



# PERS 20102 1, PERS 20102 1 - Intermediate Persian II - Instructor(s): Pouneh Shabani-Jadidi

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

Number Enrolled: **10**

Number of Responses: **6**

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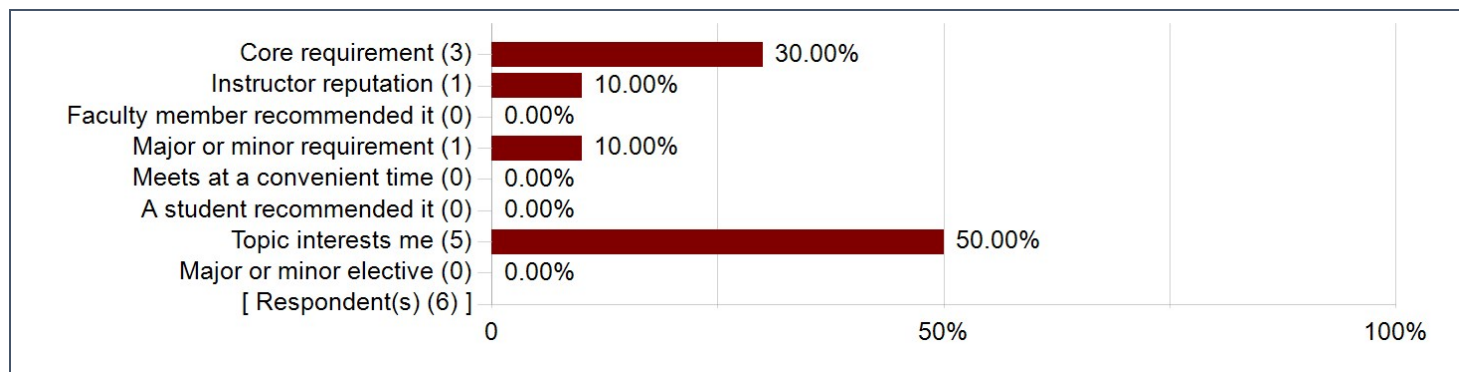
## Report Comments

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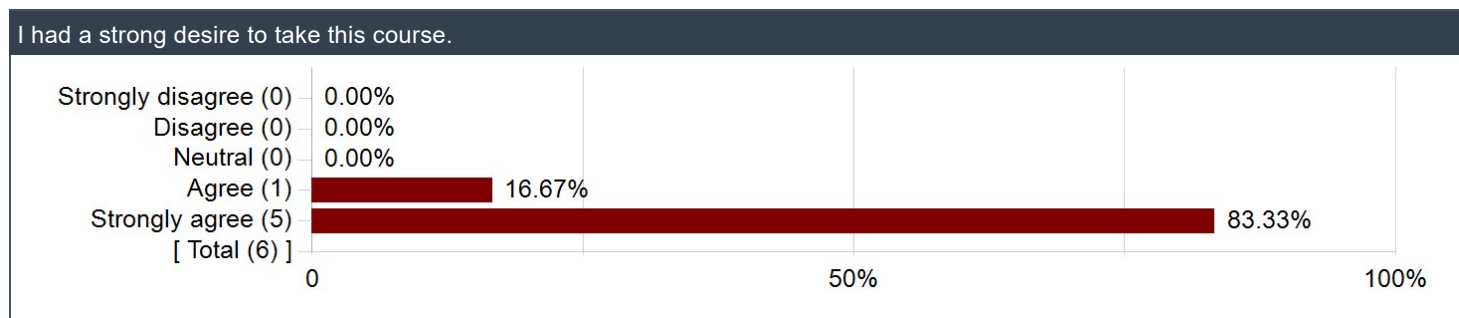
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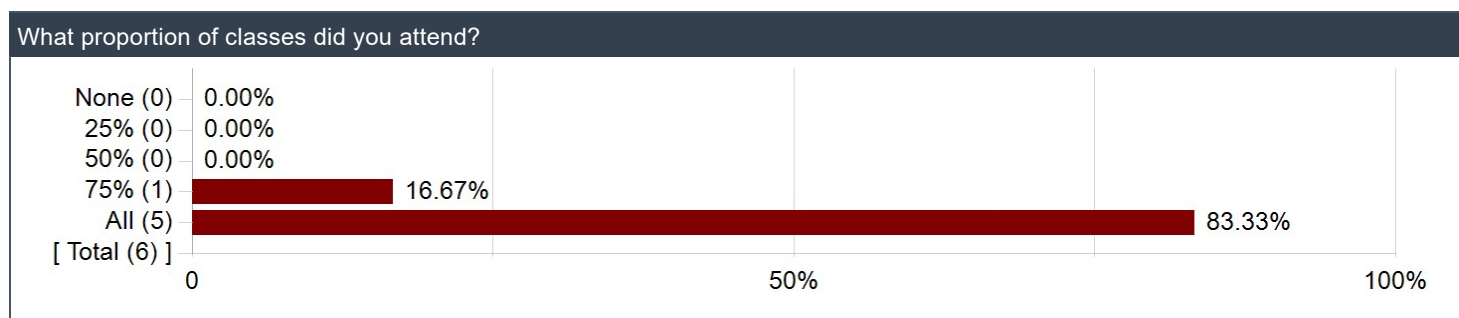
### Why did you choose to take this course? (Select all that apply)



