



SOSC 11400 17 - Power, Identity, Resistance I - Instructor(s): Joy Wang

Project Title: **College Course Feedback - Autumn 2023**

Number Enrolled: **14**

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.

Creation Date: **Friday, February 2, 2024**

What are the most important things that you learned in this course? Please reflect on the knowledge and skills you gained.

Comments
How to develop an argument efficiently with textual support
Social Contract Theory
The different philosophies about society from Hobbes, Lock, Rousseau and Wollstonecraft
I learned the main concepts of political theory
I appreciated the opportunity to read and formally analyze the much of the "Western Canon." The texts offer nuanced and complicated arguments about the nature of political authorities and civil disobedience. This course contributed significantly to my ability to formally analyze classical texts.

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

Comments
Class discussions helped me quickly find relevant evidence and answer questions. Essay revisions helped me make coherent arguments and work on the logic of my arguments. Office hours also helped me with being intentional with the logic of my arguments.
The discussions were a good place to understand more on the reading and garner new insights
Class discussion was super helpful so were office hours
The discussions helped contextualize the central thesis of the readings that we had,
The reading journal is very helpful in preparing the students for the discussion in class, as it requires deep reading and thoughtful analysis into the texts. The in-class discussion are also thought-provoking.

Please respond to the following:

	Mean	Median	Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Neutral	Agree	Strongly Agree
This course challenged me intellectually.	3.83	4.50	16.67%	0.00%	16.67%	16.67%	50.00%
I understood the purpose of this course and what I was expected to gain from it.	4.00	4.50	16.67%	0.00%	0.00%	33.33%	50.00%
I understood the standards for success on assignments.	3.50	4.00	16.67%	16.67%	0.00%	33.33%	33.33%
Class time enhanced my ability to succeed in graded assignments.	3.83	4.00	16.67%	0.00%	0.00%	50.00%	33.33%
I received feedback on my performance that helped me improve my subsequent work.	3.50	4.00	16.67%	16.67%	0.00%	33.33%	33.33%
My work was evaluated fairly.	3.67	4.00	16.67%	0.00%	16.67%	33.33%	33.33%
I felt respected in this class.	4.00	4.50	16.67%	0.00%	0.00%	33.33%	50.00%
Overall, this was an excellent course.	3.67	4.50	16.67%	16.67%	0.00%	16.67%	50.00%

Additional comments about the course:

Comments
It has way too much reading that is unreasonable for the work load of even three classes.

I would recommend this course to:

	No	Yes
Highly-motivated and well-prepared students	0.00%	100.00%
Anyone interested in the topic	16.67%	83.33%

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

Comments
Guiding us to the places in the text to use to develop our thoughts and be able to contribute to class conversation
Office hours was a good place to flesh out ideas and get feedback on ideas.
Talking about the history behind the thinkers to ground the discussion and also asking questions and required lots of thinking
The discussion with guided questions
Prof. Wang was very helpful in leading and moderating the in-class discussions. Her presentation are clear, and she encourages the students to reach their conclusions based on textual evidence. Her offices hours are also very helpful for discussing class materials and/or ideas for formal writing assignments.

What could the instructor modify to help you learn more?

Comments
shorten the period of whole class discussion and include more other activities in class.
I feel she could ask more questions that connect to more relevant issues today.
allowed the discussion to take a turn/ tangent off into something different from their intended disucssion and acknowledged that the class might want to explore a different interpretation of the text
Have more constructive feedback on papers. The feedback was not helpful.
I would appreciate if, at the end of each section, there could be a time when the professor sums up (with bullet points, perhaps) the key arguments and takeaways from the material that was just under discussion. As most of the texts are very hard and offer nuanced arguments, it could be, at times, hard to focus on the most substantial points the author is making.

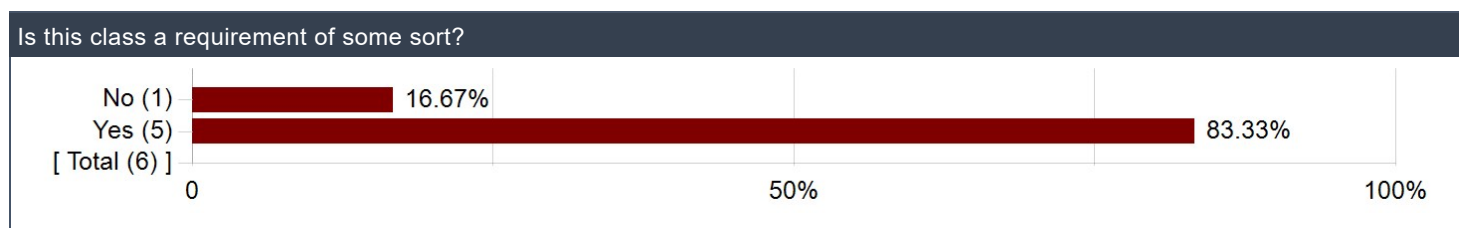
The Instructor . . .

