

# TORONTO UNDERGRADUATE GEOGRAPHY SOCIETY

#### Introduction

The Toronto Undergraduate Geography Society (TUGS) is the geography student union. If you are taking a GGR course or are enrolled in a geography program, you are automatically a member of TUGS. Throughout the year, TUGS organizes events, career days and seminars of interest to all geography students. We also represent geography students on the Arts & Science Students' Union (ASSU) Council and on a number of other committees in the geography department. TUGS is a great link between the geography department and geography students, addressing the issues and needs of the undergraduates. In addition, we have an office with information on courses, lectures and events, as well as a file of old geography exams available for photocopying.

There are several ways to get involved with TUGS. You can be a class rep, or you can be a member of the Executive, or a volunteer, helping our Executive organize events, or you can just come out to our events during the year! TUGS is a great way to meet people, have fun and get more involved in the UofT community. Drop by our office in the basement of Sidney Smith Hall (room 613), equipped with a telephone, comfy couches and a microwave. We can also be reached online at <a href="http://www.geog.utoronto.ca/info/tugs/">http://www.geog.utoronto.ca/info/tugs/</a> or by telephone at (416) 978-2057.

**TUGS Executive** 

# GGR 100Y1Y Introduction to Physical Geography

Instructor(s): A. Davis

Enr: 148		Re	esp: 6	5			36     22     5.7       32     22     5.6       31     39     6.0       31     33     5.8		
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	Mean	
Presents	0	0	0	16	24	36	22	5.7	
Explains	0	0	0	14	29	32	22	5.6	
Communicates	0	0	0	9	19	31	39	6.0	
Teaching	0	0	3	10	21	31	33	5.8	
Workload	0	1	13	61	16	5	1	4.2	
Difficulty	1	0	8	63	19	6	0	4.2	
Learn Exp	0	0	4	40	19	21	14	5.0	

Overall, students felt Davis was an enthusiastic instructor. Davis was knowledgeable but the course material could have been updated. Students enjoyed the slide shows although some noted that they were changed quickly.

# GGR 107Y1Y Environment, Food and People

Instructor(s): J. Galloway; J.Leydon

Enr: 266	Res	Resp: 147					Retake: 81%	
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	Mean
Galloway:								
Presents	2	2	9	25	31	22	7	4.8

Explains	2	0	5	25	35	21	9	4.9
Communicates	5	5	11	19	32	15	9	4.5
Teaching	3	0	8	19	36	23	7	4.9
Leydon:								
Presents	0	0	1	6	17	39	34	6.0
Explains	0	0	0	5	26	33	33	5.9
Communicates	0	0	1	5	19	35	36	5.9
Teaching	0	0	0	5	20	39	33	6.0
Course:								
Workload	0	0	11	75	11	0	0	4.0
Difficulty	0	0	15	67	12	2	2	4.1
Learn Exp	0	0	5	36	21	25	11	5.0

Students felt Galloway's lectures were often crammed with too much information. It was noted that the instructor spoke slowly making the course seem boring. Students also felt that Galloway ended up off topic a lot and would have benefited from more structured lecture notes.

Leydon was humourous and very interesting. Students liked how he incorporated personal stories as examples. Some students thought that Leydon provided clear notes but spoke too quickly at times.

Overall, the course was a valuable learning experience and that the course material was applicable in today's world. Students did feel the tutorials did not help with the assignments.

# GGR 124Y1Y Urbanization, Contemporary Cities and Urban Life

Instructor(s): L. Bourne

Enr: 180		Re	esp: 89	9	Retake: 87%			
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	Mean
Presents	0	0	2	10	24	31	30	5.8
Explains	0	0	1	1	27	43	27	5.9
Communicates	0	0	0	4	19	38	38	6.1
Teaching	0	0	0	2	16	41	40	6.2
Workload	0	2	7	75	8	7	0	4.1
Difficulty	1	1	11	66	14	4	0	4.1
Learn Exp	0	0	0	32	32	22	13	5.2

Students thought that Bourne was a very good instructor. They felt he was very knowledgeable and his humour was refreshing. The course was well-organized and the material was explained thoroughly so that it was easily understood. Students would have appreciated having the slides on the web as some had difficultly listening and not taking at the same time.

Instructor(s): D. Dupuy

Enr: 109		Re	sp: 7	5	Retake: 74%			
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	Mean
Presents	1	0	0	4	34	27	31	5.8
Explains	0	1	2	2	41	32	19	5.6
Communicates	0	0	4	9	21	42	21	5.7
Teaching	0	0	0	5	32	38	22	5.8
Workload	0	2	6	69	17	2	0	4.1
Difficulty	2	1	9	68	13	4	0	4.0
Learn Exp	0	1	3	47	34	12	0	4.5

Students found Dupuy to be helpful, enthusiastic, approachable and good at explaining concepts. It was also noted that the lectures were well-organized, however, many students complained that the amount of material that had to be copied down from the overheads caused them to be unable to listen closely and absorb the explanations from the instructor. Overall, students found Dupuy to be a good instructor and said that the course was interesting and worth taking.

