



Evaluation Results

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WRITING 60 SEM N: ARGUMENT & RESEARCH (33314)

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Section: WRITING 60 SEM N: ARGUMENT & RESEARCH (33314)

Enrollment Count: 20

Evaluation

Form: WR 40/WR 45/WR 50/WR 60 Evaluation Form

Total Enrollment: 20

Total Responses: 14

Response Rate: 70%

Response Window: 3/11/26 8:00AM - 3/20/26 5:00PM

Evaluation Results

Choose a Rating

Items 1 through 10 reference your instructor specifically; items 11 through 16 ask for your response about the course curriculum itself--the texts you read and the assignments you wrote.

Please rate each item on a scale from 7 to 1 where “7” means STRONGLY AGREE and “1” means STRONGLY DISAGREE.

PLEASE DO NOT START A COMMENT WITH A HYPHEN. STARTING A COMMENT WITH A HYPHEN WILL VOID YOUR ANSWER.

Thank you for your time and feedback regarding your writing course!

Question #1 • Multiple Choice • 14 responses (100%)
Classes started on time and ended when scheduled.

RESPONSE	COUNT	PERCENTAGE
7 (Strongly Agree) Answer value: 7	8	57%
6 Answer value: 6	6	43%
5 Answer value: 5	0	0%
4 Answer value: 4	0	0%
3 Answer value: 3	0	0%
2 Answer value: 2	0	0%
1 (Strongly Disagree) Answer value: 1	0	0%

Mean: 6.57

Min: 6.00

Median: 7.00

Max: 7.00

Standard deviation: 0.49

Mode: 7

Question #2 • Multiple Choice • 14 responses (100%)

The course instructor effectively organized and managed class time.

RESPONSE	COUNT	PERCENTAGE
7 (Strongly Agree) Answer value: 7	6	43%
6 Answer value: 6	6	43%
5 Answer value: 5	0	0%
4 Answer value: 4	2	14%
3 Answer value: 3	0	0%
2 Answer value: 2	0	0%
1 (Strongly Disagree) Answer value: 1	0	0%

Mean: 6.14

Min: 4.00

Median: 6.00

Max: 7.00

Standard deviation: 0.99

Mode: 7, 6

Question #3 • Multiple Choice • 14 responses (100%)

The course instructor showed enthusiasm for the subject and was dedicated to my learning.

RESPONSE	COUNT	PERCENTAGE
7 (Strongly Agree) Answer value: 7	3	21%
6 Answer value: 6	6	43%
5 Answer value: 5	5	36%
4 Answer value: 4	0	0%
3 Answer value: 3	0	0%
2 Answer value: 2	0	0%
1 (Strongly Disagree) Answer value: 1	0	0%

Mean: 5.86

Min: 5.00

Median: 6.00

Max: 7.00

Standard deviation: 0.74

Mode: 6

Question #4 • Multiple Choice • 14 responses (100%)

The course instructor stimulated my interest in reading and writing.

RESPONSE	COUNT	PERCENTAGE
7 (Strongly Agree) Answer value: 7	0	0%
6 Answer value: 6	7	50%
5 Answer value: 5	3	21%
4 Answer value: 4	4	29%
3 Answer value: 3	0	0%
2 Answer value: 2	0	0%
1 (Strongly Disagree) Answer value: 1	0	0%

Mean: 5.21

Min: 4.00

Median: 5.50

Max: 6.00

Standard deviation: 0.86

Mode: 6

Question #5 • Multiple Choice • 13 responses (93%)
The course instructor was accessible and approachable.

RESPONSE	COUNT	PERCENTAGE
7 (Strongly Agree) Answer value: 7	10	77%
6 Answer value: 6	1	8%
5 Answer value: 5	2	15%
4 Answer value: 4	0	0%
3 Answer value: 3	0	0%
2 Answer value: 2	0	0%
1 (Strongly Disagree) Answer value: 1	0	0%

Mean: 6.62
Median: 7.00
Standard deviation: 0.74

Min: 5.00
Max: 7.00
Mode: 7

Question #6 • Multiple Choice • 14 responses (100%)

The course instructor created an open and fair learning environment.

RESPONSE	COUNT	PERCENTAGE
7 (Strongly Agree) Answer value: 7	9	64%
6 Answer value: 6	5	36%
5 Answer value: 5	0	0%
4 Answer value: 4	0	0%
3 Answer value: 3	0	0%
2 Answer value: 2	0	0%
1 (Strongly Disagree) Answer value: 1	0	0%

Mean: 6.64

Min: 6.00

Median: 7.00

Max: 7.00

Standard deviation: 0.48

Mode: 7

Question #7 • Multiple Choice • 14 responses (100%)
The course instructor effectively facilitated classroom discussions.

