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Mr./Ms Brian Morsony

Survey Evaluation Results

Dear Mr./Dear Ms Morsony,

In the attachment you will find the evaluation results of the survey 2020-SP-PHYS4530-001.

In AY 2017-2018, according to 20/AS/18/FAC, the Ad Hoc Committee on Student Opinions of Instruction Surveys “was formed ‘to consider the ramifications, and make recommendations, concerning the announced move by IDEA to eliminate paper survey instruments in favor of online-only instruments for student opinion of instruction.’ The Ad Hoc Committee’s recommendations, in summary, include: dispensing with IDEA as our survey instrument; replacing it with a campus–based instrument that is designed, reviewed and modified as necessary through the faculty governance process (with Faculty Affairs Committee taking primary responsibility for these tasks, in consultation with other appropriate parties); that this campus–based instrument be implemented and analyzed at the campus level as well; and that such a survey instrument, once implemented, be clearly understood as only one component of the process of reviewing faculty members’ teaching performance (as specified under Article 15 of the CBA).”

Consistent with those committee recommendations, the Student Perceptions of Teaching and Learning (SPOT) Survey, which has received both Senate and Presidential approval, will replace the current teaching evaluation instrument (IDEA) beginning this fall (2019). The statements and questions to which students will respond are new. In addition, unlike IDEA, the new SPOT survey is not nationally normed. Only CSU Stanislaus students will respond to this instrument.

This means that half of the courses surveyed will be below the median scores. In view of the novelty of this instrument, departments are urged to review their RPT elaborations and update them as necessary. Also, faculty members preparing WPAFs are encouraged to include additional methods/instruments of assessing student perceptions of teaching, take advantage of SPOT training sessions that will be organized by the FDC this academic year, and consult with the other faculty members of their department regarding this important component
of WPAF preparation. Lastly, the URPTC and the Academic Senate discourages those reviewing files from making personnel decisions solely or primarily based on the teaching assessment reports derived from SPOT. The new instrument will enable the collection of useful information, but it is important to understand that information in the context of the new approach to soliciting student perceptions on teaching.

INSTRUCTIONS ON HOW TO READ REPORT:
The overall indicator is followed by the individual average values of the scales.
In the second part of the analysis, the average values of all individual questions are listed.

If you have any further questions do not hesitate to contact the Academic Senate Office.

Thank you.

Brian Morsony

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No. of responses = 5

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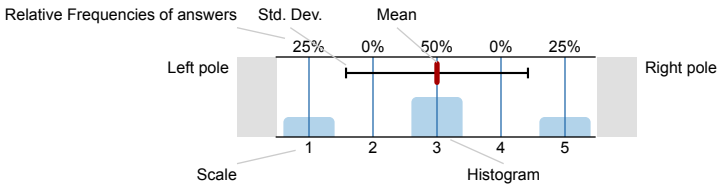
Survey Results

Legend

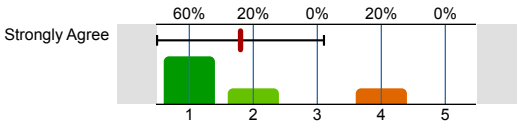
Question text



n=No. of responses
av.=Mean
dev.=Std. Dev.
ab.=Abstention

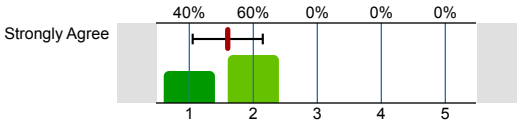
1. About the Course and Instructor....

1.1) Assignments contributed to my learning (ex: research papers, homework, etc.)



n=5
av.=1.8
dev.=1.3

1.2) Activities contributed to my learning (ex:group work, discussion, presentations, field work/trips, etc.)



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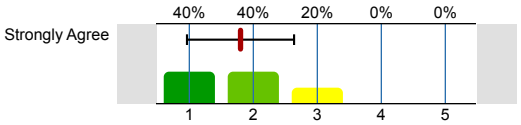
1.3) The instructor provided feedback that supported my learning



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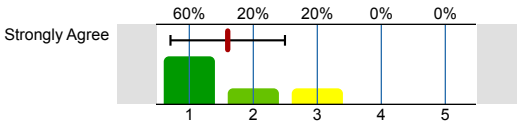
1.4) The instructor offered timely responses to questions and concerns