#### **GGR 201H1S Geomorphology**

Instructor(s): J. Desloges

Enr: 62		Re	sp: 42	2	Retake: 69%			
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	Mean
Presents	0	0	0	4	17	56	21	6.0
Explains	0	0	2	2	21	51	21	5.9
Communicates	0	0	2	2	7	56	31	6.1

Teaching	0	0	0	2	17	48	31	6.1
Workload	0	0	0	60	36	2	0	4.4
Difficulty	0	0	2	65	26	4	0	4.3
Learn Exp	0	0	3	29	38	19	9	5.0

Desloges was found to be very knowledgeable. Students would have preferred a different mode of presentation than the blackboard. Overall, the course was interesting, comprehensive and well-organized.

# GGR 203H1S Introduction to Climatology

Instructor(s): D. Harvey

Enr: 46		Re	esp: 24	4	Retake: 59%			
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	Mean
Presents	0	0	17	21	26	26	8	4.9
Explains	0	13	4	21	26	26	8	4.7
Communicates	0	0	0	30	21	26	21	5.4
Teaching	0	0	0	43	30	8	17	5.0
Workload	0	0	4	50	40	4	0	4.5
Difficulty	0	0	0	27	45	22	4	5.0
Learn Exp	0	0	16	33	27	11	11	4.7

Students found the instructor to be enthusiastic about the material, however they thought that clearer explanations were needed. They also noted that a background in physics and math was needed for this course.

#### GGR 205H1F Introduction to Soil Science

Instructor(s): V. Timmer

Enr: 52	Resp: 28						Retake: 70%			
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	Mean		
Presents	0	0	0	3	39	25	32	5.9		
Explains	0	0	3	3	33	22	37	5.9		
Communicates	0	0	3	7	29	18	40	5.9		
Teaching	0	0	0	11	11	44	33	6.0		
Workload	0	0	7	85	7	0	0	4.0		
Difficulty	0	3	11	55	22	7	0	4.2		
Learn Exp	0	0	4	34	26	17	17	5.1		

Timmer was able to take dry course material and make it interesting for the students. Students felt the field trip was very beneficial. There was concerns expressed that it was an American textbook and students would have appreciated a Canadian version.

# GGR 206H1F Introduction to Hydrology

Instructor(s): J.Chen

	Re	esp: 36	6	Retake: 76%			
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	Mean
0	0	2	13	36	38	8	5.4
0	2	5	33	33	19	5	4.8
0	0	11	22	25	22	19	5.2
0	0	0	16	38	33	11	5.4
5	2	22	58	8	2	0	3.7
2	5	11	63	13	2	0	3.9
0	0	14	57	14	14	0	4.3
	0 0 0 5 2	1 2 0 0 0 2 0 0 0 0 5 2 2 5	1 2 3 0 0 2 0 2 5 0 0 11 0 0 0 5 2 22 2 5 11	0 0 2 13 0 2 5 33 0 0 11 22 0 0 0 16 5 2 22 58 2 5 11 63	1         2         3         4         5           0         0         2         13         36           0         2         5         33         33           0         0         11         22         25           0         0         0         16         38           5         2         22         58         8           2         5         11         63         13	1         2         3         4         5         6           0         0         2         13         36         38           0         2         5         33         33         19           0         0         11         22         25         22           0         0         0         16         38         33           5         2         22         58         8         2           2         5         11         63         13         2	1     2     3     4     5     6     7       0     0     2     13     36     38     8       0     2     5     33     33     19     5       0     0     11     22     25     22     19       0     0     0     16     38     33     11       5     2     22     58     8     2     0       2     5     11     63     13     2     0

Chen's enthusiasm for the material was well-received by students. They felt that the textbook was dry.

#### GGR 216H1F Global Cities

Instructor(s): S. Brail

Enr: 198		Resp: 78						Retake: 62%		
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	Mean		
Presents	0	3	11	21	32	20	10	4.8		
Explains	1	0	6	30	34	16	10	4.9		
Communicates	6	5	12	33	24	11	6	4.2		
Teaching	2	5	8	29	30	19	3	4.5		
Workload	0	5	11	70	8	2	1	4.0		

Difficulty	1	5	15	67	7	2	0	3.8
Learn Exp	2	8	10	40	26	7	2	4.1

Some students felt that Brail lacked enthusiasm and was not approachable outside of class. Many expressed that the questions on the midterm were worth too much of the final grade. Students would have appreciated more than just a summary of the readings in lectures.