	Mean	Median	Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Neutral	Agree	Strongly Agree	N/A
Organized the course clearly.	3.83	4.00	16.67%	0.00%	0.00%	50.00%	33.33%	0.00%
Presented lectures that enhanced your understanding.	3.83	4.50	16.67%	0.00%	16.67%	16.67%	50.00%	0.00%
Facilitated discussions that were engaging and useful.	4.00	4.50	16.67%	0.00%	0.00%	33.33%	50.00%	0.00%
Stimulated your interest in the core ideas of the course.	3.17	3.00	16.67%	33.33%	0.00%	16.67%	33.33%	0.00%
Challenged you to learn.	4.00	5.00	16.67%	0.00%	16.67%	0.00%	66.67%	0.00%
Helped you gain significant learning from the course content.	3.67	4.00	16.67%	0.00%	16.67%	33.33%	33.33%	0.00%
Was available and helpful outside of class.	4.33	5.00	16.67%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	83.33%	0.00%
Motivated you to think independently.	4.17	5.00	16.67%	0.00%	0.00%	16.67%	66.67%	0.00%
Worked to create an inclusive and welcoming learning environment.	4.00	4.50	16.67%	0.00%	0.00%	33.33%	50.00%	0.00%
Overall, this instructor made a significant contribution to your learning.	3.83	4.50	16.67%	0.00%	16.67%	16.67%	50.00%	0.00%

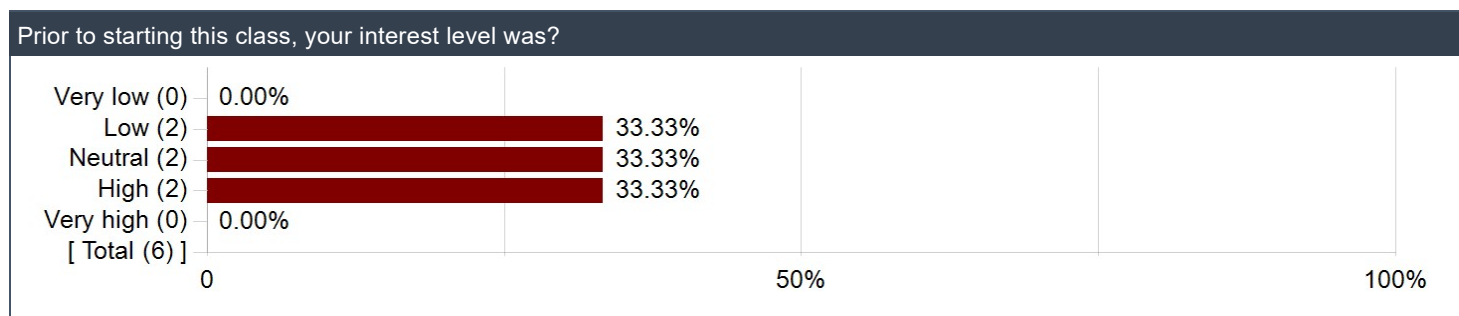
How much did the following elements of the course contribute to your learning gains?

	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	NRP	NRP	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
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	3.00	3.00	0.00%	0.00%	100.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%

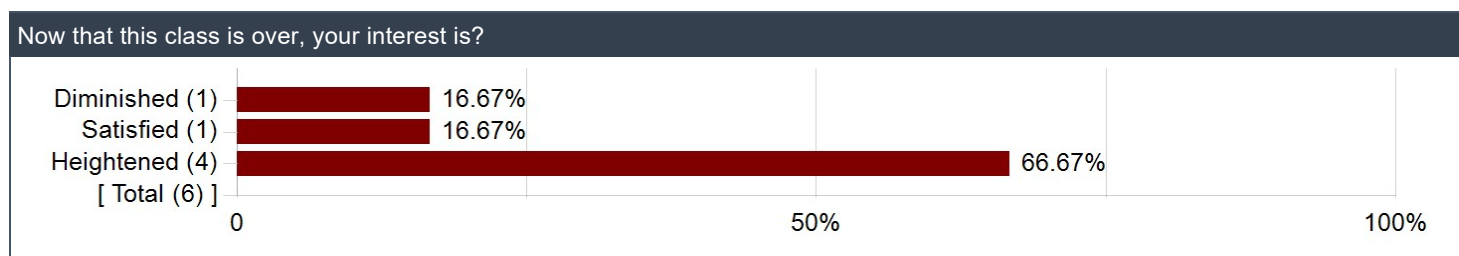
Is this class a requirement of some sort?



