



SOSC 12600 20 - Self, Culture, and Society III - Instructor(s) - Elizabeth Beal

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

Number Enrolled: **20**

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: **Thursday, July 11, 2024**

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

Comments
Reading, writing, etc.
the Anthropocene and its universality, the prominence of schizophrenia diagnoses among Black people reacting to racism, Orientalism, paradigms and paradigm shifts/what is progress
What a society is, how it impacts individuals, and why societies change.
I think generally Self taught me, and especially this quarter, that there are no easy or simple answers to any social questions. I enjoyed especially our critique of Western feminism with Kendall, Crenshaw, Mahmood, and other authors that I am forgetting.
how to analyze dense texts and write strong papers
History of science, structures of knowledge/power, intersectional feminism, theoretical approaches to climate change

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

Comments
Writing and in-class discussions were good.
Lectures and discussion were helpful, as well as responses to the readings and the papers. Office hours is also an excellent resource
Readings are great and Beal's mini-lectures and facilitation of discussion is also great.
Seminars are highly important to understanding the texts and the ideas presented in them. Discussing with Professor Beal and my classmates always greatly expanded my understanding of the content of the course in ways I was not expecting.
lectures, office hours, class discussions, writing advisor appointments
Really great discussions. We also did presentations every other class to connect the readings to contemporary topics, which was very fun!

Please respond to the following:

	Mean	Median	Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Neutral	Agree	Strongly Agree
This course challenged me intellectually.	4.71	5.00	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	28.57%	71.43%
I understood the purpose of this course and what I was expected to gain from it.	4.86	5.00	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	14.29%	85.71%
I understood the standards for success on assignments.	4.86	5.00	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	14.29%	85.71%
Class time enhanced my ability to succeed in graded assignments.	4.86	5.00	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	14.29%	85.71%
I received feedback on my performance that helped me improve my subsequent work.	4.86	5.00	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	14.29%	85.71%
My work was evaluated fairly.	4.86	5.00	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	14.29%	85.71%
I felt respected in this class.	4.86	5.00	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	14.29%	85.71%
Overall, this was an excellent course.	4.86	5.00	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	14.29%	85.71%

Additional comments about the course:

Comments
Great course.
Professor Beal is an excellent professor and I'm so happy I had her for the entire year
Really a good SOSC sequence with Beal. The topic is fascinating, the readings are transformative, and the class/teacher are great.
this course was my absolute favorite course at UChicago, Prof Beal is the best person to have taught this class.

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
Super knowledgeable, tons of experience teaching the course. In-class discussions especially were really helpful.
Lectures, assignments
Class discussions, 1 on 1 meetings to discuss midterm and final essay outlines
Facilitating discussions and making points in response to what students say
Professor Beal was always seemingly excited about the material and the ideas we proposed in class. Her attitude and excellent ability to guide conversations in a productive way made participating in class so interesting and exciting.
professor Beal's discussions and probing questions, her help with brainstorming for assignments.
Professor Beal is extremely kind and so knowledgeable about all of the texts. I think she is great at asking questions in discussion and elaborating on students' points without taking over the conversation – she is just the best!!!

What could the instructor modify to help you learn more?

Comments
IDK make the reading more enjoyable?
Nothing
Nothing really
Nothing. I genuinely loved the class and how it functioned. I am sad to be finished with Professor Beal's class.
the only thing i'd suggest is distributing midterm and final prompts very early on because it helps you plan in advance when you're reading the text for the first time, but that isn't that important because the current timeline gives you plenty of time to go through readings again.
N/A

The Instructor . . .

	Mean	Median	Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Neutral	Agree	Strongly Agree	N/A
Organized the course clearly.	4.86	5.00	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	14.29%	85.71%	0.00%
Presented lectures that enhanced your understanding.	4.86	5.00	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	14.29%	85.71%	0.00%
Facilitated discussions that were engaging and useful.	4.86	5.00	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	14.29%	85.71%	0.00%
Stimulated your interest in the core ideas of the course.	4.86	5.00	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	14.29%	85.71%	0.00%
Challenged you to learn.	4.86	5.00	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	14.29%	85.71%	0.00%
Helped you gain significant learning from the course content.	4.86	5.00	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	14.29%	85.71%	0.00%
Was available and helpful outside of class.	4.86	5.00	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	14.29%	85.71%	0.00%
Motivated you to think independently.	4.86	5.00	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	14.29%	85.71%	0.00%
Worked to create an inclusive and welcoming learning environment.	4.86	5.00	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	14.29%	85.71%	0.00%
Overall, this instructor made a significant contribution to your learning.	4.86	5.00	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	14.29%	85.71%	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.

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The TA/CA or Intern. . .