# GGR 220Y1Y The Spatial Organization of Economic Activity

Instructor(s): R. DiFrancesco

Enr: 180		Re	esp: 8	1		Retak	ke: 52%	
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	Mean
Presents	0	0	0	18	45	28	7	5.2
Explains	0	1	10	23	37	21	6	4.9
Communicates	1	6	8	29	32	18	2	4.5
Teaching	0	1	5	26	41	17	8	4.9
Workload	1	1	18	74	2	1	0	3.8
Difficulty	1	2	7	56	27	3	0	4.2
Learn Exp	0	8	21	36	19	14	0	4.1

Many students felt that the contents of this course seemed more like a course in economics rather than geography. Students appreciated the instructor's lecture notes.

# GGR 233Y1Y Environmental Management for Sustainable Development

Instructor(s): S. Prudham

Enr: 180		Re	sp: 57	7		Reta	ıke: 67%	
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	Mean
Presents	0	0	1	10	26	29	31	5.8
Explains	0	0	3	5	28	39	23	5.7
Communicates	0	0	0	12	25	35	26	5.8
Teaching	0	0	0	7	31	42	19	5.7
Workload	0	3	7	77	10	0	1	4.0
Difficulty	0	0	8	66	24	0	0	4.2
Learn Exp	2	0	4	45	34	9	4	4.5

Students found the material interesting and the instructor very knowledgeable. Questions were responded to very effectively.

Many students would have preferred to have a midterm in the fall. The interactive format of the lectures was appreciated.

Instructor(s): M. Diamond

Enr: 143		Re	sp: 5	5		Reta	ike: 59%	
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	Mean
Presents	1	1	5	24	28	26	11	5.0
Explains	3	0	7	11	33	35	9	5.1
Communicates	0	0	3	5	26	37	26	5.8
Teaching	0	3	5	14	35	25	14	5.2
Workload	0	1	1	50	35	9	1	4.5
Difficulty	0	0	7	44	33	9	5	4.6
Learn Exp	2	2	7	46	19	14	7	4.5

Students didn't feel that the instructor was engaging although she did have an enthusiasm for the course. It was suggested that the lectures needed to be more organized. Students would have appreciated if lecture notes had been posted online. A midterm would have also been appreciated so students would know what to expect on the final exam. Overall, students felt that the course was very useful.

# **GGR 240Y1Y Historical Geography of the Americas**

Instructor(s): J. Leydon; J. Galloway

	,	,		)					
Enr: 73		Re	sp: 45	,			3 31 6.1 3 25 6.0		
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	Mean	
Leydon:									
Presents	0	0	0	2	12	53	31	6.1	
Explains	0	0	2	0	18	53	25	6.0	
Communicates	0	0	0	0	18	44	37	6.2	
Teaching	0	0	0	2	16	46	34	6.1	

# 92 GEOGRAPHY

<u>Galloway</u> :								
Presents	2	2	11	16	33	21	11	4.9
Explains	0	2	0	12	30	43	10	5.4
Communicates	0	4	0	14	38	30	11	5.3
Teaching	2	0	2	13	30	37	13	5.4
Course:								
Workload	0	2	0	63	25	6	2	4.4
Difficulty	0	2	4	72	15	4	0	4.2
Learn Exp	0	0	5	48	16	24	5	4.8

Students were split in their opinions concerning interest in the course. Some found it to be quite interesting, while others found the material to be dry. A few students felt that there were too many required readings and noted that the availability of the readings was an issue. They suggested that a course reader should have been available.

Students found Leydon to be extremely entertaining and enjoyed his style of injecting humour into he material. The overheads were helpful in keeping the lectures organized and easy to follow. Overall, Leydon was found to be a great instructor who showed enthusiasm and was able to keep the course interesting. Some students, however, felt that he spoke too guickly.

Students thought Galloway was difficult to hear. Also, he was difficult to meet with because he didn't have scheduled office hours. Students suggested that overheads would have been helpful.

# GGR 246H1F Geography of Canada

Instructor(s): J. Leydon

Enr: 181		Resp: 116						Retake: 83%		
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	Mean		
Presents	0	0	2	12	20	45	20	5.7		
Explains	0	0	0	8	17	45	27	5.9		
Communicates	0	0	0	7	14	33	42	6.1		
Teaching	0	0	0	10	22	40	25	5.8		
Workload	0	0	9	69	15	3	0	4.1		
Difficulty	0	0	16	66	10	4	0	4.0		
Learn Exp	0	1	3	33	30	20	11	5.0		

Students appreciated the instructor's enthusiasm and sense of humour. His lectures were well-organized and informative. Papers were graded with detail and helpful comments. A few students thought that the instructor talked too quickly.

