

2020 Fall Fall Quick Report for William Schlosser SOE 300

Project Title: College of Agricultural, Human, and Natural Resource Sciences Course Evaluations 2020-2021

Course Audience: 94
Responses Received: 60
Response Ratio: 64%

Report Comments

This Quick Report for Instructors gives a summary of student responses in the course above for each question from the college's Course Evaluation in Blue. If a course has multiple sections, each section has a separate Quick Report. Student comments are provided at the end of the report or at the end of each question group on the report.

Instructor Quick Report for SOE 300.01-PULLM

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Rating Scale Definitions

- 5: Always
- 4: Very Often
- 3: Sometimes
- 2: Rarely
- 1: Never
- [NA]
- 5: Strongly Agree
- 4: Mildly Agree
- 3: Neutral
- 2: Mildly Disagree
- 1: Strongly Disagree
- [NA]

Data: This report provides:

- Frequency distributions of student responses to individual questions
- Mean and median values
- Student comments at the end of each question group
- Overall response rate; and response counts for each question
- See Making Sense of Course Evaluations and Midterm Feedback from Students: A Quick Guide for Instructor

Notes

Does Not Apply/NA:

In questions with a "Does Not Apply" choice, the NA count is shown in the frequency graphs but

is NOT included in any statistical analysis (mean/median).

Response thresholds to protect student confidentiality:

Team-taught courses:

not generated.

If fewer than five (5) students respond to your course evaluation, an Instructor Quick Report is

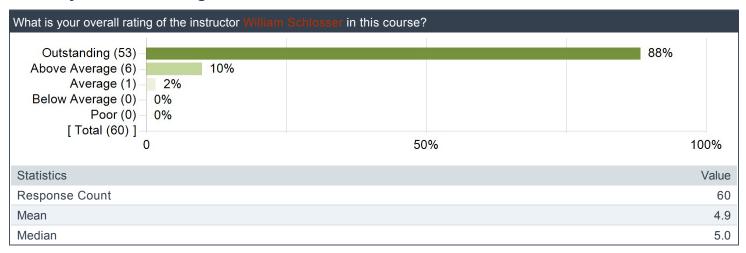
Multiple sections: If a course has multiple sections, each section has a separate Instructor Quick Report.

Each instructor receives results only for themselves as instructor and for all other questions

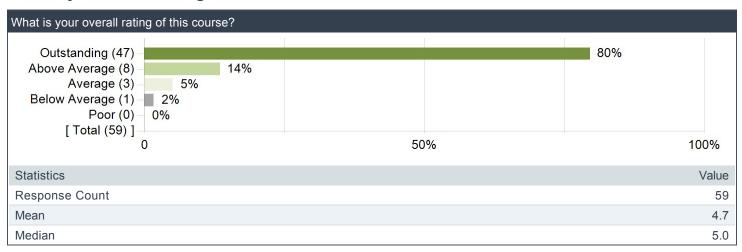
about the course or non-instructor-specific topics.

Overall

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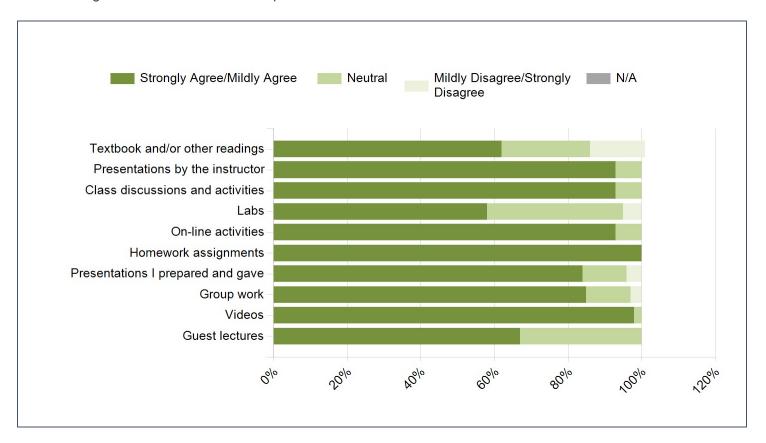


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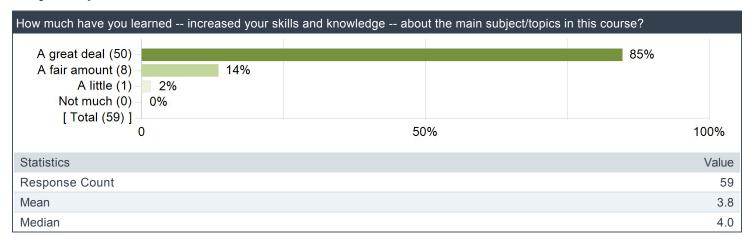
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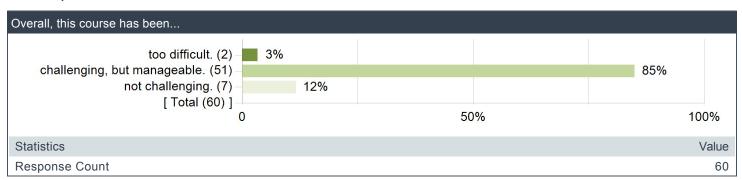


Overall Student Experience

How much have you learned -- increased your skills and knowledge -- about the main subject/topics in this course?



Overall, this course has been...



Please explain your choice above regarding how challenging this course has been.

Comments

Due to the structure of grading, students could challenge themselves on each assignment and score extra points. Allowing students to push as hard as they wanted

It was packed with a lot of lectures to watch, readings, and assignments.

Lots of course work and readings/videos to view, but what is gained from this course work is worth it.

This course challenged me to think outside the box and apply that knowledge to hands on, like the field trip, which I actually went to in addition to the virtual one. It also enhanced my knowledge on the inner workings of the environment and how it maintains and requires all portions of environment to be effective.

This course got me thinking and trying to piece subjects together in order to answer any assignment or quiz questions. However, it was not terribly challenging. The only challenging this might of been trying to finish all the assignments in on time, but Dr. Bill was kind enough to extend the dates on a lot of them.

