

NEW COLLEGE COURSES

Introduction

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Editor

IFP 100Y1Y Themes in World History

Instructor(s): A. Guerson de Oliveira

Enr: 100	Resp: 69							Retake: 61%
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	Mean
Presents	0	0	0	7	20	33	38	6.0
Explains	0	0	0	2	20	37	39	6.1
Communicates	0	0	0	5	15	33	44	6.2
Teaching	0	0	0	5	17	33	43	6.1
Workload	0	0	1	50	29	9	9	4.8
Difficulty	0	0	1	38	40	12	6	4.8
Learn Exp	0	0	1	31	29	25	12	5.2

The small number of students that commented agreed that this was a great course with a great instructor.

NEW 150Y1Y Introduction to African Studies

Instructor(s): T. Tieku

Enr: 64	Resp: 43							Retake: 90%
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	Mean
Presents	0	0	0	2	12	23	61	6.4
Explains	0	0	0	0	7	35	57	6.5
Communicates	0	0	0	2	2	7	87	6.8
Teaching	0	0	0	0	7	17	74	6.7
Workload	0	0	10	76	7	5	0	4.1
Difficulty	0	0	12	71	15	0	0	4.0
Learn Exp	0	0	10	16	10	26	36	5.6

NEW 209Y1Y Stories: Constructs of Knowledge

Instructor(s): C. Taban

Enr: 10	Resp: 7							Retake: 28%
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	Mean
Presents	0	0	14	14	42	28	0	4.9
Explains	0	14	0	28	14	42	0	4.7
Communicates	0	0	14	28	0	42	14	5.1
Teaching	0	0	14	14	14	42	14	5.3
Workload	0	0	0	28	57	0	14	5.0
Difficulty	0	0	0	42	57	0	0	4.6
Learn Exp	0	0	20	40	20	0	20	4.6

NEW 224Y1Y Caribbean Thought I

Instructor(s): A. Itwaru

Enr: 28	Resp: 13							Retake: 88%
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	Mean
Presents	0	0	0	23	23	23	30	5.6

Explains	0	0	0	7	7	23	61	6.4
Communicates	0	0	0	0	7	15	76	6.7
Teaching	0	0	0	0	7	30	61	6.5
Workload	7	0	7	38	30	7	7	4.4
Difficulty	0	0	0	76	0	7	15	4.6
Learn Exp	0	0	0	11	22	0	66	6.2

Overall, a great experience. Itwaru was enthusiastic and knowledgeable.

NEW 232Y1Y Buddhist Psychology: Theories & Applications

Instructor(s): T. Toneatto

Enr: 114	Resp: 64							Retake: 93%
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	Mean
Presents	0	0	1	7	14	22	53	6.2
Explains	0	0	1	1	7	40	48	6.3
Communicates	0	0	0	0	4	25	70	6.7
Teaching	0	0	0	6	1	34	57	6.4
Workload	3	9	19	57	9	1	0	3.7
Difficulty	1	0	20	60	12	4	0	4.0
Learn Exp	0	1	1	9	10	30	45	6.0

Students found this course a valuable experience. Toneatto was an outstanding instructor who was enthusiastic, helpful and very understanding. Lectures were very interesting and well-structured with good use of examples. Some students commented that he was inspirational. Students enjoyed this course very much.

NEW 240Y1Y Introduction to Equity Studies

Instructor(s): J. Larkin

Enr: 180	Resp: 117							Retake: 86%
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	Mean
Presents	0	0	2	6	25	33	31	5.9
Explains	0	0	0	3	25	33	35	6.0
Communicates	0	0	0	4	12	36	46	6.3
Teaching	0	0	0	3	20	35	39	6.1
Workload	0	1	5	62	24	3	2	4.3
Difficulty	0	0	6	67	20	3	0	4.2
Learn Exp	1	0	2	25	15	28	27	5.5

Students thought Larkin was a passionate and enthusiastic instructor who always engaged students in her lectures.

NEW 270H1F Foundations for Community Engagement

Instructor(s): L. Manicom

Enr: 68	Resp: 40							Retake: 71%
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	Mean
Presents	0	5	2	20	22	35	15	5.2
Explains	0	2	10	12	27	27	20	5.3
Communicates	0	0	2	12	10	35	38	5.9
Teaching	0	0	0	12	22	35	30	5.8
Workload	0	0	0	47	34	15	2	4.7
Difficulty	0	0	5	57	27	7	2	4.4
Learn Exp	0	0	12	42	6	18	21	4.9

Students seemed to like the instructor's ability to accommodate and engage her students. Many noted how interesting the discussions and guest speakers were. Students felt that the course load was a bit heavy for a half-course, that it was more theoretical than practical, and that it would have been better as a year-long course.

NEW 280Y1Y Introductory Swahili

Instructor(s): O. Almasi

Enr: 28	Resp: 19							Retake: 88%
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	Mean
Presents	0	0	5	0	23	5	64	6.2
Explains	0	0	0	0	22	16	61	6.4
Communicates	0	0	0	0	0	16	83	6.8

Teaching	0	0	0	11	5	11	72	6.4
Workload	0	0	16	55	11	16	0	4.3
Difficulty	0	0	0	66	22	11	0	4.4
Learn Exp	0	0	6	33	13	20	26	5.3

Almasi was a great instructor who was enthusiastic and very helpful. Students said that it would have helped if they had gone over the test in class.

