

Clemson University Student Evaluation of Teaching

Evaluation Report for Jens Oberheide teaching PHYS 8750 007 during Fall Semester 2013
 Respondents = 6; Enrolled = 18; Response rate = 33%

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%)	6 (100.00%)		0 (0.00%)
Focus	Mean	Stdev	Median	Observations		
Class	5.000	0.000	5	6		
Same Level	4.625	0.660	5	32		
Same Discipline	3.917	1.141	4	1624		

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%)	1 (16.67%)	2 (33.33%)	3 (50.00%)		0 (0.00%)
Focus	Mean	Stdev	Median	Observations		
Class	4.333	0.816	4.5	6		
Same Level	4.500	0.803	5	32		
Same Discipline	3.890	1.173	4	1623		

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%)	1 (16.67%)	5 (83.33%)		0 (0.00%)
Focus	Mean	Stdev	Median	Observations		
Class	4.833	0.408	5	6		
Same Level	4.344	0.937	5	32		
Same Discipline	4.119	1.049	4	1621		

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%)	2 (33.33%)	4 (66.67%)		0 (0.00%)
Focus	Mean	Stdev	Median	Observations		
Class	4.667	0.516	5	6		
Same Level	4.613	0.558	5	31		
Same Discipline	3.903	1.206	4	1615		

G5. The instructor's teaching methods 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%)	2 (33.33%)	3 (50.00%)	1 (16.67%)	
Focus	Mean	Stdev	Median	Observations		
Class	4.600	0.548	5	5		
Same Level	4.406	0.946	5	32		
Same Discipline	3.556	1.347	4	1619		

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%)	1 (16.67%)	0 (0.00%)	1 (16.67%)	4 (66.67%)	0 (0.00%)	
Focus	Mean	Stdev	Median	Observations		
Class	4.333	1.211	5	6		
Same Level	4.484	0.851	5	31		
Same Discipline	3.509	1.391	4	1623		

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%)	2 (33.33%)	1 (16.67%)	3 (50.00%)	0 (0.00%)	
Focus	Mean	Stdev	Median	Observations		
Class	4.167	0.983	4.5	6		
Same Level	4.406	0.756	5	32		
Same Discipline	3.895	1.215	4	1621		

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%)	1 (16.67%)	1 (16.67%)	4 (66.67%)	0 (0.00%)	
Focus	Mean	Stdev	Median	Observations		
Class	4.500	0.837	5	6		
Same Level	4.452	0.961	5	31		
Same Discipline	4.135	1.056	4	1619		

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%)	1 (16.67%)	5 (83.33%)	0 (0.00%)	
Focus	Mean	Stdev	Median	Observations		
Class	4.833	0.408	5	6		
Same Level	4.375	1.008	5	32		
Same Discipline	3.689	1.272	4	1624		

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%)	2 (33.33%)	4 (66.67%)	0 (0.00%)	
Focus	Mean	Stdev	Median	Observations		
Class	4.667	0.516	5	6		
Same Level	4.469	0.718	5	32		
Same Discipline	3.811	1.252	4	1615		

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%)	2 (33.33%)	4 (66.67%)	0 (0.00%)	
Focus	Mean	Stdev	Median	Observations		
Class	4.667	0.516	5	6		
Same Level	4.344	0.865	5	32		
Same Discipline	3.970	1.135	4	1612		

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

Type: How much

Not at all					Very much	
1	2	3	4	5	NR	
0 (0.00%)	3 (50.00%)	1 (16.67%)	0 (0.00%)	2 (33.33%)	0 (0.00%)	
Focus	Mean	Stdev	Median	Observations		
Class	3.167	1.472	2.5	6		
Same Level	4.125	0.976	4	32		
Same Discipline	3.781	0.976	4	1618		

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

Type: How much

Not at all					Very much	
1	2	3	4	5	NR	
1 (16.67%)	2 (33.33%)	1 (16.67%)	1 (16.67%)	1 (16.67%)	0 (0.00%)	
Focus	Mean	Stdev	Median	Observations		
Class	2.833	1.472	2.5	6		
Same Level	3.935	1.209	4	31		
Same Discipline	3.788	1.050	4	1618		

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

Type: How much

Not at all					Very much	
1	2	3	4	5	NR	
0 (0.00%)	1 (16.67%)	1 (16.67%)	0 (0.00%)	4 (66.67%)	0 (0.00%)	
Focus	Mean	Stdev	Median	Observations		
Class	4.167	1.329	5	6		
Same Level	4.548	0.768	5	31		
Same Discipline	4.539	0.896	5	1619		

G15. Was this course in your major?

Type: Yes - No

Yes	No	NR
5 (83.33%)	1 (16.67%)	0 (0.00%)

G16. Was this course team-taught?

Type: Yes - No

Yes	No	NR
1 (16.67%)	4 (66.67%)	1 (16.67%)

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
1	2	3	4	NR
0 (0.00%)	0 (0.00%)	0 (0.00%)	6 (100.00%)	0 (0.00%)
Focus	Mean	Stdev	Median	Observations
Class	4.000	0.000	4	6
Same Level	3.719	0.683	4	32
Same Discipline	3.387	0.767	4	1618

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

Type: Essay

Student Comments

- #1 - Dr. Oberheide encouraged us throughout the course and his comments helped a lot to improve and work more on report writing skills. I think though the intro to research course is good as it opens ideas about new research fields to work on, it should have an elective rather than a compulsory course to take.
- #2 - Well organized. Timely feedback. Great prof.
- #3 - The course is great. Very interesting talks all semester.

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

Type: Essay

Student Comments

- #2 - none.
- #4 - The course syllabus needs to be clearer. It implied to us that the lowest grade for our papers would be dropped. Therefore a number of us figured that since we all had A's in the course we could just not do the last paper (it would then be our dropped grade) and focus on other work. However, we were informed a day before the last paper was due that the syllabus was being misread and that we had to turn in a paper.
- #5 - too strict with the homework

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 - No problems with teaching method but as I mentioned earlier, students must be given chance to choose or not choose the course.
- #2 - More theoretical professors, less repetition.
- #3 - I enjoyed the further reading about some of the research that is conducted here at Clemson.

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

Type: Essay

Student Comments

- #1 - yes.
- #3 - Yes. Dr. Oberheide was a fair grader.
- #5 - yes