RESPONSE	COUNT	PERCENTAGE
7 (Strongly Agree) Answer value: 7	6	43%
6 Answer value: 6	4	29%
5 Answer value: 5	3	21%
4 Answer value: 4	1	7%
3 Answer value: 3	0	0%
2 Answer value: 2	0	0%
1 (Strongly Disagree) Answer value: 1	0	0%

Mean: 6.07
Median: 6.00
Standard deviation: 0.96

Min: 4.00
Max: 7.00
Mode: 7

Question #8 • Multiple Choice • 14 responses (100%)
The group activities and peer review were useful.

RESPONSE	COUNT	PERCENTAGE
7 (Strongly Agree) Answer value: 7	7	50%
6 Answer value: 6	4	29%
5 Answer value: 5	2	14%
4 Answer value: 4	1	7%
3 Answer value: 3	0	0%
2 Answer value: 2	0	0%
1 (Strongly Disagree) Answer value: 1	0	0%

Mean: 6.21

Min: 4.00

Median: 6.50

Max: 7.00

Standard deviation: 0.94

Mode: 7

Question #9 • Multiple Choice • 14 responses (100%)

The instructor's comments about my papers (written, verbal, and online) helped me improve my writing.

RESPONSE	COUNT	PERCENTAGE
7 (Strongly Agree) Answer value: 7	8	57%
6 Answer value: 6	2	14%
5 Answer value: 5	3	21%
4 Answer value: 4	1	7%
3 Answer value: 3	0	0%
2 Answer value: 2	0	0%
1 (Strongly Disagree) Answer value: 1	0	0%

Mean: 6.21

Min: 4.00

Median: 7.00

Max: 7.00

Standard deviation: 1.01

Mode: 7

Question #10 • Multiple Choice • 14 responses (100%)
The instructor handed back papers in a timely fashion (within 7 days).

RESPONSE	COUNT	PERCENTAGE
7 (Strongly Agree) Answer value: 7	9	64%
6 Answer value: 6	3	21%
5 Answer value: 5	2	14%
4 Answer value: 4	0	0%
3 Answer value: 3	0	0%
2 Answer value: 2	0	0%
1 (Strongly Disagree) Answer value: 1	0	0%

Mean: 6.50
Median: 7.00
Standard deviation: 0.73

Min: 5.00
Max: 7.00
Mode: 7

Question #11 • Multiple Choice • 14 responses (100%)

The assignments in the course taught me how to become a better writer.

RESPONSE	COUNT	PERCENTAGE
7 (Strongly Agree) Answer value: 7	4	29%
6 Answer value: 6	7	50%
5 Answer value: 5	2	14%
4 Answer value: 4	0	0%
3 Answer value: 3	0	0%
2 Answer value: 2	1	7%
1 (Strongly Disagree) Answer value: 1	0	0%

Mean: 5.86

Min: 2.00

Median: 6.00

Max: 7.00

Standard deviation: 1.25

Mode: 6

Question #12 • Multiple Choice • 14 responses (100%)

The texts we read (texts about the class theme or topic) enhanced my learning in this class.

RESPONSE	COUNT	PERCENTAGE
7 (Strongly Agree) Answer value: 7	2	14%
6 Answer value: 6	5	36%
5 Answer value: 5	4	29%
4 Answer value: 4	2	14%
3 Answer value: 3	0	0%
2 Answer value: 2	1	7%
1 (Strongly Disagree) Answer value: 1	0	0%

Mean: 5.29

Min: 2.00

Median: 5.50

Max: 7.00

Standard deviation: 1.28

Mode: 6

Question #13 • Text Response • 12 responses (86%)

Please write a few comments about the texts used in your class. Here are some items you might discuss:

- Explain the scores you gave for particular texts in questions 12.
- What did you find most or least useful about them?
- Suggest section-specific texts that you think should be removed from or added to the class.

Results:

- Although we eventually branched out into our own topics for the Contexts paper, I appreciated having some baseline knowledge because that served as the starting point for my argument, then as I did more research I shifted focus. I did still reference it in my topic development process.
- The texts we read were mainly at the beginning of the quarter, and they gave us practice in dealing with scholarly articles, but they didn't directly relate to the topic I chose. The Bat passage by Nagel definitely stimulated my analytical thinking.
- I think the AGWR chapters that we read were very relevant and helpful for preparing for each assignment that we had. I was able to be introduced to many different strategies that were new to me and also helped me grow as a writer.
- I was not super interested in the topics of animal ethics but it was nice to learn a bit about it. I felt like the "What is it like to be a bat" essay was a bit too philosophical for me.
- The texts we read that were about how to write better compelling papers were useful. the texts about more of animal ethics felt not very applicable to my writing.
- Most of the texts enhanced my learning. The Perusall texts were especially helpful, and I appreciated the additional texts on ethical theory.
- The Perusal readings helped refresh me on researching and writing techniques, and taught me new ones.
- They just simply did little to help with the essays as we all had different topics.
- The class is mainly about discussion, only few animal ethics (but it is useful
- I found them to be quite unrelated to my particular topic of research.
- We didn't have solid textbooks, but the information he gave was good.
- NA

Question #14 • Multiple Choice • 14 responses (100%)

Overall, the instructor is effective and I would take another class with her/him.