# GGR 254H1S Geography USA

Instructor(s): R. Lewis

Enr: 174	Resp: 107						Reta	ıke: 77%
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	Mean
Presents	0	0	1	5	17	42	32	6.0
Explains	0	0	0	4	19	41	33	6.0
Communicates	0	0	0	2	12	35	49	6.3
Teaching	0	0	0	4	22	39	32	6.0
Workload	0	6	7	73	11	0	0	3.9
Difficulty	1	4	7	72	11	0	0	3.9
Learn Exp	0	0	4	31	30	27	5	5.0

The lecture material was enjoyed although the readings were considered to be boring. The handouts were great. Overall, the enthusiasm of the instructor was well-received.

# GGR 272H1F Geographic Information and Mapping I

Instructor(s): D. Boyes

Enr: 141		Re	sp: 88	3		Reta	ke: 81%	
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	Mean
Presents	0	0	0	1	15	32	50	6.3
Explains	0	0	0	3	17	33	45	6.2
Communicates	0	0	0	1	7	31	60	6.5
Teaching	0	0	0	1	11	48	38	6.2
Workload	1	2	3	41	32	15	3	4.6
Difficulty	0	5	2	39	33	18	0	4.6
Learn Exp	0	0	0	14	34	42	8	5.5

Students felt that the textbook was too hard and would have appreciated more specific readings. Boyes was very enthusiastic and this was well-received by the students. There were requests for the lecture slides to be posted on the internet.

#### GGR 273H1S Geographic Information and Mapping II

Instructor(s): O. Sonnentag

Enr: 47	Resp: 23						Retal	Retake: 66%	
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	Mean	
Presents	0	0	4	14	42	33	4	5.2	
Explains	0	0	4	27	27	36	4	5.1	
Communicates	0	0	0	9	4	45	40	6.2	
Teaching	0	0	4	14	23	47	9	5.4	
Workload	0	0	4	31	45	13	4	4.8	
Difficulty	0	0	4	22	54	13	4	4.9	
Learn Exp	0	0	0	29	58	5	5	4.9	

Students found the instructor to be enthusiastic and helpful. The introduction of a course reader was highly praised by many as a great change from the normal GIS textbooks.

#### **GGR 301H1S Fluvial Geomorphology**

Instructor(s): J. Desloges

Enr: 13		Re	sp: 10	)		Reta	ke: 80%	
-	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	Mean
Presents	0	0	0	0	0	50	50	6.5
Explains	0	0	0	0	20	50	30	6.1
Communicates	0	0	0	0	10	50	40	6.3
Teaching	0	0	0	0	0	70	30	6.3
Workload	0	0	0	20	60	10	10	5.1
Difficulty	0	0	0	10	30	50	10	5.6
Learn Exp	0	0	0	10	60	20	10	5.3

Students found this course to be a good learning experience and enjoyed the fieldwork. They also found Desloges to be a very good instructor.

# GGR 303H1F Climate-Biosphere Interactions

Instructor(s): S. Cowling

Enr: 53		Re	sp: 36	6		Reta	ıke: 65%	
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	Mean
Presents	0	0	2	11	29	26	29	5.7
Explains	0	0	0	20	20	32	26	5.6
Communicates	0	0	0	5	17	23	52	6.2
Teaching	0	0	2	11	26	20	38	5.8
Workload	0	0	0	47	44	8	0	4.6
Difficulty	0	0	0	55	29	8	5	4.6
Learn Exp	0	0	3	42	21	25	7	4.9

The course was quite demanding and covered a lot of material. However, the instructor was always available for extra help. It was also a good way to get to know the latest research as the instructor integrated up-to-date technology into the course and loved to talk about her research.

# GGR 305H1F Biogeography

Instructor(s): A. Davis

Enr: 59		Re	sp: 38	3		Reta	ıke: 80%	
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	Mean
Presents	0	0	0	7	15	57	18	5.9
Explains	0	0	0	5	31	42	21	5.8
Communicates	0	0	0	5	8	43	43	6.2
Teaching	0	0	0	2	18	55	23	6.0
Workload	0	0	2	70	24	2	0	4.3
Difficulty	0	0	5	55	26	13	0	4.5
Learn Exp	0	0	0	42	53	3	0	4.6

Davis was well-organized and enthusiastic. The material covered could be quite intense, but the instructor made it easier to understand overall

and a fun learning experience. Students felt that the essay was weighted too heavily and that there should have been clearer instructions.

#### GGR 310H1S Cultural Biogeography

Instructor(s): A. Davis

Enr: 49		Re	esp: 28	3		Reta	ke: 100%	
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	Mean
Presents	0	0	0	0	11	46	42	6.3
Explains	0	0	0	0	7	42	50	6.4
Communicates	0	0	0	3	3	33	59	6.5
Teaching	0	0	0	0	7	44	48	6.4
Workload	0	0	18	59	18	3	0	4.1
Difficulty	0	0	7	62	25	3	0	4.3
Learn Exp	0	0	0	17	47	21	13	5.3

Lectures were often text heavy, but clear for taking notes. Students would have liked more access to the overheads. Davis incorporated good use of examples and case studies into his already structured lectures making for a truly enjoyable course experience.

