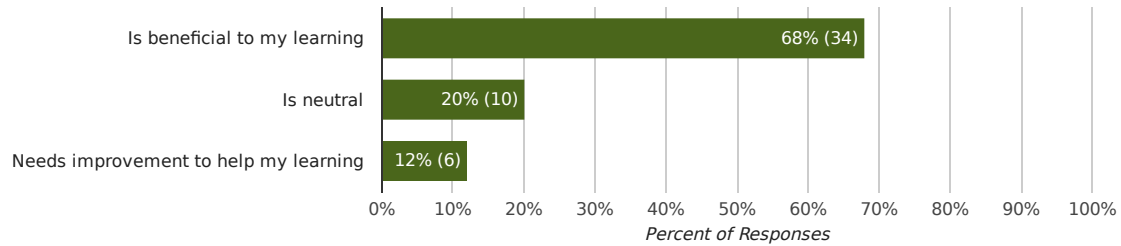
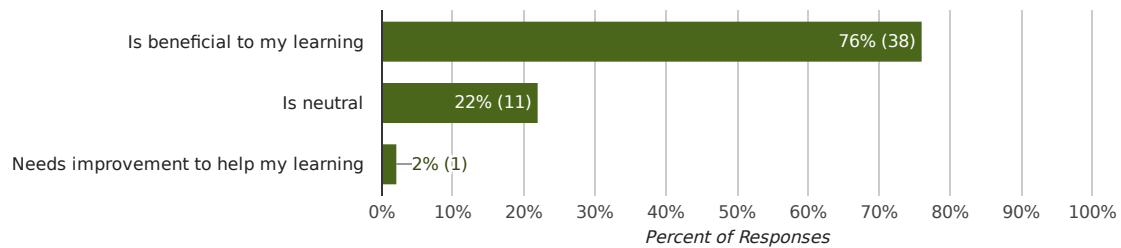


