



Rutgers University Student Instructional Rating
Fall 2022

Yildiz, Altug - AY319

Expository Writing I - 01:355:101:KP

Survey Form: SAS Writing Program

Enrollment: 21

Responses Received: 21

University-wide Instructor Questions

Weight of responses: 1=SD (Strongly Disagree), 2=D (Disagree), 3=N (Neutral), 4=A (Agree), 5=SA (Strongly Agree), Resp=Number of Student Responses

Weighted Means: Section, Course, Level, Department

	SD	D	N	A	SA	Resp	Section	Course	Level	Dept
The instructor Altug Yildiz was prepared for class and presented the material in an organized manner.	0	0	0	3	18	21	4.86	4.51	4.54	4.54
The instructor Altug Yildiz responded effectively to student comments and questions.	0	0	0	3	18	21	4.86	4.48	4.50	4.51
The instructor Altug Yildiz generated interest in the course material.	0	0	2	2	17	21	4.71	4.33	4.37	4.39
The instructor Altug Yildiz had a positive attitude toward assisting all students in understanding course material.	0	0	0	3	18	21	4.86	4.61	4.60	4.61
The instructor Altug Yildiz assigned grades fairly.	0	0	0	6	15	21	4.71	4.22	4.25	4.27
The instructional methods of Altug Yildiz encouraged student learning.	0	0	0	7	13	20	4.65	4.33	4.35	4.36

Teaching Effectiveness

Weight of responses: 1=P (Poor), 2=F (Fair), 3=A (Average), 4=G (Good), 5=E (Excellent), Resp=Number of Student Responses

Weighted Means: Section, Course, Level, Department

	P	F	A	G	E	Resp	Section	Course	Level	Dept
I rate the teaching effectiveness of the instructor Altug Yildiz as:	0	0	0	3	18	21	4.86	4.41	4.44	4.45

University-wide Course Questions

Weight of responses: 1=SD (Strongly Disagree), 2=D (Disagree), 3=N (Neutral), 4=A (Agree), 5=SA (Strongly Agree), Resp=Number of Student Responses

Weighted Means: Section, Course, Level, Department

	SD	D	N	A	SA	Resp	Section	Course	Level	Dept
I learned a great deal in this course.	0	0	1	8	12	21	4.52	4.00	4.07	4.10
I had a strong prior interest in the subject matter and wanted to take this course.	0	1	12	3	5	21	3.57	2.75	2.87	2.98

Course Quality

Weight of responses: 1=P (Poor), 2=F (Fair), 3=A (Average), 4=G (Good), 5=E (Excellent), Resp=Number of Student Responses

Weighted Means: Section, Course, Level, Department

	P	F	A	G	E	Resp	Section	Course	Level	Dept
I rate the overall quality of the course as:	0	0	0	10	11	21	4.52	3.99	4.08	4.13

What do you like best about this course?

These comments are intended for all instructors.

Comments
The interesting topics
I liked the literary pieces Professor Yildiz picked out for this course. I felt it was fairly simple to understand most of the pieces and be able to utilize them in developing my original ideas for the analytical essay prompts.
The grading rubrics for the essays were easy to understand.
I am happy to have to think about Philosophical topics of myself in a community I find myself in.
The connections that you make to make to various texts and think outside of the box. You have to generate rich claims that can be backed up by various texts.
I like the freedom we had in choosing what our topics can be in our writing.
I like how there are guided prompts that help us stay on track with our essays, but there is also that sense of originality when it comes to uniquely analyzing every reading.
the type of passages we read
I like the instructor's ability to not just help us learn but learn from us as well. He had a very good connection with all his students along with compassion and understanding.
The wide variety of course readings that we did
The amount you learn about your own writing.
It is good that it prepares us for our careers in academic writing.
Somewhat easy writings and readings.
The flexibility of what we were able to write about, this allowed for more creative writing as long as we answered the prompt.
It provides a good basis of college level essay writing in a way that progressively encourages students to further their writing and analyzation skills.
The professor was the best part about this course as he balanced the line between strict and easygoing very well and made class a pleasure to go to.

If you were teaching this course, what would you do differently?

These comments are intended for all instructors.

