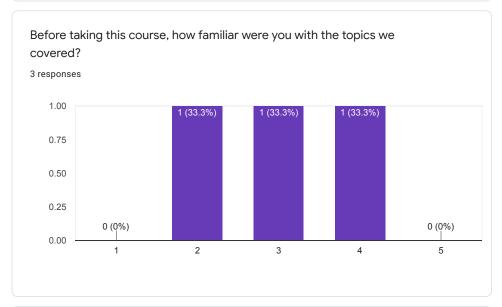
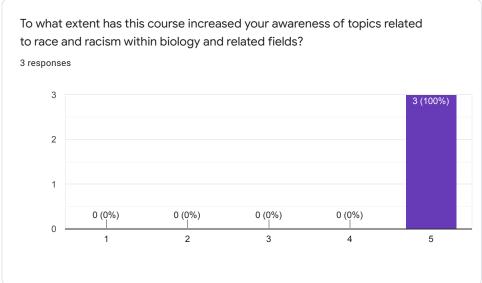
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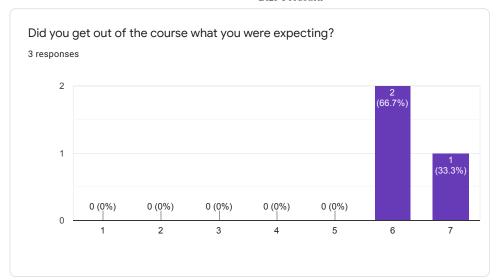
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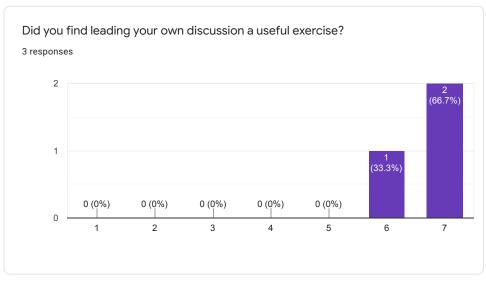


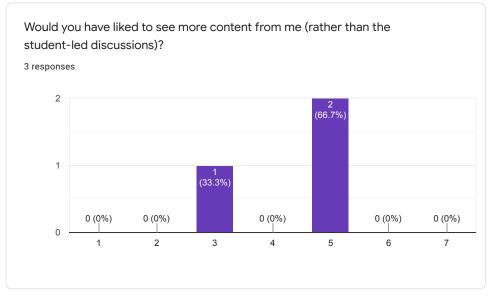




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Was there something you would have liked to have discussed that we didn't get to?

1 response

I think it could have been useful to start off the term with a brief history/timeline of how biology has influenced race? Like Linnaeus's descriptions of human "subspecies," social Darwinism, the overall eugenics movement, Tuskeegee, etc.

I also recently learned that the concept of inoculation was brought to the US by a slave, who described to his owner how Africans had already been inoculating against smallpox for centuries. (See, for example: https://www.history.com/news/smallpox-vaccine-onesimus-slave-cotton-mather). Like, we always hear things like the story of "that one guy" who noticed that milkmaids didn't get smallpox because they previously had cowpox, but never anything else about the history of vaccines. I'm sure there's other topics that have received the same kind of treatment, and I think it would be valuable to explore that.

Do you have any other feedback for me? This could be about anything: the structure of the course, the content covered, the nature of our discussions, the assignments, etc. As I said, I really value your feedback and will take into consideration anything you have to share if I teach this course or a similar course again (which is certainly the hope)!

2 responses

i really enjoyed the course! very comfy vibes. i think it was an overall good introduction to some of the topics and now i feel ready to research more on my own/have questions that i can look into further as opposed to feeling like im super knowledgable. i think spending some more time on the biological component of race would be helpful/pure scientific/academic perspective, if there is one, bc all i remember is the stat about 6% of genetics.

Overall, great job! I really enjoyed the class and sincerely hope that you are able to teach similar courses in the future:)

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