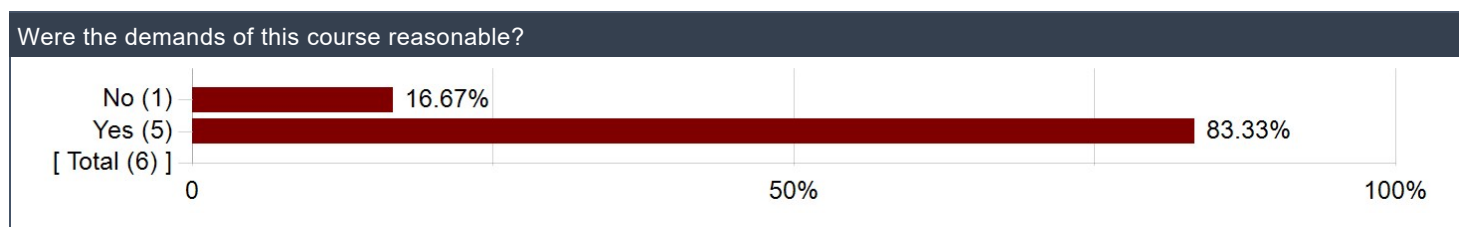
### I had a strong desire to take this course.



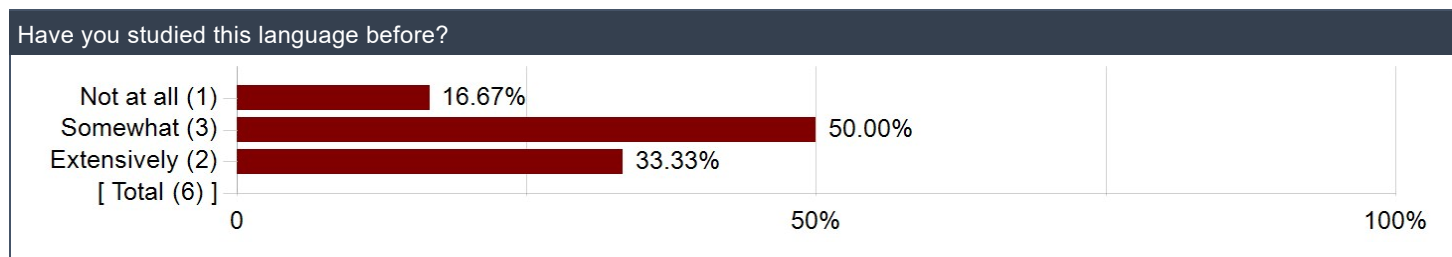
### What proportion of classes did you attend?



