

# SOSC 16300 5 - Global Society III - Instructor(s) - Salih Noor

Project Title: College Course Feedback - Spring 2024

Number Enrolled: **15** Number of Responses: **5** 

#### **Report Comments**

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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

About writing a research paper + Latin American censuses

How to write a research paper.

The most important thing I learned was that it is important to read literature from a diverse group of authors because it gives readers a new perspective.

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

#### Comments

Readings where somehow helpful, yet they were excessive.

Discussions in first quarter were fine, in second quarter they got boring and in third quarter they were really bad. The professor made the environment unengaging/uninteresting and tense by being condescending at times when students asked questions, which were often asked because instructions were very often extremely unclear. Did not feel like the readings left a lasting impression on me at all, especially since they had nothing to do with our individual assignment of the paper.

The discussions were helpful in hearing my peers thoughts on the readings.

#### Please respond to the following:

	Mean	Median	Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Neutral	Agree	Strongly Agree
This course challenged me intellectually.	3.75	4.00	0.00%	25.00%	0.00%	50.00%	25.00%
I understood the purpose of this course and what I was expected to gain from it.	2.25	2.00	25.00%	50.00%	0.00%	25.00%	0.00%
I understood the standards for success on assignments.	2.00	2.00	25.00%	50.00%	25.00%	0.00%	0.00%
Class time enhanced my ability to succeed in graded assignments.	2.25	2.00	25.00%	50.00%	0.00%	25.00%	0.00%
I received feedback on my performance that helped me improve my subsequent work.	2.25	2.00	25.00%	50.00%	0.00%	25.00%	0.00%
My work was evaluated fairly.	2.50	2.00	0.00%	75.00%	0.00%	25.00%	0.00%
I felt respected in this class.	2.25	2.50	25.00%	25.00%	50.00%	0.00%	0.00%
Overall, this was an excellent course.	2.00	2.00	25.00%	50.00%	25.00%	0.00%	0.00%

#### Additional comments about the course:

#### Comments

They were too much readings and assignments completely unrelated to the final project. They more a burden than something helpful

I would not take this SOSC sequence and I would not take a class with this professor again.

Don't take this class if you actually want to learn something, especially with Professor Noor. I don't feel that a core class should have a research paper in the end.

The course was very interesting and I liked being able to reach books and articles on a range of topics and from diverse authors.

#### I would recommend this course to:

	No	Yes
Highly-motivated and well-prepared students	75.00%	25.00%
Anyone interested in the topic	75.00%	25.00%

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

#### Comments

His explanations

He was extremely last minute when giving out instructions, all students felt stressed and unclear about how to succeed, he was at times unkind and tense about how students approached the reading and would waste 90% of discussion time making every student share their reading takeaways, when the reading was irrelevant.

Not too much. Professor Noor is not knowledgable for this class. The lecture and discussion are not every helpful. The professor doesn't respond much to the student discussion and comments. It is also weird to loop around the class to let us answer questions about the reading at the beginning of the class. Often this takes more than forty minutes.

The instructor giving context on the readings was helpful and having group discussion helped me see other's perspective. The professor was also very helpful during office hours.

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

#### Comments

Establish guidelines for the assignment grading and reduce the amount of assignments

Make instructions way clearer way more ahead of time, make reading optional and not a focus of the class, focus more on the 25 page research paper more ahead of time.

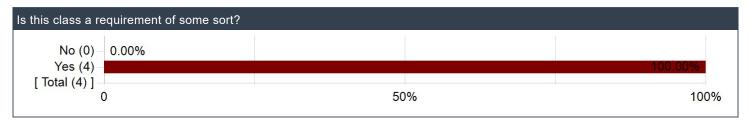
Know more, or don't teach this class.

The instructor was very unclear on assignments and what he expected from us until a day or two before the assignment was due. This made it very stressful to complete assignments and know how to succeed in the course. Also, the professor was very condescending at times and would make jokes that were not helpful and made students feel bad if they misinterpreted the readings. This led to an unwelcoming environment in the class. I think a method of improvement would be to give kinder feedback during class discussion and be more understanding.