Teaching and Learning Elements

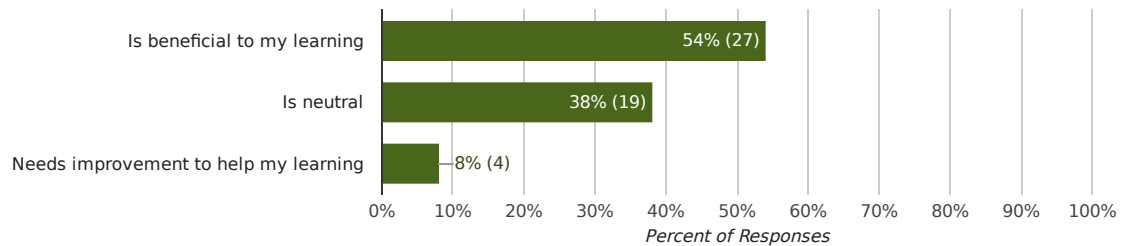
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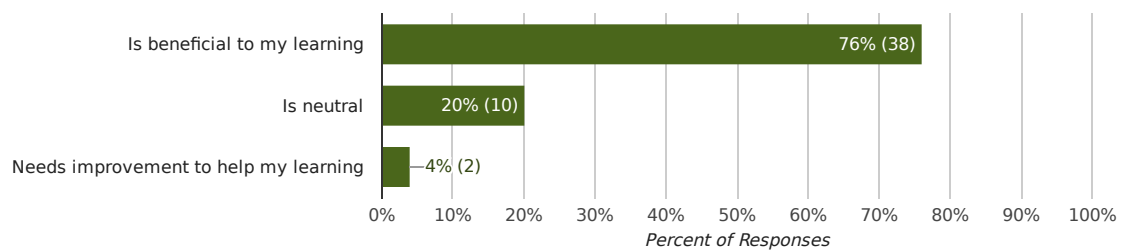
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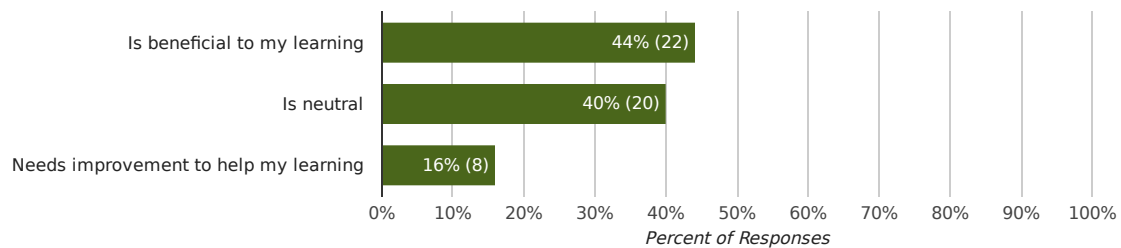
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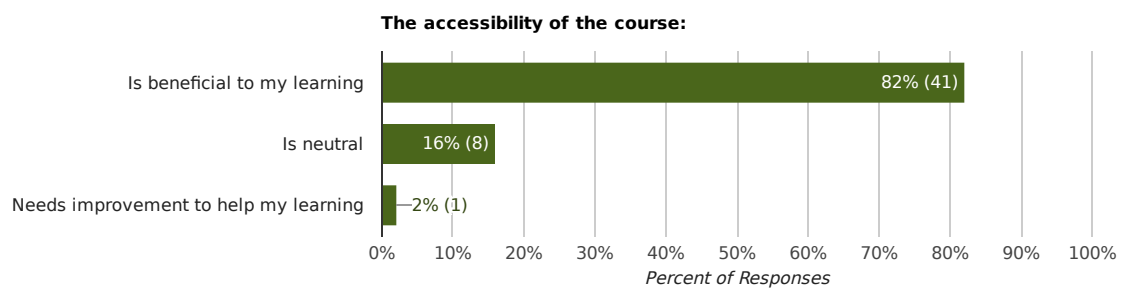
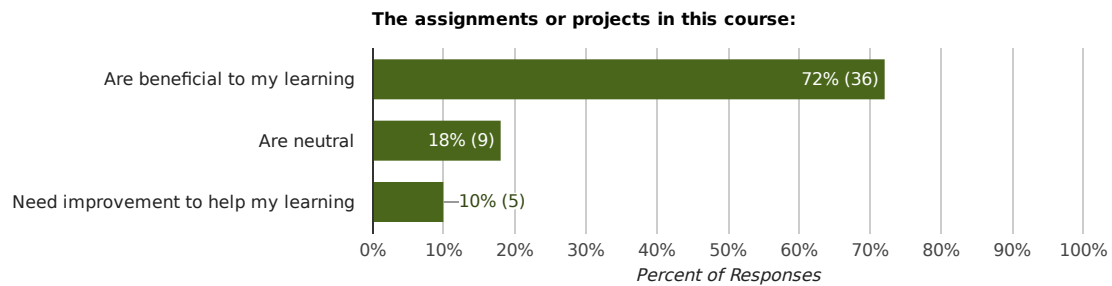
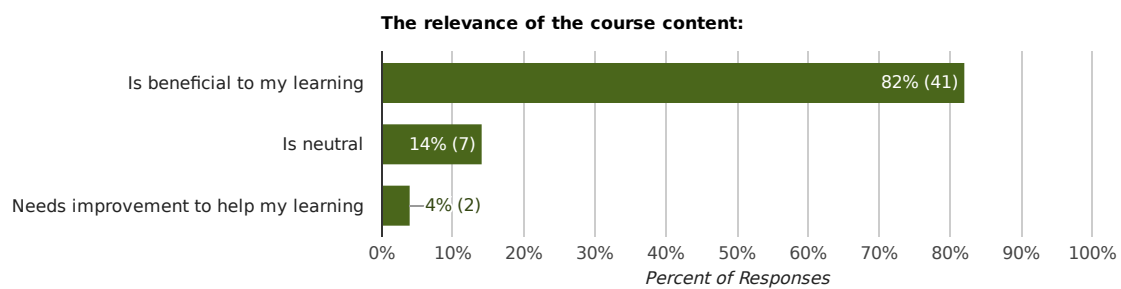
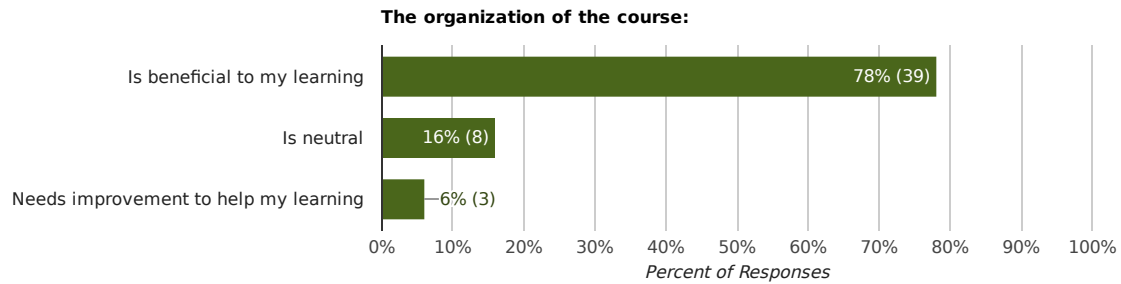
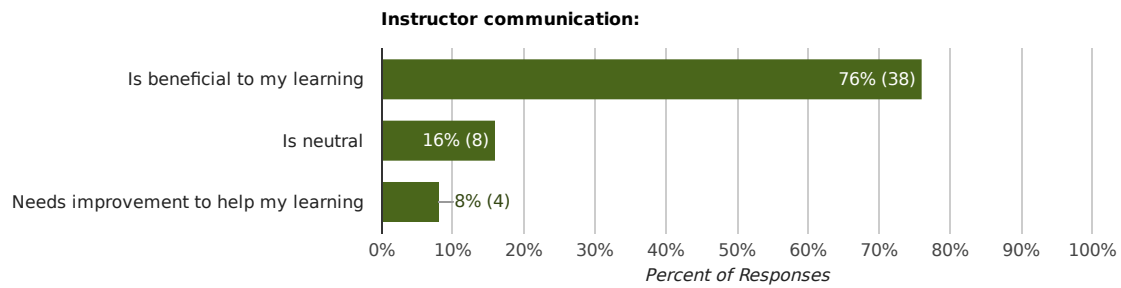


