

Clemson University Student Evaluation of Teaching

Evaluation Report for Jens Oberheide teaching PHYS 6650 001 during Spring Semester 2015
 Respondents = 2; Enrolled = 4; Response rate = 50%

University Questions(3686)

G1. The instructor clearly communicated what I was expected to learn.

Type: How much

Not at all					Very much	NR
1	2	3	4	5		
0 (0.00%)	0 (0.00%)	0 (0.00%)	0 (0.00%)	2 (100.00%)	0 (0.00%)	
Focus	Mean	Stdev	Median	Observations		
Class	5.000	0.000	5	2		
Same Level	4.500	0.837	5	6		
Same Discipline	4.034	1.118	4	1202		

G2. The instructor made the relevance of the course material clear.

Type: How much

Not at all					Very much	NR
1	2	3	4	5		
0 (0.00%)	0 (0.00%)	0 (0.00%)	0 (0.00%)	2 (100.00%)	0 (0.00%)	
Focus	Mean	Stdev	Median	Observations		
Class	5.000	0.000	5	2		
Same Level	4.333	1.211	5	6		
Same Discipline	4.012	1.131	4	1202		

G3. The course was well organized.

Type: How much

Not at all					Very much	NR
1	2	3	4	5		
0 (0.00%)	0 (0.00%)	0 (0.00%)	0 (0.00%)	2 (100.00%)	0 (0.00%)	
Focus	Mean	Stdev	Median	Observations		
Class	5.000	0.000	5	2		
Same Level	4.000	1.549	4.5	6		
Same Discipline	4.120	1.077	4	1199		

G4. There was a positive interaction between the class and the instructor.

Type: How much

Not at all					Very much	NR
1	2	3	4	5		
0 (0.00%)	0 (0.00%)	0 (0.00%)	0 (0.00%)	2 (100.00%)	0 (0.00%)	
Focus	Mean	Stdev	Median	Observations		
Class	5.000	0.000	5	2		
Same Level	4.333	1.211	5	6		
Same Discipline	3.990	1.195	4	1194		

G5. The instructor's teaching methods helped me understand the course material.

Type: How much

Not at all					Very much	NR
1	2	3	4	5		
0 (0.00%)	0 (0.00%)	0 (0.00%)	0 (0.00%)	2 (100.00%)	0 (0.00%)	
Focus	Mean	Stdev	Median	Observations		
Class	5.000	0.000	5	2		
Same Level	4.000	1.549	4.5	6		
Same Discipline	3.697	1.326	4	1191		

G6. The instructor's verbal communication skills helped me understand the course material.

Type: How much

Not at all					Very much	
1	2	3	4	5	NR	
0 (0.00%)	0 (0.00%)	0 (0.00%)	0 (0.00%)	2 (100.00%)	0 (0.00%)	
Focus	Mean	Stdev	Median	Observations		
Class	5.000	0.000	5	2		
Same Level	4.000	1.549	4.5	6		
Same Discipline	3.671	1.390	4	1188		

G7. The instructor clearly explained what was expected on assignments and tests

Type: How much

Not at all					Very much	
1	2	3	4	5	NR	
0 (0.00%)	0 (0.00%)	0 (0.00%)	0 (0.00%)	2 (100.00%)	0 (0.00%)	
Focus	Mean	Stdev	Median	Observations		
Class	5.000	0.000	5	2		
Same Level	4.286	1.113	5	7		
Same Discipline	4.030	1.141	4	1196		

G8. The instructor kept me informed about my progress in the course.

Type: How much

Not at all					Very much	
1	2	3	4	5	NR	
0 (0.00%)	0 (0.00%)	0 (0.00%)	0 (0.00%)	2 (100.00%)	0 (0.00%)	
Focus	Mean	Stdev	Median	Observations		
Class	5.000	0.000	5	2		
Same Level	4.143	1.069	4	7		
Same Discipline	4.218	1.014	5	1195		

G9. The feedback I received on assignments and tests gave me the opportunity to improve my performance.

Type: How much

Not at all					Very much	
1	2	3	4	5	NR	
0 (0.00%)	0 (0.00%)	0 (0.00%)	0 (0.00%)	2 (100.00%)	0 (0.00%)	
Focus	Mean	Stdev	Median	Observations		
Class	5.000	0.000	5	2		
Same Level	4.000	1.549	4.5	6		
Same Discipline	3.767	1.249	4	1195		

G10. Overall, the instructor is an effective teacher.

Type: How much

Not at all					Very much	
1	2	3	4	5	NR	
0 (0.00%)	0 (0.00%)	0 (0.00%)	0 (0.00%)	2 (100.00%)	0 (0.00%)	
Focus	Mean	Stdev	Median	Observations		
Class	5.000	0.000	5	2		
Same Level	4.143	1.464	5	7		
Same Discipline	3.923	1.232	4	1198		

G11. The instructor's grading procedures gave a fair evaluation of my understanding of the material.