	Mean	Median	Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Neutral	Agree	Strongly Agree	N/A
Facilitated discussions that supported your learning.	5.00	5.00	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	100.00%	0.00%
Gave you useful feedback on your work.	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 class.	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 succeed in the class.	5.00	5.00	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	100.00%	0.00%
Was available and helpful outside of class.	5.00	5.00	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	100.00%	0.00%
Overall, this individual made a significant contribution to your learning.	5.00	5.00	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	100.00%	0.00%

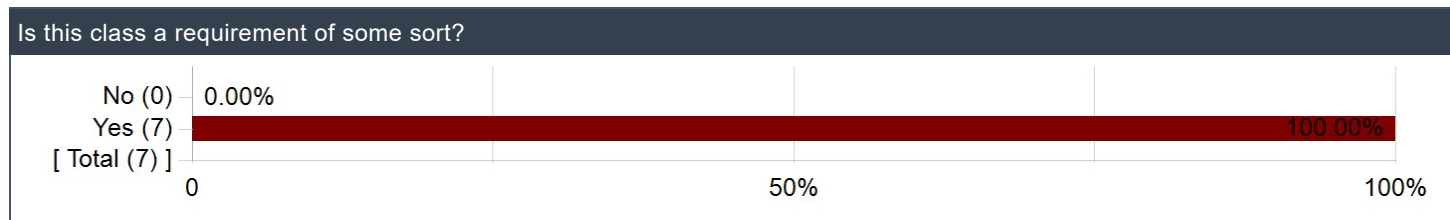
How much did the following elements of the course contribute to your learning gains?

	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	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	3.60	5.00	20.00%	20.00%	0.00%	0.00%	60.00%	0.00%

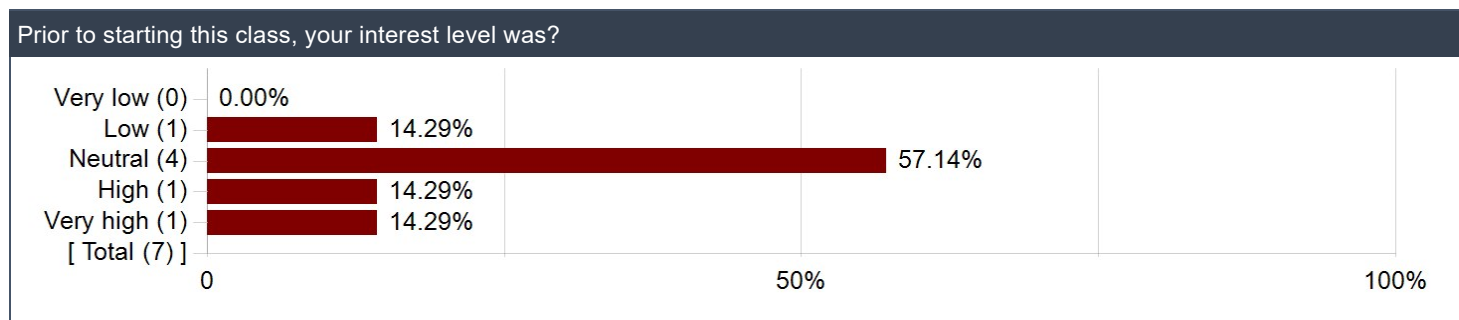
Other course elements not mentioned above:

Comments
Nah

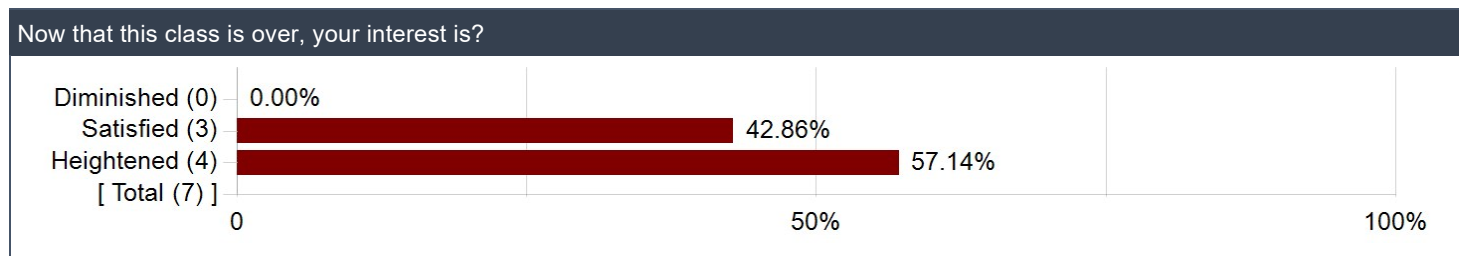
Is this class a requirement of some sort?



