

WGU-Reddit Student Feedback

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D335: Introduction to Programming in Python

College: School of Technology

Topics: 10

Pain Points: 23

Feedback Topics

1. Assessment Difficulty – [6 posts]

Students perceive inconsistency in difficulty levels between practice tests and actual assessments.

"I had solved every problem except the csv files, and try-except problem."

[Reddit post](#)

"There were two long, difficult problems in chapter 28... There wasn't anything approaching those on the OA."

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"Is the OA for D335 more similar to practice test 1 or 2?"

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"I bombed it and emailed the professor but all I received was a study plan to complete before testing again."

[Reddit post](#)

"Is the practice test from chapter 33 harder than 34 or is it just me?"

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"I just have no clue where I went wrong."

[Reddit post](#)

2. Course Material Comprehension – [4 posts]

Students feel overwhelmed by the complexity of course material, leading to confusion around key concepts.

"I feel like I'm losing my mind with this course."

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"I've stared at this for 10 minutes.....what am I missing?"

[Reddit post](#)

"I just don't understand this course... zybooks THEY DO NOT HELP!, Angelas 100 days course - NO HELP!"

[Reddit post](#)

"Are all the BSSWE classes heavily math involved?"

[Reddit post](#)

3. Lack of Resource Accessibility – [3 posts]

Students encounter difficulties finding answers or resources leading to increased frustration and confusion.

"Where are the answers to the questions cause I cant seem to find anywhere."

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"where did you stop before going to lab 33 and 34?"

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"the downside is that all of your progress in Zybooks will be reset when switching versions."

[Reddit post](#)

4. Assessment Consistency Issues – [3 posts]

Students are uncertain about the consistency and similarity of questions across multiple attempts of assessments.

"Could someone tell me if the OA is the same as the PA, where you can check your output against the expected output?"

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"I want to be 100% certain what the expectation is."

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"I wasn't sure if the second attempt is completely different."

[Reddit post](#)

5. Resource Effectiveness Concerns – [2 posts]

Students find certain resources like zyBooks ineffective for learning essential coding skills.

"I was beyond frustrated working through version 2 and having to code incorrectly to get a passing score for the labs portion."

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"We all hate zybooks. I hate it. You hate it."

[Reddit post](#)

6. Memorization Reliance (*Emerging*) – [1 posts]

Students express frustration over a heavy reliance on memorization for assessments rather than conceptual understanding.

"There is zero reason as to why this class is a OA and not a PA."

[Reddit post](#)

7. Automatic Grader Concerns (*Emerging*) – [1 posts]

Students have concerns about the reliability of the automatic grader used for assessments.

"I've heard this class can be troublesome with the automatic grader."
[Reddit post](#)

8. Test Case Output Visibility (*Emerging*) – [1 posts]

Students feel anxious due to lack of visibility of output from test cases during the OA, affecting their performance confidence.

"can we see the output from the test cases, like with 'submit mode' in the practice tests?"
[Reddit post](#)

9. Skill Gap in Technical Concepts (*Emerging*) – [1 posts]

Students lack foundational skills in technical concepts like file manipulation and CSV, impacting their ability to succeed.

"I have never in my life done file manipulation or csv."
[Reddit post](#)

10. Mentorship Support Issues (*Emerging*) – [1 posts]

Students feel unsupported by mentors, leading to unanswered questions and frustration.

"My mentor is absolutely no help. Everytime i need a little direction she refers me to youtube or my instructor, which neither are any help."
[Reddit post](#)