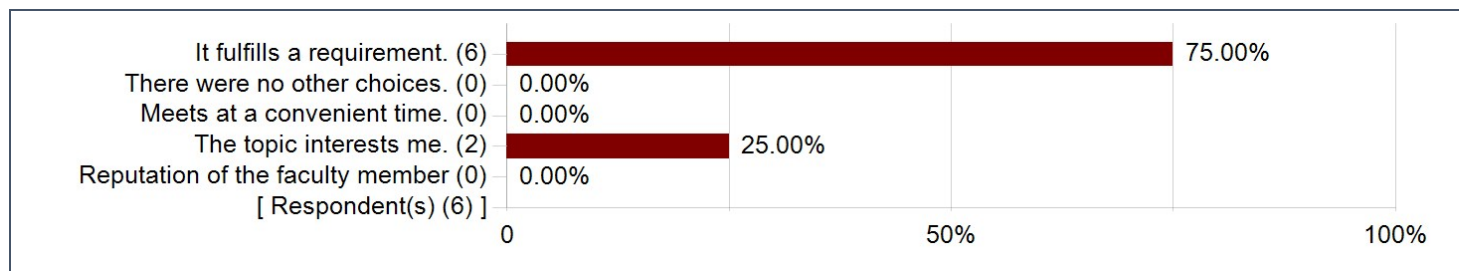
Prior to starting this class, your interest level was?



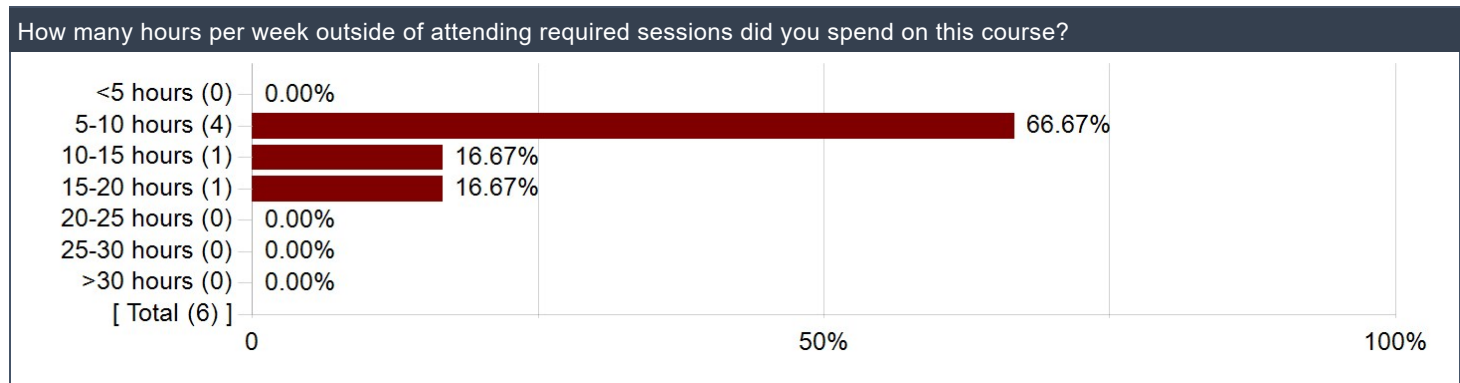
Now that this class is over, your interest is?



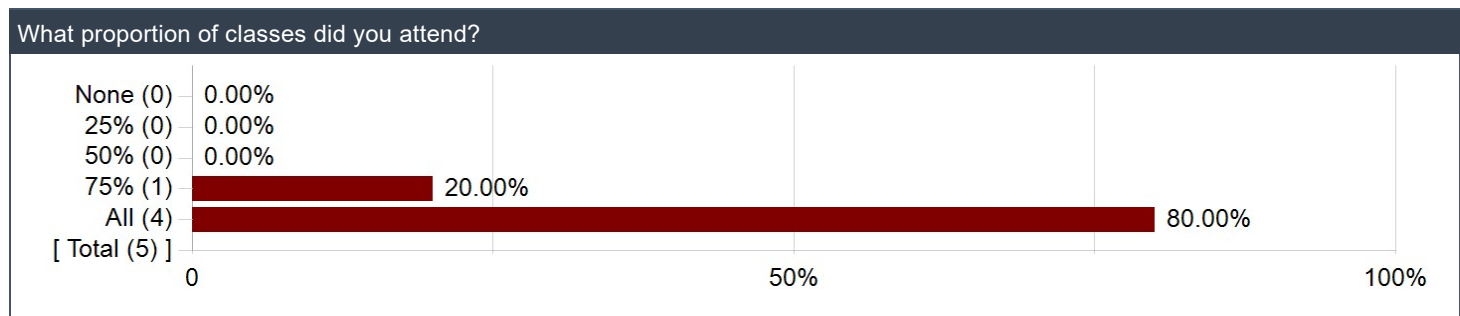
Why did you choose to take this course? (Select all that apply)



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
It is not intellectually difficult if you put several hours in. Its really a class about thinking over content.
It was ok keeping up with the reading was the most challenging part and I did HUM before this.