

# HIST 10101 2, ANTH 20701 2, CRES 20701 2, MDVL 10101 2 - Introduction to African Civilization I - Instructor(s): Ayodeji Olugbuyiro

Project Title: College Course Feedback - Autumn 2023

Number Enrolled: 18
Number of Responses: 6

#### **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

I learned about the many civilizations that make up African history and learned there, stories and cultures.

African history, how to analyze historical sources

The course covered the history of Africa. We read and discussed primary sources from ancient Egypt until the transatlantic slave trade. We covered many different civilizations, the geography, timelines, and cultures.

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

#### Comments

All aspects gave me new perspective on the different things we learned.

The in–class discussions were the most helpful. Some of the primary sources were challenging to dissect on our own. Thus, it was very helpful to hear other students' interpretations and ideas. The professor also provided interesting insight and context as we discussed.

#### Please respond to the following:

	Mean	Median	Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Neutral	Agree	Strongly Agree
This course challenged me intellectually.	3.83	4.00	0.00%	0.00%	33.33%	50.00%	16.67%
I understood the purpose of this course and what I was expected to gain from it.	4.00	4.00	0.00%	0.00%	16.67%	66.67%	16.67%
I understood the standards for success on assignments.	3.83	4.00	0.00%	16.67%	0.00%	66.67%	16.67%
Class time enhanced my ability to succeed in graded assignments.	4.17	4.00	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	83.33%	16.67%
I received feedback on my performance that helped me improve my subsequent work.	4.00	4.00	0.00%	0.00%	16.67%	66.67%	16.67%
My work was evaluated fairly.	4.17	4.00	0.00%	0.00%	16.67%	50.00%	33.33%
I felt respected in this class.	3.83	4.00	0.00%	0.00%	33.33%	50.00%	16.67%
Overall, this was an excellent course.	4.00	4.00	0.00%	0.00%	16.67%	66.67%	16.67%

#### Additional comments about the course:

#### Comments

Many of the discussion points in class were recall questions about the readings. These did not feel like the best way to measure if students did the readings, as it is easy to forget the details of the readings, such as years, locations, etc. The language of the primary sources is sometimes challenging to remember, adding to the difficulty of recall. Although I did the readings, I felt as if I did not convey my knowledge as I relied more on takeaways and big ideas.

#### 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 professor skillfully facilitated discussions.

Classes and discussions

The professor was good at stepping in when students did not touch on an important aspect of the historical sources. He was very insightful and knowledgeable, providing a new perspective and context to the readings. He also encouraged us to cite specific aspects of the readings, preparing us well for the papers and final exam.

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

#### Comments

More background.

Not much – he was very responsive and available to students, even extending his office hours if necessary due to demand.

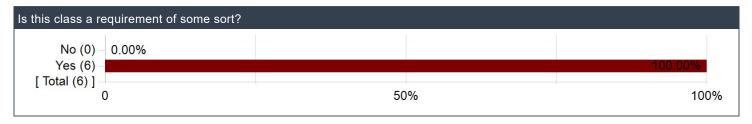
#### The Instructor . . .

	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.	3.83	4.00	0.00%	0.00%	33.33%	50.00%	16.67%	0.00%
Facilitated discussions that were engaging and useful.	4.17	4.50	0.00%	16.67%	0.00%	33.33%	50.00%	0.00%
Stimulated your interest in the core ideas of the course.	4.40	4.00	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	60.00%	40.00%	0.00%
Challenged you to learn.	4.33	4.00	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	66.67%	33.33%	0.00%
Helped you gain significant learning from the course content.	4.17	4.00	0.00%	0.00%	16.67%	50.00%	33.33%	0.00%
Was available and helpful outside of class.	4.40	4.00	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	50.00%	33.33%	16.67%
Motivated you to think independently.	4.00	4.00	0.00%	0.00%	16.67%	66.67%	16.67%	0.00%
Worked to create an inclusive and welcoming learning environment.	4.00	4.00	0.00%	0.00%	16.67%	66.67%	16.67%	0.00%
Overall, this instructor made a significant contribution to your learning.	4.20	4.00	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	80.00%	20.00%	0.00%

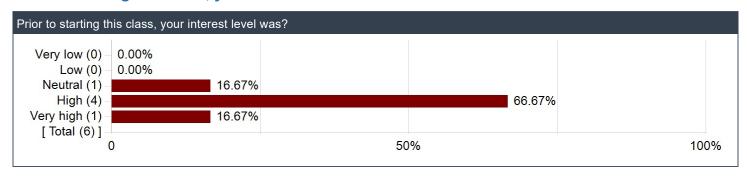
#### How much did the following elements of the course contribute to your learning gains?

	Mean	Median	No Gain	A Little Gain	Moderate Gain	Good Gain	Great Gain	N/A
Laboratory Experience	NRP	NRP	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Field Trips	5.00	5.00	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	100.00%	0.00%
Library Sessions	NRP	NRP	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Review Sessions	NRP	NRP	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Writing Seminars	NRP	NRP	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A

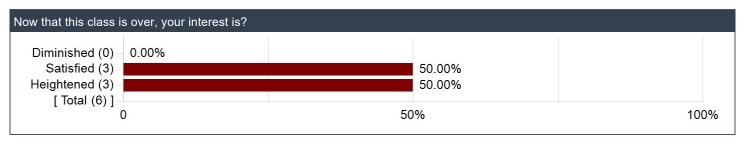
#### Is this class a requirement of some sort?



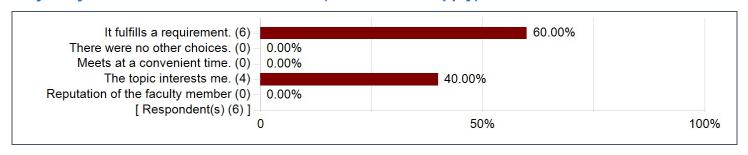
#### Prior to starting this class, your interest level was?



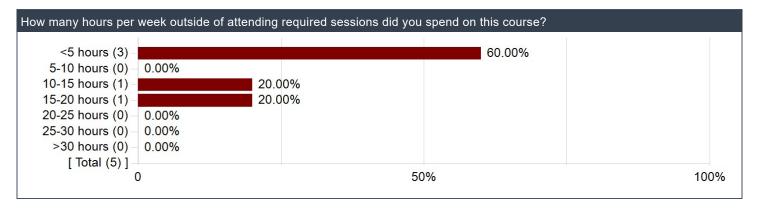
#### Now that this class is over, your interest is?



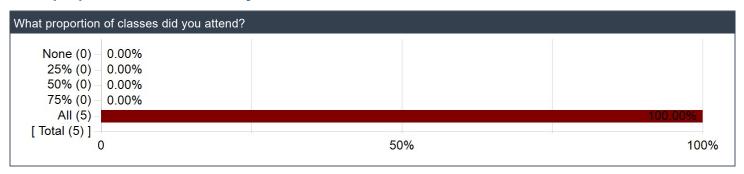
#### Why did you choose to take this course? (Select all that apply)



### 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 It was relatively difficult but fun. The course should be approachable for all students. No prior knowledge is expected.