most beneficial. The readings were interesting.
The lectures are extremely helpful – the discussions in class always improve my understanding of the work we are doing
Lectures were essential to receive an understanding of the text which would allow you to write a well written essay. Writing seminars helped fix any discrepancies in writing that may have existed from high school.
seminar class structure was very engaging and interesting
The in-class discussions really helped you think more critically about the texts.

Please respond to the following:

	Mean	Median	Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Neutral	Agree	Strongly Agree
This course challenged me intellectually.	3.38	3.50	12.50%	0.00%	37.50%	37.50%	12.50%
I understood the purpose of this course and what I was expected to gain from it.	3.75	4.00	12.50%	0.00%	12.50%	50.00%	25.00%
I understood the standards for success on assignments.	3.50	4.00	12.50%	12.50%	12.50%	37.50%	25.00%
Class time enhanced my ability to succeed in graded assignments.	4.00	4.00	12.50%	0.00%	0.00%	50.00%	37.50%
I received feedback on my performance that helped me improve my subsequent work.	3.63	4.00	12.50%	12.50%	12.50%	25.00%	37.50%
My work was evaluated fairly.	3.25	3.50	12.50%	12.50%	25.00%	37.50%	12.50%
I felt respected in this class.	4.25	5.00	12.50%	0.00%	0.00%	25.00%	62.50%
Overall, this was an excellent course.	3.63	4.00	12.50%	0.00%	25.00%	37.50%	25.00%

Additional comments about the course:

Comments
I really appreciated it.

I would recommend this course to:

	No	Yes
Highly-motivated and well-prepared students	0.00%	100.00%
Anyone interested in the topic	12.50%	87.50%

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

Comments
The discussions of students lead by the instructor
The instructor posed good questions to get me thinking about the text in a different way. I also appreciated the context the instructor would give to the stories.
I think all of it was great.
Professor Stadolnik did a good job of facilitating discussions in class, which was helpful.
The way the instructor lead the discussion and was always available for discussion 1 on 1 during office hours
Professor Stadolnik's ability to create conversation about a text and its meaning is what allowed for collaborative close reading of the texts and interesting discussions to occur.
he made the class very interesting and allowed for rich discussions
In-class discussions about readings.

What could the instructor modify to help you learn more?

Comments
The instructor could take a little more of an active participation in the discussions. I understand that the discussion element is critical to the humanities core, and that it should be student-driven, but I feel as though sometimes students taking control of the conversation leads to times in which not much of value is being said, and my understanding isn't increased.
Nothing
I think we could have spent time learning what was expected of us in the essays and what a good paper looked like.
More instruction on what a good paper should look like.

The Instructor . . .

	Mean	Median	Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Neutral	Agree	Strongly Agree	N/A
Organized the course clearly.	4.00	4.00	12.50%	0.00%	0.00%	50.00%	37.50%	0.00%
Presented lectures that enhanced your understanding.	4.00	4.00	12.50%	0.00%	0.00%	50.00%	37.50%	0.00%
Facilitated discussions that were engaging and useful.	4.00	4.50	12.50%	0.00%	12.50%	25.00%	50.00%	0.00%
Stimulated your interest in the core ideas of the course.	3.63	4.00	12.50%	12.50%	12.50%	25.00%	37.50%	0.00%
Challenged you to learn.	3.88	4.00	12.50%	0.00%	12.50%	37.50%	37.50%	0.00%
Helped you gain significant learning from the course content.	3.88	4.00	12.50%	0.00%	12.50%	37.50%	37.50%	0.00%
Was available and helpful outside of class.	4.33	5.00	12.50%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	62.50%	25.00%
Motivated you to think independently.	4.00	4.00	12.50%	0.00%	0.00%	50.00%	37.50%	0.00%
Worked to create an inclusive and welcoming learning environment.	4.25	5.00	12.50%	0.00%	0.00%	25.00%	62.50%	0.00%
Overall, this instructor made a significant contribution to your learning.	4.00	4.50	12.50%	0.00%	12.50%	25.00%	50.00%	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
Cameron Powell. He was not great. All he taught me was how to scribble down nonsense and zone out for 90 minutes. He didn't seem to care about teaching. I'm not entirely sure what portion of the essays were graded by him but I imagine he did a fine job of that.
Cameron was my writing instructor. I learned nothing from the writing workshops or his feedback on my papers. I wish he explained the grades he gave and how I could improve instead of making unspecific comments. It took until the week 9 writing seminar to even go over claims.
Cameron Powell. I think the readings we went through before the writing seminars were the most helpful. Maybe next time individual feedback on our essay drafts would be nice.