The course was challenging, but was a reasonable time commitment.

I wouldn't say this class is easy, but that the amount of resources you have makes it a lot easier to learn new material. Dr.Bill, many TAs, old classmates, textbooks, readings, videos, etc... Dr.Bill prepares his student very well and has practically every resource out there in order to help every student learn.

There were some weeks where there was a loooottttt of work. But I was able to manage it.

I understand everything being taught. Dr. Bill does a great job at explaining topics during class and provides extra resources to help after the fact.

Professor is very understanding and as long as you keep up with the assignments and make a good effort, you'll be fine.

We did not go over very much new material pas the first month, rather we took a deep dive into all that we know about that stuff and

pushed it to where we knew how it all functioned.

nothing

When I first started this class, I found myself feeling overwhelmed with the amount of work we had to do but with the help from Dr. Bill; I began to realize that if I took the time to follow the instruction provided to us, I would be very successful in his class

Lots of homework and essays but if you keep up with the work it is very manageable over the semester.

This wasnt an easy course, but between the abundance and quality of information along with and espeically the patince and understnading of Dr. Bill there was plenty of opritunity to succeed.

Again, the workload was unequal to the amount of credit hours for this class.

The course was not challenging because I've been interested in the material before I took the class and the new material was also interesting, so I remember it particularly well.

There was a lot of things that needed to be memorized but also came up multiple times so it was easy to remember.

It was very easy to procrastinate in this class, which made a very stressful last few weeks of the semester, but as long as you dont procrastinate then it shouldn't be challenging at all

A lot of assignments but they were fine if time was managed well

There was a ton of work, the exams weren't too hard but with all the work it got overwhelming at times. I enjoyed learning the class material so it was hard for me to get through all the work.

There is a huge workload for this class, but there is also plenty of patience in return.

I was somewhat famillar with the subject, but some concepts were harder than others.

This was too difficult for me personally due to my struggles with online learning

There's are all of weeks that get piled up but with his not grading the calender I makes everything more relaxed and on your own time.

This course has a lot of material, it was by no means an easy class. The amount of work seemed fine some weeks, and very challenging the other weeks. But Dr. Bill was always there with trying his best to accommodate students based on questions, needs, and issues.

This course really challenged me, but if you keep up on your work then it is manageable. I learned a lot and even though it was challenging the end result was rewarding.

This is an incredibly challenging course. It took grit and effort but it was worth the obstacle.

He gives us really hard term reports to build ourselves with no true example on how he wants us to write them which is nice but also is hard because you don't know exactally what he's looking for. But also he gives us fair warning on a lot of things and he gives us plenty of time to do the work as well.

Each week the assigned tasks required full attention and energy to engage in and absorb all the information. Tasks challenged me to put in the required effort to complete them. In which made me actually obtain all of each concept. These were manageable tasks that required effort.

Just a lot of work

There are quite a few assignments but I was given a good amount of time to complete them.

There was a heavy load of work that sometimes felt hard to keep up with.

attempting to write a 40 page paper on top of making a youtube video about it altogether was the most challenging part of the course

This course was my most challenging and certain parts were more manageable than others. I really struggled with the term reports but I was able to keep on top of all the other assignments and quizzes.

This course is easy if you listen and come to lecture to learn the material and read the lecture slides

This course will make you thing critically about one aspect of the material and how it leads to others. It really goes along with the theme of interconnectedness that environmental scientists often deal with.

The course material was a bit challenging, however, the videos and lecture work made it very manageable.

This course made it so I had to apply myself to do well. It was very challenging in the amount of material being learned, and the amount of time required to even begin to understand the application of what was being taught. However, whenever I needed help I knew that I could ask for it and I would get any assistance that could be reasonably provided by Dr. Schlosser.

The class was difficult at times but in a way that was not generally overwhelming. The information was presented in a way that was easy to absorb and remember, and the only thing that could be really challenging was having lots of work due in a week, especially because sometimes those weeks had a lot of work due for other classes as well. However, he was very understanding and willing to allow extensions on nearly all assignments which was really helpful.

It is a lot of written work and extra assignments but they are worth it.

It was challenging with the amount of work that was given but all the course work that was given truly improved my understanding and knowledge of the material.

While there was a fairly large amount of coursework assigned, none of the assignments felt unnecessarily complex or difficult.

This course definetly wasnt easy but it wasnt too challenging. As long as you followed along with the readings and videos, you were prepared for everything else in the class.

There were lots of assignments to keep up with.

Had multiple big assignments due every week and on top of that a paper due almost every week as well. Felt like I was never done with this class

There was a ton of work. But the lenience with the deadlines allowed for me to get it all done, and I learned so much along the way!

Overall, what suggestions or changes, if any, would you make to improve the content or format of this course regardless of who is teaching it?

Comments

Highly recommend taking this class with this professor

None.

None. Dr. Bill is one of the most effective teachers I have ever had. He put in the extra effort and time into teaching and grading and with the effort I put in, I excelled in my grade.

The only thing I would suggest is to show an example of one of the term reports in class, specifically how to format it. I am a visual learner and trying to piece all of the elements together into one assignment in my head was really difficult.

Nothing, I really enjoyed this course.

nothing

If anything what this class needs is one central location where every task and assignment is listed. Due dates in Blackboard would be better handled if it was all together.

N/A

Nope, don't change a thing—it was great!

Spread the term report due dates out. In the middle of the semester it seemed we had 5 assignments and a term report due each week and was mildly overwhelming.

I would say keep it the way it is. There is plenty of content to cover, so of course there is a lot of work. Dr. Bill works with you to make sure you get it done.

I wouldn't change anything

nothing. it was great, even online.

none

none.

I don't think I would change anything.

On weeks where term reports are due, it would be nice to not have any other assignments to worry about.

Less work

I thought the way Dr. Bill taught the class really well online and nothing was confusing or badly set up.

There is no changes that need to be made

this is the best class I've taken here, and Dr. Bill is my favorite professor or at least in the top 3.

I do not have any suggestions for his course it was formatted very well.

I would not change anything about this course.