### Were the demands of this course reasonable?



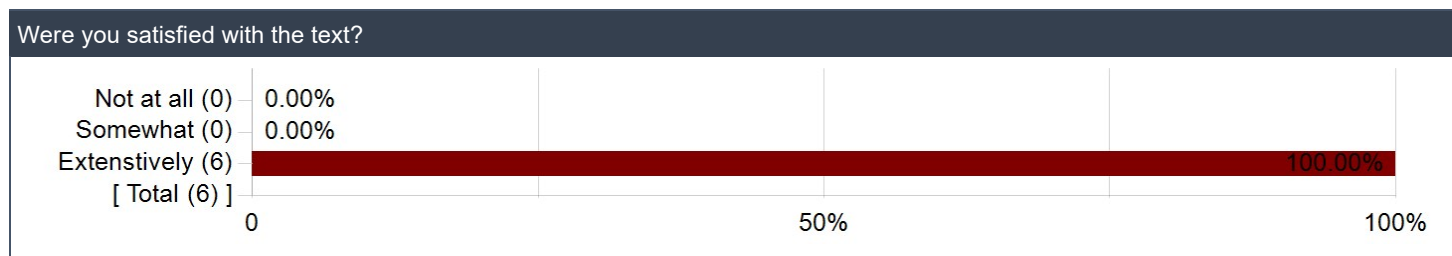
## Have you studied this language before?



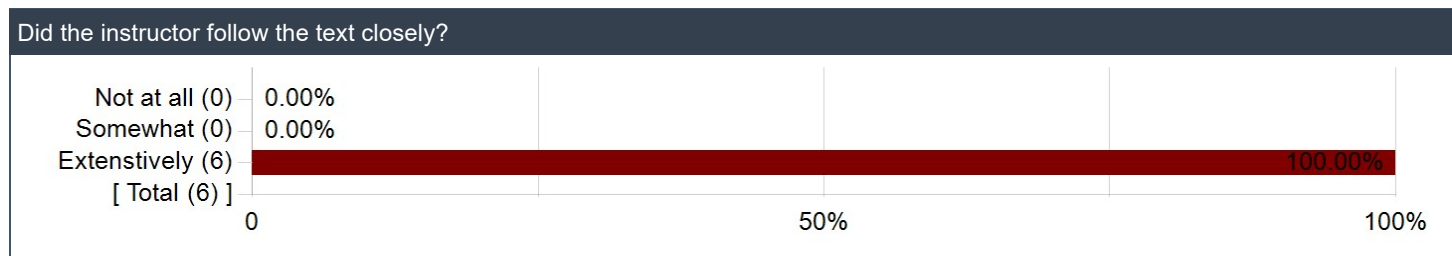
## Rate the extent to which different aspects of the language were stressed:

	Mean	Median	Not At All	A Little	Some	A Lot	Extremely	Vigorously
Speaking	5.50	6.00	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	16.67%	16.67%	66.67%
Spelling	5.50	6.00	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	16.67%	16.67%	66.67%
Reading	5.33	5.50	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	16.67%	33.33%	50.00%
Writing	5.50	6.00	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	16.67%	16.67%	66.67%
Grammar	5.33	5.50	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	16.67%	33.33%	50.00%
Vocabulary	5.17	5.50	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	33.33%	16.67%	50.00%

## Were you satisfied with the text?



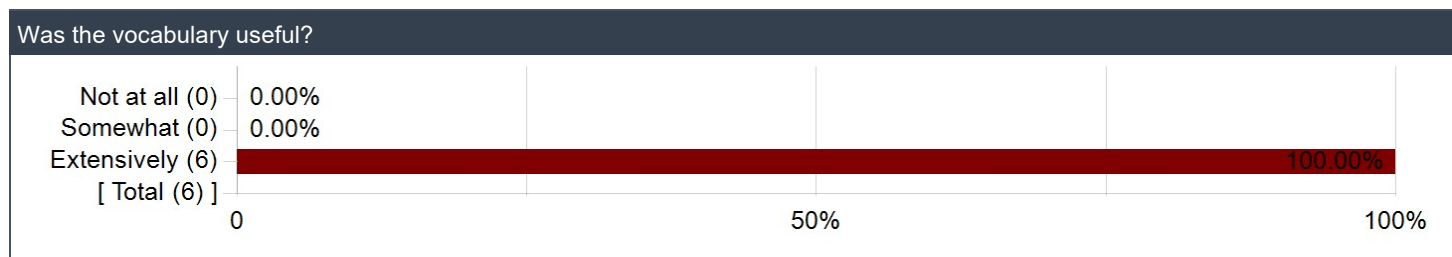
## Did the instructor follow the text closely?



## Explain:

Comments
We used the text each day in class. Homework was from the text, too.