Comments
not sure, it was good how it was.
I don't think I would do anything differently. Professor Yildiz did a great job at providing his students with the material and allowing them to explore and interpret them. The literary pieces and coursework made sense and they were not extremely difficult in their topics.
Some of the readings we had to read were a bit boring and confusing. Also, some of the prompts were worded in very confusing ways.
I would have most likely started with building a claim, and by extension, a thesis early in the semester, over connecting two articles. Because with no idea how to create one, essays fall apart and are poorly judged. Or perhaps I would have made the last two AEs 3 sources, as putting AE2 as a 3 source one means there is a significant difficulty spike, and
Nothing.
I would provide more professor assistance in the beginning writings.
There is nothing I could think of to do differently, being that this course is a core class that has certain aspects that must be followed and it is required for most freshman, my professor did a good job of making everything clear and teaching us everything we need to know to get a good grade in this class.
read each passage more in depth
Personally, I wouldn't do anything different. Everything takes time and I appreciated the different experimentation to help all his students.
Teach more about the planning phase
I would probably do the same thing.
I would likely work more time in for 1 on 1 conferencing on essays
I would probably do nothing different for this course.
I would not change how the course was taught.
Nothing.

In what ways, if any, has this course or the instructor Altug Yildiz encouraged your intellectual growth and progress?

These comments are unique to the instructor Altug Yildiz.

Comments
He always had interesting discussions.
hes one of the best professor i have seen.
Professor Yildiz efficiently and successfully taught me how analyze multiple pieces and connect my thoughts together while simultaneously focusing on structural coherence. Every time I enter a writing course in the beginning of the semester or school year, I become very unconfident in my writing skills. This course and professor enabled me to build a stronger foundation for my thinking and writing processes which will positively affect my academic performance throughout and beyond college.
Altug, by selecting passages about personhood and individuality in communities and society, has really forced me to think about why I act the way I do, and how much of my own thoughts and actions is really my own, and what are things that I adopted from the community. This really turned Expository Writing into a pseudo philosophy class.
He helped with all questions and concerns that any student had and gave excellent feedback to better my skills and understanding of this course. He made this course interesting and fun to complete.
I generally like to learn, and multiple questions sprung up during the course, answered those questions effectively allowing to progress throughout the course.
He was extremely helpful in helping me pass this course and he was very encouraging in helping students do their best work.
He always encouraged us to look deeper into every prompt or question and guided us towards perfecting an analysis of a reading or passage to make our essays the best they could be.
he has encouraged me to look at writing from a different perspective which allowed me to write more effectively.
I have always liked writing, but this is the first time I have taken a writing class and felt passionate about it. I felt like the Professor really wanted me to improve and would work with students a lot to try and help them improve their writing. I absolutely love how he presented his material, and hes overall a very amazing professor.
Overall, this instructor was very open to criticism. He took into consideraci3n what worked for his students and what didn't and always tried making lessons fun for us. He was always available to answer any questions and recommend the best possible solutions.
His teaching style allowed me to develop a new outlook on certain ideas
Instructor Yildiz was a great teacher as he gave great feedback on all of our writing assignments. He prepared us well with effective in class exercises for specific writing assignments, as well as good writing habits in general.
Professor Yildiz vastly improved my capabilities as a writer. He taught us how to more effectively frame our ideas in an academic paper. I think I improved greatly in synthesizing arguments especially when referencing primary texts in my essays.
He has encouraged us as a class to interact and use our thinking to the best of our ability. He always offered to answer any questions and respected everyone's opinion. I have been encouraged to learn more about todays world.
The structure of our writing assignments strongly encouraged finding connections between seemingly unrelated readings. I believe this aspect of our assignments greatly improved my writing ability.
Professor Yildiz as well as the expository writing course really challenged me in regards to my writing ability and causing me to push myself throughout my essays.
He has provided interesting topics to read and write essays on. The class discussions on which he led intellectually stimulated me more than I thought possible in a writing course.