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av.=1.6
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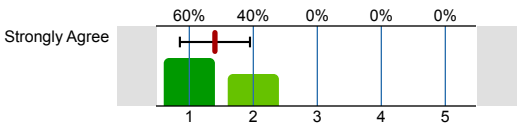
1.5) The instructor encouraged communication among class members



n=5
av.=1.4
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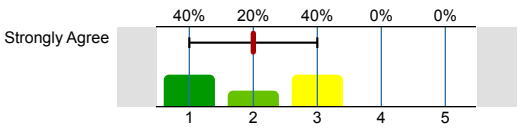
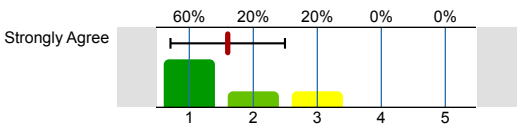
1.6) The instructor communicated concepts clearly



n=5
av.=2
dev.=1

1.7) Course requirements, procedures, and expectations are clearly stated in the syllabus



n=5
av.=1.6
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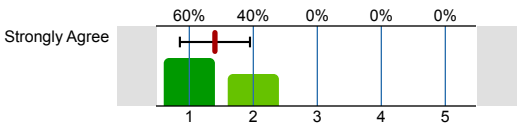
1.8) The grading criteria for this course were clearly defined



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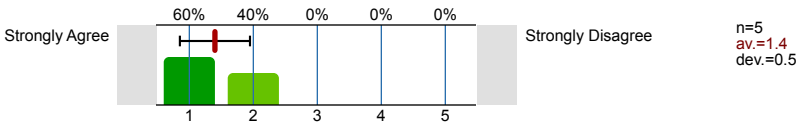
1.9) The grading criteria for this course were clearly applied

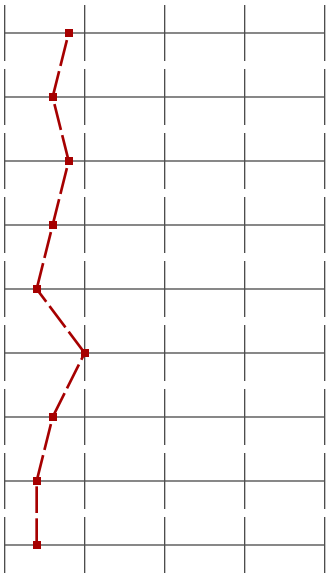


Profile

Subunit: Spring 2020 - College of Science (COS)
Name of the instructor: Brian Morsony
Name of the course: (Name of the survey) 2020-SP-PHYS4530-001

Values used in the profile line: Mean

1. About the Course and Instructor....



1.1)	Assignments contributed to my learning (ex: research papers, homework, etc.)	Strongly Agree	Strongly Disagree	n=5	av.=1.8	md=1.0	dev.=1.3
1.2)	Activities contributed to my learning (ex:group work, discussion, presentations, field work/ trips, etc.)	Strongly Agree	Strongly Disagree	n=5	av.=1.6	md=2.0	dev.=0.5
1.3)	The instructor provided feedback that supported my learning	Strongly Agree	Strongly Disagree	n=5	av.=1.8	md=2.0	dev.=0.8
1.4)	The instructor offered timely responses to questions and concerns	Strongly Agree	Strongly Disagree	n=5	av.=1.6	md=1.0	dev.=0.9
1.5)	The instructor encouraged communication among class members	Strongly Agree	Strongly Disagree	n=5	av.=1.4	md=1.0	dev.=0.5
1.6)	The instructor communicated concepts clearly	Strongly Agree	Strongly Disagree	n=5	av.=2.0	md=2.0	dev.=1.0
1.7)	Course requirements, procedures, and expectations are clearly stated in the syllabus	Strongly Agree	Strongly Disagree	n=5	av.=1.6	md=1.0	dev.=0.9
1.8)	The grading criteria for this course were clearly defined	Strongly Agree	Strongly Disagree	n=5	av.=1.4	md=1.0	dev.=0.5
1.9)	The grading criteria for this course were clearly applied	Strongly Agree	Strongly Disagree	n=5	av.=1.4	md=1.0	dev.=0.5

Comments Report

1. About the Course and Instructor....

1.10) What expectations did you have going into this course?

- Gain a fundamental understanding of thermal and statistical physics
- To have headaches and learn thermodynamics.

1.11) What contributed most to your learning in this course?

- I think google helped a lot. The book was very not useful sadly.
- The homework assignments

1.12) What grade did you expect to get in this course?

- A
- B

1.13) What additional comments or feedback would you like to offer this instructor

- Class structure was set up effectively. Group problems in class helped as we could explain what we were doing to others and see if we truly understood the topic ourselves.
- He is very helpful and understanding of his students.
- Maybe make the homework questions similar to the tests? I know some tests were basically just homework and it was nice. Some of the homework was really hard to work at unless there was feedback.