## Was the vocabulary useful?

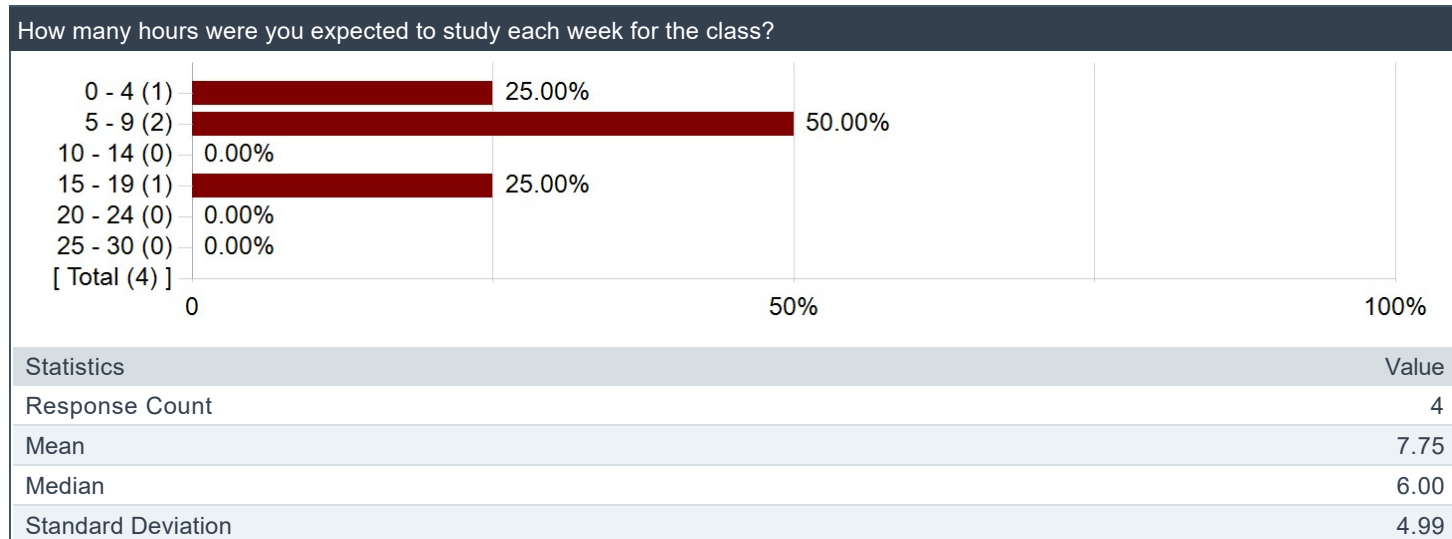


## Why?

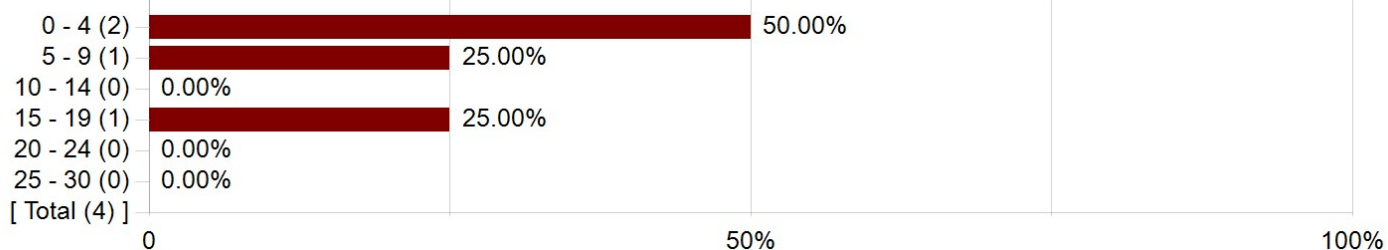
Comments
The vocab in the units we covered went over real world issues which was helpful and expanded my ability to speak about a range of topics
The vocab was activated through reading passages in the text. Coupled with the audio files available with the textbook, we all have everything we need to succeed. There are so many resources available to us that I think it's unlikely for any but the most diligent student to maximize their use of such resources! I certainly aspire to make better use of it all...

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

Comments
the format was helpful – going over the vocab to the readings in the textbook help with both comprehension and memorizing vocab.
Dynamic multifaceted format; Prof Shabani–Jadidi makes very good use of time. Sometimes I am struck how many things we accomplish in a single hour and how many approaches to Persian language and culture we deal with.

