

Introduction

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Editor

WGS 160Y1Y Introduction to Women and Gender Studies

Instructor(s): A. Tambe

Enr: 165		Re	esp: 7	5	Retake: 91%			
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	Mean
Presents	0	0	5	13	21	24	36	5.7
Explains	0	0	2	10	20	28	37	5.9
Communicates	0	0	1	8	20	27	42	6.0
Teaching	0	0	0	10	17	29	41	6.0
Workload	0	1	12	51	22	8	4	4.4
Difficulty	0	2	10	63	13	6	2	4.2
Learn Exp	0	0	3	14	15	15	50	6.0

Many felt that the instructor was well organized. While the material was heavily women's issues based, some students felt that allowing more discussion could have helped to solidify the focal points of the lecture and material.

Tambe included weekly focus points which helped students stay on track. Students felt this class was a very good learning experience.

WGS 261Y1Y Scientific Constructions of Sex and Gender

Instructor(s): K. Morgan

Enr: 106		Re	sp: 73	3	Retake: 80%			
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	Mean
Presents	0	1	8	20	28	24	16	5.2
Explains	0	0	4	16	18	32	28	5.6
Communicates	0	0	0	6	19	37	36	6.0
Teaching	0	0	0	12	22	38	26	5.8
Workload	0	0	1	70	22	2	2	4.4
Difficulty	1	0	2	73	16	4	1	4.2
Learn Exp	0	0	1	18	30	33	16	5.4

For the most part students were pleased with both Morgan and the course. Morgans lectures were interesting and in depth, but she did not always get through all the material on time. Students felt that the tutorials were not very useful as the TA was confusing and not very helpful.

Instructor(s): A. Bickford

Enr: 95		Re	sp: 60)		Reta	ake: 83%	
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	Mean
Presents	0	1	1	15	35	33	13	5.4
Explains	1	0	0	8	23	45	20	5.7
Communicates	0	1	1	6	8	46	35	6.0
Teaching	1	0	0	10	15	50	22	5.8
Workload	0	1	6	67	15	3	5	4.3
Difficulty	0	1	5	46	16	0	0	4.1
Learn Exp	2	0	2	12	29	38	14	5.4

Bickford came across as an approachable, helpful and enthusiastic instructor who encouraged a positive learning experience. While students

enjoyed the class some felt that more organized tutorials and lectures would have allowed for better exam preparation. Bickford was a good lecturer. Some felt that posting slides online would have provided more guidance during lecture.

WGS 262Y1Y Text, Theories and Histories

Instructor(s): R. Gorman

Enr: 66		Re	sp: 3	1		Reta	ake: 62%	
-	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	Mean
Presents	0	0	0	9	32	32	25	5.7
Explains	0	0	6	9	22	35	25	5.6
Communicates	0	0	3	6	19	32	38	6.0
Teaching	0	0	0	3	22	38	35	6.1
Workload	0	0	9	54	26	6	0	4.3
Difficulty	0	0	0	58	32	9	0	4.5
Learn Exp	0	0	0	45	16	8	29	5.2

Gorman was well liked by most students as they commented on her interactive teaching style. Some students however felt that the dense readings were difficult to get done on time for class and then to follow up with responses of tutorials the next day. Gorman was approachable and always tried to accommodate her students' needs.

WGS 330H1S Caribbean Women Writers

Instructor(s): R. Espinet

Enr: 30	Resp: 16						Retake: 71%			
	11	2	3	4	5	6	7	Mean		
Presents	0	0	20	33	26	20	0	4.5		
Explains	0	0	6	33	26	33	0	4.9		
Communicates	0	0	0	13	33	20	33	5.7		
Teaching	0	0	0	26	53	6	13	5.1		
Workload	0	0	0	26	40	26	6	5.1		
Difficulty	0	0	7	85	0	7	0	4.1		
Learn Exp	0	0	0	33	50	16	0	4.8		

Students felt that the course load was heavy, in that the required readings were dense and long. While the instructor was deemed enthusiastic, students felt that more teaching from the instructor was desired instead of focusing on student presentations.