#### GGR 314H1F Global Warming

Instructor(s): D. Harvey

Enr: 165		Re	sp: 74	4		Reta	ıke: 66%	
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	Mean
Presents	0	1	5	14	17	39	21	5.5
Explains	0	1	2	16	29	29	20	5.4
Communicates	0	0	0	2	6	26	64	6.5
Teaching	0	2	1	8	31	36	20	5.6
Workload	0	1	1	32	14	35	14	5.3
Difficulty	0	0	4	22	27	31	14	5.3
Learn Exp	0	1	1	23	21	35	16	5.4

Students commented that the content was difficult and the midterm was weighted too heavily. The instructor was very enthusiastic but students felt the course was too challenging for a half-credit course.

#### GGR 323H1S Issues in Population Geography

Instructor(s): J. Leydon

Enr: 94		Re	esp: 58	8		Reta	ake: 96%	
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	Mean
Presents	0	0	0	1	14	40	43	6.3
Explains	0	0	0	0	8	42	49	6.4
Communicates	0	0	0	0	7	19	73	6.7
Teaching	0	0	0	0	5	44	50	6.4
Workload	0	0	7	51	26	10	3	4.5
Difficulty	0	0	12	57	17	8	3	4.3
Learn Exp	0	0	0	14	34	25	25	5.6

Leydon was described by students to have a great sense of humour which made the course enjoyable to attend. Students often felt that the course material was a great conversation starter although some felt that all viewpoints were not equally addressed. They appreciated Leydon's organization in lectures. The assignments were noted to take a large amount of time. Tests were noted to be vague at times with not enough time to complete them.

# GGR 324H1F Transportation Geography and Planning

Instructor(s): A. Brown

Enr: 51		Re	esp: 40	0			Retal	ke: 56%
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	Mean
Presents	2	0	10	20	40	20	7	4.8
Explains	0	7	2	25	35	30	0	4.8
Communicates	0	2	2	17	25	35	17	5.4
Teaching	2	2	0	22	35	30	7	5.1
Workload	0	0	5	42	35	12	5	4.7
Difficulty	0	0	2	43	28	23	2	4.8
Learn Exp	0	0	6	46	31	12	3	4.6

Brown organized lectures well and was enthusiastic. He was good at responding to students' questions. Many thought that there were too many readings assigned and felt that they were not all relevant to the course topics.

#### GGR 326H1F Industrial Location: Theory, Applications and Policy

Instructor(s): J. Britton

Enr: 28		Re	sp: 18	3	Retake: 62%			
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	Mean
Presents	0	0	11	35	17	29	5	4.8
Explains	0	0	0	11	29	41	17	5.6
Communicates	0	0	0	17	29	29	23	5.6
Teaching	0	0	0	11	23	47	17	5.7
Workload	0	0	5	58	29	5	0	4.4
Difficulty	0	0	5	70	17	5	0	4.2
Learn Exp	0	6	6	43	18	25	0	4.5

Britton was very knowledgeable. The notes were well-organized and the readings provided very good background information. Overall, it was a challenging course, but as long as the readings were done and understood, you will have a good learning experience.

#### **GGR 331H1S Resource and Environmental Theory**

Instructor(s): S. Prudham

Enr: 54		Re	sp: 34	4		Reta	ke: 84%	
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	Mean
Presents	0	0	0	15	36	27	21	5.5
Explains	0	0	0	21	27	33	18	5.5
Communicates	0	0	0	3	25	46	25	5.9
Teaching	0	0	0	9	18	45	27	5.9
Workload	0	0	9	71	18	0	0	4.1
Difficulty	0	0	0	51	26	9	3	4.6
Learn Exp	0	0	7	28	32	28	3	4.9

Students enjoyed the course and felt that Prudham was an engaging instructor who successfully made the course interactive. The course sometimes dealt with ideas that may be too abstract to grasp but students appreciated Prudham's use of examples. Prudham often went over the key concepts from the readings which helped with the understanding of the material. Overall, students felt the course was a gratifying experience that changed their perspective of the environment.

# GGR 332H1S Urban Waste Management

Instructor(s): V. MacLaren

Enr: 57		Re	esp: 30	0		Reta	ake: 68%	
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	Mean
Presents	0	0	0	10	36	16	30	5.6
Explains	0	0	3	10	46	20	20	5.4
Communicates	0	0	0	10	26	30	33	5.9
Teaching	0	0	0	6	33	43	16	5.7
Workload	0	0	3	76	20	0	0	4.2
Difficulty	0	0	10	72	17	0	0	4.1
Learn Exp	0	0	0	57	19	9	14	4.8

Students found the instructor's lectures to be very interesting and they appreciated the emphasis on interaction. MacLaren was very nice and approachable. Some students thought the marking scheme would have been better if there had been a midterm. A few students also found the pace of lectures to be too slow.