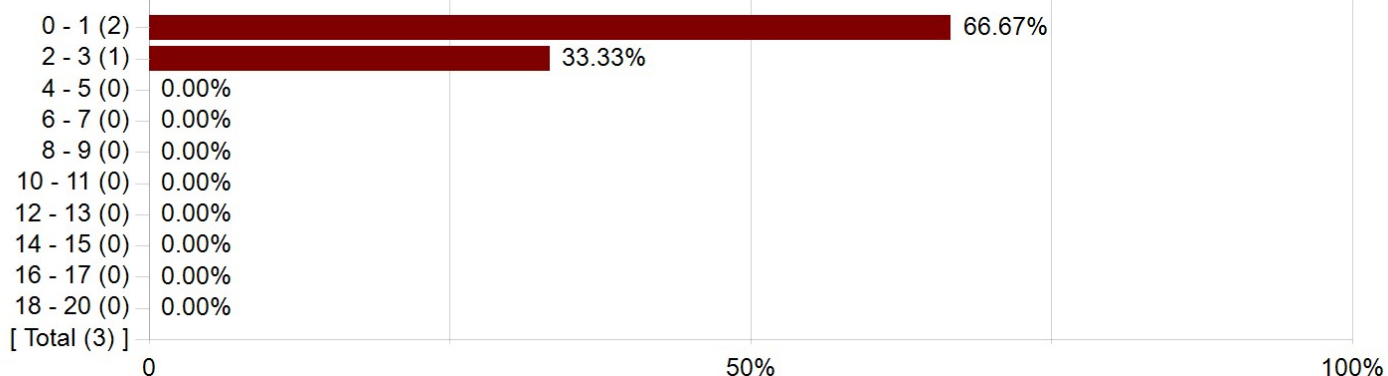


### How many hours did you spend?



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Response Count	4
Mean	7.00
Median	4.50
Standard Deviation	5.35

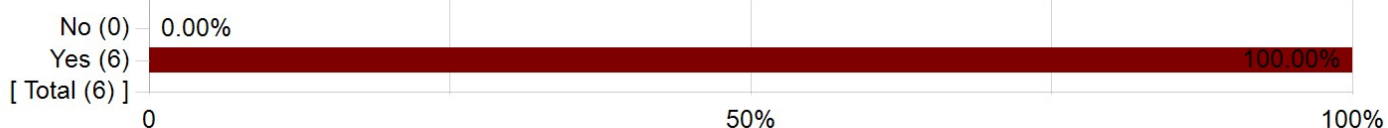
### How many written quizzes were given?



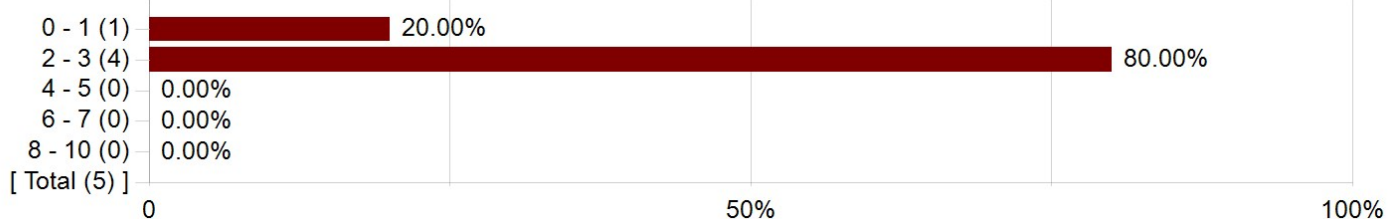
Statistics	Value
Response Count	3
Mean	1.00
Median	1.00
Standard Deviation	1.00

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

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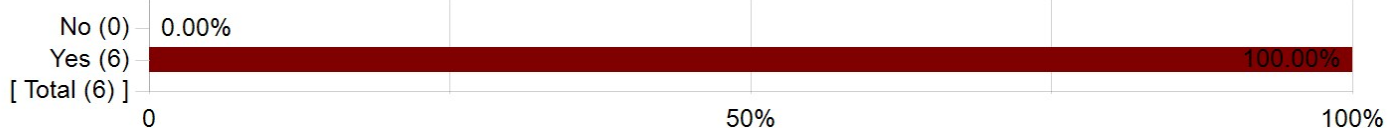
### How many oral exams were given?



