About the results:

- The numbers in brackets behind the answer-options represent the value used in average and median calculations.
- Avg represents the Average.
- std represents the standard deviation.
- Med represents the Median.
- The Overall values represent the statistics for the whole department.
- 1XX represents the statistics for 100 level courses for this department.
- 2XX represents the statistics for 200 level courses for this department..
- 3XX represents the statistics for 300 level courses for this department..
- 4XX represents the statistics for 400 level courses for this department..

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2015-2016 Term 1

Instructor(s): Philip Loring

Instructions: For each of the following statements select the response that most closely expresses your opinion.

LEARNING

	Not Applicable	Strongly Disagree(1)	Disagree(2)	Neutral(3)	Agree(4)	Strongly Agree(5)	Your Avg(std)/Med	Overall Avg(std)/Med	1XX Avg(std)/Med	2XX Avg(std)/Med	3XX Avg(std)/Med	4XX Avg(std)/Med
1) I have found the course intellectually challenging and stimulating.	**0**	**0**	**0**	**0**	**4**	**11**	**4.73(0.44)/5**	**N/A**	**N/A**	**N/A**	**N/A**	**N/A**
2) I have learned something which I consider valuable.	**0**	**0**	**2**	**0**	**2**	**11**	**4.47(1.02)/5**	**N/A**	**N/A**	**N/A**	**N/A**	**N/A**
3) My interest in the subject has increased as a consequence of this course.	**0**	**0**	**1**	**1**	**4**	**9**	**4.4(0.88)/5**	**N/A**	**N/A**	**N/A**	**N/A**	**N/A**
4) I have learned and understood the subject materials of this course.	**0**	**0**	**0**	**1**	**6**	**8**	**4.47(0.62)/5**	**N/A**	**N/A**	**N/A**	**N/A**	**N/A**

ENTHUSIASM

	Not Applicable	Strongly Disagree(1)	Disagree(2)	Neutral(3)	Agree(4)	Strongly Agree(5)	Your Avg(std)/Med	Overall Avg(std)/Med	1XX Avg(std)/Med	2XX Avg(std)/Med	3XX Avg(std)/Med	4XX Avg(std)/Med
5) Instructor was enthusiastic about teaching the course.	**0**	**0**	**0**	**1**	**2**	**12**	**4.73(0.57)/5**	**N/A**	**N/A**	**N/A**	**N/A**	**N/A**
6) Instructor was dynamic and energetic in conducting the course.	**0**	**0**	**0**	**1**	**3**	**11**	**4.67(0.6)/5**	**N/A**	**N/A**	**N/A**	**N/A**	**N/A**
7) Instructor enhanced presentations with the use of humour.	**0**	**0**	**0**	**2**	**3**	**10**	**4.53(0.72)/5**	**N/A**	**N/A**	**N/A**	**N/A**	**N/A**
8) Instructor's style of presentation held my interest during class.	**0**	**0**	**0**	**2**	**3**	**10**	**4.53(0.72)/5**	**N/A**	**N/A**	**N/A**	**N/A**	**N/A**

ORGANIZATION

	Not Applicable	Strongly Disagree(1)	Disagree(2)	Neutral(3)	Agree(4)	Strongly Agree(5)	Your Avg(std)/Med	Overall Avg(std)/Med	1XX Avg(std)/Med	2XX Avg(std)/Med	3XX Avg(std)/Med	4XX Avg(std)/Med
9) Instructor's explanations were clear.	**0**	**0**	**1**	**0**	**6**	**8**	**4.4(0.8)/5**	**N/A**	**N/A**	**N/A**	**N/A**	**N/A**
10) Course materials were well prepared and carefully explained.	**0**	**0**	**0**	**1**	**6**	**8**	**4.47(0.62)/5**	**N/A**	**N/A**	**N/A**	**N/A**	**N/A**
11) Proposed objectives agreed with those actually taught so I knew where the course was going.	**0**	**0**	**0**	**2**	**5**	**8**	**4.4(0.71)/5**	**N/A**	**N/A**	**N/A**	**N/A**	**N/A**
12) Instructor gave lectures that facilitated taking notes.	**0**	**0**	**0**	**5**	**5**	**5**	**4(0.82)/4**	**N/A**	**N/A**	**N/A**	**N/A**	**N/A**

