

# SOSC 16300 10 - Global Society III - Instructor(s) - Stephen Buono

Project Title: College Course Feedback - Spring 2024

Number Enrolled: 19
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.

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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

Writing a research question

I learned how to improve my writing better in the context of formal writing for a research paper.

How to write a research paper + how to write

I learned how to narrow down ideas into a research question.

Third quarter – learned how to write a research paper. It was actually more complicated and time consuming than I thought, but I was very happy to have done it.

How to write a research paper, including how to conduct research, how to organize a paper and how to be a better writer

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

#### Comments

Workshops and lectures

The discussions and lectures we would have were mainly in order to help us with outlining and understanding aspects of writing a research paper. The assignments consisted of only the main portions of our research paper which I found helpful to keep us on track and also help us in the end where we would only really have to edit the entire research paper about a week or so before it is due.

Discussions + workshops were helpful

One on one meetings helped the most.

Lectures were useful (although there were not a lot this quarter). It was nice to see my classmates and discuss our projects (brainstorming, troubleshooting, or commiserating together).

The discussion was very helpful, being able to bounce ideas off others and receive feedback

# Please respond to the following:

	Mean	Median	Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Neutral	Agree	Strongly Agree
This course challenged me intellectually.	4.29	4.00	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	71.43%	28.57%
I understood the purpose of this course and what I was expected to gain from it.	4.57	5.00	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	42.86%	57.14%
I understood the standards for success on assignments.	4.43	5.00	0.00%	0.00%	14.29%	28.57%	57.14%
Class time enhanced my ability to succeed in graded assignments.	4.29	5.00	0.00%	14.29%	0.00%	28.57%	57.14%
I received feedback on my performance that helped me improve my subsequent work.	4.71	5.00	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	28.57%	71.43%
My work was evaluated fairly.	4.43	5.00	0.00%	14.29%	0.00%	14.29%	71.43%
I felt respected in this class.	4.43	5.00	0.00%	14.29%	0.00%	14.29%	71.43%
Overall, this was an excellent course.	4.71	5.00	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	28.57%	71.43%

#### Additional comments about the course:

#### Comments

Amazing professor

N/A

Really loved this course (and this sequence). Professor Buono did an amazing job with keeping students engaged, and structuring every class really well.

Buono is a great professor who clearly cares about his students. Highly recommended.

The research paper felt a bit disconnected from the first quarter of the sequence

#### I would recommend this course to:

	No	Yes
Highly-motivated and well-prepared students	0.00%	100.00%
Anyone interested in the topic	14.29%	85.71%

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

#### Comments

Eagerness to help students succeed

Professor Buono gave back great feedback that helped with the process of writing the research paper throughout the quarter and was almost always available via email, Zoom, office hours, or after class.

He was very engaging and very knowledgeable on the readings and on the topics we discussed. Overall in the Global Society sequence, these were some of my favorite classes I've ever taken... he always worked so hard on workshops we did on Wednesdays and kept discussions interesting on Mondays, and in winter quarter he made the projects very fun. I felt like I really learned a lot in this sequence, which I didn't expect to; and I really appreciated how much time and effort he put into each class

Lectures/discussions and class activities were very useful. Also the feedback on written work was detailed and positively critical.

Professor Buono's experience in writing research papers and his ability to translate that experience into practical advice

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

#### Comments

Nothing

N/A

Nothing really

Maybe clarify the requirements for each paper–subsection a little more.

More peer work, students reviewing each other's writing and such.

### 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.	4.71	5.00	0.00%	0.00%	14.29%	0.00%	85.71%	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%
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.	4.71	5.00	0.00%	0.00%	14.29%	0.00%	85.71%	0.00%
Overall, this instructor made a significant contribution to your learning.	4.71	5.00	0.00%	0.00%	14.29%	0.00%	85.71%	0.00%

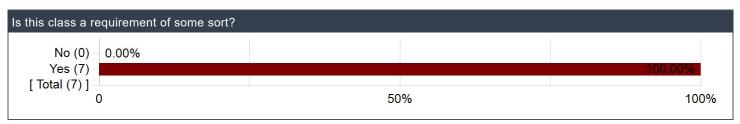
## How much did the following elements of the course contribute to your learning gains?

	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	4.00	4.00	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	100.00%	0.00%	0.00%
Library Sessions	4.00	4.00	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	100.00%	0.00%	0.00%
Review Sessions	N/A	N/A	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	100.00%
Writing Seminars	N/A	N/A	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	100.00%

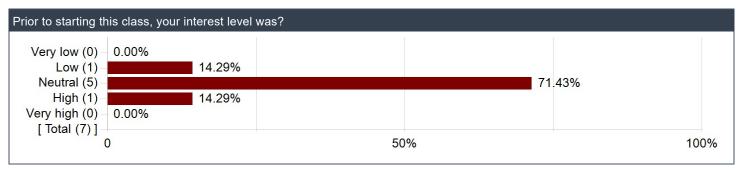
#### Other course elements not mentioned above:

Comments	
N/A	

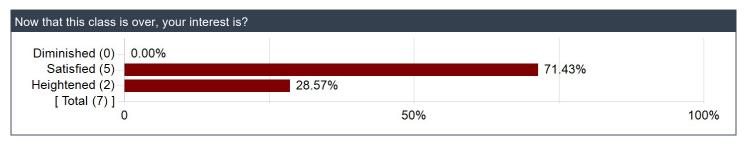
# Is this class a requirement of some sort?



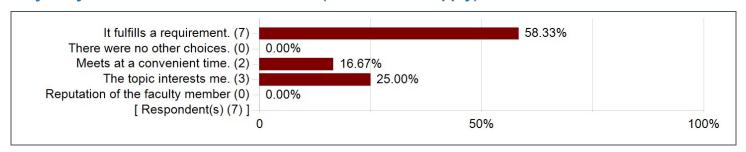
# Prior to starting this class, your interest level was?



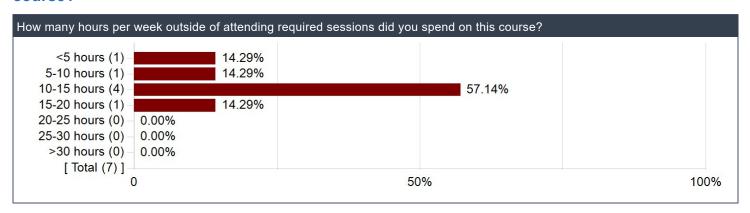
## Now that this class is over, your interest is?



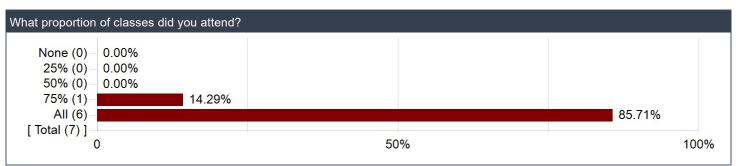
### Why did you choose to take this course? (Select all that apply)



# 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

The level of difficulty is not bad based on the background of taking this SOSC class for the entire school year (SOSC 16100 & 16200). But, as long as you keep up with the assignments due every other week and communicate with the professor, things should not be difficult.

I had never written a paper of this length and it was a challenge but Professor Buono structured the class in such a way that it never felt impossible or too overwhelming