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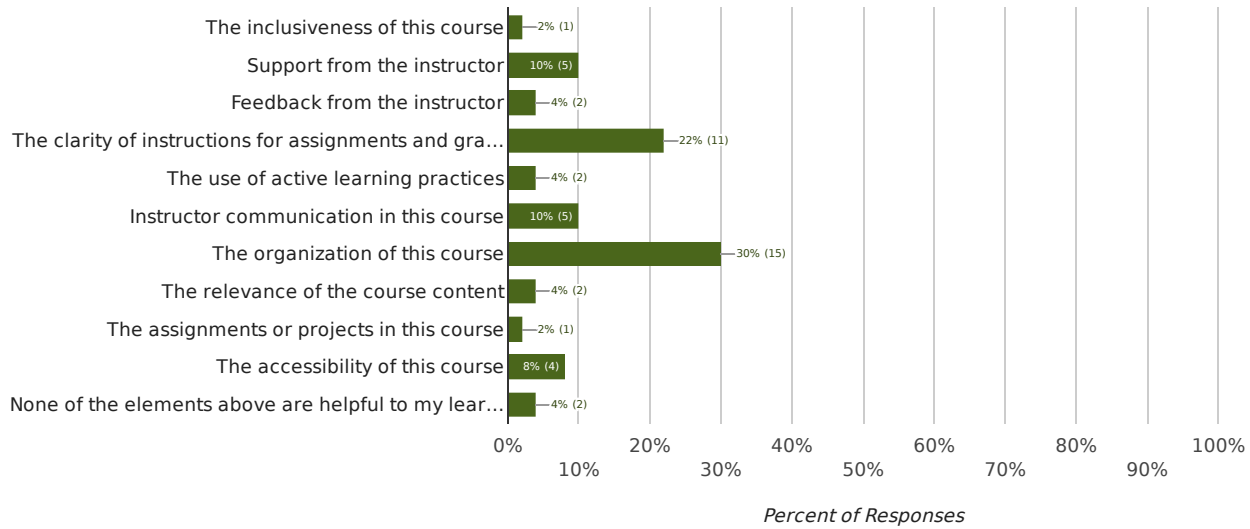
The degree to which the course includes active learning:





