



# HUMA 12300 15 - Human Being and Citizen I - Instructor(s): Benjamin Jeffery

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

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
How to contribute meaningfully to discussions
How to read deeper and analyze texts that are initially complicated
I learned a lot close-reading texts and creating connections to topics such as love (The Symposium and Antigone) and human nature/mortality (The Epic of Gilgamesh and The Iliad).
I learned how to think critically about different texts.
I learned how to analyze texts and build connections between different works of literature.
I learned how to construct good essays and analyze texts a lot better.

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

Comments
The discussions helped me understand my readings more in depth.
The majority of the assignments were outside reading which helped for in class discussion
The discussions were extremely helpful in extending points. The writing seminar was also extremely helpful in regards to clarifying my points and organizing them better.
The assignments and writing seminars were really important because it helped to improve my writing and thinking ability.
The essays and assignments due in this class helped me learn how to construct essays and arguments. I learned different strategies on how to structure my essays and use evidence to support my claim through analysis and reasoning of the text.
The writing seminars were quite helpful. The in-class discussions were usually pretty interesting, as well.

## 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.	4.17	4.00	0.00%	0.00%	16.67%	50.00%	33.33%
I understood the standards for success on assignments.	3.83	4.50	16.67%	0.00%	16.67%	16.67%	50.00%
Class time enhanced my ability to succeed in graded assignments.	4.00	4.00	0.00%	16.67%	0.00%	50.00%	33.33%
I received feedback on my performance that helped me improve my subsequent work.	4.67	5.00	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	33.33%	66.67%
My work was evaluated fairly.	4.50	4.50	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	50.00%	50.00%
I felt respected in this class.	4.67	5.00	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	33.33%	66.67%
Overall, this was an excellent course.	4.33	4.50	0.00%	0.00%	16.67%	33.33%	50.00%

## Additional comments about the course:

Comments
N/A
This course helped me think deeply about different texts and how they relate to one another.

## 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
Professor Jeffrey led discussions with interesting topics.
The guided questions for discussion or the background context
I greatly appreciated the how we went section by section in the text because it allowed the epiphanies generated in class to not only grow more but also make more connections across the whole text and past texts as well.
The discussions helped me a lot to understand the various literary arguments of the text.
My instructor was excellent at closely listening to my ideas and those of my peers about the texts we read. He helped us build our ideas and understandings of the texts.
I enjoyed the open-ended discussion.

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

Comments
He could let the class spend more time on topics that a lot of students were interested in.
I often felt we didn't discuss the whole book and sometimes we would be jumping back and forth throughout the book instead of chronologically.
N/A
One thing that may have been helpful is briefly discussing the assignments in class to provide more background on what is expected for the essays.
The discussions could have been guided just a little better, as sometimes they would veer off course, such as with the armor discussion when discussing the Iliad.

## The Instructor . . .

	Mean	Median	Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Neutral	Agree	Strongly Agree	N/A
Organized the course clearly.	4.33	4.00	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	66.67%	33.33%	0.00%
Presented lectures that enhanced your understanding.	4.20	4.00	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	66.67%	16.67%	16.67%
Facilitated discussions that were engaging and useful.	4.40	5.00	0.00%	0.00%	20.00%	20.00%	60.00%	0.00%
Stimulated your interest in the core ideas of the course.	4.17	4.50	0.00%	16.67%	0.00%	33.33%	50.00%	0.00%
Challenged you to learn.	4.33	4.50	0.00%	0.00%	16.67%	33.33%	50.00%	0.00%
Helped you gain significant learning from the course content.	4.33	4.50	0.00%	0.00%	16.67%	33.33%	50.00%	0.00%
Was available and helpful outside of class.	4.50	4.50	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	33.33%	33.33%	33.33%
Motivated you to think independently.	4.17	4.50	0.00%	16.67%	0.00%	33.33%	50.00%	0.00%
Worked to create an inclusive and welcoming learning environment.	4.33	4.50	0.00%	0.00%	16.67%	33.33%	50.00%	0.00%
Overall, this instructor made a significant contribution to your learning.	4.33	4.50	0.00%	0.00%	16.67%	33.33%	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
The TA, Thomas Sawyer, ran writing seminars quite efficiently and effectively.

