



# SOSC 11500 8 - Power, Identity, Resistance II - Instructor(s): Phillip Henry

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

Number Enrolled: **19**

Number of Responses: **7**

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## 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
Different theories about the development and effects of capitalism (primarily Smith and Marx)
The class focused on political economy and readings having to do with this.
Economic systems and organization of political economy
Many interpretations of origins and implementations of capitalism and other systems of economic exchange
Learned about Smith, Marx, and Marcell Maus. Strengthened the ability to read complicated texts, and to make arguments about those texts.

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

Comments
Readings and class discussions are the primary learning tool for the class. Prof. Henry does a great job at guiding discussions and prompting answers from the class. Weekly student presentations and discussion posts also help summarize information from lengthy readings and provided alternative ways of thinking about the material.
Discussions were mostly interesting and helpful for understanding the material.
Lectures facilitated good discussions
Discussions were generally helpful and productive
Seminars and presentations were very helpful.

## Please respond to the following:

	Mean	Median	Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Neutral	Agree	Strongly Agree
This course challenged me intellectually.	4.17	4.00	0.00%	0.00%	16.67%	50.00%	33.33%
I understood the purpose of this course and what I was expected to gain from it.	4.00	4.00	0.00%	0.00%	16.67%	66.67%	16.67%
I understood the standards for success on assignments.	3.50	4.00	16.67%	0.00%	16.67%	50.00%	16.67%
Class time enhanced my ability to succeed in graded assignments.	3.83	4.00	16.67%	0.00%	0.00%	50.00%	33.33%
I received feedback on my performance that helped me improve my subsequent work.	3.83	4.00	16.67%	0.00%	0.00%	50.00%	33.33%
My work was evaluated fairly.	3.83	4.00	16.67%	0.00%	0.00%	50.00%	33.33%
I felt respected in this class.	4.17	4.00	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	83.33%	16.67%
Overall, this was an excellent course.	3.83	4.00	0.00%	16.67%	0.00%	66.67%	16.67%

## Additional comments about the course:

Comments
Material can feel repetitive at times but I think Prof Philip. is a great choice for Power
The instructor does not make goals for essays clear and feedback is regularly vague/unhelpful. The texts for the course itself are extremely interesting. If you have any interest in talking about systems of economic exchange and our freedom within these systems, you must take power.

## I would recommend this course to:

	No	Yes
Highly-motivated and well-prepared students	16.67%	83.33%
Anyone interested in the topic	16.67%	83.33%

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

Comments
Prof. Henry is an excellent discussion leader that does a great job of contextualizing and breaking down difficult to understand material.
professor henry is really nice and tries his best to explain everything in the readings bc sometimes the content was very difficult to grasp.
Understanding and skilled at leading discussion with motivating questions.
Comments and explanations in class helped a lot, as did context provided about authors. The reading assigned by Phillip was also very reasonable, especially given the sheer amount of content (Marx, Smith, etc)
Historical background – contextualizes the biases of the authors and makes it easier to reconcile all of the contrasting ideas
The teacher walked through the text well, and facilitated conversations about the major themes.

## What could the instructor modify to help you learn more?

Comments
N/A
i think having more opportunities for small group discussions would have been nice. sometimes it is nice to be able to talk to classmates about the reading and i felt like we didn't often have that opportunity in class.
Be more explicit about papers – give examples and more specific feedback

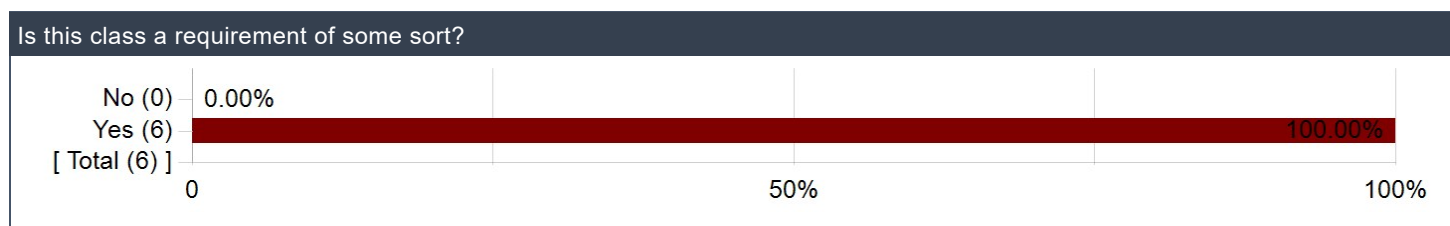
## The Instructor . . .