NEW 304Y1Y Dilemmas

Instructor(s): C. Taban

Enr: 16		Resp: 12						Retake: 41%	
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	Mean	
Presents	0	8	16	25	33	16	0	4.3	
Explains	0	8	16	33	16	25	0	4.3	
Communicates	0	8	16	16	25	25	0	4.7	
Teaching	0	0	25	8	41	16	8	4.8	
Workload	0	0	0	83	16	0	0	4.2	
Difficulty	0	0	8	33	41	16	0	4.7	
Learn Exp	0	9	27	9	36	18	0	4.3	

NEW 308H1F Satyajit Ray: Paradigms of Vision

Instructor(s): K. O'Connell

Enr: 23		Resp: 15						Retake: 61%	
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	Mean	
Presents	0	0	13	6	26	33	20	5.4	
Explains	0	0	7	14	42	14	21	5.3	
Communicates	0	0	7	7	14	21	50	6.0	
Teaching	0	0	14	7	14	50	14	5.4	
Workload	0	0	7	64	28	0	0	4.2	
Difficulty	0	0	23	61	0	7	7	4.2	
Learn Exp	0	0	20	30	0	10	10	4.6	

NEW 322H1S The Contemporary African Novel

Instructor(s): D. Eyoh

Enr: 27		Resp: 11						Retake: 50%	
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	Mean	
Presents	0	0	18	36	27	18	0	4.5	
Explains	0	9	18	0	27	27	18	5.0	
Communicates	0	0	0	0	45	45	9	5.6	
Teaching	0	0	0	9	45	36	9	5.5	
Workload	0	0	0	9	27	45	18	5.7	
Difficulty	0	0	0	9	45	18	27	5.6	
Learn Exp	0	0	0	33	0	33	33	5.7	

NEW 324Y1Y Caribbean Thought II

Instructor(s): A. Trotz

Enr: 29		Resp: 17						Retake: 92%	
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	Mean	
Presents	0	0	0	0	11	29	58	6.5	
Explains	10	0	0	0	0	29	70	6.7	
Communicates	0	0	0	0	0	11	88	6.9	
Teaching	0	0	0	0	5	17	76	6.7	
Workload	0	0	0	58	11	11	17	4.9	
Difficulty	0	0	0	35	35	17	11	5.1	
Learn Exp	0	0	0	7	15	7	69	6.4	

This was an excellent course with an excellent instructor. The course was engaging and informative and students enjoyed this course very much and learned a lot from it.

NEW 325H1F Caribbean Women Thinkers

Instructor(s): R. Espinet

Enr: 15		Resp: 11						Retake: 66%	
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	Mean	
Presents	0	0	0	36	36	18	9	5.0	
Explains	0	0	0	9	36	18	36	5.8	

Communicates	0	0	0	18	0	36	45	6.1
Teaching	0	0	0	18	27	27	27	5.6
Workload	0	0	0	50	20	20	10	4.9
Difficulty	0	0	11	55	33	0	0	4.2
Learn Exp	0	0	0	22	22	33	22	5.6

NEW 331H1S Buddhism and the Science of Mindfulness Meditation

Instructor(s): J. Vervaeke

Enr: 51		Resp: 35						Retake: 87%	
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	Mean	
Presents	0	0	0	8	11	26	52	6.2	
Explains	0	0	0	5	2	26	64	6.5	
Communicates	0	0	0	2	0	14	82	6.8	
Teaching	0	0	0	5	2	20	70	6.6	
Workload	0	0	2	55	23	14	2	4.6	
Difficulty	0	0	0	17	47	29	5	5.2	
Learn Exp	0	0	0	9	12	19	58	6.3	

Vervaeke was an outstanding and inspirational instructor. His enthusiasm, passion, knowledge and well-planned lectures made this an amazing course. Few students commented that this course was "life-changing" and highly recommended it. Vervaeke challenged students to think outside of the box and to push themselves. Many students considered this their favourite course of the year.

Overall, a fantastic learning experience.

Editor Note: Dr. Vervaeke was this year's recipient of ASSU's Ranjini Ghosh Excellence in Teaching Award!

NEW 333H1F Buddhism and Cognitive Science

Instructor(s): J. Vervaeke

Enr: 50		Resp: 37						Retake: 100%	
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	Mean	
Presents	0	0	2	2	11	13	69	6.4	
Explains	0	0	0	0	5	20	74	6.7	
Communicates	0	0	0	0	0	5	94	6.9	
Teaching	0	0	0	0	2	14	82	6.8	
Workload	0	0	0	77	19	0	2	4.3	
Difficulty	0	0	0	27	47	22	2	5.0	
Learn Exp	0	0	0	0	3	12	83	6.8	

Most students described Vervaeke as an outstanding instructor - many placing him among the best at UofT. They described him as very approachable and engaging.

Most students found the course content interesting and enlightening.