Other than I wish it was in person, I don't think there are really any changes I would make. I would have loved to have taken this class in person and while it was okay online, I did feel like we missed out this semester, especially with the Kamiak Butte field trip.

There are a lot, sometimes too many extra assignments when there are also term reports due so its a matter of how much time you have and so I would turn in term reports late because I didn't want to ask for an extra assignemnt (those with essay questions) to be reopened.

I thought the content and format were great!

While I understand that Dr.Bill likely refrained from asking students to turn on their webcams in order to respect our privacy, I would've liked him to encourage it as it would've helped to create a more engaging lecture similar to a physical classroom.

If I had to take another ecology or geology course, I would want Dr Bill to be my instructor again.

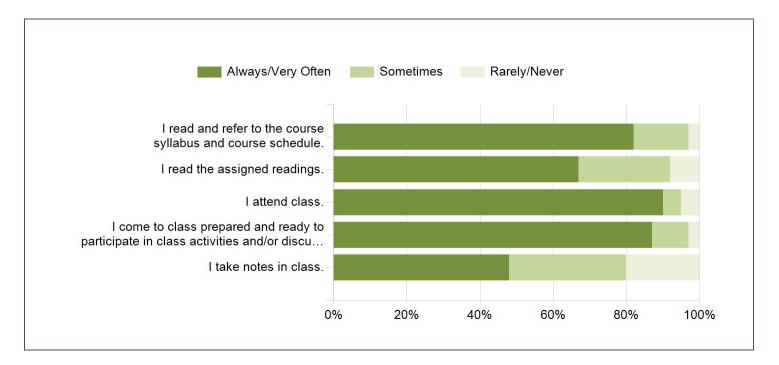
Condense the homework

Because the class was online I felt he could have altered the assignments to fit that better

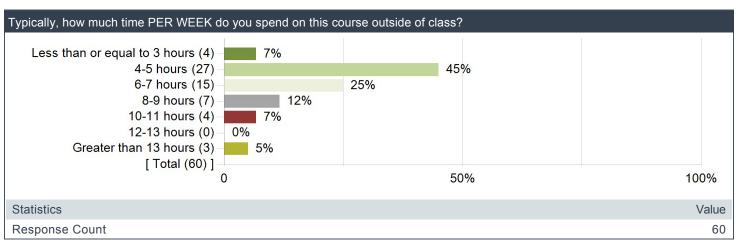
Student Effort and Responsibility

How often do you do the following to learn in this course, SOE 300.01-6286 Natural Resource Ecology?

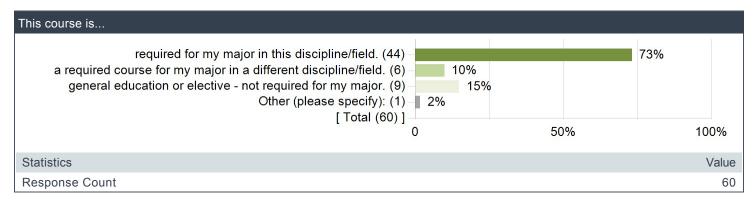
	Count	Median	Mean	Always/Very Often	%	Sometimes	%	Rarely/Never	%
I read and refer to the course syllabus and course schedule.	60	4.0	4.2	49	82%	9	15%	2	3%
I read the assigned readings.	60	4.0	3.9	40	67%	15	25%	5	8%
I attend class.	60	5.0	4.5	54	90%	3	5%	3	5%
I come to class prepared and ready to participate in class activities and/or discussion.	60	5.0	4.4	52	87%	6	10%	2	3%
I take notes in class.	60	3.0	3.5	29	48%	19	32%	12	20%



Typically, how much time PER WEEK do you spend on this course outside of class?



This course is...



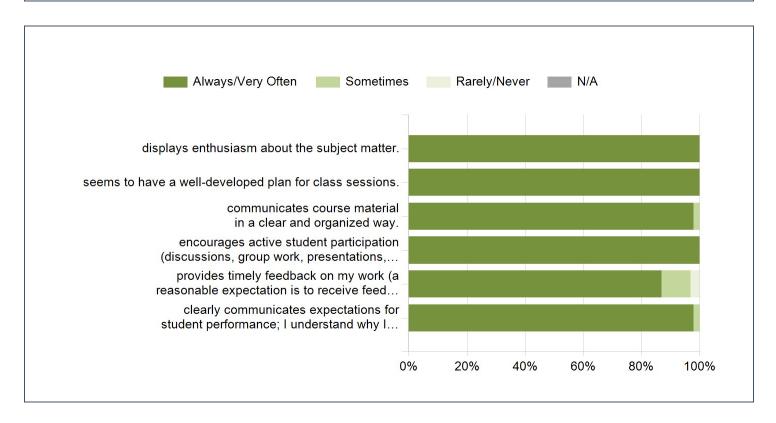
Questions about the Instructor

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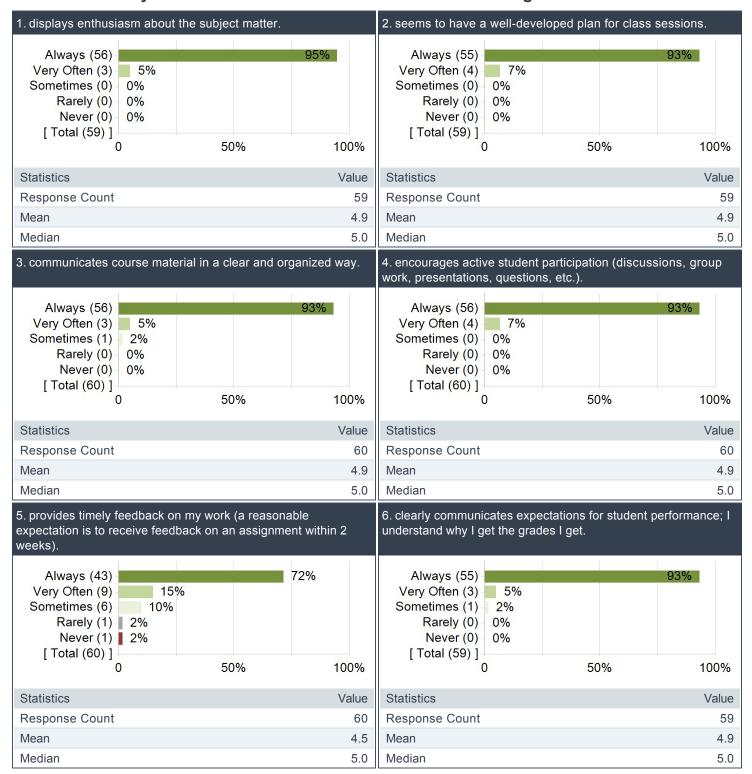
How often does your instructor William Schlosser do the following?

