



## D.C. JEWITT Evaluation of Instruction Program Report

16S: EPS SCI 15 LEC 1: INTROD-OCEANOGRAPHY

No. of responses = 150

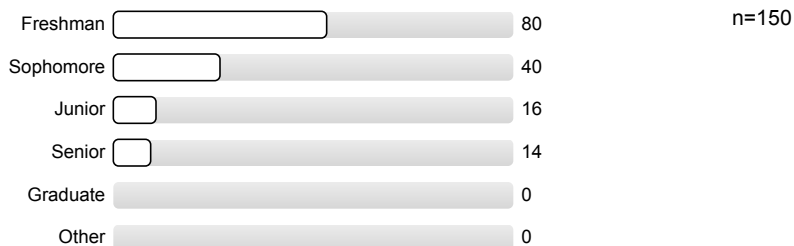
Enrollment = 416

Response Rate = 36.06%

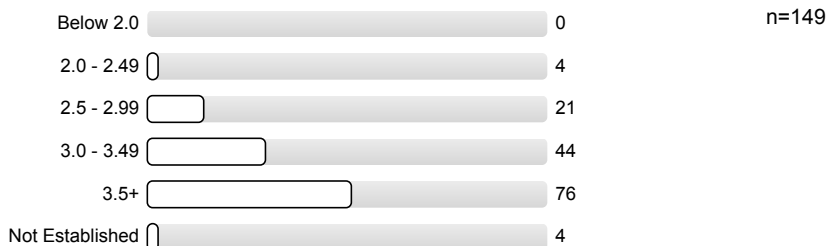
### Survey Results

#### 1. Background Information:

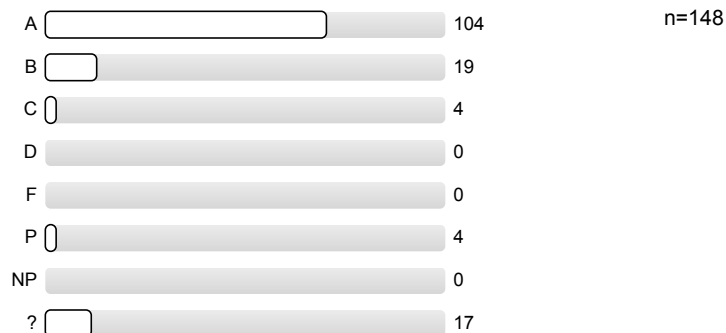
##### 1.1) Year in School:



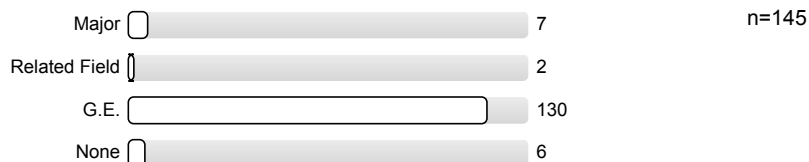
##### 1.2) UCLA GPA:



##### 1.3) Expected Grade:



##### 1.4) What requirements does this course fulfill?



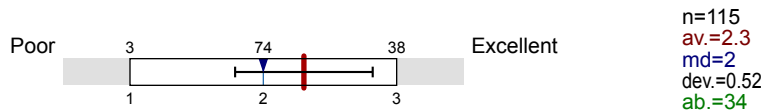
2. To What Extent Do You Feel That:

2.1)	Instructor Concern – The instructor was concerned about student learning.	Very Low or Never		Very High or Always	n=150 av.=7.84 md=8 dev.=1.53
2.2)	Organization – Class presentations were well prepared and organized.	Very Low or Never		Very High or Always	n=150 av.=8.16 md=9 dev.=1.3
2.3)	Interaction – Students felt welcome in seeking help in or outside of the class.	Very Low or Never		Very High or Always	n=148 av.=7.64 md=8 dev.=1.65 ab.=2
2.4)	Communication Skills – The instructor had good communication skills.	Very Low or Never		Very High or Always	n=149 av.=8.03 md=9 dev.=1.28
2.5)	Value – You have learned something you consider valuable.	Very Low or Never		Very High or Always	n=148 av.=7.8 md=8 dev.=1.56
2.6)	Overall – Your overall rating of the instructor.	Very Low or Never		Very High or Always	n=150 av.=8.07 md=9 dev.=1.37
2.7)	Overall – Your overall rating of the course.	Very Low or Never		Very High or Always	n=147 av.=8.01 md=9 dev.=1.47

