



SOSC 13200 4 - Social Science Inquiry II - Instructor(s) Shu Fu

Project Title: **College Course Evaluation - Winter 2020**

Number Enrolled: **18**

Number of Responses: **11**

Report Comments

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What are the most important things that you learned in this course? Please reflect on the knowledge and skills you gained.

Comments
Quantitative data methods to explore social scientific theories.
I learned how to code using r and learned how to do statistical regressions.
I learned how to apply the concepts learned during the Fall to R and visualized the data we worked on in the Winter.
Statistical methods for social sciences, applying them to data sets in R.
How to use R for social science issues/ regression
How to code in R
R, experimental design, statistics
How to use R
Programming in R and designing statistical studies.

Describe how aspects of this course (lectures, discussions, labs, assignments, etc.) contributed to your learning.

Comments
Lectures were fantastic in helping us understand core concepts. A mixture of discussion and programming labs helped us understand and apply many of the concepts that would be useful. Assignments solidified the material that was taught in class.
The lectures and discussions helped me understand what was going on and without them I could never have figured out how to code by myself.
The "labs" during class helped tremendously.
The discussions were good for understanding the key concepts, and how to implement various statistical methods to analyze national election datasets.
lectures were great and very clear
Class consisted of discussion, demos of R, and lectures that were very engaging, informative, and helpful.
Office hours with Shu were very helpful – he is very accessible outside of class

Please respond to the following:

	Mean	Median	Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Neutral	Agree	Strongly Agree
This course challenged me intellectually.	4.73	5.00	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	27.27%	72.73%
I understood the purpose of this course and what I was expected to gain from it.	4.91	5.00	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	9.09%	90.91%
I understood the standards for success on assignments.	4.73	5.00	0.00%	0.00%	9.09%	9.09%	81.82%
Class time enhanced my ability to succeed in graded assignments.	4.91	5.00	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	9.09%	90.91%
I received feedback on my performance that helped me improve my subsequent work.	4.91	5.00	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	9.09%	90.91%
My work was evaluated fairly.	4.82	5.00	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	18.18%	81.82%
I felt respected in this class.	4.91	5.00	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	9.09%	90.91%
Overall, this was an excellent course.	4.82	5.00	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	18.18%	81.82%

Additional comments about the course:

Comments
Fantastic course, even better instructor. Would highly recommend Shu if you manage to get him.
Shu is the best
One of my favorite classes I have had at Chicago.
Shu is very kind and approachable

I would recommend this course to:

	No	Yes
Highly-motivated and well-prepared students	0.00%	100.00%
Anyone interested in the topic	0.00%	100.00%

Thinking about your time in the class, what aspect of the instructor's teaching contributed most to your learning?

Comments
His discussions and the programming labs.
When the professor would put his computer on the big screen and help us understand the code he was writing and how it worked.
I appreciate his dedication to help each individual student if they were stuck or looked lost
Shu was extremely motivated and enthusiastic about the material. He also knew the material extremely well given that he is a graduate student actively doing research in computational political science.
He was always willing to help and made time for students whenever we needed. He also gave good feedback on assignments.
Shu was very prepared, knowledgeable, energetic, and passionate about what he was teaching us. He has a very lovable personality and really fueled my interest in the course.
Shu is great, very committed to helping students understand and highly available outside of class to answer any questions.
he was really helpful toward students, really wanted us to understand the material well.
Coding labs/workshops

What could the instructor modify to help you learn more?

Comments
Some proofs that we did during the class I felt were unnecessary and the time could have been spent somewhere else.
He could help explain what the numbers in regressions mean a little more.
N/A
Nothing
Nothing.
nothing, he was great!
More handouts and practice near the beginning to familiarize ourselves with R syntax

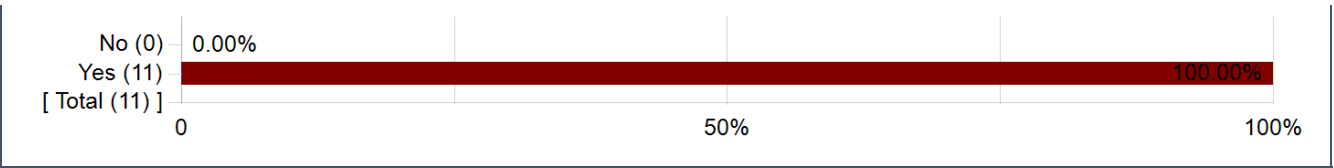
The Instructor . . .