# GGR 333H1S Energy Supply and Use

Instructor(s): D. Harvey

		~,							
Enr: 47 Resp: 28							Retake: 36%		
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	Mean	
Presents	0	0	11	25	22	37	3	5.0	
Explains	0	0	11	22	25	33	7	5.0	
Communicates	0	0	0	15	7	30	46	6.1	
Teaching	0	0	0	29	22	25	22	5.4	
Workload	0	0	0	3	40	22	33	5.9	

#### 94 GEOGRAPHY

Difficulty	0	0	0	22	18	44	14	5.5
Learn Exp	0	4	4	45	16	20	8	4.7

Harvey was a very enthusiastic and knowledgeable instructor. The tests and problem sets were very challenging, and many students said the workload was much heavier than other courses.

#### GGR 336H1S Urban Historical Geography of North America

Instructor(s): R. Lewis

Enr: 88		Re	sp: 50	0		Reta	ıke: 78%	
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	Mean
Presents	0	0	2	10	24	42	22	5.7
Explains	0	0	0	8	22	50	20	5.8
Communicates	0	0	2	0	22	44	32	6.0
Teaching	0	0	0	2	30	48	20	5.9
Workload	0	0	2	77	18	2	0	4.2
Difficulty	0	0	2	72	19	6	0	4.3
Learn Exp	2	0	2	42	31	15	5	4.7

Lewis was very organized and enthusiastic. Some students wished they were given the option to choose the city they wrote on for their large assignment. Discussion was encouraged, but difficult in such a large class. Also, students would have liked there to have been a course website where the lecture notes could be posted.

# **GGR 337H1S Environmental Remote Sensing**

Instructor(s): J. Chen

Enr: 17		Re	esp: 17	7		Reta	Retake: 87%  7	
	11	2	3	4	5	6	7	Mean
Presents	0	0	0	11	11	52	23	5.9
Explains	0	0	0	35	11	35	17	5.4
Communicates	0	0	0	0	29	23	47	6.2
Teaching	0	0	0	5	5	64	23	6.1
Workload	0	0	12	68	12	0	6	4.2
Difficulty	0	0	0	81	12	6	0	4.2
Learn Exp	0	0	7	15	53	15	7	5.0

Chen seemed very experienced in this field, and he explained important concepts in a clear and concise manner. Overall, a great learning experience.

Instructor(s): J. Chen

Enr: 17		Re	esp: 1	7		Retake: 87%		
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	Mean
Presents	0	0	0	11	11	52	23	5.9
Explains	0	0	0	35	11	35	17	5.4
Communicates	0	0	0	0	29	23	47	6.2
Teaching	0	0	0	5	5	64	23	6.1
Workload	0	0	12	68	12	0	6	4.2
Difficulty	0	0	0	81	12	6	0	4.2
Learn Exp	0	0	7	15	53	15	7	5.0

Chen seemed very experienced in this field, and he explained important concepts in a clear and concise manner. Overall, a great learning experience.

### GGR 339H1F Urban Geography, Planning and Political Processes

Instructor(s): L. Veronis

Enr: 56		Resp: 27				Retake: 63%			
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	Mean	
Presents	0	4	4	12	28	40	12	5.3	
Explains	0	0	7	11	38	38	3	5.2	
Communicates	0	0	7	19	38	23	11	5.1	
Teaching	0	3	3	15	38	34	3	5.1	
Workload	0	0	8	80	8	4	0	4.1	
Difficulty	0	0	3	80	7	7	0	4.2	
Learn Exp	0	0	11	41	17	23	5	4.7	

Most students liked the instructor but thought the course content was a bit dry.

#### **GGR 341H1S Arctic Canada**

Instructor(s): D. Boyes

Enr: 126		Re	esp: 79	9		Retake: 87%		
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	Mean
Presents	0	0	1	4	8	48	37	6.2
Explains	0	0	1	1	14	42	40	6.2
Communicates	0	0	0	1	11	25	61	6.5
Teaching	0	0	0	6	11	32	48	6.2
Workload	0	1	11	78	3	3	0	4.0
Difficulty	0	1	19	67	9	2	0	3.9
Learn Exp	0	0	0	23	41	25	9	5.2

Most students enjoyed Boyes' sense of humour and approachability. Some students suggested that the course should be made into a year long course and that assignments/quizzes were marked harshly.

