

# SRT Individual Report for ESPM 3051 001 Lands and Humans in World Cult (Kyungsoo Yoo) - Spring 2023

Project Title: Student Rating of Teaching - Spring 2023

Courses Audience: **39** Responses Received: **13** Response Ratio: **33.33**%

# **Report Comments**

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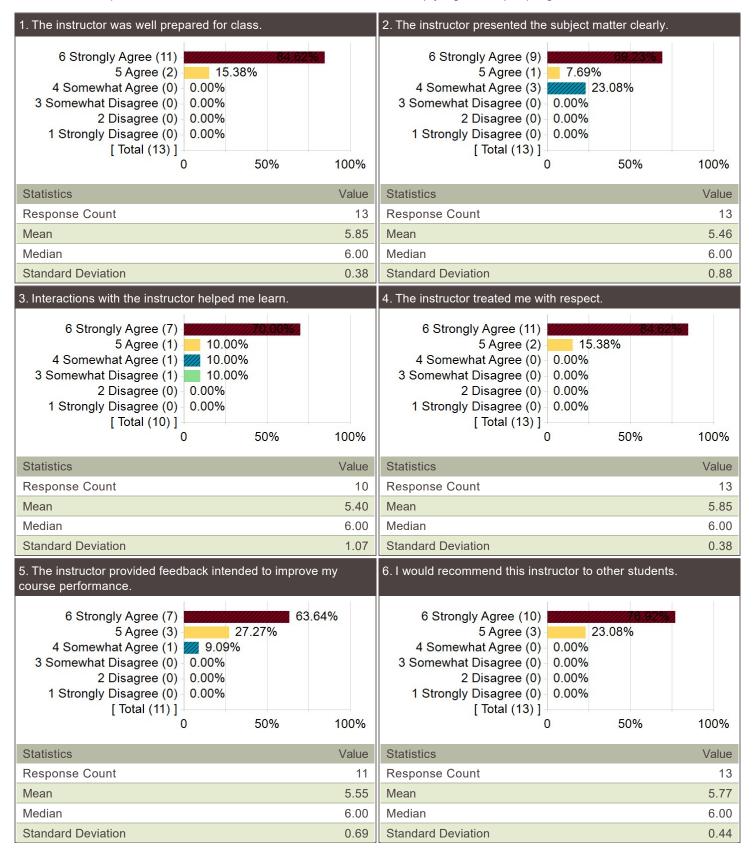
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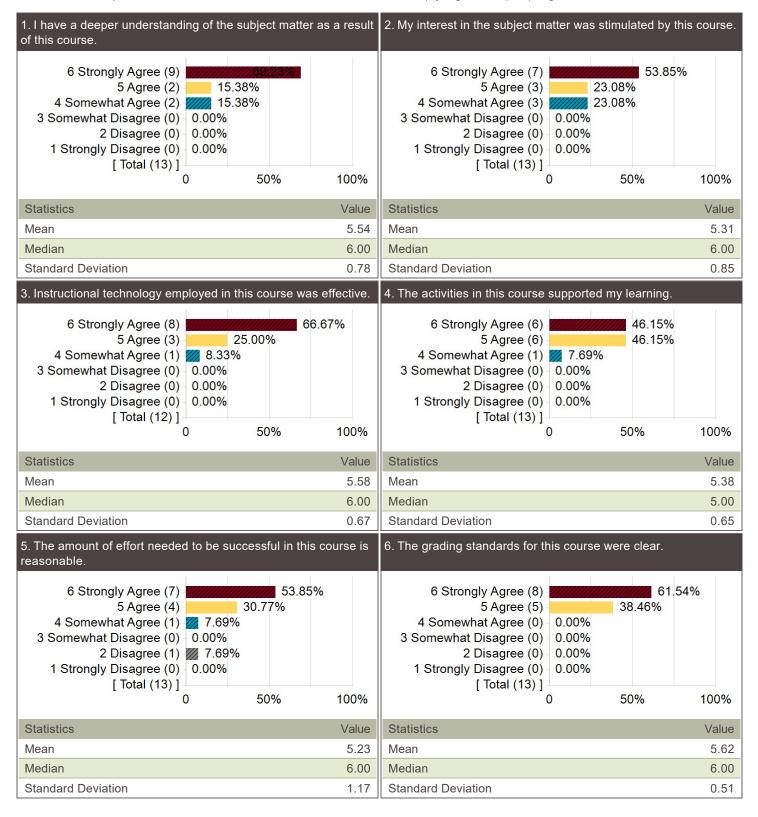
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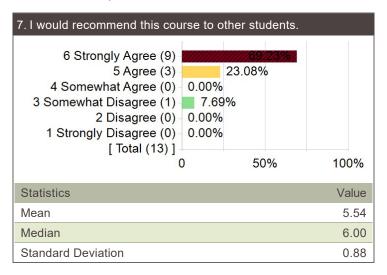
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# What did the instructor do that most helped your learning?

#### Comments

The instructor gave enough resources to support the assignment learnings.

The care and thoroughness that Professor Yoo exercised putting together the week's reading materials.