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Response Count	5
Mean	1.80
Median	2.00
Standard Deviation	0.45

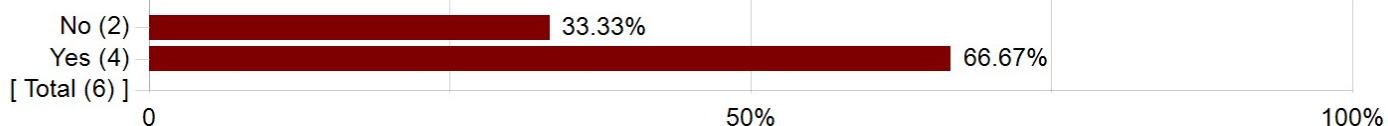
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### Were the oral exams challenging?

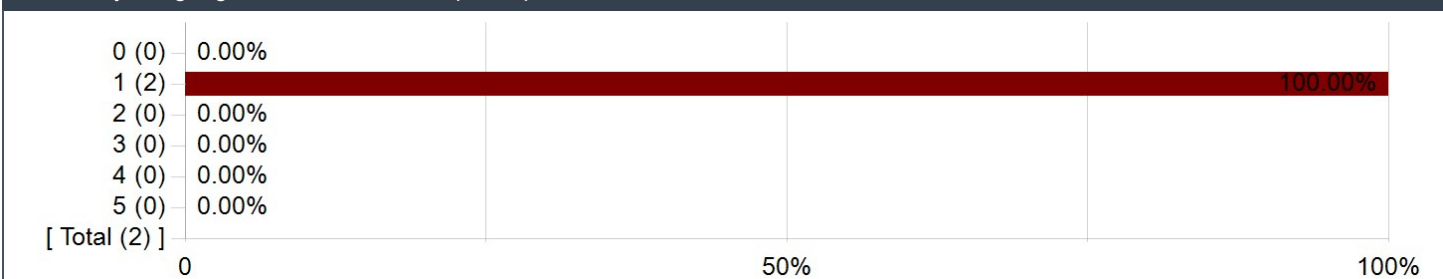
#### Were the oral exams challenging?



### Why? Please be specific.

Comments
The orals were challenging since we did not know the topic beforehand, but the exam itself felt relaxed so it is a good challenge because it makes us think quickly about a topic but I felt prepared to take it
The questions were challenging enough, but not so challenging as to be overwhelming. What I found trickiest was doing research in preparation for the speaking assignments each Sunday. Usually I needed to read up on a subject a bit before speaking on it (e.g., exports and imports of my country)

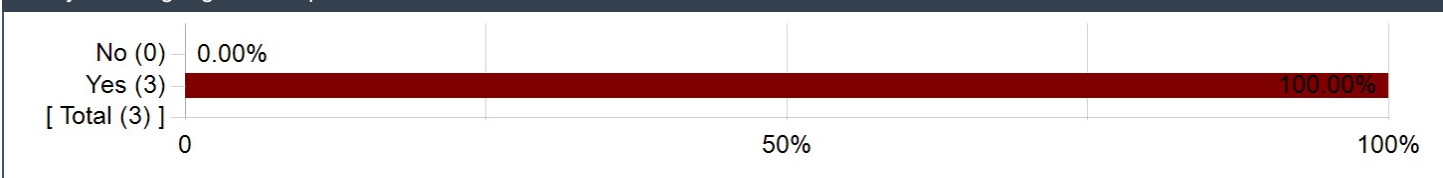
### How many Language Lab hours were required per week?



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Response Count	2
Mean	1.00
Median	1.00
Standard Deviation	0.00

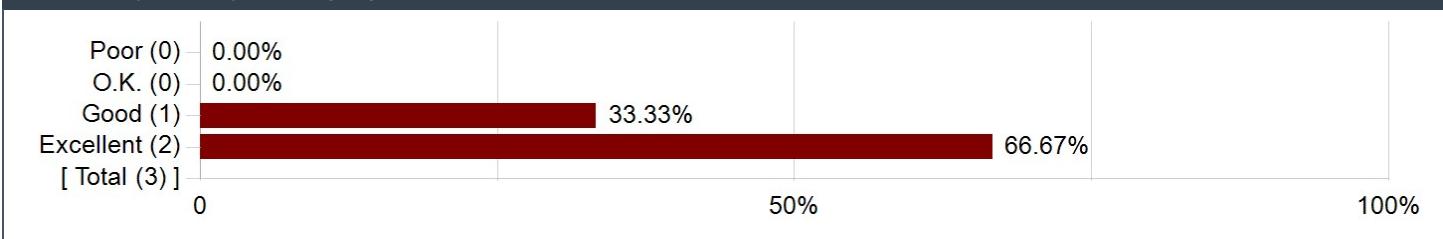
### Was your Language Lab experience useful?