Most Beneficial

Please select the teaching element that has been MOST helpful to your learning, and then provide a detailed written comment about what worked well and why.



Most Beneficial Comments

What's Been MOST Helpful to Your Learning? (42 comments)

Q: What specifically about the inclusiveness of the course helped your learning?

Q: What specifically about the support from the instructor helped your learning?

- 1 Gio was very helpful in answering questions related to all sorts of things associated with the course.
- 2 He is always kindly answering the questions.
- 3 The instructor was very personable and made the class structure very manageable.
- 4 Great feedback
- 5 Very helpful, and wants to help students succeed. This is something I look for in a professor, he goes above and beyond what most professors do.

Q: What specifically about the level of challenge helped your learning?

Q: What specifically about the feedback helped your learning?

- 1 Super immersive instructor, spends lots of time helping students understand content
- 2 Instructor Gio has done a really nice job of communicating important information to the class throughout the entire term. This has been crucial, especially in an online course when students are mostly on their own and have a lot going on in their academic/personal lives.

Q: What specifically about the quality of course materials helped your learning?

Q: What specifically about the clarity of instructions helped your learning?

- 1 Weekly emails and clarification and grades and assignments
- 2 Computer grading.
- 3 Homework and tests are pretty straightforward which is definitely helpful for me.
- 4 It was very clear what was due and how we were graded.
- 5 All assignments were straight-forward
- 6 I know exactly what is expected of me.
- 7 The lectures are very helpful and I really appreciate how you really took into consideration the feedback given earlier in the term.
- 8 Never had questions regarding assignment deadlines and midterm/final assignments.
- 9 It is very helpful knowing what to expect going into each week

Q: What specifically about the clarity of instructions helped your learning?

- 10 The class structure was easy to follow, and very flexible, which was beneficial for me.

Q: What specifically about the use of active learning helped your learning?

- 1 He does a good job in teaching, would love to have him as an in-person instructor

Q: What specifically about the interactions between students helped your learning?

Q: What specifically about instructor communication helped your learning?

- 1 The professor made sure to remind students to register for exams and provided discussion forums which allowed us to have free-flowing conversations amongst ourselves and the professor
- 2 Clear instruction about what was on exams and due dates.
- 3 Always responds to emails quickly. Always sending out important announcements.
- 4 Sends out reminders and makes sure students know the schedule and what we need to get done.

Q: What specifically about the organization of this course helped your learning?

- 1 Gio did a great job keeping this class organized. It was very clear what was expected on a weekly basis and the material progression was very fitting for the work environment.
- 2 The organization of having the lectures and then homework directly related to those lectures and the contributing chapters was very helpful.
- 3 This course was structured very well which helped me understand the material before moving onto the next topic.
- 4 With an asynchronous class, I find the organization on Canvas to be really important since there isn't a way for the instructor to communicate. The announcements were very helpful and timely, which is nice since we aren't in a classroom where we can be reminded of due dates. I liked how the course was the same from week to week so I knew what to expect and how to properly budget my time to complete the requirements.
- 5 I liked how you could easily find his lectures.
- 6 Nice mix of readings, lecture, and HW
- 7 I loved the way this online class was set up, and I felt I actually retained the information better than any of my in-person econ classes. The consistency of the schedule was really nice, and there wasn't an overload of busy work either which was nice.
- 8 Simple weekly structure
- 9 The organization of this course was extremely beneficial to my learning. Having a set routine of when each lecture is posted and when each homework is due made it easy to keep track of deadlines.
- 10 really good schedule week to week
- 11 How everything is put together in a way that is extremely easy to find.
- 12 Very straight-forward and easy to follow.