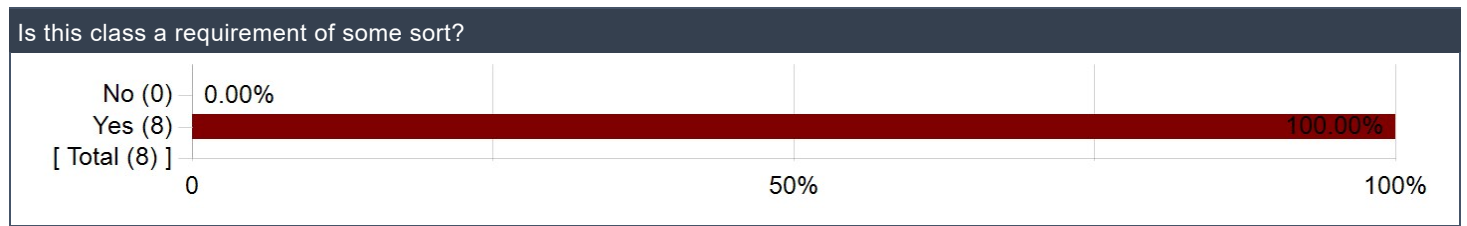
The TA/CA or Intern. . .

	Mean	Median	Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Neutral	Agree	Strongly Agree	N/A
Facilitated discussions that supported your learning.	1.67	2.00	33.33%	66.67%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%
Gave you useful feedback on your work.	1.67	2.00	33.33%	66.67%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%
Stimulated your interest in the core ideas of the class.	1.67	2.00	33.33%	66.67%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%
Challenged you to learn.	2.33	2.00	33.33%	33.33%	0.00%	33.33%	0.00%	0.00%
Helped you succeed in the class.	2.00	2.00	33.33%	33.33%	33.33%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%
Was available and helpful outside of class.	2.33	2.00	33.33%	33.33%	0.00%	33.33%	0.00%	0.00%
Overall, this individual made a significant contribution to your learning.	1.67	2.00	33.33%	66.67%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%

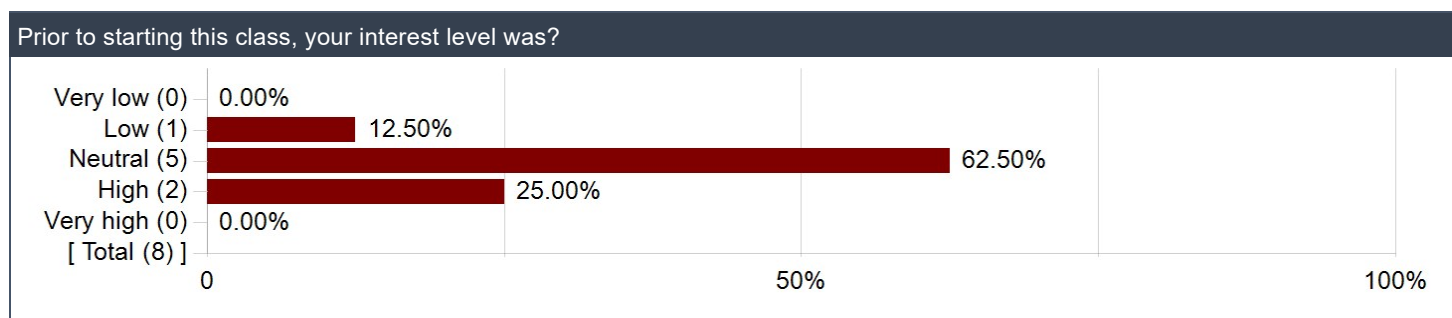
How much did the following elements of the course contribute to your learning gains?

	Mean	Median	No Gain	A Little Gain	Moderate Gain	Good Gain	Great Gain	N/A
Laboratory Experience	N/A	N/A	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	100.00%
Field Trips	4.33	5.00	0.00%	0.00%	20.00%	0.00%	40.00%	40.00%
Library Sessions	4.33	4.00	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	40.00%	20.00%	40.00%
Review Sessions	N/A	N/A	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	100.00%
Writing Seminars	1.33	1.00	83.33%	0.00%	16.67%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%

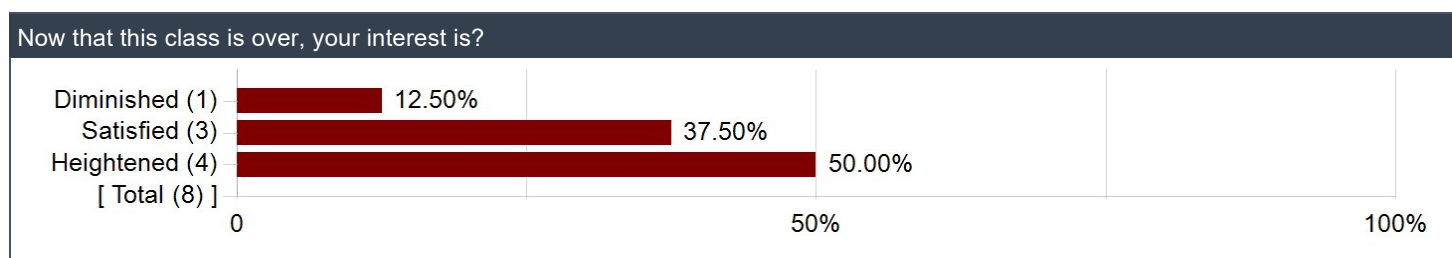
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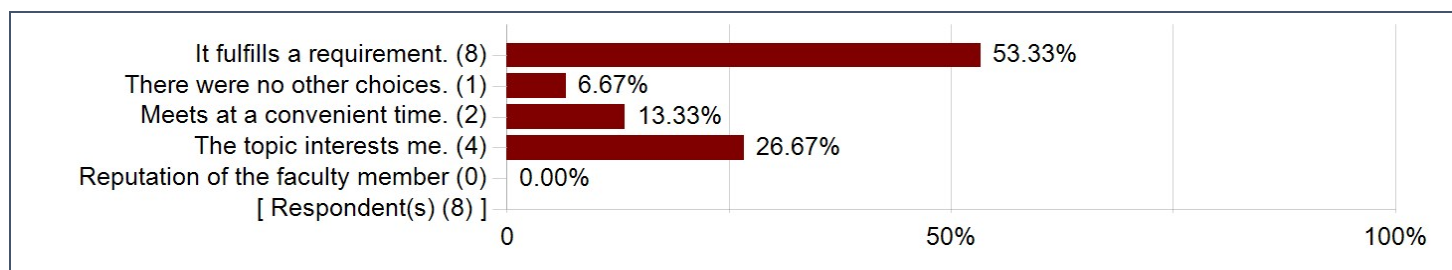
Prior to starting this class, your interest level was?