	Mean	Median	Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Neutral	Agree	Strongly Agree	N/A
Organized the course clearly.	4.67	5.00	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	33.33%	66.67%	0.00%
Presented lectures that enhanced your understanding.	4.00	4.00	0.00%	0.00%	33.33%	33.33%	33.33%	0.00%
Facilitated discussions that were engaging and useful.	4.17	4.00	0.00%	0.00%	16.67%	50.00%	33.33%	0.00%
Stimulated your interest in the core ideas of the course.	4.33	4.00	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	66.67%	33.33%	0.00%
Challenged you to learn.	4.17	4.00	0.00%	0.00%	16.67%	50.00%	33.33%	0.00%
Helped you gain significant learning from the course content.	3.83	4.00	0.00%	16.67%	0.00%	66.67%	16.67%	0.00%
Was available and helpful outside of class.	4.50	4.50	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	50.00%	50.00%	0.00%
Motivated you to think independently.	3.83	4.00	16.67%	0.00%	0.00%	50.00%	33.33%	0.00%
Worked to create an inclusive and welcoming learning environment.	4.40	4.00	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	50.00%	33.33%	16.67%
Overall, this instructor made a significant contribution to your learning.	4.00	4.00	0.00%	16.67%	0.00%	50.00%	33.33%	0.00%

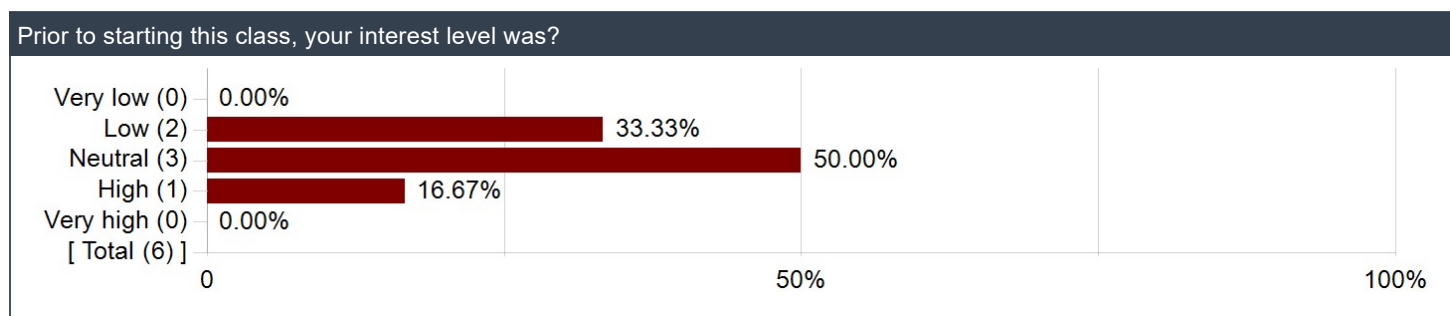
## How much did the following elements of the course contribute to your learning gains?

	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	N/A	N/A	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	100.00%
Library Sessions	N/A	N/A	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	100.00%
Review Sessions	N/A	N/A	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	100.00%
Writing Seminars	2.00	2.00	0.00%	100.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%

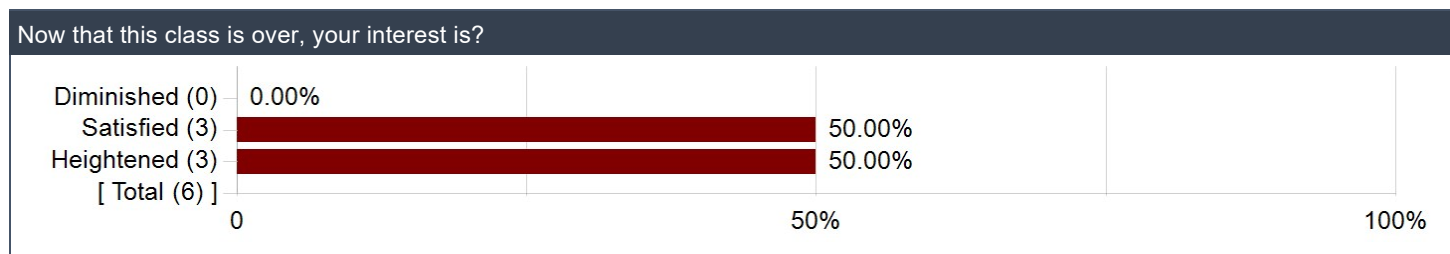
## Is this class a requirement of some sort?