Other comments or suggestions:

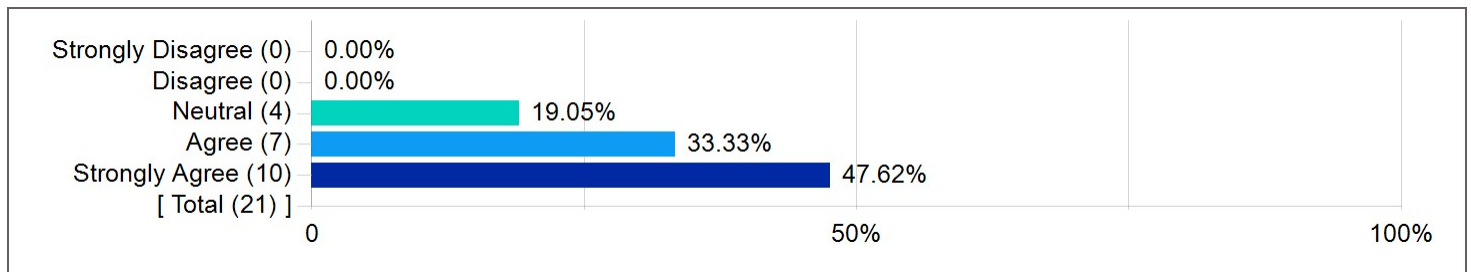
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Comments
This course is required for everyone, and being able to make the issue about philosophy, or some universal social issue makes it possible to relate to the wide community of Rutgers.
No other suggestions except for him to continue doing what he is doing, it is very appreciated.
overall great class i'm glad i got altug
No other comments.
n/a
Give this man a raise, he deserves it. It was a pleasure to have him as my professor.

Questions added for: SAS Writing Program

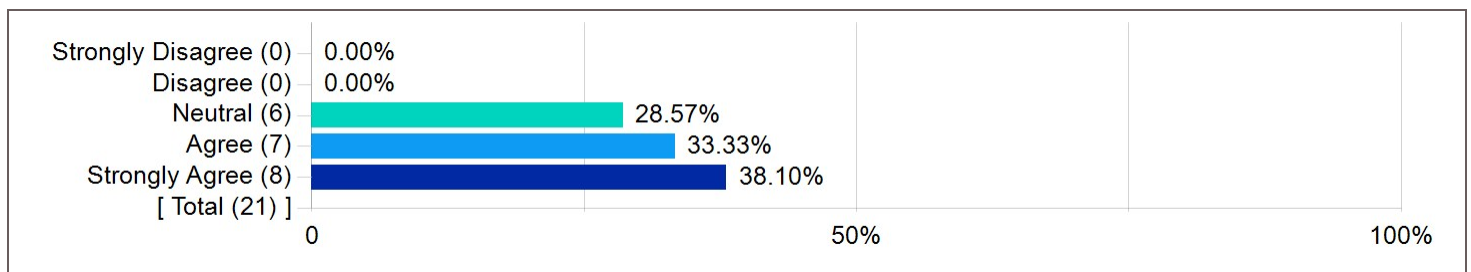
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The assignments for this course explained the reading and writing tasks in a helpful way



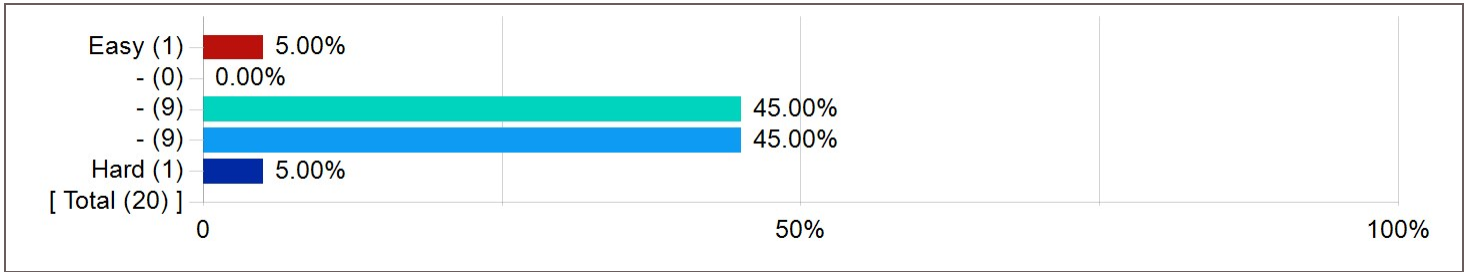
Section	Course	Level	Dept
4.29	4.01	4.08	4.12

