

Course: GEOG 450 201 - Urban Research

Department: GEOG

Unknown
Role: Elvin Wily

Responses / Expected: 8 / 19

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University Module	Responses						Individual			Std Dev
	SD	D	N	A	SA	N	Mean	Med.	Mode	
Q1 The instructor made it clear what students were expected to learn.	0	2	0	4	2	8	3.8	4	4	1.09
Q2 The instructor communicated the subject matter effectively.	0	1	1	2	4	8	4.1	4.5	5	1.05
Q3 The instructor helped inspire interest in learning the subject matter.	0	1	0	1	6	8	4.5	5	5	1
Q4 Overall, evaluation of student learning (through exams, essays, presentations, etc.) was fair.	0	0	0	2	5	7	4.7	5	5	.45
Q5 The instructor showed concern for student learning.	0	0	1	0	7	8	4.8	5	5	.66
Q6 Overall, the instructor was an effective teacher.	0	1	0	0	6	7	4.6	5	5	1.05

Responses: [SD] Strongly Disagree=1 [D] Disagree=2 [N] Neutral=3 [A] Agree=4 [SA] Strongly Agree=5

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Arts Instructor Questions	Responses						Individual			Std Dev
	SD	D	N	A	SA	N	Mean	Med.	Mode	
Q7 In classes where the size of the class and content of the course were appropriate, student participation in class was encouraged by the instructor.	0	0	0	1	7	8	4.9	5	5	.33
Q8 High standards of achievement were set.	0	0	1	2	5	8	4.5	5	5	.71
Q9 The instructor was generally well prepared for class.	0	0	0	2	6	8	4.8	5	5	.43
Q10 The instructor was readily available to students outside of class (e.g., through email, office hours, or by appointment).	0	0	0	4	4	8	4.5	4.5	4,5	.50
Q11 The instructor treated students with respect.	0	0	0	1	7	8	4.9	5	5	.33

Responses: [SD] Strongly Disagree=1 [D] Disagree=2 [N] Neutral=3 [A] Agree=4 [SA] Strongly Agree=5

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Arts Course Question	Responses						Course			Std Dev
	VP	P	N	G	VG	N	Mean	Med.	Mode	
Q12 Considering everything how would you rate this course?	0	0	1	0	7	8	4.8	5	5	.66

Responses: [VP] Very poor=1 [P] Poor=2 [N] Neutral=3 [G] Good=4 [VG] Very good=5

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Geography Departmental Questions	Responses						Individual		
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		SD	D	N	A	SA	N	Mean	Med.	Mode	Std Dev
Q13	The instructor attempted to provide satisfactory answers to all questions in class.	0	0	0	2	6	8	4.8	5	5	.43
Q14	The instructor established effective communication with students in the classroom.	0	0	0	1	7	8	4.9	5	5	.33
Q15	The instructor was helpful when students requested course related assistance outside of class.	0	0	0	1	5	6	4.8	5	5	.37
Q16	Assignments and tests were returned within a reasonable time.	0	0	0	1	7	8	4.9	5	5	.33

Responses: [SD] Strongly Disagree=1 [D] Disagree=2 [N] Neutral=3 [A] Agree=4 [SA] Strongly Agree=5

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Geography Departmental Question	Responses							Course			
	SD	D	N	A	SA	N	Mean	Med.	Mode	Std Dev	
Q17	For courses that had discussion groups or labs, the discussion groups or labs made an important contribution to the course.	0	0	1	1	4	6	4.5	5	5	.76

Responses: [SD] Strongly Disagree=1 [D] Disagree=2 [N] Neutral=3 [A] Agree=4 [SA] Strongly Agree=5

Q18 - Please comment on course content, or any aspects, positive or negative, of your instructor's teaching, attitudes to students, class atmosphere, or any other matters affecting the quality of instruction that you consider worthy of note.

Response Rate: 87.50% (7 of 8)

I loved how much freedom we were given in the class and that the focus is for us to conduct our own research. I was just a little confused as to how we were supposed to use all that we learned in our papers. Learning about Stata seemed appropriate but other lectures just confused me and seemed irrelevant to my research. Wylly is a great professor and very approachable!

Very good upper level course. A lot of work, but for a 4th year course this is an inspiring course that brings out the best of the students. Wylly is good at knowing when to step in and explain concepts, and when to let students talk. Only wish that there was a way to know our possible grades sooner, but understand that the structure is good the way it is.

Elvin is a fantastic teacher. His enthusiasm is contagious and he shows a real interest in other students' ideas. He also gives incredible feedback to assignments and will give you as much feedback as you want. One of the best profs I've ever had

I really enjoyed the content of this course and thought the student-led discussion portion allowed for a wide range of interesting and informative topics to come up. However, I do wish that a bit more attention had been given to the lab portion as I would have enjoyed a more thorough understanding of the programs used. Overall, I was quite satisfied with this course and especially with Wylly's teaching style - being greeted each morning with a smile and a 'how are you?' definitely made the early morning start much easier.

This was a great class. I really appreciated the comments back on the draft and how open Elvin is to speaking with you. I wish, however, that the format of the class were a bit different. Often discussions would go over time, and the 'lab' portion of the class was significantly shortened. I didn't leave this course feeling comfortable with stata. I understand that this isn't stats (and maybe this class would have been more beneficial to me if I had taken stats before) but I think some additional time learning the tools would be really helpful. I liked in the first few weeks how we tried out some of the methods in stata, even if it was following pre-determined code. Sometimes it was frustrating to see all these cool methods without knowing how to do them. Also, sometimes the lecture material was quite repetitive with Elvin's 350 class., though it is really interesting material, so I wouldn't want to have people who hadn't taken his class miss out!

The course was an excellent introduction to quantitative methods for those across the capability spectrum. The mixture of discussion and lab time was very useful and applicable to many learning styles. It was an excellent way of organizing the course. The only downside was that the discussions were so excellent that they often made the lecture of new material and lab time circumscribed, such that it was sometimes difficult to "get our hands dirty" with the methods with the instructor present.

Nevertheless the passion for both the political value of quantitative methods as well as an appreciation for their limits, displayed in an effective way makes this course not only valuable, but fascinating, with many points of entry for students. I would definitely recommend.

- Wiley: Man, Myth, and (Urban) Legend! Great course, glad I took it. A bit more guidance on the expectations for the final project would be nice. Great stuff!