RESPONSE	COUNT	PERCENTAGE
7 (Strongly Agree) Answer value: 7	5	36%
6 Answer value: 6	4	29%
5 Answer value: 5	4	29%
4 Answer value: 4	0	0%
3 Answer value: 3	1	7%
2 Answer value: 2	0	0%
1 (Strongly Disagree) Answer value: 1	0	0%

Mean: 5.86

Min: 3.00

Median: 6.00

Max: 7.00

Standard deviation: 1.12

Mode: 7

Question #15 • Multiple Choice • 14 responses (100%)
Overall, this course improved my writing.

RESPONSE	COUNT	PERCENTAGE
7 (Strongly Agree) Answer value: 7	3	21%
6 Answer value: 6	7	50%
5 Answer value: 5	3	21%
4 Answer value: 4	0	0%
3 Answer value: 3	0	0%
2 Answer value: 2	1	7%
1 (Strongly Disagree) Answer value: 1	0	0%

Mean: 5.71

Min: 2.00

Median: 6.00

Max: 7.00

Standard deviation: 1.22

Mode: 6

Question #16 • Multiple Choice • 14 responses (100%)
Office hours with my instructor enhanced my learning experience.

RESPONSE	COUNT	PERCENTAGE
7 (Strongly Agree) Answer value: 7	4	29%
6 Answer value: 6	5	36%
5 Answer value: 5	2	14%
4 Answer value: 4	2	14%
3 Answer value: 3	1	7%
2 Answer value: 2	0	0%
1 (Strongly Disagree) Answer value: 1	0	0%

Mean: 5.64
Median: 6.00
Standard deviation: 1.23

Min: 3.00
Max: 7.00
Mode: 6

Short Answer

Please comment on the following three areas of instruction and be as specific as possible:

Question #17 • Text Response • 14 responses (100%)
What are the instructor's teaching strengths?

Results:

- Professor Cao was really good at encouraging other students to participate in the class. When we had discussions, he would always come in to check in with all the groups to make sure that all students had a say. For me, it shows that he really cares about his students and wants them to understand.
- He was very friendly and approachable. His comments were straightforward and helpful. During class, it felt like he cared a good amount for making sure that we knew what we were doing and learning about because he reached out to people often.
- The instructors teaching strength was the benchmarks throughout the class. I appreciate the assignments where we were contributing to our process archives and the annotated bibliography, so it was not that much work at the end.
- Keeps each class on schedule, lenient with deadlines for drafts, answers questions and holds office hours, teaches philosophy well.
- He is very willing to provide feedback to students and he is approachable.
- The instructor was on time, organized, and kept the class moving.
- Giving good feedback and setting up group activities
- He is available to meet outside of class
- He gives very fast reply and feedbacks
- Clear explanation, engaging activity
- Understanding, flexible, and fair.
- clear expectations
- Giving comments
- Teaching

Question #18 • Text Response • 13 responses (93%)
How can this instructor improve as a teacher?

Results:

- Professor Cao could improve as a teacher by discussing the class guidelines and the rubrics for the CP and AP essays more in depth. This discussion would have allowed me to know what to expect and what to do during the quarter so I wouldn't question or doubt myself regarding the material.
- His lectures are unrelated to our actual class. I feel that we focused too long on his focuses leading us to have to write two essays in the last two weeks. Up until that point, we had only written one essay.
- I think the first weeks of the class felt a little odd because he went over a lot of philosophy concepts that connected only loosely to writing.
- Perhaps by spending a bit more time on providing guidance regarding HOW to write. Even just a day dedicated to the topic would suffice.
- Idk. There weren't many office hour slots (4 per week I think), but I'm not sure if anyone couldn't go that wanted to.
- It felt like sometimes he wasn't fully sure what the prompt was asking when people had questions.
- More time in class to complete assignments
- Provide more information
- more comments on essay
- Meeting Availability
- better organization
- Have more ent
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Question #19 • Text Response • 10 responses (71%)
Any other comments about this course?

Results:

- Thank you, Professor Cao, for your kind words of encouragement to finish the quarter strong. I appreciate you helping me during office hours when I had doubts and was confused by the class materials. I really appreciate it!
- This course was a lot of work, but I had a good instructor.
- It is not paced very well.
- I liked it.
- ☐☐
- N/A
- n/a
- NA
- No
- No

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