My Instructor...

	Count	Median	Mean	Always/Very Often	%	Sometimes	%	Rarely/Never	%
displays enthusiasm about the subject matter.	59	5.0	4.9	59	100%	0	0%	0	0%
seems to have a well-developed plan for class sessions.	59	5.0	4.9	59	100%	0	0%	0	0%
communicates course material in a clear and organized way.	60	5.0	4.9	59	98%	1	2%	0	0%
encourages active student participation (discussions, group work, presentations, questions, etc.).	60	5.0	4.9	60	100%	0	0%	0	0%
provides timely feedback on my work (a reasonable expectation is to receive feedback on an assignment within 2 weeks).	60	5.0	4.5	52	87%	6	10%	2	3%
clearly communicates expectations for student performance; I understand why I get the grades I get.	59	5.0	4.9	58	98%	1	2%	0	0%



How often does your instructor William Schlosser do the following?



What are the strengths of William Schlosser as an instructor?

Comments

Easy to talk to, understanding, and very helpful with any question

He is a very enthusiastic teacher who really cares about his students. He always answered questions in depth and offered help to his students.

Great at covering the topics we are learning and has managed to effectively teach over online. Creates a space where students are able to feel comfortable asking questions during class. Great feedback on all assignments, which helps motivate students and

makes them feel better about their work. Encourages learning and critical thinking.

His biggest strength is his effort that he puts into students and how he keeps his word. He also understands that he is not our only instructor and provides meetable deadlines that coincide with the in depth nature of an assignment.

He is always enthusiastic about the topic and subject we are learning. His years of studying and doing work in the field brings in a lot of great examples and insight into the classroom. He is also very kind and understanding of everyone's situations and is always willing to extend the due dates on assignments.

Material knowledge and creating interesting, engaging activities.

he communicate well with his students and he Gave them good feedback

Can I say everything?

He is so enthusiastic about his teachings, he encourages all of his students to learn and answers any questions they may have (will research on his own if he does't know). He is absolutely amazing, he is the best professor I have ever had the chance of having.

He's got a lot of strengths but I'd say the most noticeable one is how flexible he is with grading. There were a few times I was behind this semester and he allowed more time for me to finish the work.

Very pasionate about teaching. This make class exciting to attend and I always look forward to learning more.

He is very enthusiastic and understanding. His passion for teaching and this subject is evident and admirable.

Dr. Bill is very friendly and gives very good feedback on assignments. He acknowledges and awards those that go the extra mile on assignments or term reports. He does a very good job at making learning enjoyable even online.

Very easy to understand, tried to make class as exciting as possible.

Dr. Bill was an incredible professor. He was patient and understandable throughout the whole semester. He always made class exciting, which made it easier to stay focus.

Comes to class with a great energy so that students will be engaged. He truly cares about every student succeeding as well and will do his best to accommodate a student if they reach out to him. He is an all around great lecturer and it is clear that he loves teaching this class.

Dr. Bill did so much for students of this class from providing an abundance of information, clearly above and beyond what this class was required. And his patience and understanding with the circumstances of this semester was incredibly helpful.

Everything is neatly organized by week- that's really helpful for finding the tasks.

He is very passionate about the class and the landscape.

Very passionate about his teachings and always helped us when I had a question.

Dr. Bill is literally the best professor that I have ever had. He is so amazing at explaining the ins and outs of natural resource ecology, and he is so excited to share his knowledge with his students. He provides amazing feedback on our assignments, which truly pushes you to want to do great in his class

He is very interactive and supportive. He offers help when needed and never turns down an opportunity to give constructive criticism.

Great professor and human. Even being online I felt a strong connection to him, he's very smart in his field which brings me confidence that everything I learned in class will be helpful in the future.

He puts understanding the content before anything. For some professors, it can be intimidating to ask for help, given that you are behind, but Dr. Bill really works with you and encourages you.

he's one of the best professors I've had. he's so enthusiastic and understanding and wants all of his students to succeed.

Understanding, resubmissions, knowledgable, willing to work outside of class time

Absolutely amazing professor. I would recommend his to anyone. He cares so deeply about the subject on a personal and educational standpoint that it gives such a great energy to a semester that needs more of that. He will happily take time out of his own day/family time to help you get through an assignment or emergency situation. 10/10 professor.

He's an amazing professor very willing to help students

He would always be able to help and give feedback when he could and make sure that whatever you are stuck is understood. Also he makes every class fun and enjoyable.

Dr. Bill was extremely strong in almost every aspect of this class. Was also enthusiastic about the material, learning, the interests of the students, presenting material that was able for us to learn, explaining aspects of the material, everything.

Dr. Bill is always encouraging. He obviously loves the subject he teaches and he wants to see his students succeed. He always provides feedback to students within a timely manner, and if you don't get feedback within a good time frame you can ask him about it and he will usually get to you quickly. He made learning all this stuff online interesting even though we are doing it through a screen. He provides clear instructions on how he expects things to be done, and if your still confused he is always open to questions.

Very personal and takes time to comment on everything.

William Schlosser is one of my most passionate, intelligent, and aspiring professors at this school. I believe most of his strengths lie in these three qualities. He is extremely supportive, always offering to assist any student no matter the time or emergency over zoom, and genuinely seems to care about the students that come through his class room. It is one of the few classes that one will experience at university that feels like hard work will pay off over talent. Dr. Bill wants to see effort from his students in understanding course concepts. He also pushes us to use course concepts in creative concepts utilizing an abundance of professional skills. I also saw how adaptable he was in the in class feedback students would give him during zoom lectures. He is able to understand that the learning environment has changed and he clearly prepared for that extensively. Definitely one of my favorite teachers of all time and I will take the passion he has given me to my environmental career.