Type: How much

Not at all					Very much	
1	2	3	4	5	NR	
0 (0.00%)	0 (0.00%)	0 (0.00%)	0 (0.00%)	2 (100.00%)	0 (0.00%)	
Focus	Mean	Stdev	Median	Observations		
Class	5.000	0.000	5	2		
Same Level	4.143	1.069	4	7		
Same Discipline	4.055	1.101	4	1192		

G12. How much work did you put into this course relative to your other courses?

Type: How much

Not at all	Very much				NR
1	2	3	4	5	
0 (0.00%)	0 (0.00%)	0 (0.00%)	0 (0.00%)	2 (100.00%)	0 (0.00%)
Focus	Mean	Stdev	Median	Observations	
Class	5.000	0.000	5	2	
Same Level	3.571	0.976	4	7	
Same Discipline	3.916	0.959	4	1187	

G13. How difficult was this course for you relative to your other courses?

Type: How much

Not at all	Very much				NR
1	2	3	4	5	
0 (0.00%)	0 (0.00%)	0 (0.00%)	0 (0.00%)	2 (100.00%)	0 (0.00%)
Focus	Mean	Stdev	Median	Observations	
Class	5.000	0.000	5	2	
Same Level	3.429	0.976	3	7	
Same Discipline	3.879	1.009	4	1191	

G14. To what extent was this course a requirement for you?

Type: How much

Not at all	Very much				NR
1	2	3	4	5	
0 (0.00%)	0 (0.00%)	0 (0.00%)	0 (0.00%)	2 (100.00%)	0 (0.00%)
Focus	Mean	Stdev	Median	Observations	
Class	5.000	0.000	5	2	
Same Level	4.000	1.155	4	7	
Same Discipline	4.548	0.867	5	1194	

G15. Was this course in your major?

Type: Yes - No

Yes	No	NR
2 (100.00%)	0 (0.00%)	0 (0.00%)

G16. Was this course team-taught?

Type: Yes - No

Yes	No	NR
0 (0.00%)	2 (100.00%)	0 (0.00%)

G17. Please indicate your satisfaction with the availability of the instructor outside the classroom by choosing one response from the scale. In selecting your rating, consider the instructor's availability via established office hours, appointments, and other opportunities for face-to-face interaction as well as via telephone, email, fax and other means.

Type: Satisfaction

Very Dissatisfied				Very Satisfied	NR
1	2	3	4		
0 (0.00%)	0 (0.00%)	0 (0.00%)	2 (100.00%)	0 (0.00%)	
Focus	Mean	Stdev	Median	Observations	
Class	4.000	0.000	4	2	
Same Level	3.714	0.488	4	7	
Same Discipline	3.379	0.768	4	1202	

G18. Please comment on the strengths of the instructor and the course.

Type: Essay

Student Comments

- #1 - It was very clear that Dr. Oberheide understood the material thoroughly and knew exactly what he wanted us to learn at this level. He then used excellent lectures and appropriate homework to achieve this.
- #2 - Very knowledgeable and enthusiastic about the material. Used assignments efficiently to drive home

important concepts and provided feedback on everything. The course was very well organized and has made me very confident in my knowledge of the material. It was difficult but also my favorite course this year.

G19. Please comment on the weaknesses of the instructor and the course.

Type: Essay

Student Comments

#1 - I spent at least three times as long on Thermo homework then on any other class. I understand that these were important aspects of the class, but it would be nice if we could learn the same things with a little less time involved.

G20. Please comment on any teaching methods you found particularly helpful, and suggest alternative methods that you feel would improve the course.

Type: Essay

Student Comments

#1 - The oral exam was not nearly as difficult as I was expecting. Perhaps if I had taken this portion of my grade earlier in the semester, I would have come to your office more often to discuss the theory behind the homework.

#2 - I really enjoyed the class notes policy and the style and pace of the lecture.

G21. I would recommend this instructor to a friend. Yes or no? Why?

Type: Essay

Student Comments

#1 - YES. The class was very difficult, but I learned more in it than any other class.

#2 - Yes! The instructor made learning the material fun and interesting and clearly expected the students to think critically rather than just memorizing information. He was always friendly and always helpful with questions.

G22. If this course was taught with a mixture of graduate and undergraduate students, was the graduate content sufficiently rigorous for a graduate level course?

Type: Agreement

Strongly Disagree

Strongly Agree

1	2	3	4	5	NR
0 (0.00%)	0 (0.00%)	0 (0.00%)	0 (0.00%)	2 (100.00%)	0 (0.00%)

	Mean	Stdev	Median	Observations
Class	5.000	0.000	5	2
Same Level	4.143	0.690	4	7
Same Discipline	4.143	0.690	4	7

G23. Briefly describe some examples of the graduate level content and indicate your satisfaction with it.

Type: Essay

Student Comments

#1 - The lecture notes definitely helped me to learn what was important to know and what was background information. The end of semester project also helped me develop skills in studying, and presenting to my peers.

#2 - We were expected to produce detailed lecture notes about every 2 weeks and also had to create lecture notes and a poster based on a topic not covered in class. I thought both part were excellent. The class notes kept you focused on the ideas behind the material and the poster/new lecture not only taught me some really cool things but made me more confident in presenting information to largeish groups.