#### **GGR 366H1F Historical Toronto**

Instructor(s): G. Gad

Enr: 60		Re	sp: 44	4		Reta	ake: 86%	
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	Mean
Presents	0	0	0	9	25	27	38	6.0
Explains	0	0	0	6	30	32	30	5.9
Communicates	0	0	0	0	18	25	55	6.4
Teaching	0	0	0	2	22	40	34	6.1
Workload	0	0	0	55	37	6	0	4.5
Difficulty	2	0	9	69	16	2	0	4.0
Learn Exp	0	0	2	25	33	23	15	5.2

Students felt Gad was an engaging teacher and had a true interest in the course material. Gad was very approachable. Some students felt that the expectations in the course and assignments were vague. Overall, students felt that it was an excellent experience as it changed how they perceived Toronto.

#### GGR 373H1F Advanced Geographic Information Systems

Instructor(s): D. Boyes

Enr: 36		Re	sp: 3	1			38 54 6.5 54 41 6.4 19 77 6.7 41 54 6.5 19 0 4.8 16 0 4.7	
-	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	Mean
Presents	0	0	0	0	6	38	54	6.5
Explains	0	0	0	0	3	54	41	6.4
Communicates	0	0	0	0	3	19	77	6.7
Teaching	0	0	0	0	3	41	54	6.5
Workload	0	0	0	35	45	19	0	4.8
Difficulty	0	0	0	41	41	16	0	4.7
Learn Exp	0	0	0	8	20	48	24	5.9

This was a very useful course. The instructor was enthusiastic and helpful in one-on-one situations. Some of the assignments were challenging but provided good experience. Students also appreciated having the software available.

# GGR 390H1F Field Methods

Instructor(s): A. Davis; J. Desloges

Enr: 19		Re	sp: 19	9		7 10 5.6 2 21 5.9 6 63 6.5		
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	Mean
Davis:								
Presents	0	0	0	5	36	47	10	5.6
Explains	0	0	0	0	26	52	21	5.9
Communicates	0	0	0	0	10	26	63	6.5
Teaching	0	0	0	0	10	52	36	6.3
Desloges:								
Presents	0	0	0	10	31	42	15	5.6
Explains	0	0	0	0	26	52	21	5.9
Communicates	0	0	0	5	10	21	63	6.4
Teaching	0	0	0	5	10	47	36	6.2

Course:								
Workload	0	0	5	47	15	26	5	4.8
Difficulty	0	0	0	31	57	5	5	4.8
Learn Exp	0	0	0	13	20	40	26	5.8

Both Davis and Desloges were very good instructors, especially in the field. Students enjoyed their enthusiasm.

The field trip was fun and a great learning experience.

#### GGR 391H1F Research Design

Instructor(s): J. Britton

Enr: 30		Re	esp: 2	3	Retake: 36%			
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	Mean
Presents	0	0	17	34	26	17	4	4.6
Explains	0	0	21	30	21	17	8	4.6
Communicates	0	0	13	17	43	21	4	4.9
Teaching	0	0	4	34	26	30	4	5.0
Workload	0	0	0	56	34	8	0	4.5
Difficulty	0	0	13	60	21	4	0	4.2
Learn Exp	13	0	13	22	31	9	9	4.2

Most students thought Britton was a good instructor who was readily available for consultation.

Some felt that the lectures were pointless. Periodic one-on-one consultation with the instructor would have been more useful. A few said that the course should be taken in lower years of study.

#### **GGR 393H1S Environmental Impact Assessment**

Instructor(s): S. Wakefield

Enr: 41		Re	sp: 2	5			Reta	ke: 45%
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	Mean
Presents	0	0	0	0	44	44	12	5.7
Explains	0	0	0	8	44	40	8	5.5
Communicates	0	0	0	4	28	40	28	5.9
Teaching	0	0	0	4	36	48	12	5.7
Workload	0	0	0	44	36	16	4	4.8
Difficulty	0	0	0	64	32	0	4	4.4
Learn Exp	0	0	8	39	34	13	4	4.7

While students felt that the instructor was knowledgeable and a good lecturer, there were mixed reactions about the course itself. Some students enjoyed the group work but the majority thought that there was too much emphasis (40%) on the group assignment. Class readings were found to be quite dry.

#### GGR 403H1S Global Ecology and Biogeochemical Cycles

Instructor(s): S. Cowling

Enr: 7		R	esp: 7			Retake: 100%			
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	Mean	
Presents	0	0	0	0	28	28	42	6.1	
Explains	0	0	0	0	0	57	42	6.4	
Communicates	0	0	0	0	0	14	85	6.9	
Teaching	0	0	0	0	0	28	71	6.7	
Workload	0	0	14	71	14	0	0	4.0	
Difficulty	0	0	14	57	28	0	0	4.1	
Learn Exp	0	0	0	0	14	42	42	6.3	

The small size of this class provided an excellent opportunity for interaction with the instructor and fellow students. Cowling was very helpful when students had questions. They learned a lot and enjoyed every class

# GGR 409H1F Contaminants in the Environment

Instructor(s): M. Diamond

Enr: 18		Re	esp: 1	7	Retake: 26%			
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	Mean
Presents	0	0	18	62	18	0	0	4.0
Explains	0	6	25	37	31	0	0	3.9

Communicates	0	0	0	11	35	35	17	5.6
Teaching	0	0	0	56	41	12	0	4.6
Workload	0	0	6	73	0	20	0	4.3
Difficulty	0	0	18	31	31	12	6	4.6
Learn Exp	0	0	15	53	23	7	0	4.2

Diamond was very enthusiastic and approachable. However, the lectures were sometimes a little disorganized and confusing.

