

Course Evaluations

Session: Summer 1, 2016
Instructor: Taiyi Sun
Course: CAS IR/PO365/352-A1 Rise of China

STATISTICS REFLECT FREQUENCY OF RESPONSES

Number of students enrolled: 16
 Number of students responding: 15
 Percent of enrolled students responding: 94

| SECTION A: COURSE EVALUATION: | NR | Poor | | | Superior | | | Mean | StDev |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----|------|---|---|----------|----|-------|-------|-------|
| | | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | | | |
| 1 The extent to which you found the class intellectually challenging | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 8 | 5 | 4.200 | 0.676 | |
| 2 The extent that assignments furthered your understanding of course content | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 7 | 7 | 4.400 | 0.632 | |
| 3 The extent that the class normally met the required number of hours | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 4 | 11 | 4.733 | 0.458 | |
| 4 I found the textbook/cases/course materials | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 6 | 9 | 4.600 | 0.507 | |
| 5 The extent to which I would recommend this course to others | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 7 | 8 | 4.533 | 0.516 | |
| 6 I would rate the course overall as | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 7 | 8 | 4.533 | 0.516 | |

| SECTION B: INSTRUCTOR EVALUATION: | NR | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | Mean | StDev |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----|---|---|---|---|----|-------|-------|
| 7 The instructor's ability to present material is | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 2 | 12 | 4.733 | 0.594 |
| 8 I would rate the instructor's enthusiasm as | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 13 | 4.800 | 0.561 |
| 9 The instructor's ability to encourage questions/discussion is | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 6 | 8 | 4.467 | 0.640 |
| 10 The instructor's mastery of the course materials is | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 4 | 11 | 4.733 | 0.458 |
| 11 The extent to which the instructor's grading criteria are clear and fair | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 2 | 11 | 4.600 | 0.737 |
| 12 The extent to which the instructor returned assignments in a timely manner | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 14 | 4.933 | 0.258 |
| 13 The instructor's overall rating is | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 2 | 12 | 4.733 | 0.594 |

| SECTION C: ADDITIONAL INFORMATION: | NR | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | Mean | StDev |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----|---|---|---|---|---|-------|-------|
| 14 How would you rate your Boston University Summer Term experience, overall? | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 7 | 6 | 4.357 | 0.633 |

| | NR | Yes | No | Mean | StDev |
|-----------------------------------------|----|-----|----|-------|-------|
| 15 Are you a Boston University student? | 0 | 14 | 1 | 1.067 | 0.258 |
| 16 Are you an international student? | 0 | 9 | 6 | 1.400 | 0.507 |

| | NR | C or less | A- or A | Mean | StDev |
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| 17 What grade do you expect to receive in the course? | 0 | 0 | 1 | 3.333 | 0.617 |

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| | | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | | | |
| 1 The extent to which you found the class intellectually challenging | 0 | 0 | 0 | 13 | 53 | 33 | 4.200 | 0.676 | |
| 2 The extent that assignments furthered your understanding of course content | 0 | 0 | 0 | 6 | 46 | 46 | 4.400 | 0.632 | |
| 3 The extent that the class normally met the required number of hours | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 26 | 73 | 4.733 | 0.458 | |
| 4 I found the textbook/cases/course materials | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 40 | 60 | 4.600 | 0.507 | |
| 5 The extent to which I would recommend this course to others | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 46 | 53 | 4.533 | 0.516 | |
| 6 I would rate the course overall as | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 46 | 53 | 4.533 | 0.516 | |

| SECTION B: INSTRUCTOR EVALUATION: | NR | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | Mean | StDev |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----|---|---|----|----|----|-------|-------|
| 7 The instructor's ability to present material is | 0 | 0 | 0 | 6 | 13 | 80 | 4.733 | 0.594 |
| 8 I would rate the instructor's enthusiasm as | 0 | 0 | 0 | 6 | 6 | 86 | 4.800 | 0.561 |
| 9 The instructor's ability to encourage questions/discussion is | 0 | 0 | 0 | 6 | 40 | 53 | 4.467 | 0.640 |
| 10 The instructor's mastery of the course materials is | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 26 | 73 | 4.733 | 0.458 |
| 11 The extent to which the instructor's grading criteria are clear and fair | 0 | 0 | 0 | 13 | 13 | 73 | 4.600 | 0.737 |
| 12 The extent to which the instructor returned assignments in a timely manner | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 6 | 93 | 4.933 | 0.258 |
| 13 The instructor's overall rating is | 0 | 0 | 0 | 6 | 13 | 80 | 4.733 | 0.594 |

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| 14 How would you rate your Boston University Summer Term experience, overall? | 6 | 0 | 0 | 6 | 46 | 40 | 4.357 | 0.633 |

| | NR | Yes | No | Mean | StDev |
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| 15 Are you a Boston University student? | 0 | 93 | 6 | 1.067 | 0.258 |
| 16 Are you an international student? | 0 | 60 | 40 | 1.400 | 0.507 |

| | NR | C or less | A- or A | Mean | StDev | | |
|-------------------------------------------------------|----|-----------|---------|------|-------|-------|-------|
| 17 What grade do you expect to receive in the course? | 0 | 0 | 6 | 53 | 40 | 3.333 | 0.617 |

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Student Comments:

About the Instructor:

The use of PowerPoints to present the ideas was great. The fact that the names were at times hard to understand for the non-Chinese students was alleviated by Taiyi going through the names on the PowerPoints on the board.

Very enthusiastic and knowledgeable. Clear PowerPoints. Improve: Readings could be easier to understand.

Improve: I think in summer, it's much shorter than the semester, so professor can concise some workload, because the readings are too much. Professor could explain more on readings we read.

Teacher is enthusiastic. Improve: The presentation slides could be a little more developed.

Great teacher. Took time to explain the course to us. Improve: Group participation was not always great.

Simply the best. Improve: Some parts can be a little dull but anecdotes on corruption scandal was interesting.

Really enthusiastic teacher, full of interesting ideas and very knowledgeable. Always there when I reached out for help, best CAS teacher I've had. Always led fun discussions. He's wonderful.

Well-articulated. Enthusiastic about material. Interesting topic, well-organized. Improve: It's hard to stimulate class discussion, but more would be fun.

Taiyi is the best professor I've had at BU. Passionately conveys information to students and masterfully explains complex concepts in an easy to comprehend way.

It is presented clearly and he elaborated in detail.

He is one the most knowledgeable professors about China that I've ever seen here at BU. His class design is interesting as before.

He is clear about what he is going to talk about.

Very enthusiastic. Encourages students to learn.

About the Course:

It was overall great.

Very interesting and relevant.

Good.

Strong: A lot of real world applications. Improve: Coherency.

Very interesting. Improve: A bit too much work.

Awesome.

Interesting topic. Very organized. Great pace. Amazing professor. Improve: Shorter readings.

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Interesting, presented well. Improve: Less group work? My group did nothing, so I would have appreciated working by myself to reduce stress.

Improve: Group projects. Group members did not attend class or contribute.

The teacher uploaded PowerPoints very fast. Improve: Less reading is better because the schedule is tight.

Strong: Very challenging reading materials. Very participatory class, very informative lecture.

Strong: Made me understand more about China.

Interesting material. Improve: Too many readings. Very hard to keep up.