WGS 365H1F Gender Issues in the Law

Instructor(s): L. Karain

Enr: 38		Re	esp: 1	7		Retake: 70%		
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	Mean
Presents	0	0	0	0	23	52	23	6.0
Explains	0	0	0	11	17	47	23	5.8
Communicates	0	0	0	0	17	35	47	6.3
Teaching	0	0	0	6	18	56	18	5.9
Workload	0	0	0	58	23	17	0	4.6
Difficulty	0	0	6	75	18	0	0	4.1
Learn Exp	0	0	11	47	29	5	5	4.5

Karain's lectures were interesting and she did a good job overall. However, some students did not appreciate the final essay worth 50% of their final mark, and others complained of a heavy reading load.

WGS 366H1S Gender and Disability

Instructor(s): R. Gorman

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Enr: 39		Re	sp: 19	9		Retake: 94% 7 Mean 42 6.2 27 5.9 66 6.6 58 6.4 11 4.7		
-	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	Mean
Presents	0	0	0	0	26	31	42	6.2
Explains	0	0	0	5	27	38	27	5.9
Communicates	0	0	0	0	5	27	66	6.6
Teaching	0	0	0	0	17	23	58	6.4
Workload	0	0	0	64	11	11	11	4.7
Difficulty	0	0	5	44	16	33	0	4.8
Learn Exp	0	0	0	7	23	23	46	6.1

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Students raved about how amazing Gorman was. She was called the "best WGS Professor ever!". Students felt that she was approachable, helpful, enthusiastic and very articulate. Overall, a great learning experience.

WGS 369H1F Studies in Post-Colonialism

Instructor(s): R. Gorman

Enr: 32		Re	esp: 16	6		Reta	ke: 75%	
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	Mean
Presents	0	12	0	12	18	25	31	5.4
Explains	0	6	12	0	18	6	56	5.8
Communicates	0	6	0	0	6	25	62	6.3
Teaching	0	0	6	12	6	25	50	6.0
Workload	0	0	0	50	12	18	18	5.1
Difficulty	0	0	0	43	18	31	6	5.0
Learn Exp	7	0	7	0	30	23	30	5.4

Overall, Gorman was considered to be a great instructor who was organized, passionate and knowledgeable. Many said she was always very helpful and made time for her students.

A few students felt that the course was too broad.

WGS 373H1S Gender and Violence

Instructor(s): R. Gorman

Enr: 39	Resp: 22						Reta	ıke: 89%
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	Mean
Presents	0	0	0	9	23	28	38	6
Explains	0	0	0	4	23	28	42	6.1
Communicates	0	0	0	0	14	33	52	6.4
Teaching	0	0	0	0	9	33	57	6.5
Workload	0	0	0	90	9	0	0	4.1
Difficulty	0	0	0	95	4	0	0	4.0
Learn Exp	0	0	7	14	35	28	14	5.3

Gorman really cared about her students. She encouraged students input and discussion. Students enjoyed her choice of reading materials.

WGS 371H1F Feminist Studies in Sexuality

Instructor(s): J. Taylor

Enr: 39		Re	sp: 2	5	Retake: 96%			
	11	2	3	4	5	6	7	Mean
Presents	0	0	0	0	8	40	52	6.4
Explains	0	0	0	0	4	32	64	6.6
Communicates	0	0	0	0	0	20	80	6.8
Teaching	0	0	0	0	4	24	72	6.7
Workload	0	0	0	76	24	0	0	4.2
Difficulty	0	0	0	60	24	16	0	4.6
Learn Exp	4	0	0	4	18	22	50	6.0

"Simply one of the best classes and profs at U of T!" ~ a statement supported by many students. Many students used the word, "AMAZING" to describe Taylor and her course. She was always enthusiastic, very approachable, engaging and knowledgeable. Students appreciated how student-friendly she was and how she was always available for help and very encouraging. Her lectures were very clear and well-communicated.