# GGR 413H1S Watershed Hydroecology and Remote Sensing

Instructor(s): J. Chen

, ,									
Enr: 10		Re	esp: 5			Retake: 80%			
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	Mean	
Presents	0	0	0	20	20	20	40	5.8	
Explains	0	0	0	0	40	20	40	6.0	
Communicates	0	0	0	0	20	60	20	6.0	
Teaching	0	0	0	0	20	40	40	6.2	
Workload	0	0	0	40	60	0	0	4.6	
Difficulty	0	0	0	20	20	40	20	5.6	
Learn Exp	0	0	0	20	60	0	20	5.2	

Students enjoyed the course material very much and cited this course as one of the most interesting ones they have ever taken. The material was challenging and there was mixed reactions to whether the work was too difficult. One student called Chen "one of the best profs at UofT and probably in the world!".

#### GGR 451H1F Health and Place

Instructor(s): S. Wakefield

Enr: 35	Resp: 29					Retake: 82%			
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	Mean	
Presents	0	0	0	3	34	53	7	5.7	
Explains	0	0	0	3	40	44	11	5.6	
Communicates	0	0	3	0	14	55	25	6.0	
Teaching	0	0	0	0	25	70	3	5.8	
Workload	0	3	3	46	39	7	0	4.4	
Difficulty	0	3	3	71	17	3	0	4.1	
Learn Exp	0	0	8	25	45	20	0	4.8	

Most of the students enjoyed the organized and interesting course material, lectures and assignments. The use of "real-life and research-related examples were very much appreciated". Wakefield's instruction was effective - students were able to learn how "to critique epidemiological evidence" and the discussions allowed them to ask any questions and clarify concepts.

# GGR 452H1F Space, Power, Geography: Understanding Spatiality

Instructor(s): S. Ruddick

Enr: 23	Resp: 16					Retake: 80%			
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	Mean	
Presents	0	0	6	18	37	21	6	5.1	
Explains	0	0	6	6	43	12	31	5.6	
Communicates	0	0	0	0	25	43	31	6.1	
Teaching	0	0	0	13	0	60	26	6.0	
Workload	0	0	0	25	43	25	6	5.1	
Difficulty	0	0	0	12	31	43	12	5.6	
Learn Exp	0	0	9	0	27	45	18	5.6	

Most students felt that the instructor was friendly, knowledgeable and good at explaining difficult material. The workload, at times, was too heavy.

# **GGR 462H1S Geographic Information Systems**

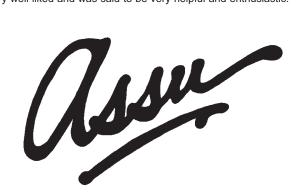
Instructor(s): D. Boyes

Enr: 13		Re	sp: 13		Retake: 100%			
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	Mean
Presents	0	0	0	0	8	33	58	6.5
Explains	0	0	0	0	8	50	41	6.3

# 96 GEOGRAPHY

Communicates	0	0	0	0	0	25	75	6.8
Teaching	0	0	0	0	0	41	58	6.6
Workload	0	0	0	8	25	33	33	5.9
Difficulty	0	0	0	16	50	25	8	5.2
Learn Exp	0	0	0	0	18	45	36	6.2

Students thought this course was an extremely valuable learning experience. The group environment was helpful and highly enjoyable. Students felt however, that lab sessions with the instructor would have been helpful and should be added to the course in the future. Boyes was very well liked and was said to be very helpful and enthusiastic.



#### GGR 473H1F Cartographic Design

Instructor(s): C. Rinner

Enr: 14	Resp: 9						Retake: 100%			
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	Mean		
Presents	0	0	0	11	33	33	22	5.7		
Explains	0	0	0	0	55	11	33	5.8		
Communicates	0	0	11	11	66	11	0	4.8		
Teaching	0	0	0	22	44	33	0	5.1		
Workload	0	0	44	33	0	22	0	4.0		
Difficulty	0	0	55	33	0	11	0	3.7		
Learn Exp	0	0	0	42	28	28	0	4.9		

Most students thought that the instructor was good and the course material very interesting.