He's a great guy and gave us so many opportunity's to get a good grade in his class and he was very knowledgeable about the topics he discussed

I absolutely love Dr. Bill. He is a kind, smart, enthusiastic, and passionate instructor. It is obvious that he is always excited to see and teach us. He is also always very encouraging.

Goes above and beyond to make every student able to succeed! He isn't just an ecology teacher, he also taught the class so many helpful tools to make everyone a better student.

Great guy and very passionate and helpful

William Schlosser is a fast and very fair grader. He cares more that students learn and understand the material than anything else. He elaborates on assignments so you can better understand them and he is always available to answer questions.

He's a professor who is always enthusiastic and ready to help anyone at all or even just to have a fun educational chat!

well organized, straight forward, has the student's success in his best interest, always has a positive attitude. He is a phenomenal professor. Teachers like him are a rare gem who should be sought after in high regards. Professors like William Schlosser are the reason I continue to seek education. He went above and beyond to help students understand material at all times including over the holiday break.

He is very specific about his expectations, he is VERY knowledgable on all the topics and very willing to help with anything. Also very lenient with grading timeline, which was great.

Very enthusiastic to include people and make sure everyone understands, smart, funny, well mannered, hard working, encouraging, organized

Bill Schlosser may be an alien, because I find it hard to believe that there are people as dedicated to excelling as an instructor as this man. I don't know how much you pay Dr. Bill, but whatever it is pay him a lot more. This is the kind of professor that really sparks intrest and passion in a subject from a student. He's not out to make the class difficult or rigorous, he's out to make sure that we learn and enjoy the topic. There are too few Bill Schlossers in the world, but I'm glad I got to learn from someone of his caliber.

A kind man who understands what students are going through. Also seems very educated and excited about the material

William Schlosser was a great instructor. I learned a great deal in this class and he taught the information very well.

Dr. Schlosser is an instructor that genuinely wants his students to succeed. He works just as hard as his students do to ensure that they have the information needed to complete any assignments, or tests. He also ensures that they know what they need to do in order to be successful, and he takes his time to provide everyone with feedback to ensure they know what is working and what they need to work on. Additionally, he enjoys the field he teaches, and he wants to help everyone understand the further applications of the world of ecology beyond the application of his classroom. He encourages critical thinking and complex application of concepts learned. He comes to class everyday with a smile on his face and is present with his students even when things are going sideways in his life. His effort is felt within his classroom and it encourages participation and effort from everyone else.

He is very enthusiastic and seems genuinely interested in what he's teaching as well as in the wellbeing and success of his students. He gives great feedback and looking at his comments in the gradebook always raised my spirits because they were just so nice. I really feel like I learned a lot in this class and came out of it a better learner and with a good understanding of ecology.

He is so kind and forgiving on late or missing assignments. He understands the struggle college students face especially now and just wants everyone to succeed.

Dr. Bill is great at explaining the course material, providing feedback on assignments and giving words of encouragement. His passion for the course topics is inspiring and creates excitement for the course.

Dr. Bill goes above and beyond the expectations I have for my professors. It's clear that he puts a huge amount of time and effort into planning this course. No other professor I've had has adapted to online classes as well as Dr. Bill, I admire the amount of care and understanding he takes when interacting with his students.

Dr Bill is an amazing teacher and very passionate about what he teaches as well. He is amazing to learn from and very understanding with his students. He goes above and beyond for us an thats something I enjoyed. He's easily one of my favorite professors here at WSU.

He is by far one of the best professors I've ever had. He supports his students to the very end, is extremely flexible, lenient, and understanding. He does an excellent job of conveying information. I wish all of my professors could be as amazing as he is.

Dr. Bill is the most amazing, thoughtful professor I have had at WSU. He loves ecology and really wants to see students succeed.

He gives very useful and sincere feedback and is a fair grade. I really wish we could have met in person.

Was reasonable for grading and gave thorough responses on assignments and explained when something was wrong.

One of the best instructors I have ever had. Is more invested in the students learning then deadlines

What are one or two specific things the instructor, William Schlosser, could do to improve his/her teaching?

Comments

I think that William was phenomenal in every aspect, one of my favorite classes

I feel as if some class lectures could have been more focused on the material.

I would've rather seen feedback on the term reports vs the assignments earlier on. Although it was not that great of an issue, this semester is hard for all of us.

Nothing. He was well read and had great knowledge of the topics and was clear about what the assignments would entail which was great because when you studied, you actually felt as though you understood what he wanted you to learn.

For being online, maybe familiarizing himself with Zoom? He struggled every now and then with the app, but thats expected and we all helped him and if it was just a technical problem he found ways to work around them.

Hmmm, I really don't have anything just because he was just very helpful.

Everything is good to me.

Nothing I can think of. I wish I had his class in person because I know I would've thrived in that situation.

The only thing I can think of is quicker feedback on assignments, however I know Dr. Bill had some family matters over the semester so it's all good by me.

nothing

Sometimes classes seemed chaotic with some tangents about a different matter but usually lecturers were well structured.

Maybe one thing that could be improved is sharing specifically a schedule of what needs to be done as he often provided more than we needed for every assignment.

I would've preferred to have actual lectures during lecture time because it was too much material to learn outside of class. Especially if some people have 17 other credits that they're taking. It was too much work for a 3–credit class.

Not get off topic as much during the actual lecture time.

N/A

nothing

He needs to stop raising the bar so high for professors because he's making everyone else look bad.

I believe that Dr. Bill has plenty of strengths. I would say that if anything, he can give a more strict deadline on the term reports, but I believe that it is up to personal discipline and deadlines for this case, and it really moderates yourself if anything, so there would be nothing I would change.

Honestly I can't think of anything he did an amazing job at teaching this class online.