The group work in the course improved my performance



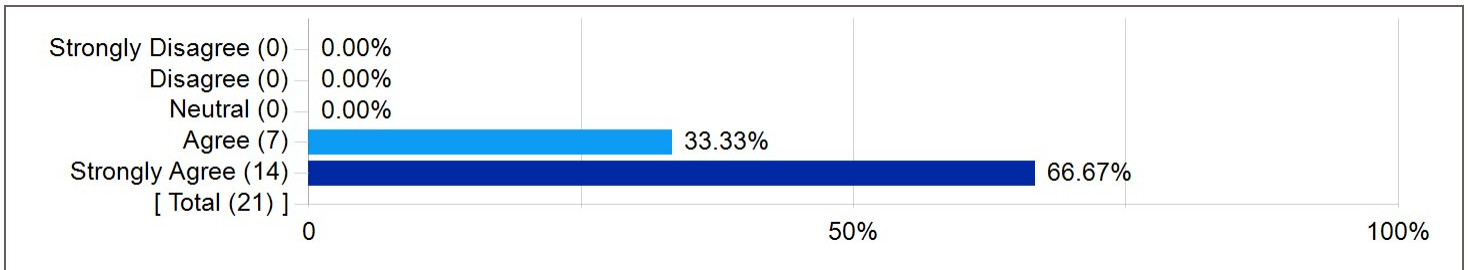
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4.10	3.78	3.84	3.85

How would you rate the difficulty of the assignments?



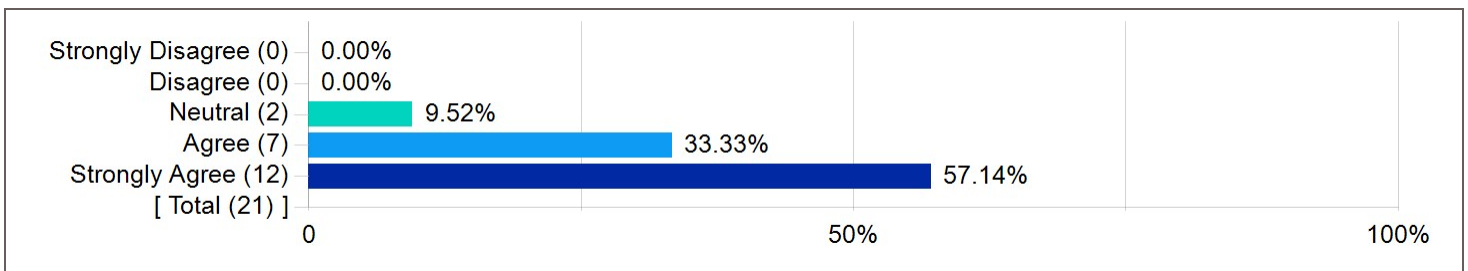
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3.45	3.71	3.57	3.52

The instructor Altug Yildiz explained objectives and requirements of the course clearly



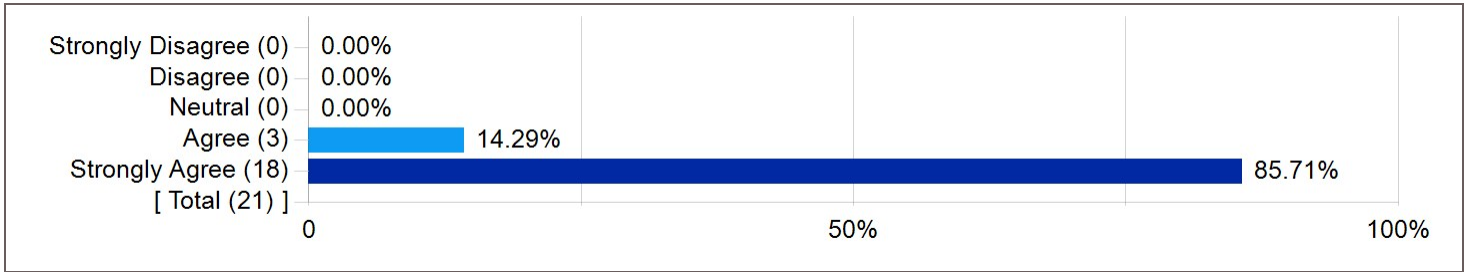
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4.67	4.32	4.34	4.35

The instructor Altug Yildiz returned written work promptly and made helpful written comments on papers



