

SOSC 24901 4, HMRT 10200 4 - Human Rights in World Civilizations II - Instructor(s): Chiara Galli

Project Title: College Course Feedback - Winter 2024

Number Enrolled: 19
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

I learned a great deal from this course that typically revolved around the battlefield of morality inclusing controversial issues such as immigration and genocide. Perspective was key in this class; students were respectful yet passionate about issues that were closely related to their own experiences. These raw encounters made the class rich with content and perspective appeal.

Generally the cochlear implants part and the topics on immigration I found the most interesting and relevant to the present

Human rights movements and events in recent years, building on knowledge from last quarter.

I learned a lot about current issues and the development of human rights movements

Challenges and complexities of human rights. We explored practical side of how human rights are reflected in world

- how to deal with and talk about difficult topics in an academic context

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

Comments

Discussions were particularly impactful, but were spurred by the great content that was both read and watched.

I'd say I found the readings most helpful in learning about the topic, and Professor Galli's background knowledge at the beginning of each discussion also highly contributed.

Discussion course, usually productive conversations that are helpful in synthesizing reading assignments.

Discussions were very interesting and we got to debate a lot of complex questions

Discussions were engaging

prof galli's lectures are great! they set a lot of historical context that isn't given in the readings and provide a lot of scaffolding to discussion, so it doesn't really get dry

the discussions really assisted me with synthesizing the texts and understanding my ideas

Please respond to the following:

	Mean	Median	Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Neutral	Agree	Strongly Agree
This course challenged me intellectually.	4.50	4.50	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	50.00%	50.00%
I understood the purpose of this course and what I was expected to gain from it.	4.25	4.50	0.00%	12.50%	0.00%	37.50%	50.00%
I understood the standards for success on assignments.	3.88	4.50	12.50%	12.50%	0.00%	25.00%	50.00%
Class time enhanced my ability to succeed in graded assignments.	4.00	5.00	14.29%	0.00%	14.29%	14.29%	57.14%
I received feedback on my performance that helped me improve my subsequent work.	4.00	5.00	12.50%	12.50%	0.00%	12.50%	62.50%
My work was evaluated fairly.	4.13	5.00	12.50%	0.00%	12.50%	12.50%	62.50%
I felt respected in this class.	4.63	5.00	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	37.50%	62.50%
Overall, this was an excellent course.	4.50	5.00	0.00%	0.00%	12.50%	25.00%	62.50%

Additional comments about the course:

Comments

This class was insightful to say the least, but the grading effort was remarkably dull. The professor rejected anything that was interdisciplinary or not hyperfocused on a topic related to human rights. This became problematic because typically these issues transcend multiple fields such as psychology and anthropology. At times it felt as if the professor was more enthusiastic to try to prove that human rights as a topic should be studied than to discuss the fundamental elements of human rights issues.

The essay feedback was pretty vague.

Two papers, discussion leader one time, final project + presentation, speaker event memo

The only thing that I disliked about the course was that we had to complete the project and final essay by the end of week 9, which proved to be very stressful. I suggest taking inspiration from other core courses and setting deadline for final essay on Wednesday of final week

I would recommend this course to:

	No	Yes
Highly-motivated and well-prepared students	12.50%	87.50%
Anyone interested in the topic	12.50%	87.50%

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

Comments

The professor created a great environment for everyone to speak and to feel heard.

Professor Galli was really good at pushing forward discussions and giving helpful, relevant background knowledge.

Professor Galli is an esteemed person, having experience in the field that makes her very knowledgeable, she was very good at keeping discussions on track and directing conversation.

Professor Galli is absolutely incredible, possibly my favorite core class instructor I've had. Actually motivated me to engage with the material and inspired me to participate in class.

her thoughtful preperation of background information, and talking to her during office hours

What could the instructor modify to help you learn more?

Comments

Helpful feedback on course work was few and far between.

I'd say that I would've liked questions that had closer to real—world applications. Really, anything that would've forced people to think in a way that considers the power dynamics of various forces in the world. I personally found very few of the conversations interesting throughout the quarter because I saw a lot of the same patterns in thinking, regardless of who was speaking, though that's not really the instructor's fault at all.

As a result of her experience in the field, Professor Galli is a pretty tough grader! In addition to this, often during discussion she will make it known if she does not understand or agree with the point being said, not verbally but expressively, which feels a little condescending at times.

Nothing, honestly it was a great class.

Better instruction for papers and more comments when grading them so we could know what your looking for

The Instructor . . .

