

# SOSC 12400 1 - Self, Culture, and Society I - Instructor(s) - John Jacobsen

Project Title: College Course Feedback - Autumn 2024

Number Enrolled: 18
Number of Responses: 9

## **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

economic history, society, through the lens of thinkers from different time periods

The most important thing that I learned was how many thinkers can have a different perspective on the same topic.

Societal structures.

ideological thought and how they work together

first quarter was focused on political economy and theories of capitalism including classical thinkers like khaldun, smith, and marx

How to read and analyze difficult economic texts and theories and synthesize them with other theorists

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

#### Comments

professor jacobsen's lectures were insightful and helped contextualize the readings and connect them to outside material and modern day concepts

The lectures were engaging and the instructor always brought up great points.

Lectures were amazing and led by the professor.

lectures were good and the all course lecture on marx was helpful

professor jacobsen was very knowledgeable and enjoyed his lectures. essays were also conducive to helping us synthesize our learning and compare different thinkers

Professor Jacobsen was really good at leading class lectures in order to ensure our understanding of different authors which was incredibly beneficial when it came to writing our papers. However he also facilitated class discussions which were engaging.

# Please respond to the following:

	Mean	Median	Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Neutral	Agree	Strongly Agree
This course challenged me intellectually.	4.67	5.00	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	33.33%	66.67%
I understood the purpose of this course and what I was expected to gain from it.	4.83	5.00	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	16.67%	83.33%
I understood the standards for success on assignments.	4.83	5.00	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	16.67%	83.33%
Class time enhanced my ability to succeed in graded assignments.	4.83	5.00	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	16.67%	83.33%
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.	4.83	5.00	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	16.67%	83.33%
I felt respected in this class.	4.83	5.00	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	16.67%	83.33%
Overall, this was an excellent course.	4.83	5.00	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	16.67%	83.33%

## 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

The instructor putting up main ideas on the board contributed the most to my learning because I could follow the points if I was lost. His analysis of the content.

he would lecture about the author's environment or go into a specific detail from the reading

liked how the instructor would share anecdotes and insights that extended beyond the course's content

Lecture format

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

#### Comments

The instructor could lecture less and allow more discussion.

**Nothing** 

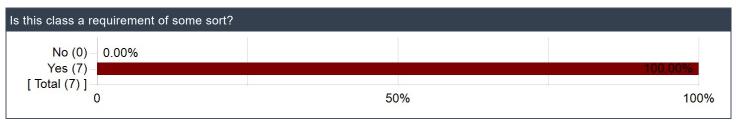
he was great! he did lecture quite a lot especially for a 50 minute class which minimized discussion time but for an 8:30am class i didn't mind too much

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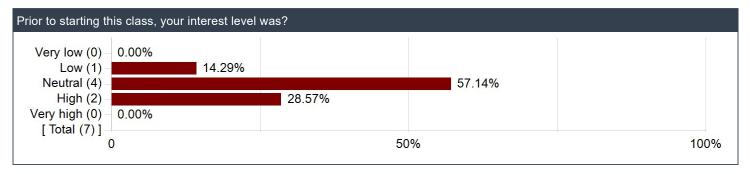
## The Instructor . . .

	Mean	Median	Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Neutral	Agree	Strongly Agree	N/A
Organized the course clearly.	5.00	5.00	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	100.00%	0.00%
Presented lectures that enhanced your understanding.	4.67	5.00	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	33.33%	66.67%	0.00%
Facilitated discussions that were engaging and useful.	4.33	4.50	0.00%	0.00%	16.67%	33.33%	50.00%	0.00%
Stimulated your interest in the core ideas of the course.	4.83	5.00	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	16.67%	83.33%	0.00%
Challenged you to learn.	4.83	5.00	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	16.67%	83.33%	0.00%
Helped you gain significant learning from the course content.	4.83	5.00	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	16.67%	83.33%	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.	4.83	5.00	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	16.67%	83.33%	0.00%
Worked to create an inclusive and welcoming learning environment.	5.00	5.00	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	100.00%	0.00%
Overall, this instructor made a significant contribution to your learning.	5.00	5.00	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	100.00%	0.00%

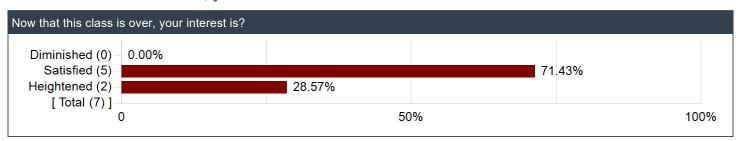
# Is this class a requirement of some sort?



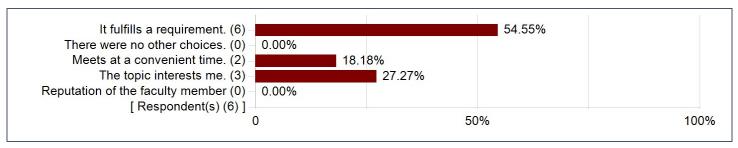
## Prior to starting this class, your interest level was?



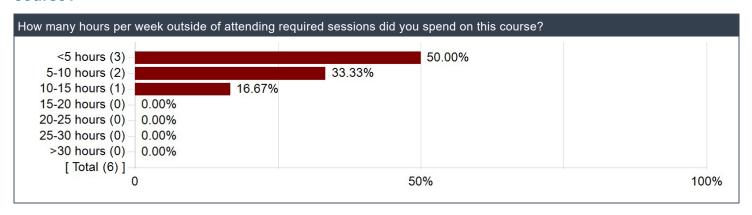
## Now that this class is over, your interest is?



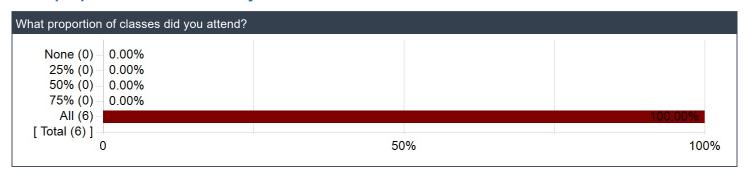
# Why did you choose to take this course? (Select all that apply)



# 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 As a first year, this course was a good introduction to the UChicago core. It was a different style of learning, but the topics were very interesting and not too abstract not hard just a lot of reading very manageable No experience necessary