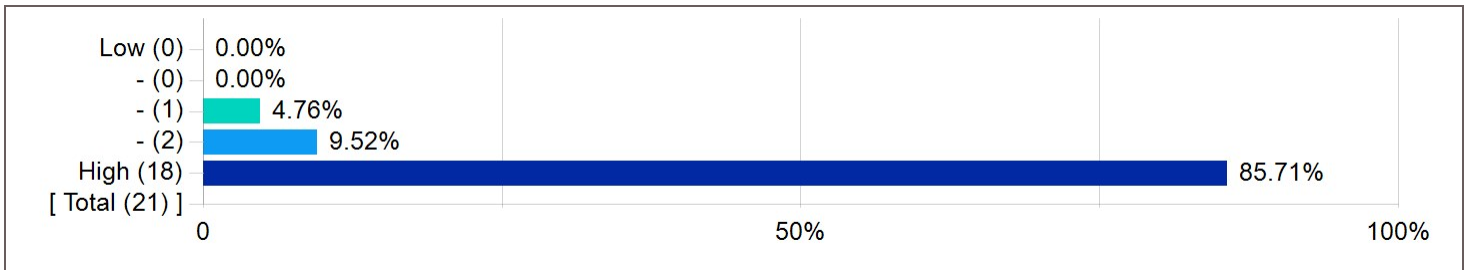
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4.48	4.26	4.29	4.32

The instructor Altug Yildiz was respectful of all students regardless of their race, gender, age, etc



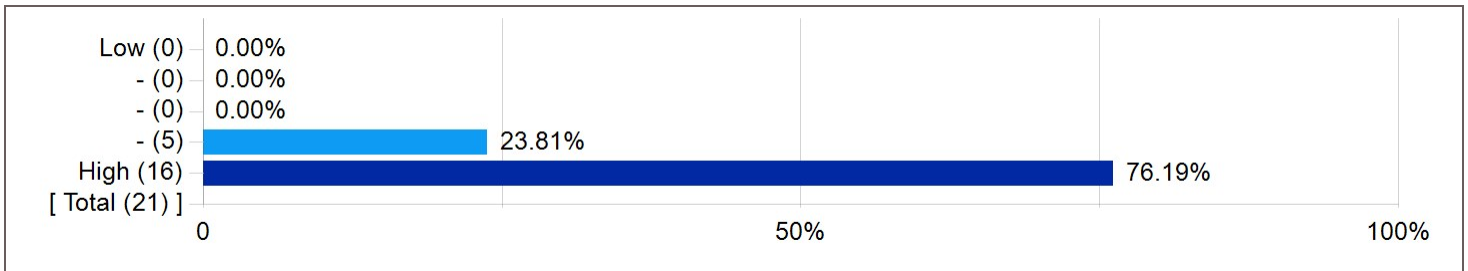
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4.86	4.80	4.79	4.78

How would you rate instructor's (Altug Yildiz) ability and willingness to help students outside of class?



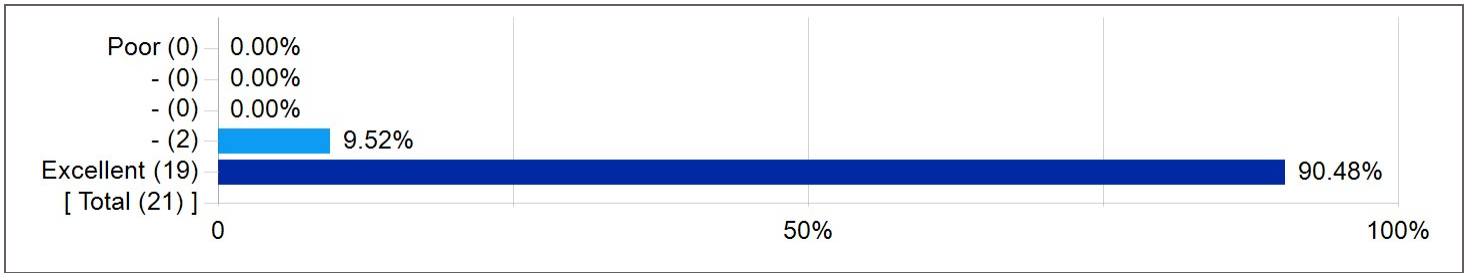
Section	Course	Level	Dept
4.81	4.65	4.63	4.64

How would you rate your instructor's (Altug Yildiz) enthusiasm for the subject of the course?



Section	Course	Level	Dept
4.76	4.65	4.66	4.68

How would you rate the instructor's (Altug Yildiz) ability to involve all students in classroom discussions?



Section	Course	Level	Dept
4.90	4.45	4.48	4.49