Q: What specifically about the relevance of the course content helped your learning?

- 1 The lectures are really helpful at explaining concepts in the book, and overall the book and the lectures complement each other really well, which makes it easier to study.
- 2 Course content supplemented the textbook well. Textbook was relevant and genuinely interesting to read, with real world examples and applications of course concepts.

Q: What specifically about the assignments or projects helped your learning?

- 1 All the quizzes and exams felt doable and made sense connected to the lectures.

Q: What specifically about the accessibility of this course helped your learning?

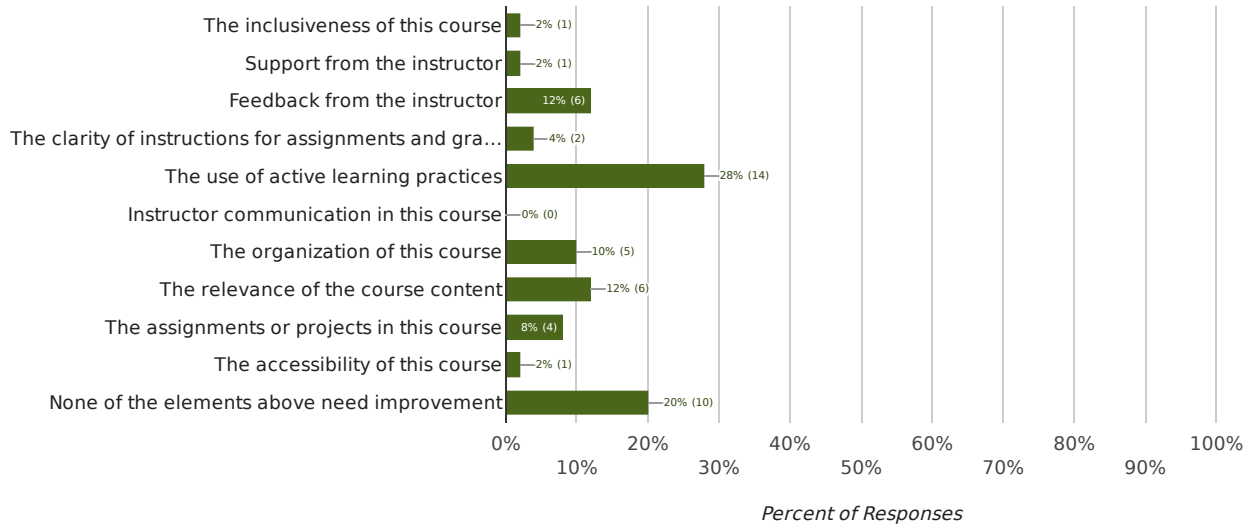
- 1 I am able to work with other classmates to talk about what we are learning because it is async.
- 2 The online format and organization of everything has helped me learn a lot
- 3 The set up of this class is very beneficial to my ability to work around my schedule.
- 4 async

Q: Please say more about how none of the teaching elements above were helpful to your learning.

- 1 I didn't find any of these aspects a positive thing in this class

Most In Need of Improvement

Please select one teaching element that could most use some improvement to help you learn, and then provide a detailed written comment about what specific changes you suggest.



Most In Need of Improvement Comments

What Could MOST Use Some Improvement to Help you Learn? (42 comments)

Q: What specific change in the inclusiveness of the course would help your learning?

- 1 I wish we could interact with other students more often as many do not use the Forum set-up.

Q: What specific change in the support from the instructor would help your learning?

Q: Was the course too hard or too easy? What specific change related to the level of challenge would help your learning?

Q: What specific change in the feedback would help your learning?

