WGU-Reddit Student Feedback

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D487: Secure Software Design

College: School of Technology

Topics: 9
Pain Points: 11

Feedback Topics

1. Exam Design Issues – [2 posts]

Students are frustrated with how exams are designed, impacting their performance and satisfaction.

"The wording on this exam is stupid."

Reddit post

"Fuck D487, fuck whoever created the exam."

Reddit post

2. Performance Assessment Challenges – [2 posts]

Students face difficulties with performance assessments (PAs), which can lead to failing the course.

"IT DO NOT GO INTO DEPTH ENOUGH FOR YOU TO PASS."

Reddit post

"Absolutely killed the PA and of course didn't pass the actual one."

Reddit post

3. Exam Retake Clarity (Emerging) – [1 posts]

Students are uncertain about the procedures and timing for retaking exams, leading to frustration.

"I have no idea when I should take this damn exam again." Reddit post

4. Assessment Scoring Confusion (Emerging) – [1 posts]

Students are confused about the scoring criteria necessary to pass assessments (OAs), affecting their confidence.

"I've seen 3 competent and one approaching passing... I'm really dreading having to take this OA."

Reddit post

5. Exam Feedback and Navigation Issues (Emerging) - [1 posts]

Students experience confusion and lack of feedback during proctored exams, due to unexpected redirection and no confirmation of performance.

"The exam redirected to a 'survey' about half way through... I didn't get any score or confirmation of a pass or fail."

Reddit post

6. Acronym Overload (Emerging) - [1 posts]

Students are overwhelmed by the excessive use of acronyms in course materials, hindering comprehension.

"there's so many dang acronyms it's actually ridiculous." Reddit post

7. Terminology Confusion (Emerging) – [1 posts]

Students are confused about variations in terminology related to SDLC, affecting their exam performance.

"I learned about the SDLC with 7 steps not the wgu way of 6 plus post maintenance."

Reddit post

8. Engagement Issues with Instruction (Emerging) – [1 posts]

Students find the professor's teaching style unengaging, leading to a reliance on captions and written text for comprehension.

"I can not stand his voice, I tend to just read the CC or the side text." Reddit post

9. Motivational Challenges *(Emerging)* – [1 posts]

Students are feeling overwhelmed and unsupported, leading to a lack of motivation to continue in the course.

"D487 really kicked my ass last term and now I have absolutely ZERO motivation to continue."

Reddit post