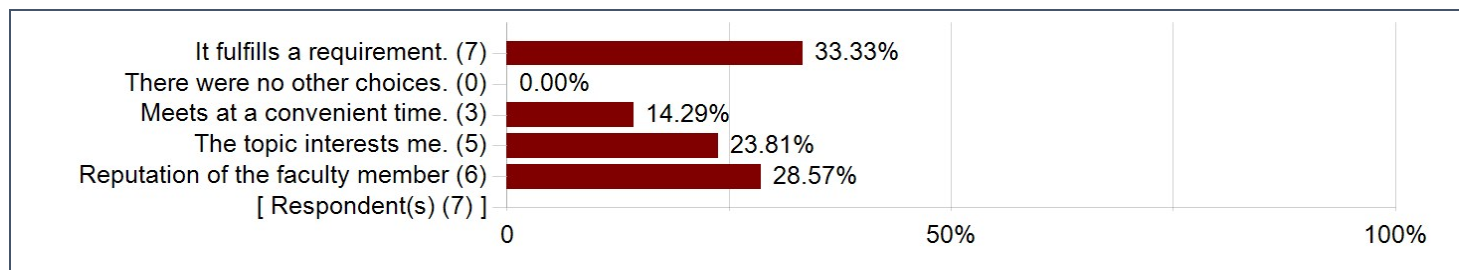
Prior to starting this class, your interest level was?



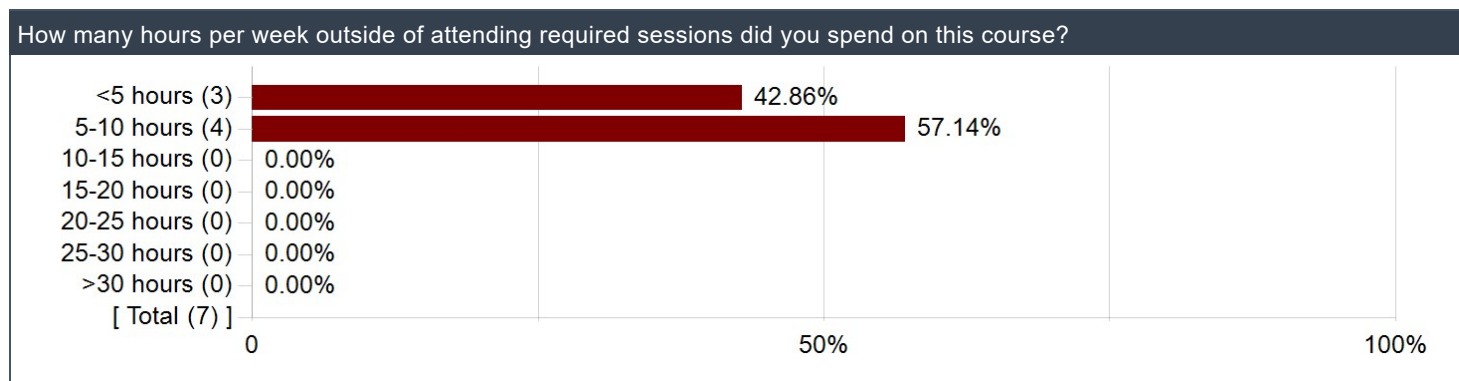
Now that this class is over, your interest is?



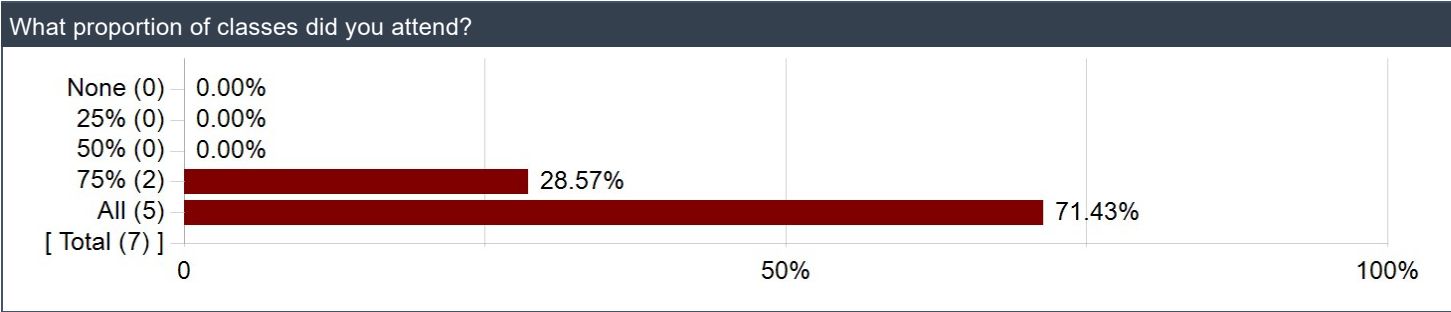
Why did you choose to take this course? (Select all that apply)



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
Pretty easy, decent amount of writing experience
A lot of work/assignments and reading, but not too bad
Completely doable.
it was not difficult at all
Not very difficult if you've taken the other two quarters of Self