Potentially improve on less of a workload for online school. The term reports and weekly assignments and weekly quizzes were incredibly hard to keep track of, BUT they all were important and I learned a lot from every assignment.

Nothing in my opinion

Nothing he is a great instructor he doesn't need to improve anything.

The term reports just have a lot of process to them, it can get very hard, confusing, and drawn—out for the students at times because of how much detail they should have.

I wouldn't change anything about the way Dr. Bill teaches. I loved this class.

N/A

I think he did a great job on everything but I will say grading those term reports take a ton of time and he has a lot of students to grade so waiting till the end of the semester like us on our homework, writing comments and grade things when it's now too late to boost your grade in the semester is something he could work on by grading things in a more timely fashion.

Nothing. Dr. Bill is an outstanding instructor.

None! He has been doing this for a long time and it shows. He is a great professor and is outstanding at his work!

Provide less work, hard to keep up

The only thing I can think of for William Schlosser to improve his teaching is to give examples for the term reports and videos so that we can know what ours should look like.

The amount of work assigned was overwhelming

I thought there were too many assignment throughout the semester so I would have preferred less, but I wouldn't change anything about his teaching.

There is nothing they can do, they are an amazing instructor

I really can't think of anything in particular. This guy is a real pro.

In my opinion, there is nothing that William Schlosser need to do to improve his teaching. He is already teaching very well.

The only thing I can think of that would have improved this course and application of information being learned, was to allow for more student interaction time when we had breakout rooms. On the days were we were interacting and submitting our group assignments it usually felt very rushed as the timing usually did not allow for meaningful and complex discussions or responses.

The only problem I ever had with him was that he took a very long time to grade the term reports. I feel like if he assigned fewer large assignments that he had to grade by hand or had his TA's grade reports as well, we could get feedback quicker. However, I do understand that this was a challenging semester that likely did not fully and accurately represent him as a professor.

Nothing

Sometimes the organization of things on blackboard were a bit confusing and I enjoyed the group discussions and think more of those would be beneficial.

I would've liked grades to come back quicker, mainly on the term report sections but I understand that the thorough manner in which he grades is time-consuming.

Overall, Dr Bill is fantastic but if I had to choose something, he could improve on group projects more. Most of our work was done alone but I also get that during COVID we couldnt do some projects since we are distance learning.

I think it would be helpful if he enforced deadlines a little bit more because I started to get behind.

Be more understanding when students do not know how to do certain formatting especially when it is not common

Potentially lighten the course load a little.

Questions about the Course

How strongly do you agree or disagree with each statement about this course? The following elements of this course help me learn:

	Resp	Median	Mean	Strongly Agree/Mildly Agree	%	Neutral	%	Mildly Disagree/Strongly Disagree	%
Textbook and/or other readings	55	4.0	3.7	34	62%	13	24%	8	15%
Presentations by the instructor	60	5.0	4.7	56	93%	4	7%	0	0%
Class discussions and activities	60	5.0	4.6	56	93%	4	7%	0	0%
Labs	19	4.0	3.8	11	58%	7	37%	1	5%
On-line activities	58	5.0	4.5	54	93%	4	7%	0	0%
Homework assignments	58	5.0	4.8	58	100%	0	0%	0	0%
Presentations I prepared and gave	50	5.0	4.5	42	84%	6	12%	2	4%
Group work	59	5.0	4.4	50	85%	7	12%	2	3%
Videos	59	5.0	4.8	58	98%	1	2%	0	0%
Guest lectures	33	4.0	4.1	22	67%	11	33%	0	0%

Please provide comments about what elements of the course did or did not help you learn:

Comments

Easy access to a ton of material to help with each assignment. Enabled students to dive beyond expectations.

All of the recorded videos that were uploaded into youtube were extremely helpful.

This was my favorite course this semester so I have no comments. The entire semester linked together and correlated the subject to understanding at the various levels.

Videos and presentations were informative and interesting.

The textbook readings and videos were a bit lengthy at times, but they were extremely helpful in my understanding of the course material.

The videos provided helped a lot.

nothing

The amount of work. I think 50-75% of the work would have been enough to set in stone the ideas in the class.

I also appreciate the introduction and use of document mechanics, but I think extra credit should have been awarded if you chose to use it, and it not have been forced. I spent hours on one document fixing the mechanics when I had two other midterms to study for and my time would have been better spent just writing the material and putting in the extra mechanic if I had extra time.

I really thought the hw assignments and quizzes helped me learn a lot of material, as well as the videos.

The virtual forestry field trip was awesome, and helped me learn a lot about kamiak butte!

N/A

The activities we did outside of class were a lot of work but I enjoyed working on them.

I felt like there were tons of resources to help me study and do well.

The textbook/readings werent always the best use of time, but all of the professors personal videos and guest videos had all of the information needed to succeed so the readings were never a stress or issue, mainly just an extra study tool for depth of the information.

DR. Bill has very helpful videos on document mechanics that ill probably use for the rest of my college career

none

The elements that helped me learn most were the video essay responses and the quizzes because you had to review the material in order to successfully complete them. Also, the ability to get EC on the assingnments really boosted my will to want to complete

them to the best of my ability, as I will be graded so.

Dr. Bill always says "define, discuss, with example." It seems so simple, but it really helped me understand just what I was trying to get from the videos and readings. The video lectures are great. I mostly only used the readings when I was working on my report. I really like that extra videos of the week are provided. Some of them are really interesting and help with understanding the topic. Putting together my reports was a hard task, but it really helped me learn how to write each report better. By the end of the class I felt like I was a master at putting them together.

The videos were a nice change in a semester that was so reading intensive for me. I was able to take a break and absorb alot from the videos. Of course, with less words mean more videos that we have to learn from. However, I did not mind this and believe it helped my learning because I was able to put them on and do other tasks while absorbing the information.

Dr. Schlosser made so many helpful YouTube videos. These videos really added to the class lectures. I think if you spend the time to watch the videos you get so much more out of the class.

Being online and the amount of work given

I didn't find the group work helpful for learning at all. It created a little bit of conversation but not much else.

Giving explanations for certain topics helped a lot

Dr. Bill lasers knowledge into young minds. Would recommend.