- 1 It would help to have a deeper explanation on the homework answers
- 2 As people mentioned in the beginning of the term, more videos explaining difficult homework questions could be helpful
- 3 Being asynch, there is little to no feedback unlike normal classes.
- 4 Videos going over the homework assignments would be helpful

Q: What specific change in the quality of course materials would help your learning?

Q: What specific change in the clarity of instructions would help your learning?

- 1 Not many homework assignments just quizzes and tests. With one or 2 assignments weekly that are usually quizzes not homework to study better
- 2 h

Q: What specific change in the use of active learning would help your learning?

- 1 Granted this is an asynch class, I recognize it's a bit harder to make use of active practices. That being said, the course felt a bit monotonous and could've used some real life examples to help with conceptual understanding.
- 2 did not much have a practice exam other than hw problems.
- 3 Some of the homework didn't have enough similarities to the lectures.
- 4 More practice questions, less lengthy lecture videos.
- 5 I would greatly benefit from more practice problems and videos explaining the reasoning behind the homework questions. Halfway through the term, this was initiated, but I think the videos being posted earlier would be helpful.
- 6 This is difficult to improve in this style of course. The lecture videos can be a bit of a drag to get through. Maybe reference the examples in the textbook to help with application of lecture content.

Q: What specific change in the use of active learning would help your learning?

- 7 Still not bad, but it's just hard to include active learning in an online class, not the professor's fault.
- 8 Sometimes with all the different equations my mind gets a bit clouded
- 9 Hard to learn online
- 10 Variance of assignments
- 11 Need more practice on concepts beside just homework.

Q: What specific change in instructor communication would help your learning?

Q: What specific change in the interactions between students would help your learning?

Q: What specific change in the organization of the course would help your learning?

- 1 There was no actual assignments just hw questions, no way of knowing if I'm understanding the lectures. Lectures can also be long and boring.
- 2 Lectures were posted late and it was hard to plan when to submit assignments when the expected dates were not met
- 3 The only suggestion I have is turning on captions for lecture videos because it really helps me when I am taking notes.
- 4 some assignments felt pointless.
- 5 I would have liked to have more defined study guides for what was on the tests. Often times I felt like I didn't know what to focus in when studying.

Q: What specific change in the relevance of the course content would help your learning?

- 1 Too much focus on equations and not enough time covering how they impacted the models which were key points to understanding the content on exams and homework. We could use more active practice for the students so that we can better understand how the models are affected by changes in the equations.
- 2 So much content which makes it difficult to focus on what's important
- 3 I am taking econ to try to understand market trends and fluctuations with money, inflation, what have you, and this course does teach that - but also teaches a lot of things I'll never use. Many of the models are overly complicated (which is not the professors fault) and a lot of the formulas along with these models will never integrate themselves into my daily life.
- 4 I felt that the lectures were extremely abstract and gave me a hard sense of confidence when studying for exams.
- 5 Providing more interactive lessons, not necessarily just posting videos.
- 6 Although I appreciate everything that is being taught, a lot of it is not tested and makes everything slightly more confusing.

Q: What specific change in the assignments or projects would help your learning?

- 1 The weekly assignments are really helpful, but I think that some more smaller assignments/review videos would be beneficial as well, to prepare for tests.
- 2 I could have used homework that was more varied and had more direct feedback included. I don't think the homework prepared me for exams as much as I would have liked.
- 3 Opening up lectures earlier would be beneficial so we have all week to do both lectures.
- 4 I feel like more opportunities to earn points would be helpful.

Q: What specific change in the accessibility of the course would help your learning?