	Mean	Median	Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Neutral	Agree	Strongly Agree	N/A
Organized the course clearly.	4.63	5.00	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	37.50%	62.50%	0.00%
Presented lectures that enhanced your understanding.	4.83	5.00	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	12.50%	62.50%	25.00%
Facilitated discussions that were engaging and useful.	4.63	5.00	0.00%	0.00%	12.50%	12.50%	75.00%	0.00%
Stimulated your interest in the core ideas of the course.	4.50	4.50	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	50.00%	50.00%	0.00%
Challenged you to learn.	4.50	4.50	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	50.00%	50.00%	0.00%
Helped you gain significant learning from the course content.	4.25	4.50	0.00%	12.50%	0.00%	37.50%	50.00%	0.00%
Was available and helpful outside of class.	4.57	5.00	0.00%	0.00%	12.50%	12.50%	62.50%	12.50%
Motivated you to think independently.	4.13	4.50	12.50%	0.00%	0.00%	37.50%	50.00%	0.00%
Worked to create an inclusive and welcoming learning environment.	4.25	5.00	0.00%	12.50%	12.50%	12.50%	62.50%	0.00%
Overall, this instructor made a significant contribution to your learning.	4.38	5.00	0.00%	12.50%	0.00%	25.00%	62.50%	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	N/A	N/A	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	100.00%

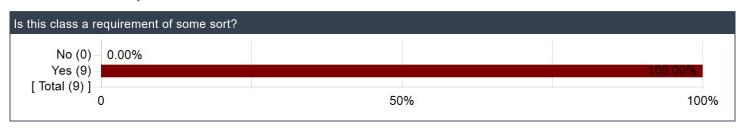
Other course elements not mentioned above:

Comments

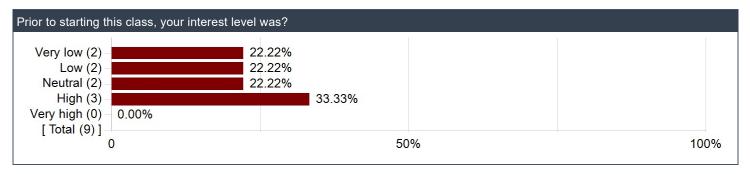
We had to attend a talk on immigration from a guest speaker during the quarter.

we were asked to go to a talk by an author we read in class. it was probably one of the best things i did for any class this quarter

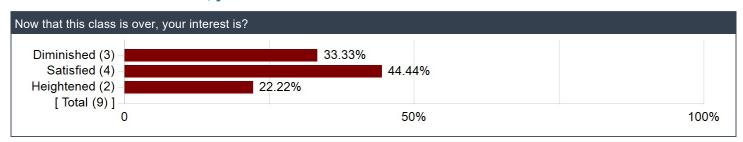
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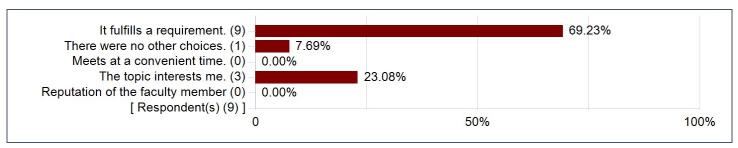
Prior to starting this class, your interest level was?



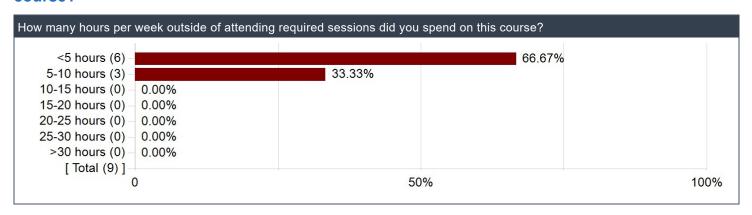
Now that this class is over, your interest is?



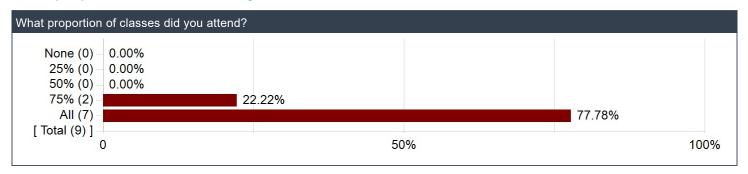
Why did you choose to take this course? (Select all that apply)



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

Understanding what the professor wanted on essays was extremely difficult.

It isn't a very hard class; I really, really, really have no patience for humanities or social sciences or anything remotely along those lines, so this course really isn't for me in the slightest. I took it because of the core.

Not bad

In general the course is not incredibly difficult, but pay attention to the professor!