The videos presented and the homework assignments helped me learn this material very well.

I feel as though Dr. Schlosser worked hard to ensure that almost all learning styles were met (less kinetic learning simply because of the remote setting). Although the textbooks and reading were not sources that match my learning style they still helped supplement the other materials like discussions and videos that worked for me.

The lecture videos and extra videos provided each week were very helpful, as were the group discussions we did in class.

The extra videos (not lectures) really helped to provide another point of view on any given subject.

What helped me learn were the amount and variety of videos associated with each topic, the pre recorded lectures, and the amount of assignments and quizzes. The amount of attempts for the quizzes really helped me learn the material and for the practice exam as well. I think the assignments were a huge help because they are formatted in a way that allows for connections to be made to the previously learned topics.

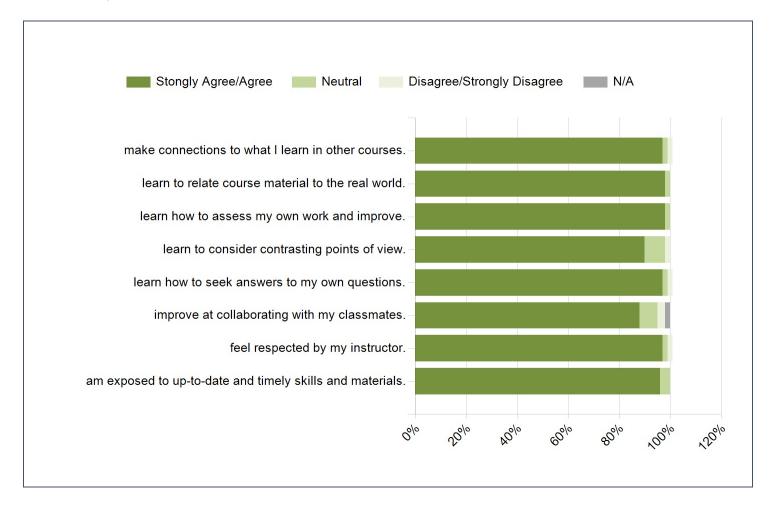
I enjoyed the flipped classroom model that this course used, it allowed me to structure my learning around my schedule.

All the readings and videos we watched helped us learn and any questions we had, Dr Bill answered them.

There were lots of assignments in this class. It might have been better to have fewer but bigger assignments.

How strongly do you agree or disagree with each statement about this course?

In this course, I ...



Please comment on which skill/item above is particularly valuable to you and why it is valuable.

Comments

Gave in depth feed back on each assignment (there was a lot). He actually encouraged me to stay in the class at the beginning of the semester and I was able to do well and have fun doing it.

I learned how to use document mechanics and write term reports. This will help me in my future classes and in my career.

Contrasting points of view. Often, we enter a subject with pre–conceived notions of how we see it and this class assisted in seeing other aspects that contrast or clarify those from another viewpoint. An example would be that we learned of many outside, anthropogenic aspects to the world that while we dislike them, need to learn to work with them.

Relating course material to the real world is valuable to me because it shows me that I actually am learning in this class and am understanding the materials being taught.

Learn to relate course material to the real world, it makes me feel like my time spent learning is actually useful and holds my interest.

Collaborating with my classmates over zoom seems very daunting, but I was very lucky to have such a welcoming professor and class. I am very glad that Dr.Bill encouraged us as much as he did to work with each other, it was really nice to know a few people in the class that i can ask questions and work on projects together or just talk about the class.

I really felt like Dr. Bill really respected me and my peers even though there was so many of us. He made time for us all!

This course was hands down my favorite class yet. The material was very relevant to my major and other classes I will be taking. There were plenty of opportunities to work with other students and Dr. Bill was extremely respectful and did a very good job at describing the material.

nothing

One of the valuable things that this class taught me is how important it is to connect what we have learned in class to the real world. To truly understand the lessons we were learning, we had to ensure that we could connect them to what is happening in the

present.

The word mechanics will be something I use as much as possible for future research papers because it looks so professional and it really does make a huge difference with the end product of a report.

I think it was really cool to learn about the history of some of my favorite national parks, as well as see how human interaction has shaped our society that we live in.

The most valuable skill/item for me is considering contrasting points of view, because it is something I am always conscious of and I believe it helps me to be more understanding and gives me a greater capacity to learn.

I think the item above that I feel is particularly valuable is that I feel respected by my instructor. Dr. Bill is an awesome professor and WSU is extremely blessed to have him as a part of their faculty

feeling respected by my instructor has definitely helped reflect that back onto my work. It helps me do better.

This class made me interested in Ecology and it may be something I pursue in the future.

I learned how to define and discuss with examples which has helped my writing in other classes.

DOCUMENT MECHANICS is the most important skill I learned because I now know how to use word to make everything I write and make great.

The skill of learning how to assess my own work and improve. It was so impressive to me that Dr. Bill took the time out of his day to comment and score every single aspect of every single assignment to provide valuable feedback to each student on how to improve.

Learning how to assess my own work and improve. Dr. Bill always gives feedback on how you did and gives you chances to improve. This helped me learn how I could improve and the more I did the easier it got to do it the way I wanted.

This course's strength lies in its ability to relate ecological concepts and frameworks to the real world. In this class I felt respected and supported, which is part of the reason I didn't end up having to drop it.

"learn to relate course material to the real world", this skill was very valuable in many course assignments. In which we would learn historical and biological break downs of events happening right now today. Then we were allowed to discuss our understandings to tie everything together.

connection to the real world, I feel like its an important class everyone should take

I thought all the connections to the real world made the content more interesting.

Connections to the real world

Learning Microsoft word mechanics was super helpful

I think a large thing to take away from this class is being able to relate this information to the real world. With that being said, I am able to do this very well.

Dr. Schlosser sought to teach skills that would benefit every student in the future. These skills went beyond the application of ecology but in a way this helped demonstrate the interconnections of everything that is the study of ecology. There was not one thing from this course that seemed more valuable than another and all of the skills and information learned from this class have everyday application. The things being taught/learned in this class have the potential to create meaningful and independent growth of people, not just provide the foundation for individuals working within the field of ecology.