	Mean	Median	Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Neutral	Agree	Strongly Agree	N/A
Organized the course clearly.	4.82	5.00	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	18.18%	81.82%	0.00%
Presented lectures that enhanced your understanding.	5.00	5.00	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	100.00%	0.00%
Facilitated discussions that were engaging and useful.	4.73	5.00	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	27.27%	72.73%	0.00%
Stimulated your interest in the core ideas of the course.	4.73	5.00	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	27.27%	72.73%	0.00%
Challenged you to learn.	4.82	5.00	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	18.18%	81.82%	0.00%
Helped you gain significant learning from the course content.	4.82	5.00	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	18.18%	81.82%	0.00%
Was available and helpful outside of class.	4.91	5.00	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	9.09%	90.91%	0.00%
Motivated you to think independently.	4.82	5.00	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	18.18%	81.82%	0.00%
Worked to create an inclusive and welcoming learning environment.	4.91	5.00	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	9.09%	90.91%	0.00%
Overall, this instructor made a significant contribution to your learning.	4.91	5.00	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	9.09%	90.91%	0.00%

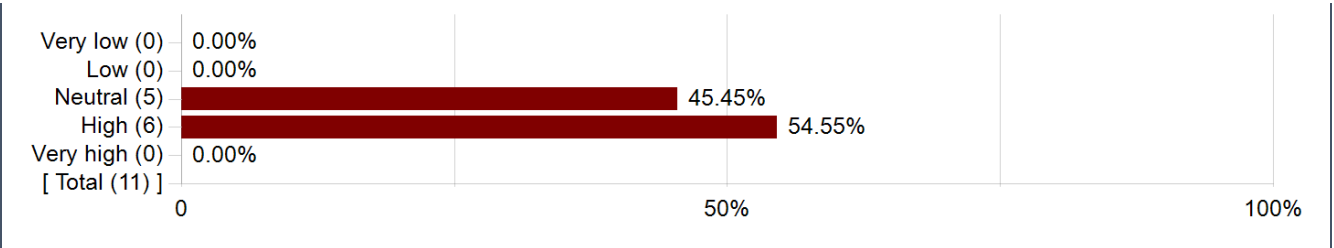
How much did the following elements of the course contribute to your learning gains?

	Mean	Median	No Gain	A Little Gain	Moderate Gain	Good Gain	Great Gain	N/A
Laboratory Experience	N/A	N/A	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	100.00%
Field Trips	N/A	N/A	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	100.00%
Library Sessions	NRP	NRP	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%
Review Sessions	5.00	5.00	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	100.00%	0.00%
Writing Seminars	N/A	N/A	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	100.00%

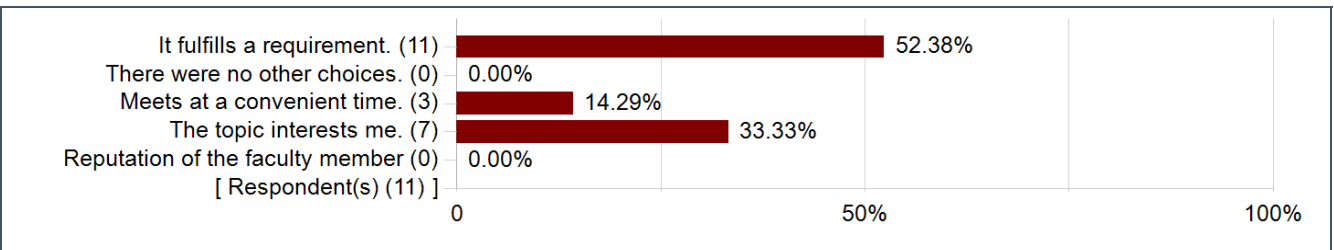
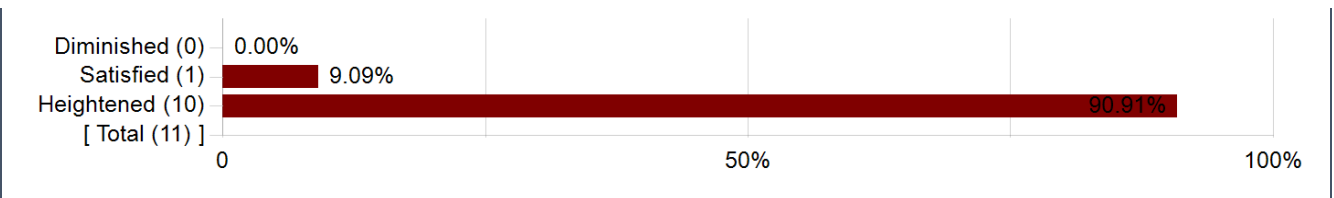
Is this class a requirement of some sort?