WGS 380H1S Aboriginal, Black and Immigrant Women in the Land of Dollars

Instructor(s): M. J. Alexander

Enr: 32		Re	sp: 23	3	Retake: 89%			
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	Mean
Presents	0	0	8	13	21	13	43	5.7
Explains	0	0	0	8	13	4	73	6.4
Communicates	0	0	0	4	8	0	86	6.7
Teaching	0	0	0	13	4	13	69	6.4
Workload	0	0	0	52	26	13	8	4.8
Difficulty	0	0	0	47	17	21	13	5.0
Learn Exp	0	0	5	11	0	0	82	6.4

Most students loved Alexander. They believed that she cared for her students and taught as well as challenged them in a memorable and meaningful way. Overall, an enjoyable learning experience.

WGS 425Y1Y Women and Issues of International Development

Instructor(s): K. Hunt

Enr: 17		Re	sp: 17	7		Retake: 93% 7 Mean 50 6.1 56 6.3 82 6.6 52 6.3 5 4.7		
-	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	Mean
Presents	0	0	0	12	12	25	50	6.1
Explains	0	0	0	6	12	25	56	6.3
Communicates	0	0	0	5	5	5	82	6.6
Teaching	0	0	0	0	23	23	52	6.3
Workload	0	0	5	67	23	17	5	4.7
Difficulty	0	11	5	47	23	11	0	4.2
Learn Exp	0	0	9	9	9	9	63	6.1

Students felt that Hunt was an amazing instructor. Their overall learning experience was incredible because of Hunt's teaching skills.

WGS 441H1S Migrations of the Sacred

Instructor(s): M. J. Alexander

Enr: 8	Resp: 9					Retake: 87%		
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	Mean
Presents	0	0	0	0	22	0	77	6.6
Explains	0	0	0	0	11	11	77	6.7
Communicates	0	0	0	0	11	0	88	6.8
Teaching	0	0	0	0	11	11	77	6.4
Workload	0	0	0	55	11	22	11	4.9
Difficulty	0	0	0	22	22	55	0	5.3
Learn Exp	0	0	0	14	0	28	57	6.3

""This is an incredible course". Most students loved this class and the instructor. Alexander did an "amazing" job at teaching her students in a way that helped them think critically. A great memorable learning experience.

WGS 460Y1Y Advanced Research Seminar in Women and Gender Studies

Instructor(s): R. Gorman

Enr: 8	Resp: 6					Retake: 100%		
-	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	Mean
Presents	0	0	0	0	0	50	50	6.5
Explains	0	0	0	0	0	33	66	6.7
Communicates	0	0	0	0	0	16	83	6.8
Teaching	0	0	0	0	0	16	83	6.8
Workload	0	0	0	33	0	33	33	5.7
Difficulty	0	0	16	16	33	0	33	5.2
Learn Exp	0	0	0	0	0	25	75	6.8

Gorman was an excellent, attentive and caring instructor. Students loved the course material and raved about how amazing Gorman was.

WGS 470Y1Y Women and Gender Studies Practicum

Instructor(s): J. Taylor

Enr: 10	Resp: 9					Retake: 100%		
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	Mean
Presents	0	0	0	0	0	55	44	6.4
Explains	0	0	0	0	11	33	55	6.4
Communicates	0	0	0	0	0	37	62	6.6
Teaching	0	0	0	0	11	44	44	6.3
Workload	0	0	0	22	44	0	33	5.4
Difficulty	0	0	0	55	22	22	0	4.7
Learn Exp	0	0	0	14	0	14	71	6.4

Most students felt this class was a memorable learning experience. The instructor was helpful, knowledgeable and articulate.