One thing I've mentioned (I realize I'm probably wrecking the whole anonymity thing here) that I have a prior degree that covered many of the topics presented in the course (albeit I took the course a long time ago). The way this course was organized helped bring that prior knowledge up to date by including a lot of additional reading materials, which I then used to explore a topic in more depth if I felt I needed to.

had us engage in weekly discussions

I found his lectures to be very clear. I also liked the way he structured the class.

The way our course was set up was very intuitive and the content presented to us was very interested. I really enjoyed Dr. Yoo's personal testimonies and presentations of projects he has worked on in the past. His presentation of issues in the context of soil has caused me to view many issues in a more meaningful way.

## Good lecture videos

The instructor was well prepared with lectures and was able to explain the materials well. He is very lenient and a great professor.

The Voice Thread lectures combined with the readings were excellent. I was able to learn so much about the "why" paired with the "who" and the "what" from the readings that my ability to generalize the information is far above what I expected.

Professor Yoo's lectures are awesome. They are interesting, clearly explained, and combine elements of culture, history, and science. He creates a very welcoming environment. The instructional technology is very slick and easy to use.

asynchronous class

# What suggestions do you have for improving the course?

#### Comments

I think the redirected web that is used for the lectures, was slow or having problems with submitting, which led me to have lost some points.

The only comment I have is that it was sometimes difficult to respond to other students' weekly discussion topic submission because we basically repeated the main points from the lectures. I've had this type of exercise in other courses and it was equally difficult to write something other than "Hi, Bob! I really appreciated your comments about the....[insert restatement of something from the lectures here]".

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Again, I don't know what to do about and expect that type of assignment will be around for a while.

Make it clear in the course description that the course has a heavy focus on soil chemistry

# None!

I think providing an example of the final project would be really helpful. The instructions are minimal which is honestly kind of nice. This is not the kind of class that I feel like I will get docked a bunch of points if I don't have one specific slide type in my presentation.

Make each week not as repetitive. Switch up the activities.

I think having slides with the verbiage / text (even 3–5 quick bullet take aways) that pair with the voice threads will help. I spent a lot of time taking notes. In other classes, being given the slides allowed me to pay close attention to the lecture and read along, add detail or highlight things without writing as fast as I could trying to capture the important elements of lecture.

Personally I would like if the vids for the week were released Friday the week before. I also think the first set of assignments could be due Tues and the second Thurs. To avoid due dates on Sunday