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### How would you rate your Language Lab experience?

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### Why? Please be specific

#### Comments

Leila was very flexible in addressing whatever I wanted to; so, mainly, poetry and vocab.

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

#### Comments

Foreign Films, Persian Circle

though not required, the films and persian circles are very helpful for comprehension and I feel my comprehension improving from last year because of them.

Natakallam: Great as always

Not required, but Persian Circle and films. These were good, though I didn't always understand as much as I wished.

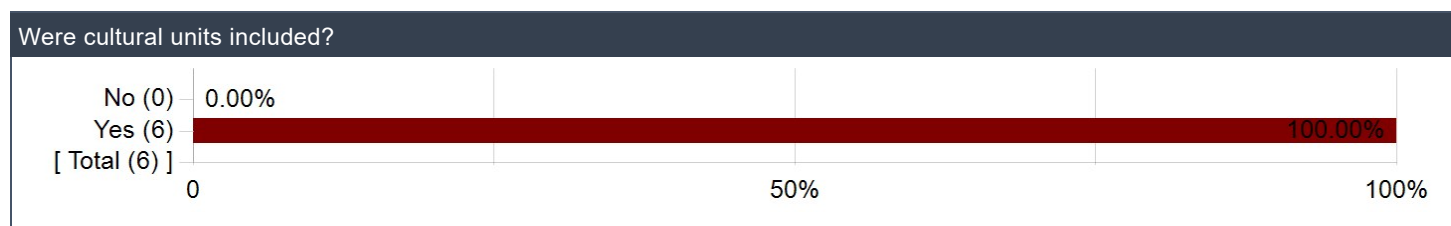
## Was your instructor organized?

Mean	Median	Very Unorganized	Somewhat Unorganized	Fairly Organized	Somewhat Organized	Very Organized
5.00	5.00	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	100.00%

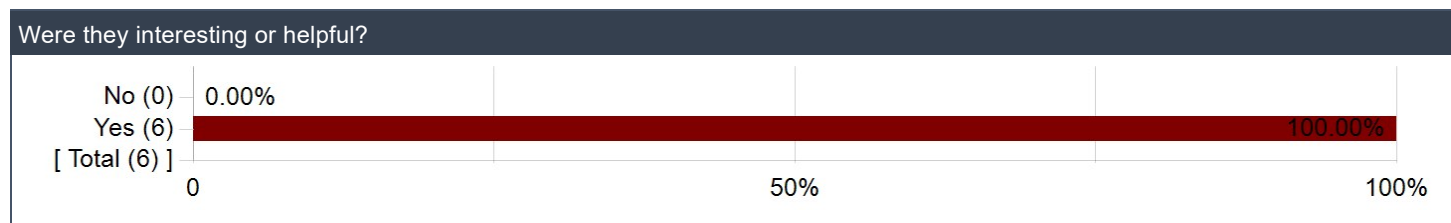
## Explain

Comments
Great at pacing. Always prepared for class down to the minute. Always there early. Syllabus and Canva set up well ahead of time.
Extremely organized, and so responsive to emails. I aspire to one day be half as organized as her. Somehow she never ever seems stressed despite being prolific and very involved in organizing different lectures, job talks, language circles, etc... Aside from her pedagogical ingenuity, it really bears mentioning how Prof Shabani–Jadidi is so friendly and welcoming all the time! In my opinion, NELC should do whatever possible to retain her on a permanent basis. The only other professor who struck me as being this effective was Prof Qutbuddin!