GROUP INTERACTION

	Not Applicable	Strongly Disagree(1)	Disagree(2)	Neutral(3)	Agree(4)	Strongly Agree(5)	Your Avg(std)/Med	Overall Avg(std)/Med	1XX Avg(std)/Med	2XX Avg(std)/Med	3XX Avg(std)/Med	4XX Avg(std)/Med
13) Students were encouraged to participate in class discussions.	0	0	0	0	4	11	4.73(0.44)/5	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
14) Students were invited to share their ideas and knowledge.	0	0	0	0	3	12	4.8(0.4)/5	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
15) Students were encouraged to ask questions and were given meaningful answers.	0	0	0	0	4	11	4.73(0.44)/5	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
16) Students were encouraged to express their own ideas and/or question the instructor.	0	0	0	0	3	12	4.8(0.4)/5	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A

INDIVIDUAL RAPPORT

	Not Applicable	Strongly Disagree(1)	Disagree(2)	Neutral(3)	Agree(4)	Strongly Agree(5)	Your Avg(std)/Med	Overall Avg(std)/Med	1XX Avg(std)/Med	2XX Avg(std)/Med	3XX Avg(std)/Med	4XX Avg(std)/Med
17) Instructor was friendly towards individual students.	0	0	0	0	4	11	4.73(0.44)/5	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
18) Instructor made students feel welcome in seeking help/advice in or outside of class.	0	0	0	0	4	11	4.73(0.44)/5	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
19) Instructor had a genuine interest in individual students.	0	0	0	1	4	10	4.6(0.61)/5	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
20) Instructor was adequately accessible to students during office hours or after class.	1	0	0	1	5	8	4.5(0.63)/5	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A

BREADTH

	Not Applicable	Strongly Disagree(1)	Disagree(2)	Neutral(3)	Agree(4)	Strongly Agree(5)	Your Avg(std)/Med	Overall Avg(std)/Med	1XX Avg(std)/Med	2XX Avg(std)/Med	3XX Avg(std)/Med	4XX Avg(std)/Med
21) Instructor contrasted the implications of various theories.	0	0	0	0	6	8	4.57(0.49)/5	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
22) Instructor presented the background or origin of ideas/concepts developed in class.	0	0	0	0	6	9	4.6(0.49)/5	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
23) Instructor presented points of view other than his/her own when appropriate.	0	0	0	0	7	8	4.53(0.5)/5	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
24) Instructor adequately discussed current developments in the field.	0	0	0	2	6	7	4.33(0.7)/4	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A

EXAMINATIONS

	Not Applicable	Strongly Disagree(1)	Disagree(2)	Neutral(3)	Agree(4)	Strongly Agree(5)	Your Avg(std)/Med	Overall Avg(std)/Med	1XX Avg(std)/Med	2XX Avg(std)/Med	3XX Avg(std)/Med	4XX Avg(std)/Med
25) Feedback on examinations/graded materials was valuable.	0	0	1	2	6	6	4.13(0.88)/4	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
26) Methods of evaluating student work were fair and appropriate.	0	0	1	2	6	6	4.13(0.88)/4	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
27) Examinations/graded materials tested course content as emphasized by the instructor.	0	0	0	1	6	8	4.47(0.62)/5	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A

ASSIGNMENTS

	Not Applicable	Strongly Disagree(1)	Disagree(2)	Neutral(3)	Agree(4)	Strongly Agree(5)	Your Avg(std)/Med	Overall Avg(std)/Med	1XX Avg(std)/Med	2XX Avg(std)/Med	3XX Avg(std)/Med	4XX Avg(std)/Med
28) Required readings/texts were valuable.	0	0	0	2	5	8	4.4(0.71)/5	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
29) Readings, homework, laboratories contributed to appreciation and understanding of subject.	0	0	0	2	4	8	4.43(0.73)/5	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A