The most valuable part of this class for me was learning the different skills that had to do with powerpoint presentations and document mechanics in word. Everything else we learned was highly valuable as well but I really think my improved understanding of word and powerpoint will help me tremendously in the future.

This is a required course for my major and I truly believe it will help me later on.

The skill above that is particularly valuable to me is making connections to what I learn in other courses and learn how to relate the material to the real world because making the connections strengthened my learning ability. It allowed for the material to stay in my brain instead of one ear and out the other. Another item I found valuable was feeling respect by my instructor because it made me feel important and that my learning is important as well as allowing my passion to grow for learning the material. Dr. Bill was amazing at this and alway gave great words of encouragement.

I felt particularly positive about the way Dr.Bill respects his students, especially the way he allowed due dates to be flexible. This helped ease a lot of my stress during this very unique semester.

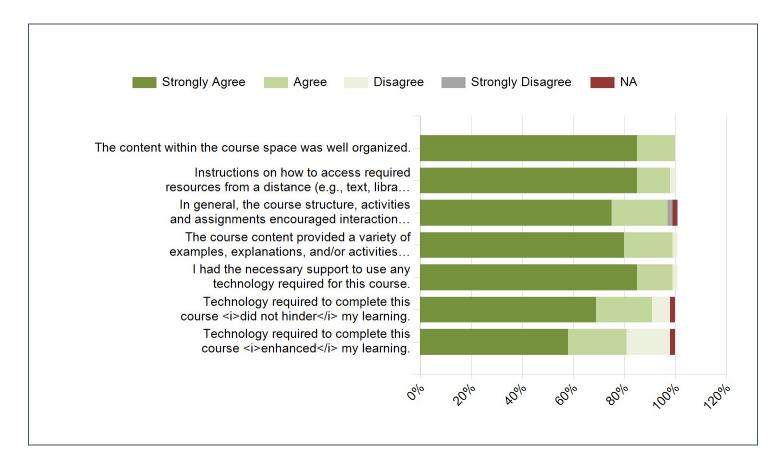
The most important is that I feel respected by my instructor. Dr Bill was great as a teacher and he made sure that we got what we needed out of this class.

The information from this class will provide a foundation for more advanced SOE classes.

Online Student Experience

Please provide feedback about your experience in the online course environment. (Results may be shared with the instructor, department/college, and Global Campus.)

	Resp	Mean	Median	Strongly Agree	%	Agree	%	Disagree	%	Strongly Disagree	%
The content within the course space was well organized.	60	3.9	4.0	51	85%	9	15%	0	0%	0	0%
Instructions on how to access required resources from a distance (e.g., text, library, media) were sufficient.	60	3.8	4.0	51	85%	8	13%	1	2%	0	0%
In general, the course structure, activities and assignments encouraged interaction among students.	59	3.7	4.0	45	76%	13	22%	0	0%	1	2%
The course content provided a variety of examples, explanations, and/or activities to teach difficult points.	59	3.8	4.0	47	80%	11	19%	1	2%	0	0%
I had the necessary support to use any technology required for this course.	59	3.8	4.0	50	85%	8	14%	1	2%	0	0%
Technology required to complete this course <i>did not hinder</i> my learning.	58	3.6	4.0	41	71%	13	22%	4	7%	0	0%
Technology required to complete this course <i>enhanced</i> my learning.	59	3.4	4.0	35	59%	14	24%	10	17%	0	0%



Comments about the COURSE, SOE 300.01-6286 Natural Resource Ecology

Comments

It was a very enjoyable class.

This course is useful for anyone who wants to learn how to be more successful in other classes and in future workspaces. Tools/skills are taught in this class that go beyond natural resources.

I really enjoyed this class. It was my favorite class this semester. The course subject was great, the professor and TAs were great, and even my peers were great and we always helped each other out. This is the class I felt most connected to and learned a lot from.

Just a great course overall.

nothing

This class went above and beyond to ensure a great online environment for the course. We were supposed to take a field trip for this class, but with Covid–19, the field trip was canceled, but Dr.Bill and the TAs were able to bring the field trip to an online platform, which I thought was incredible.

I thought it was delivered wonderfully.

Very fun and interactive

Great class, Great Professor, if I had a chance at being a TA for Dr. Bill I would accept that immediately

it was a real fun class.

I struggle with online learning and I had a bad few months in my personal life, so this class was tough for me

This was an incredibly fun and enjoyable course made better by Dr. Bill and how much he knows and makes everything fun and easy to understand.

This course has really changed my perspective for higher level classes. This was an amazing class with such interesting and cool material that has been delivered in such a meaningful way, Dr. Bill truly is amazing and I will always remember him and his teaching abilities. Though I feel regret for not putting in as much effort as I would like to because Dr. Bill deserved it and so much more, I am still content with myself and how I did in this course. Great job Dr. Bill, I wish him the best!

This course was good online.

Great class, I really enjoyed the information that I learned. I took this class as an elective since it sounded interesting to me. And certainly lived up to my expectations and much more!

NA

I would like to once again acknowledge the work Dr. Bill has put into this class. If I was half as good a student as he was a teacher I'd be curing cancer and shaking hands with the president. The material covered is key for any aspiring ecologist.

This course was very interesting.

For being a newly online class that is normally taught in person, it felt as though this class had been provided online before.

I tremendously enjoyed this course, it was my absolute favorite this semester and I only wish I needed to take more classes with Dr Bill. This course was very helpful for learning about ecology as well as life skills like working with Word and becoming a better writer. I honestly think this class had more writing than my English 101 class and I really feel like I improved my writing skills here.

I learned a lot and a had a good time despite the online environment.

It was great and easy to follow online

I would enthusiastically recommend this course to anyone interested.

This was a great course and I learned a great deal as well. Kudos to Dr Bill for being one of the main reasons I took this class since I heard he was a great professor and it turned out to be true.

It was a lot of work but manageable

Amazing class. Thank you Dr. Bill!

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It was good and the teacher was always on top of the questions asked in the chat box.

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