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NEW 339H1S Yogacara Buddhism and Western Psychology

Instructor(s): H. Shiu

Enr: 35		Resp: 24						Retake: 86%	
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	Mean	
Presents	0	0	0	12	37	33	16	5.5	
Explains	0	0	0	13	21	43	21	5.7	
Communicates	0	0	0	12	25	41	20	5.7	
Teaching	0	0	0	4	34	34	26	5.8	
Workload	0	0	0	80	19	0	0	4.2	
Difficulty	0	0	0	77	13	9	0	4.3	
Learn Exp	0	0	0	22	44	16	16	5.3	

Overall, an interesting course with a great instructor.

NEW 342H1F Theory and Praxis in Food Security

Instructor(s): L. Baker

Enr: 36		Resp: 20						Retake: 76%	
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	Mean	
Presents	0	0	15	30	20	25	10	4.8	

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Explains	0	0	0	25	30	30	15	5.3
Communicates	0	0	0	5	20	25	50	6.2
Teaching	0	0	0	25	10	45	20	5.6
Workload	0	0	10	55	22	5	5	4.4
Difficulty	0	0	11	61	22	5	0	4.2
Learn Exp	0	0	6	20	40	20	13	5.1

Students thought Baker was very knowledgeable about the subject. Students enjoyed the practicality of the course but felt that too much time was spent on group presentations instead of lecture.

NEW 353H1S International Relations of Africa

Instructor(s): T. Tieku

Enr: 29	Resp: 22							Retake: 100%
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	Mean
Presents	0	4	0	27	36	4	27	5.2
Explains	0	0	4	0	36	22	36	5.9
Communicates	0	0	0	0	4	31	63	6.6
Teaching	0	0	0	0	18	27	54	6.4
Workload	0	0	4	50	13	27	4	4.8
Difficulty	0	0	0	50	27	18	4	4.8
Learn Exp	0	0	0	20	33	26	20	5.5

Tieku was a great, knowledgeable instructor. Some students found the lectures a little disorganized at times. Overall, a great learning experience.

NEW 380Y1Y Intermediate Swahili

Instructor(s): O. Almasi

Enr: 14	Resp: 11							Retake: 100%
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	Mean
Presents	0	0	9	9	0	18	63	6.2
Explains	0	0	18	0	0	9	72	6.2
Communicates	0	0	0	9	0	18	72	6.5
Teaching	0	0	0	9	0	27	63	6.5
Workload	0	0	0	54	27	0	18	4.8
Difficulty	0	0	0	54	27	9	9	4.7
Learn Exp	10	0	0	10	10	10	60	5.8

NEW 424Y1Y The Capitalist Press and the New Imperialism

Instructor(s): A. Itwaru

Enr: 13	Resp: 9							Retake: 100%
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	Mean
Presents	0	0	0	0	22	33	44	6.2
Explains	0	0	0	0	11	22	66	6.6
Communicates	0	0	0	0	0	22	77	6.8
Teaching	0	0	0	0	11	22	66	6.6
Workload	0	0	0	55	22	22	0	4.7
Difficulty	0	0	11	55	22	0	11	4.4
Learn Exp	0	0	0	14	0	28	57	6.3

NEW 438H1F Research Seminar in Buddhist Psychology

Instructor(s): T. Toneatto

Enr: 28	Resp: 17							Retake: 100%
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	Mean
Presents	0	0	0	0	41	29	29	5.9
Explains	0	0	0	0	12	43	43	6.3
Communicates	0	0	0	0	5	17	76	6.7
Teaching	0	0	0	0	0	41	58	6.6
Workload	0	0	13	53	33	0	0	4.2
Difficulty	0	6	6	68	12	6	0	4.1
Learn Exp	0	0	0	0	25	50	25	6.0

Students felt that the instructor genuinely cared about their learning experience and encouraged them. Students enjoyed the classes thoroughly.

NEW 444H1F Social Change and Non-Violence

Instructor(s): P. Adjei

Enr: 25	Resp: 16							Retake: 100%
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	Mean
Presents	0	0	0	0	25	12	62	6.4
Explains	0	0	0	0	13	13	73	6.6
Communicates	0	0	0	6	6	0	87	6.7
Teaching	0	0	0	0	12	6	81	6.7
Workload	0	0	0	62	31	6	0	4.4
Difficulty	0	0	0	62	25	12	0	4.5
Learn Exp	0	0	0	23	0	15	61	6.2

Students thought that Adjei was an excellent instructor who was very knowledgeable and that the classes were engaging and thought-provoking.

NEW 450Y1Y Advanced Topics in African Studies

Instructor(s): D. Eyoh

Enr: 24	Resp: 15							Retake: 38%
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	Mean
Presents	0	7	14	21	57	0	0	4.3
Explains	0	6	13	20	46	13	0	4.5
Communicates	6	6	6	13	53	6	6	4.6
Teaching	6	0	6	26	13	43	0	4.8
Workload	0	0	0	40	33	26	0	4.9
Difficulty	0	0	7	15	23	46	7	5.3
Learn Exp	10	0	10	40	20	20	0	4.2

A very interesting course, but it needed better structure.