OVERALL

30) Compared with other courses I have had at the U of S, I would say this course is:	Not Applicable **0**	Very Poor(1) **0**	Poor(2) **0**	Average(3) **2**	Good(4) **2**	Very Good(5) **11**	Your Avg(std)/Med **4.6(0.71)/5**	Overall Avg(std)/Med **N/A**	1XX Avg(std)/Med **N/A**	2XX Avg(std)/Med **N/A**	3XX Avg(std)/Med **N/A**	4XX Avg(std)/Med **N/A**
31) Compared with other instructors I have had at the U of S, I would say this instructor is:	Not Applicable **0**	Very Poor(1) **0**	Poor(2) **0**	Average(3) **1**	Good(4) **1**	Very Good(5) **13**	Your Avg(std)/Med **4.8(0.54)/5**	Overall Avg(std)/Med **N/A**	1XX Avg(std)/Med **N/A**	2XX Avg(std)/Med **N/A**	3XX Avg(std)/Med **N/A**	4XX Avg(std)/Med **N/A**
32) As an overall rating, I would say the instructor is:	Not Applicable **0**	Very Poor(1) **0**	Poor(2) **0**	Average(3) **1**	Good(4) **1**	Very Good(5) **13**	Your Avg(std)/Med **4.8(0.54)/5**	Overall Avg(std)/Med **N/A**	1XX Avg(std)/Med **N/A**	2XX Avg(std)/Med **N/A**	3XX Avg(std)/Med **N/A**	4XX Avg(std)/Med **N/A**
33) Should this instructor be nominated for an outstanding teaching award?						Yes(1) **12**	No **1**	No opinion **2**	Your Avg(std)/Med **1(0)/1**	Overall Avg(std)/Med **N/A**	1XX Avg(std)/Med **N/A**	2XX Avg(std)/Med **N/A**	3XX Avg(std)/Med **N/A**	4XX Avg(std)/Med **N/A**

STUDENT AND COURSE CHARACTERISTICS

34) Course difficulty, relative to other courses was:	Not Applicable **0**	Very Easy(1) **0**	Easy(2) **1**	Average(3) **9**	Difficult(4) **2**	Very Difficult(5) **3**	Your Avg(std)/Med **3.47(0.88)/3**	Overall Avg(std)/Med **N/A**	1XX Avg(std)/Med **N/A**	2XX Avg(std)/Med **N/A**	3XX Avg(std)/Med **N/A**	4XX Avg(std)/Med **N/A**
35) Course workload, relative to other courses was:	Not Applicable **0**	Very Light(1) **0**	Light(2) **0**	Average(3) **8**	Heavy(4) **4**	Very Heavy(5) **3**	Your Avg(std)/Med **3.67(0.79)/3**	Overall Avg(std)/Med **N/A**	1XX Avg(std)/Med **N/A**	2XX Avg(std)/Med **N/A**	3XX Avg(std)/Med **N/A**	4XX Avg(std)/Med **N/A**
36) Course pace was:	Not Applicable **0**	Too Slow(1) **0**	Slow(2) **0**	About Right(3) **12**	Fast(4) **3**	Too Fast(5) **0**	Your Avg(std)/Med **3.2(0.4)/3**	Overall Avg(std)/Med **N/A**	1XX Avg(std)/Med **N/A**	2XX Avg(std)/Med **N/A**	3XX Avg(std)/Med **N/A**	4XX Avg(std)/Med **N/A**
37) Hours per week outside of class:	0(1) **2**	1 to 5(2) **3**	6 to 10(3) **1**	11 to 15(4) **6**	16 to 20(5) **2**	More than 20(6) **0**	Your Avg(std)/Med **3.21(1.32)/4**	Overall Avg(std)/Med **N/A**	1XX Avg(std)/Med **N/A**	2XX Avg(std)/Med **N/A**	3XX Avg(std)/Med **N/A**	4XX Avg(std)/Med **N/A**
38) Level of interest in the subject prior to the course was:	Not Applicable **1**	Very Low(1) **0**	Low(2) **3**	Medium(3) **3**	High(4) **6**	Very High(5) **2**	Your Avg(std)/Med **3.5(0.98)/4**	Overall Avg(std)/Med **N/A**	1XX Avg(std)/Med **N/A**	2XX Avg(std)/Med **N/A**	3XX Avg(std)/Med **N/A**	4XX Avg(std)/Med **N/A**
39) Overall average at U of S. Leave blank if not yet established:	Less than 50%(1) **0**	50% to 59%(2) **0**	60% to 69%(3) **0**	70% to 79%(4) **2**	80% to 89%(5) **5**	90% to 100%(6) **1**	Your Avg(std)/Med **4.88(0.6)/5**	Overall Avg(std)/Med **N/A**	1XX Avg(std)/Med **N/A**	2XX Avg(std)/Med **N/A**	3XX Avg(std)/Med **N/A**	4XX Avg(std)/Med **N/A**
40) Expected grade in the course:	Less than 50%(1) **0**	50% to 59%(2) **0**	60% to 69%(3) **1**	70% to 79%(4) **4**	80% to 89%(5) **7**	90% to 100%(6) **2**	Your Avg(std)/Med **4.71(0.8)/5**	Overall Avg(std)/Med **N/A**	1XX Avg(std)/Med **N/A**	2XX Avg(std)/Med **N/A**	3XX Avg(std)/Med **N/A**	4XX Avg(std)/Med **N/A**
41) Reason for taking the course. Select the one which is best:	Required For Major(1) **7**	Elective For Major(2) **1**	Degree Requirement(3) **6**	Minor or Related Field(4) **0**	General Interest Only(5) **1**	Other(6) **0**	Your Avg(std)/Med **2.13(1.2)/2**	Overall Avg(std)/Med **N/A**	1XX Avg(std)/Med **N/A**	2XX Avg(std)/Med **N/A**	3XX Avg(std)/Med **N/A**	4XX Avg(std)/Med **N/A**
42) Year in program:	First(1) **15**	Second(2) **0**	Third(3) **0**	Fourth(4) **0**	Fifth(5) **0**	Sixth or more(6) **0**	Your Avg(std)/Med **1(0)/1**	Overall Avg(std)/Med **N/A**	1XX Avg(std)/Med **N/A**	2XX Avg(std)/Med **N/A**	3XX Avg(std)/Med **N/A**	4XX Avg(std)/Med **N/A**
43) Year in University:	First(1) **8**	Second(2) **1**	Third(3) **0**	Fourth(4) **0**	Fifth(5) **3**	Sixth or more(6) **3**	Your Avg(std)/Med **2.87(2.19)/1**	Overall Avg(std)/Med **N/A**	1XX Avg(std)/Med **N/A**	2XX Avg(std)/Med **N/A**	3XX Avg(std)/Med **N/A**	4XX Avg(std)/Med **N/A**