### 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%

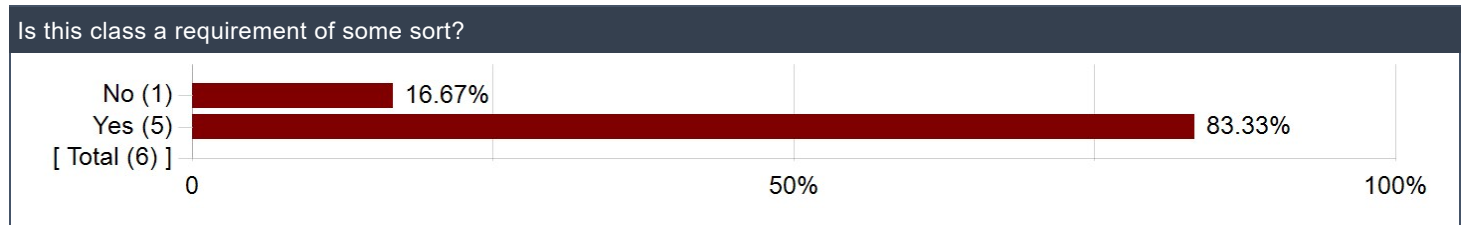
### How much did the following elements of the course contribute to your learning gains?

	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	3.83	4.00	16.67%	0.00%	0.00%	50.00%	33.33%	0.00%

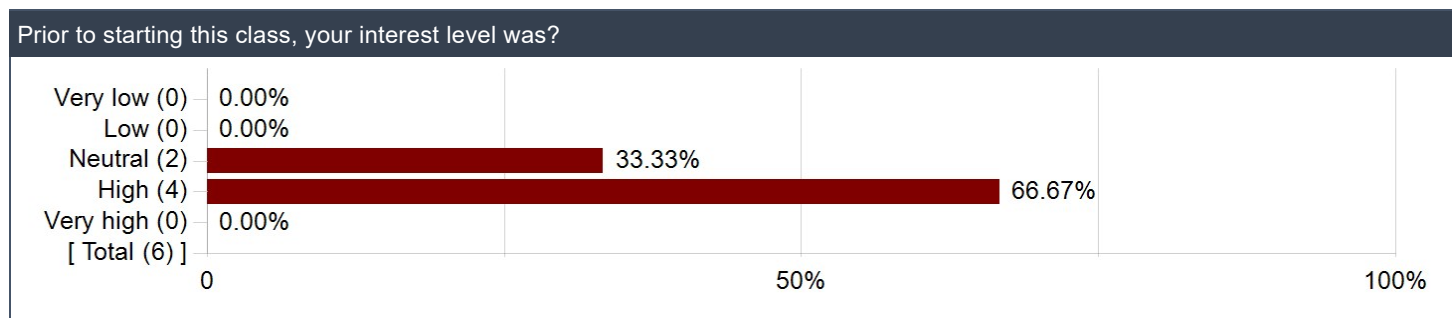
### Other course elements not mentioned above:

Comments
N/A
N/A

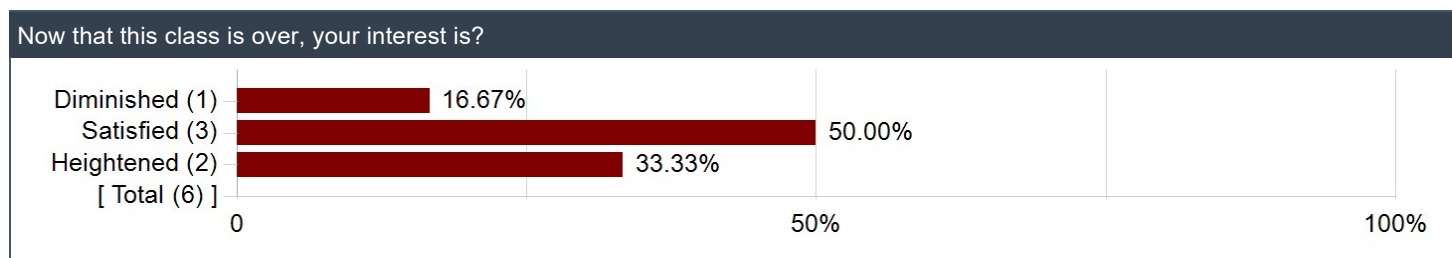
### Is this class a requirement of some sort?



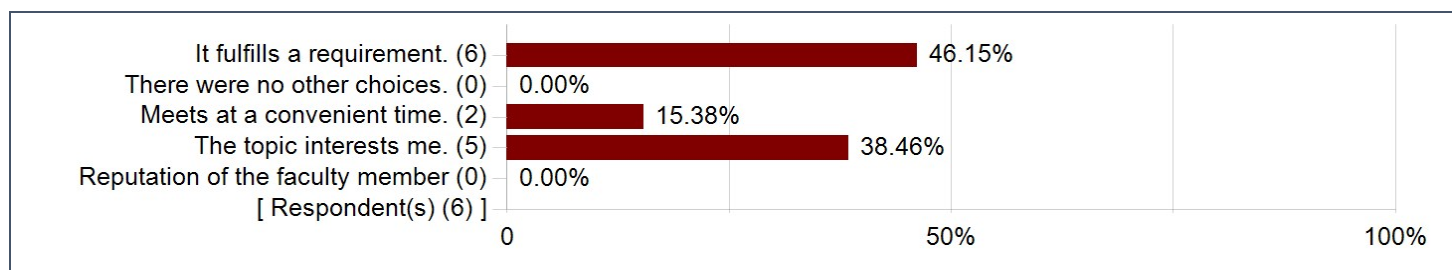
## Prior to starting this class, your interest level was?