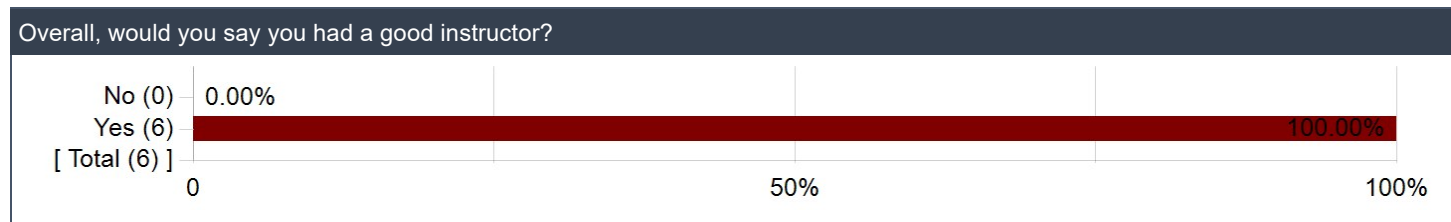
## Were cultural units included?



## Were they interesting or helpful?



## Overall, would you say you had a good instructor?

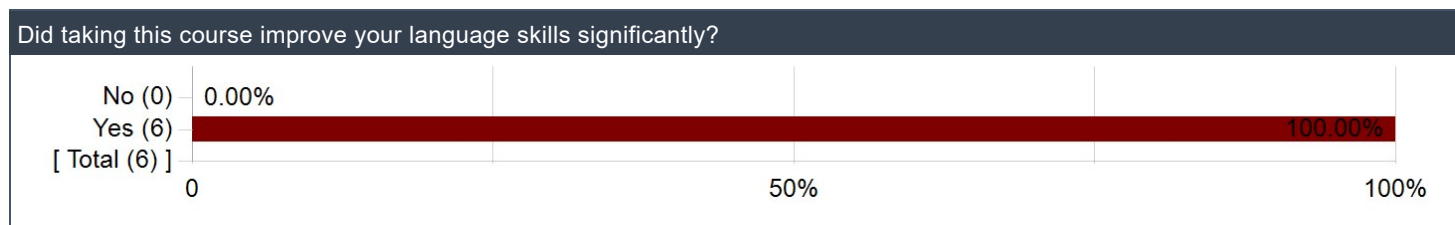


## Why?

Comments
Very experienced. Cares a lot about the students. Provides detailed feedback on homework and assignments. Is very accommodating.
See above; very top-notch instructor



## Did taking this course improve your language skills significantly?



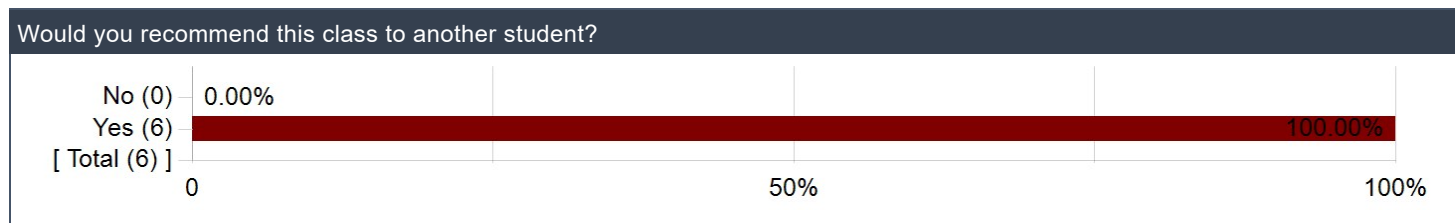
## In what way?

Comments
My writing skills are improving a lot more because of the diary entries and I am picking up my mistakes more. I also really like that we summarize information from an author or writer in class because that helps my speaking a lot.
Not until this quarter did I begin to feel a degree of flexibility in generating written and spoken Persian

## How would you improve this course?

Comments
maybe learning more differences between classical and modern persian – i really liked that component when we covered it in class and wanted to know more; otherwise i think this class was excellent
Classical Persian should be introduced a bit earlier.
n/a. If the instructor decided to be more strict about due dates for things, I think I could adapt. Though I have really appreciated her flexibility / leniency in giving us a week grace period on homework. It could be interesting to be put to the test in a more strict way in class, like having quizzes in which there's a right or wrong answer... But we already do so much in class, and I am very happy with the current format. I like how the professor calls on everyone to ensure we all are engaged.

## Would you recommend this class to another student?



## Why?

Comments
to learn persian properly i don't think there is a textbook better than the ones we are using and the amount we are able to cover in just a few weeks is incredible at improving our language skills.
Class is always very pleasant and enriching experience. It's pretty challenging.