#### none

less lecture focused



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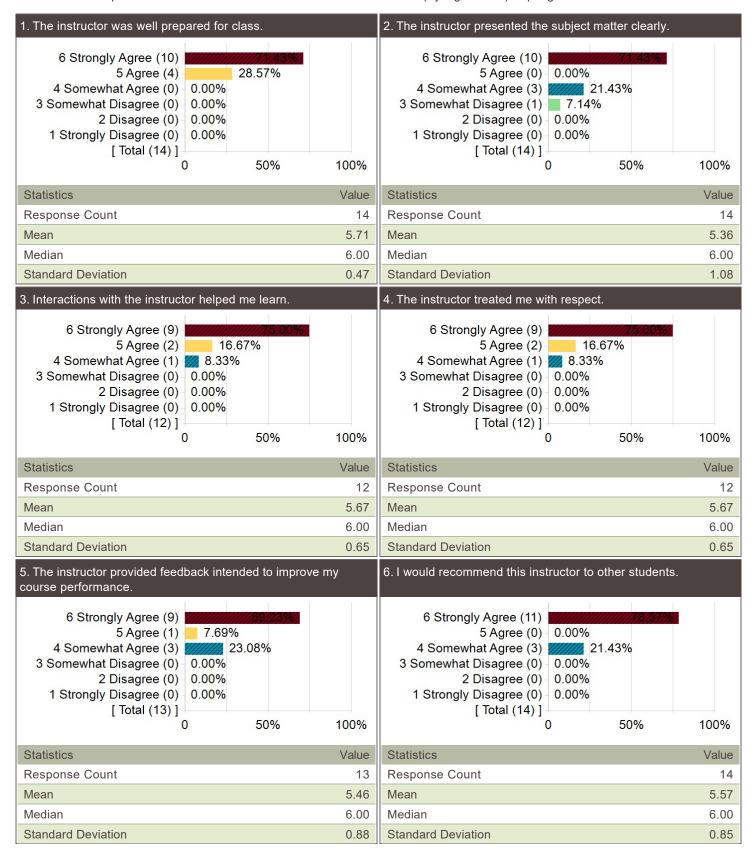
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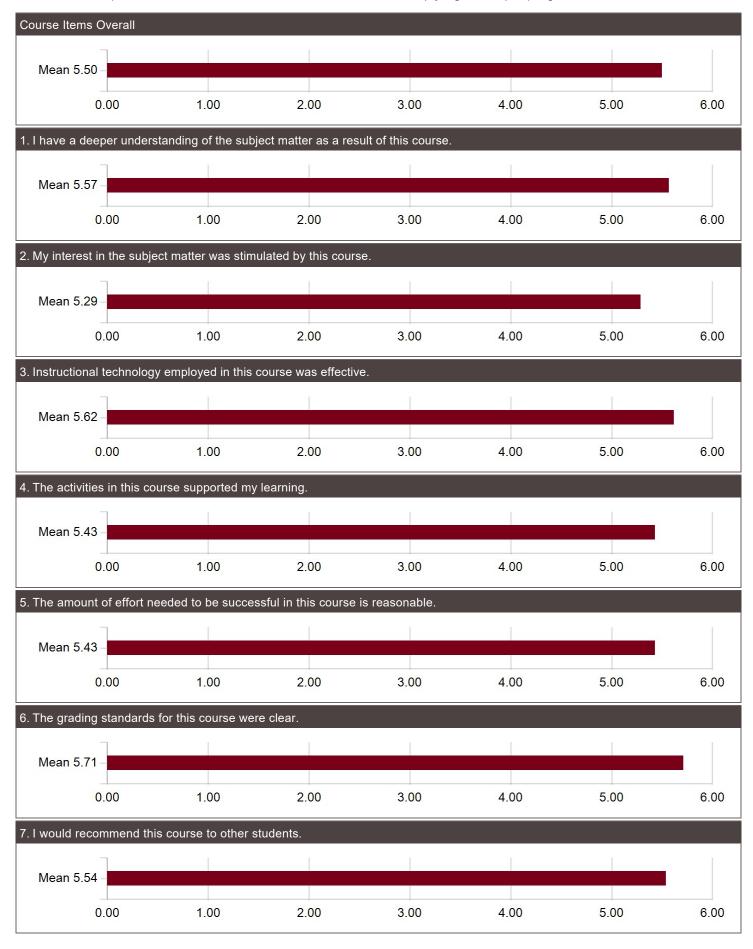
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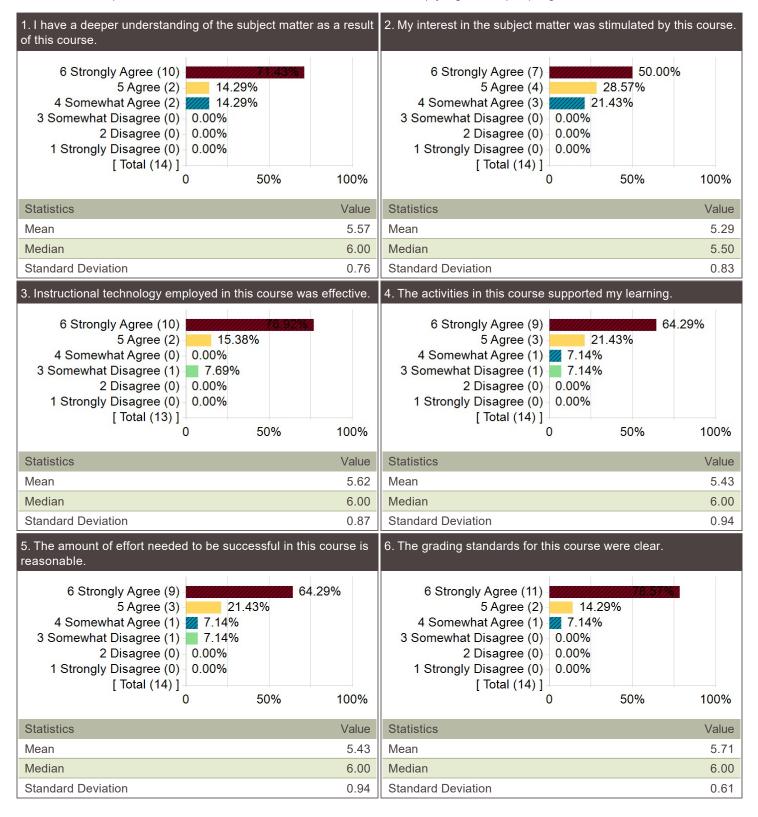
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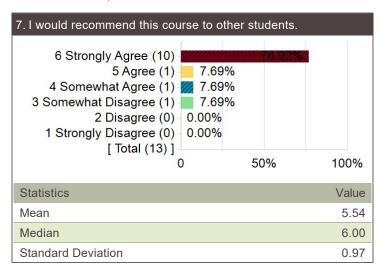
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# What did the instructor do that most helped your learning?

## Comments

Provided a lot of supplementary readings that allowed me to update/extend my knowledge of the weekly topic.

The content was presented very clearly.

asynchronous class, available for meetings if needed

Professor was great at presenting lectures. very clear with his material and the love for the topic.

The combination of lectures, pictures, readings and quizzes / reflections were very successful

helpful lectures, and constructive critques from ta's

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None!

none

Change the activities each week, less repetitive.

It was really assignment heavy. I'm not sure the end of week reflection was very productive because by that point you have reiterated the same information a few times.

Answered in the previous rating – I recommend adding informational slides to reduce the amount of note taking needed and allow students to really connect with the lecture. It can be hard to listen and write it all down at the same time.