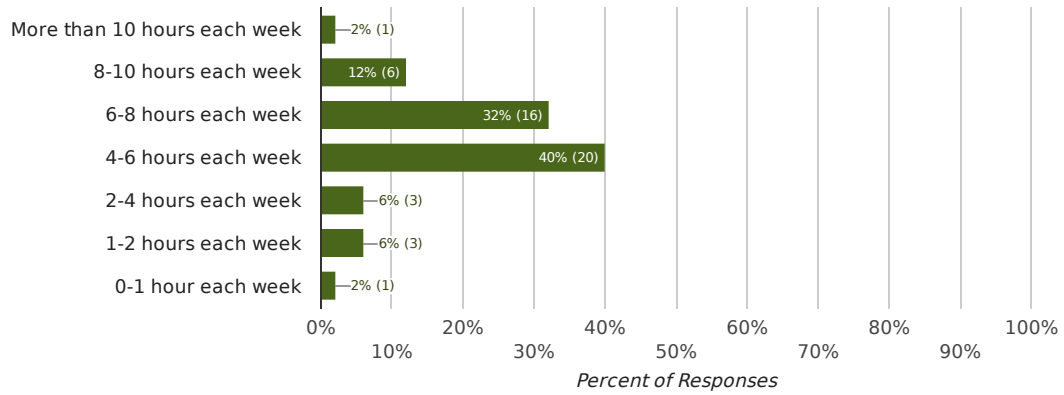
- 1 It would be more helpful if he had captions in his videos and if he also had slides for lectures.

Q: Please say more about how none of the teaching elements above need improvement to help your learning.

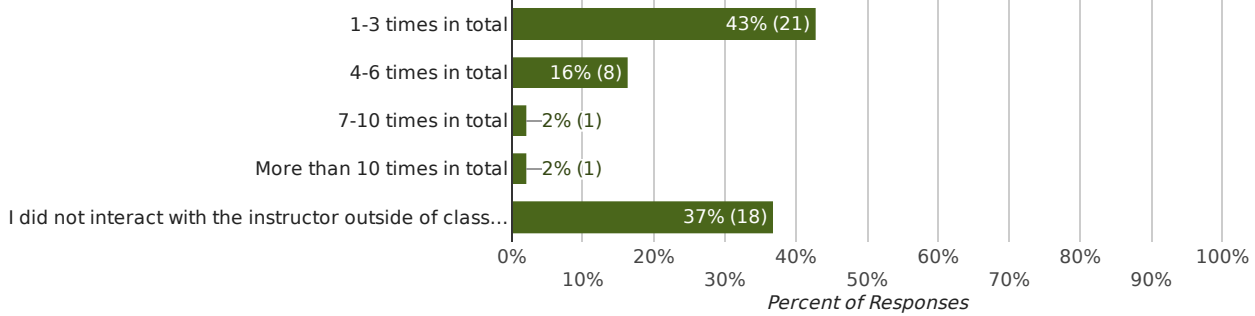
- 1 doing great!
- 2 Everything is pretty organized and well done.
- 3 This class is structured and supported supported by the professor very well.
- 4 Overall very well organized class considering it is async
- 5 I felt like this class achieved everything it needed to and did it in a well-managed fashion. There is nothing specific I could say about it.
- 6 I think overall this course was run really well. The instructor was very clear, helpful, and encouraging throughout the term. I can't think of one thing I would change.
- 7 The instructor has taken the feedback from the last student survey and incorporated the suggestions in our last lectures.
- 8 I really appreciated how the instructor took the feedback from the first student survey period earlier in the course and made necessary adjustments to ensure all students were receiving the resources they need to be successful in the class. Gio went above and beyond what most instructors would do and definitely made the class much more beneficial to my learning with plenty of resources available to us if we have questions.

Student engagement in their own learning

How many hours per week did you spend on this course (not including any face-to-face class time)?



Approximately how many times did you interact with the instructor outside of class (e.g. by email, office hours)?



COVID Impact

Is there anything else you would like to say about your learning experience?

Final Question (2 comments)

Q: What else would you like to say about your learning experience in the course? Please avoid personal comments about the instructor.

- 1 This is a class that would be benefit a lot from being in person
- 2 While only being a graduate student professor Nikolaishvili has proven himself capable of being an excellent professor, and in some ways, a better professor than some full-time university professors. The clarity in which he teaches and addresses the class is excellent, and from a student's point of view, exactly what we need.