ABORIGINAL STUDIES COURSES



Introduction

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Editor
ABS 201Y1Y Introduction to Aboriginal Studies

Instructor(s): E. Neegan

Enr: 106		Re	esp: 72	2	Retake: 71%			
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	Mean
Presents	2	8	12	16	20	19	19	4.8
Explains	1	7	9	19	14	21	26	5.1
Communicates	2	2	4	6	20	18	44	5.7
Teaching	2	5	8	18	12	25	26	5.2
Workload	1	1	17	67	12	0	0	3.9
Difficulty	1	1	11	67	15	2	0	4.0
Learn Exp	5	1	8	24	17	10	31	5.1

Students felt Neegan was very passionate and informative, but students felt lectures did not deviate enough from the readings, and that at times the instructor did not approach the material objectively.

Students felt that the multiple choice questions on the test were poorly worded and difficult to understand.

ABS 210Y1Y Introduction to the Ojibwa Language

Instructor(s): A. McKay

Enr: 22		Resp:12 Retake:						ake: 77%
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	Mean
Presents	0	16	8	0	8	50	16	5.2
Explains	0	0	16	8	8	33	33	5.6
Communicates	0	0	0	8	8	25	58	6.3
Teaching	0	0	8	8	8	8	66	6.2
Workload	0	0	33	41	8	16	0	4.1
Difficulty	0	0	0	50	33	0	16	4.8
Learn Exp	0	0	0	11	11	33	44	6.1

ABS 230H1S Introduction to Inuktitut

Instructor(s): A. Johns

Enr: 18		Resp: 12 Retak						ke: 100%
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	Mean
Presents	0	0	0	25	33	41	0	5.2
Explains	0	0	0	0	8	58	33	6.2
Communicates	0	0	0	0	18	27	54	6.4
Teaching	0	0	0	0	8	50	41	6.3
Workload	9	18	45	27	0	0	0	2.9

Difficulty 0 18 45 36 0 0 0 3.2 Learn Exp 0 0 0 9 18 36 36 6.0

Students felt they learned a lot about the language and culture

ABS 240Y1Y Ecological Interactions: Intro to Aboriginal and Western Sciences

Instructor(s): M. Jeffrey

Enr: 16		Re	sp: 1	1			Retake: 100%			
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	Mean		
Presents	0	0	0	0	9	27	63	6.5		
Explains	0	0	0	0	9	27	63	6.5		
Communicates	0	0	0	0	0	0	100	7.0		
Teaching	0	0	0	0	0	9	90	6.9		
Workload	0	0	0	100	0	0	0	4.0		
Difficulty	0	0	0	81	18	0	0	4.2		
Learn Exp	0	0	0	0	0	50	50	6.5		

Students felt that the instructor was excellent, and did a fantastic job relating traditional and Western viewpoints. Students found the material very interesting, even when they were not expecting to.

ABS 250H1S Indigenous Environmental Education

Instructor(s): E. Neegan

Enr: 23	Resp: 13						Retake: 90%		
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	Mean	
Presents	0	0	0	0	38	46	15	5.8	
Explains	0	0	0	0	7	76	15	6.1	
Communicates	0	0	0	0	0	69	30	6.3	
Teaching	0	0	0	0	0	85	15	6.2	
Workload	0	0	7	84	7	0	0	4.0	
Difficulty	0	0	0	92	7	0	0	4.1	
Learn Exp	0	0	0	30	20	30	20	5.4	

ABS 300Y1Y Worldviews, Indigenous Knowledge, and Oral Tradition

Instructor(s): D. Heath Justice

Enr: 28		Re	esp: 2	0		Retake: 56%			
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	Mean	
Presents	0	0	26	26	20	13	13	4.6	
Explains	0	0	20	26	13	26	13	4.9	
Communicates	0	0	6	6	13	26	46	6.0	
Teaching	6	0	13	26	20	20	13	4.7	
Workload	0	0	5	45	25	15	10	4.8	
Difficulty	0	0	15	68	5	10	0	4.1	
Learn Exp	6	0	13	13	33	6	26	4.9	

Students felt Heath Justice was very enthusiastic but felt the course was poorly organized at times.

Students disliked not receiving marks throughout the year.

ABS 302H1F Aboriginal Representation in the Mass Media and Society

Instructor(s): E. Neegan

Enr: 27	Resp: 17 Retake						ake: 93%	
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	Mean
Presents	0	0	0	0	29	35	35	6.1
Explains	0	0	6	6	12	31	43	6.0
Communicates	0	0	0	0	11	17	70	6.6
Teaching	0	0	0	6	6	37	50	6.3
Workload	0	0	6	87	0	0	6	4.1
Difficulty	0	0	12	81	0	0	6	4.1
Learn Exp	0	0	7	7	35	21	28	5.6

Students thought Neegan was an excellent instructor who was helpful and approachable.

The course material was also very interesting and students learned a lot.

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ABS 350Y1Y Aboriginal Health Systems

Instructor(s): A. Mashford-Pringle

Enr: 18		Re	esp: 1	4			Reta	ke: 83%
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	Mean
Presents	0	0	7	21	7	50	14	5.4
Explains	0	0	7	7	35	35	14	5.4
Communicates	0	0	0	7	7	21	64	6.4
Teaching	0	0	0	21	21	14	42	5.8
Workload	0	7	0	76	15	0	0	4.0
Difficulty	8	0	16	41	33	0	0	3.9
Learn Exp	0	12	25	12	0	50	0	4.5

ABS 351Y1Y Indigenous Legends & Teaching

Instructor(s): A. McKay

Enr: 27		Re	esp: 1	6			Reta	ke: 64%
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	Mean
Presents	0	0	18	37	31	6	6	4.4
Explains	6	0	13	20	40	13	6	4.5
Communicates	0	0	12	6	37	25	18	5.3
Teaching	6	0	12	18	31	18	12	4.8
Workload	0	0	18	68	6	6	0	4.0
Difficulty	0	0	18	50	12	18	0	4.3
Learn Exp	0	0	7	38	15	15	23	5.1

Students generally felt they learned from the course, but would have preferred more feedback throughout the year.

ABS 360Y1Y Politics and Process of Reconciliation in Canada

Instructor(s): L. Maracle, V. Freeman

Enr: 20		Re	sp: 14	4			Reta	ike: 100%
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	Mean
Maracle:								
Presents	0	0	0	0	0	35	64	6.6
Explains	0	0	0	0	0	14	85	6.9
Communicates	0	0	0	0	0	7	92	6.9
Teaching	0	0	0	0	0	0	100	7.0
Freeman:								
Presents	0	0	0	0	0	41	58	6.6
Explains	0	0	0	0	0	16	83	6.8
Communicates	0	0	0	0	0	8	91	6.9
Teaching	0	0	0	0	0	0	100	7.0
Course:								
Workload	0	0	0	71	21	0	7	4.4
Difficulty	0	0	0	57	28	7	7	4.6
Learn Exp	0	0	0	0	0	0	100	7.0

The course and instructors were both described as "outstanding" and "life-changing". Students universally described the instructors as knowledgeable, attentive, devoted, and very informative and felt that the course should be a program requirement. Students felt extreme dismay that the course may not be offered next year.