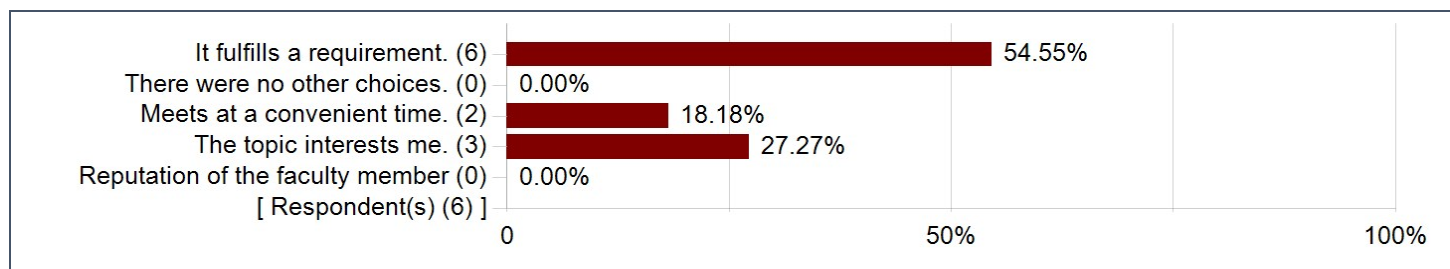
## Prior to starting this class, your interest level was?



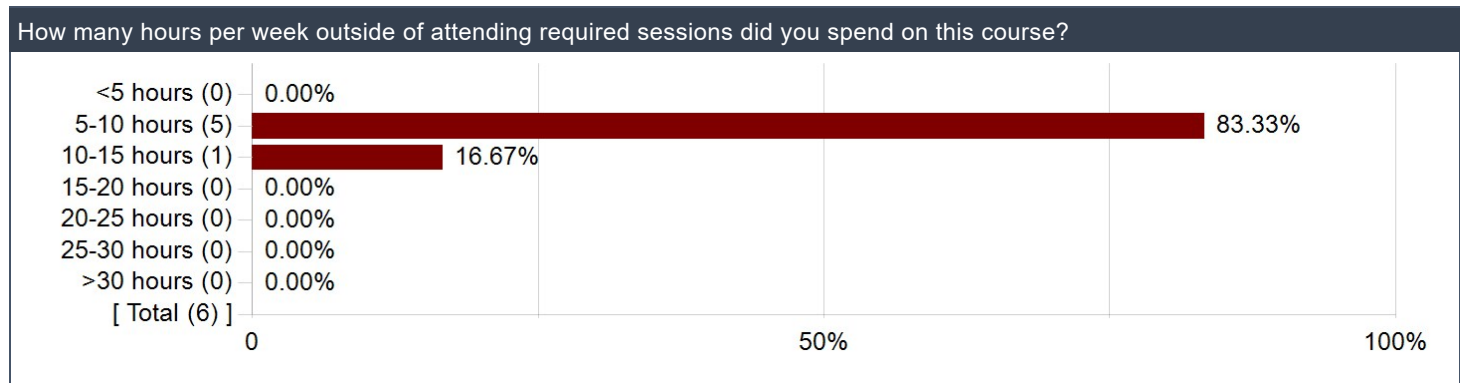
## Now that this class is over, your interest is?



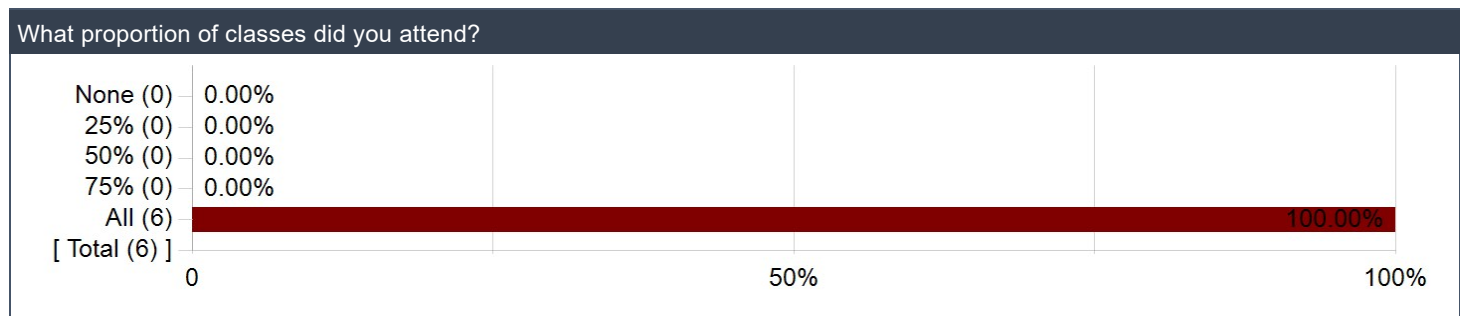
## Why did you choose to take this course? (Select all that apply)



## 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
Standard difficulty for PIR, but definitely heavy on the reading side
Reasonable difficulty – power is a lot of reading, but if you enjoy this kind of stuff, it won't feel hard
The class was not terrible, but there was definitely a lot of reading. Even if you don't get the readings the first time through, the instructor is very helpful in helping lead the students to a better understanding of the text.