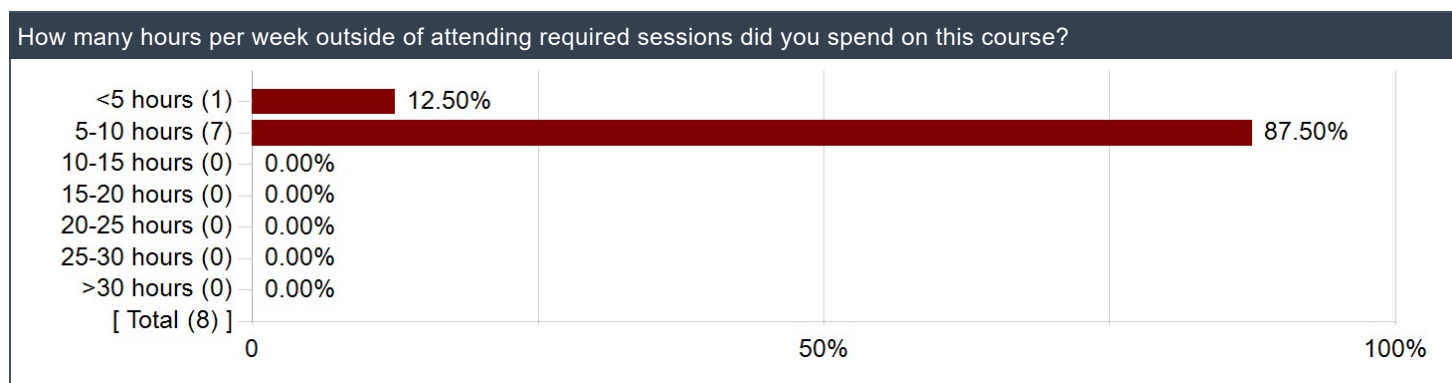
Now that this class is over, your interest is?



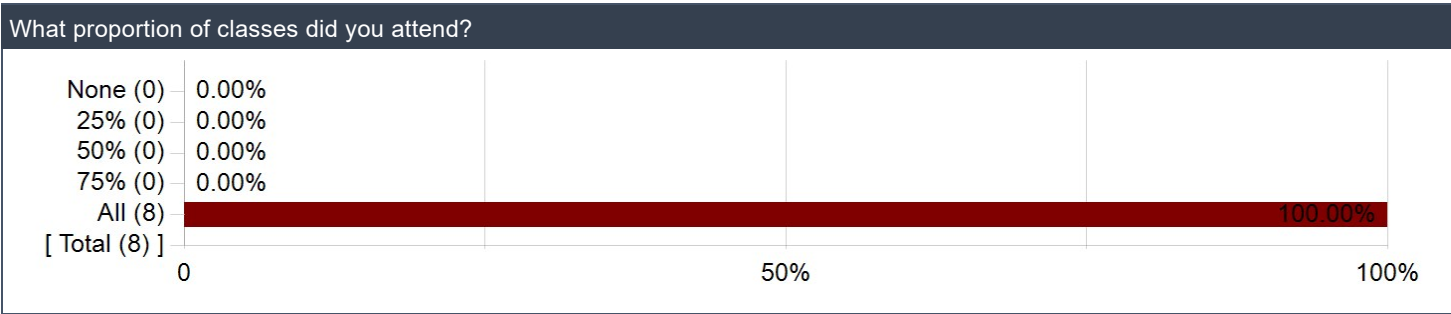
Why did you choose to take this course? (Select all that apply)



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
Normal level of difficulty
Fair amount of difficulty
About right
The class itself wasn't difficult, but I wasn't totally clear on what expectations were for assignments. The readings are very manageable.
not very difficult
More difficult than I had expected but still somewhat equivalent to a high-school AP English course. A lot more reading than I am used to.