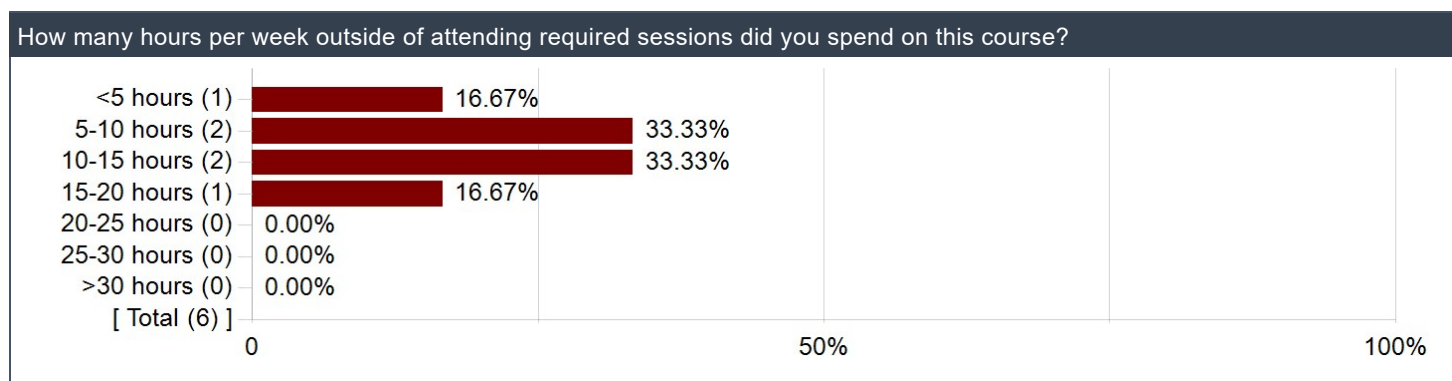
## Now that this class is over, your interest is?



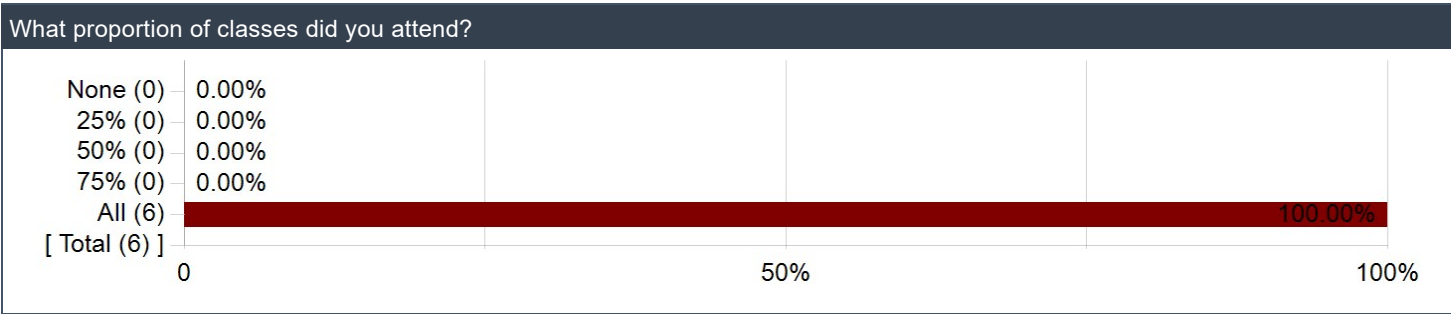
## Why did you choose to take this course? (Select all that apply)



## 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
Essays were difficult even though I took AP Lang and AP lit in hs, but discussions were easy and fairly standard.
A lot of people in my class had previously read most of the content or had background knowledge of some sort, so in class discussion very challenging to keep up with.
The class is not difficult as long as you have a fundamental understanding of the readings. There is always at least two interesting points one could take away from the reading and although classmates may have the same points during discussion, the discussion part definitely helps "feed" those points more and it's just a helpful experience for everyone. In this section, there were not many essays but the quality of writing must be pretty good.
Coming from ap lit and ap lang, the course definitely taught me to think more critically about claims and evidence.
I felt this course was taught at a good difficulty level. I challenged me to think critically and evaluate the texts we were reading outside of class.
The course was a moderate difficulty.