COMMENTS/FEEDBACK

44) Please provide any additional comments or feedback.

240494: The instructor has enormous knowledge and experience in his field. Every week he would prove why he is the teacher in the room and we the student. Fantastic person as well.

242650: ok

243204: Phil was easily the best instructor I have ever had. I was 100% engaged in every class and left each class pondering what we learned and talked about in class for hours afterwards and on occasion, for days afterwards. While the topics were interesting, I attribute my high level of engagement in the class to his teaching methods which facilitated the group to develop concepts through group discussion. I wish all my courses were taught using this approach and I will definitely miss attending Phil's class weekly. I thoroughly enjoyed it.

239702: Super engaging course, challenging, but rewarding. I hesitate to say this, but grades seemed too generous, making them seem irrelevant, which may be the point. In any case, it did not alter my efforts so it is just a different approach I am not used to.

233208: Phil is an excellent instructor. He is definitely someone who brings his A game to every class. He is incredibly knowledgeable and able to talk at length about the course material. He invites class participation and encourages people to think critically and to challenge ideas. The methods of evaluation are interesting and fair. If I have one regret it is that so much of our mark is devoted to group work. True, we are given the option of doing individual work in lieu of group work, but once you've chosen the latter, you are depending on others for a LOT of your mark. I think that if even one of the last two assignments were individual it would be better. I don't lose my mind over my grades, but this university is set up to be a competitive environment so I need to care if the last half of my year drops my grade by 10-20%, you know? So that's my only even partly negative thing. The rest of this class was all positive. Phil's presentation and readings made me incredibly interested in sustainability issues, and I like that when I go off in my own direction for the rest of my degree, I will have learned a lot about different frameworks and fisheries and things I would never have thought to learn about on my own. Oh, and Phil is very accessible for help, even after hours for last-minute help.

233557: Excellent instruction. I gained countless insights and new ways of both approaching & evaluating complex situations. I truly enjoyed this course.

236685: The course was hard for me, as I did not learn about sustainability earlier than this course. But personally, I really enjoyed learning about sustainability and social aspects and reading the Sachs book

was also awesome experience for me. But sometimes I thought I lack the experience of being open and talking about social things, as I am not used to it. The assignment of writing 4000 words report could have been removed (just a thought)Dr. Loring is awesome at what he teaches. But I think he was very experienced and critical thinker when he lectures in class. Sometimes it was hard to grasp the exact meaning of what he said (as coming from different study background) And also he was very fast while providing lecture. I also liked that he was open to give feedback prior to submission of assignment.

226282: This class was very interesting, we had such a diverse group of people it was wonderful to hear about other people's perspectives and experiences. The jigsaw readings were a great way to get to know our classmates better and learn a quick overview of a variety of writings and concepts.-Megan

243657: Overll, I found the course interesting and important being student of Environment and Sustainability. However it was less diverse interms of environmental issues covered in the class. The instructor maninly focused on his reseearch area providing examples basically from this research theme. I would like to mention that if more areas of global environmental issues, current scenario have been discussed in class, my experience would have been much better.

243706: Phil is a good man in general and academically.