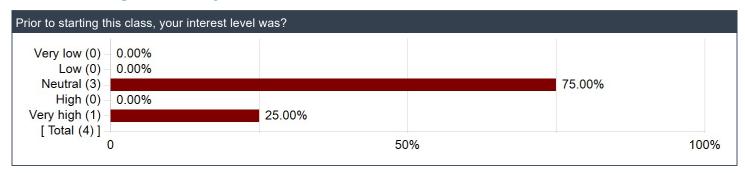
#### The Instructor . . .

	Mean	Median	Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Neutral	Agree	Strongly Agree	N/A
Organized the course clearly.	2.00	2.00	50.00%	0.00%	50.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%
Presented lectures that enhanced your understanding.	2.00	1.50	50.00%	25.00%	0.00%	25.00%	0.00%	0.00%
Facilitated discussions that were engaging and useful.	1.75	1.50	50.00%	25.00%	25.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%
Stimulated your interest in the core ideas of the course.	1.75	1.50	50.00%	25.00%	25.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%
Challenged you to learn.	2.25	2.00	50.00%	0.00%	25.00%	25.00%	0.00%	0.00%
Helped you gain significant learning from the course content.	2.00	1.50	50.00%	25.00%	0.00%	25.00%	0.00%	0.00%
Was available and helpful outside of class.	2.50	2.50	50.00%	0.00%	0.00%	50.00%	0.00%	0.00%
Motivated you to think independently.	2.25	2.00	50.00%	0.00%	25.00%	25.00%	0.00%	0.00%
Worked to create an inclusive and welcoming learning environment.	1.75	1.50	50.00%	25.00%	25.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%
Overall, this instructor made a significant contribution to your learning.	2.00	1.50	50.00%	25.00%	0.00%	25.00%	0.00%	0.00%

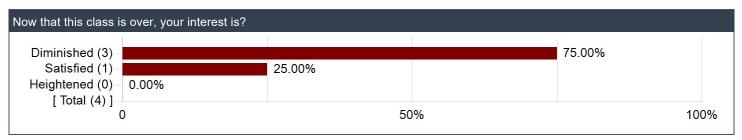
## Is this class a requirement of some sort?



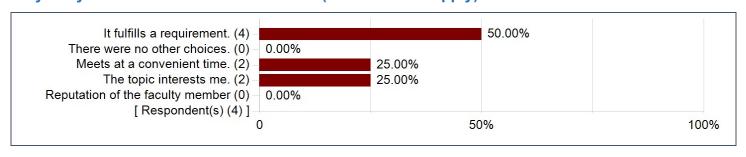
## Prior to starting this class, your interest level was?



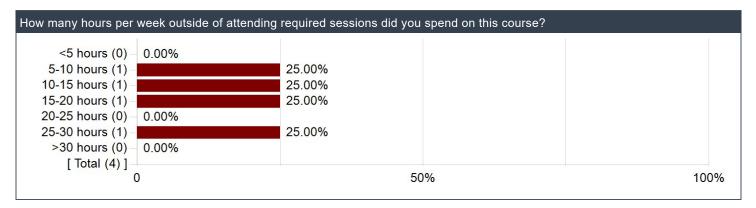
## Now that this class is over, your interest is?



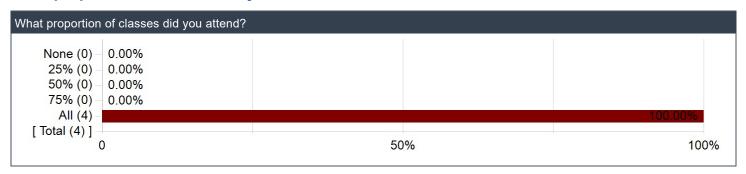
## Why did you choose to take this course? (Select all that apply)



## 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 Excessive. Very harsh grader I was really interested in this topic before this sequence/professor, and now I am not interested at all. It was unclear and confusing. Having background in world history can be helpful to engage in discussion but not needed.