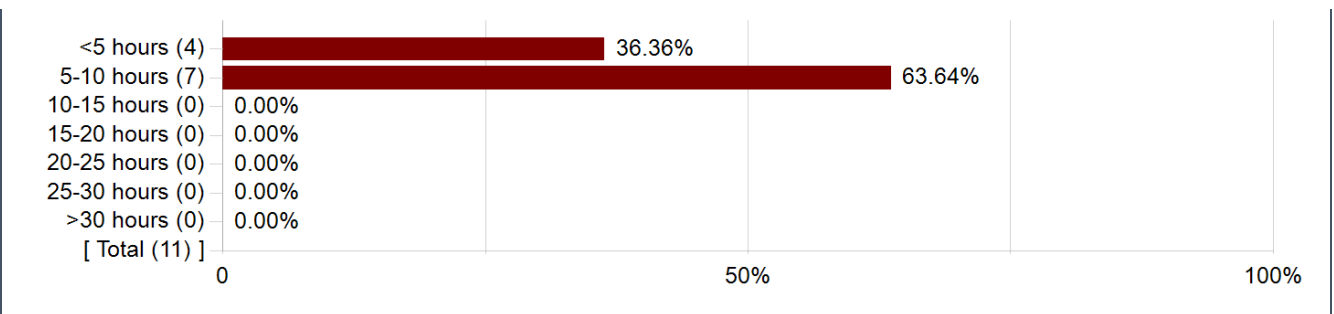
Prior to starting this class, your interest level was?



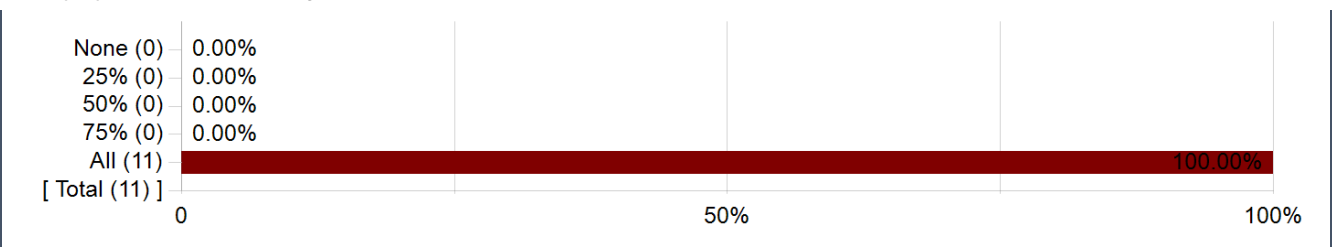
Now that this class is over, your interest is?



How many hours per week outside of attending required sessions did you spend on this course?



What proportion of classes did you attend?



Please comment on the level of difficulty of the course relative to your background and experience.

Comments

This course was very difficult, especially since I did not know how to code.

Not hard, just have to do the given assignments

Learning R poses a learning curve (especially to someone like me who has never coded before) but the course challenged me to learn and was not too difficult.

Reasonable difficulty, prior programming experience is helpful but not necessary