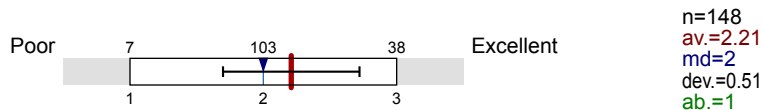
3. Your View of Course Characteristics:

3.1)	Subject interest before course	Low		High	n=149 av.=1.87 md=2 dev.=0.69
3.2)	Subject interest after course	Low		High	n=148 av.=2.31 md=2 dev.=0.63
3.3)	Mastery of course material	Low		High	n=148 av.=2.28 md=2 dev.=0.51
3.4)	Difficulty (relative to other courses)	Low		High	n=148 av.=1.85 md=2 dev.=0.56
3.5)	Workload/pace was	Too Slow		Too Much	n=149 av.=2.05 md=2 dev.=0.23
3.6)	Texts, required readings	Poor		Excellent	n=119 av.=2.24 md=2 dev.=0.5 ab.=30

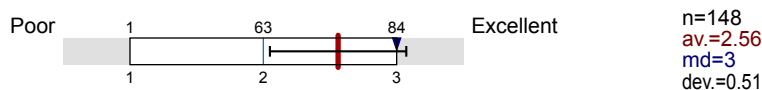
3.7) Homework assignments



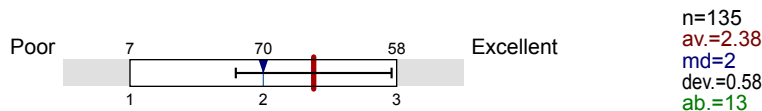
3.8) Graded materials, examinations



3.9) Lecture presentations



3.10) Class discussions

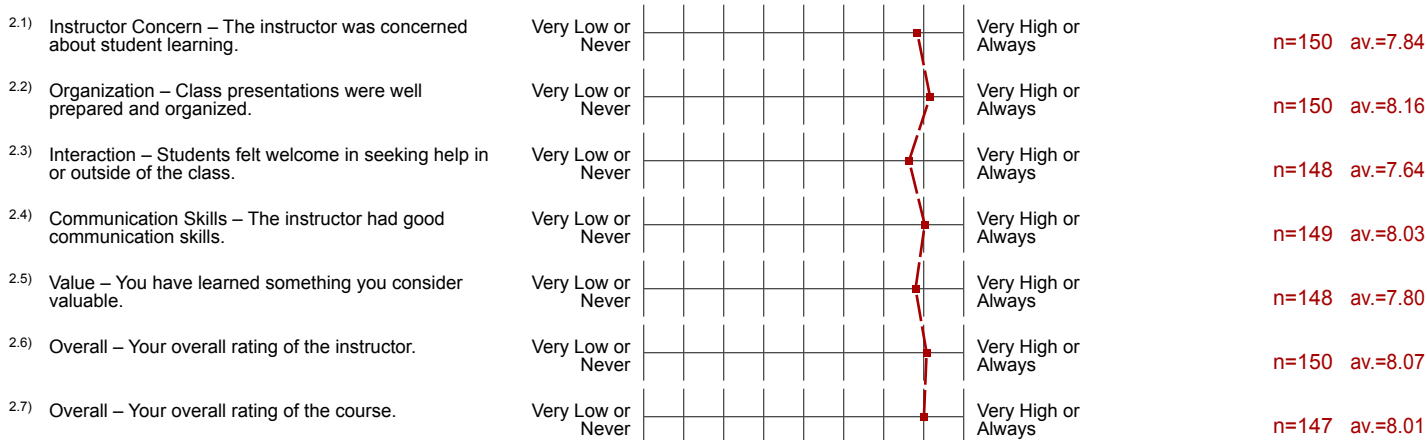


# Profile

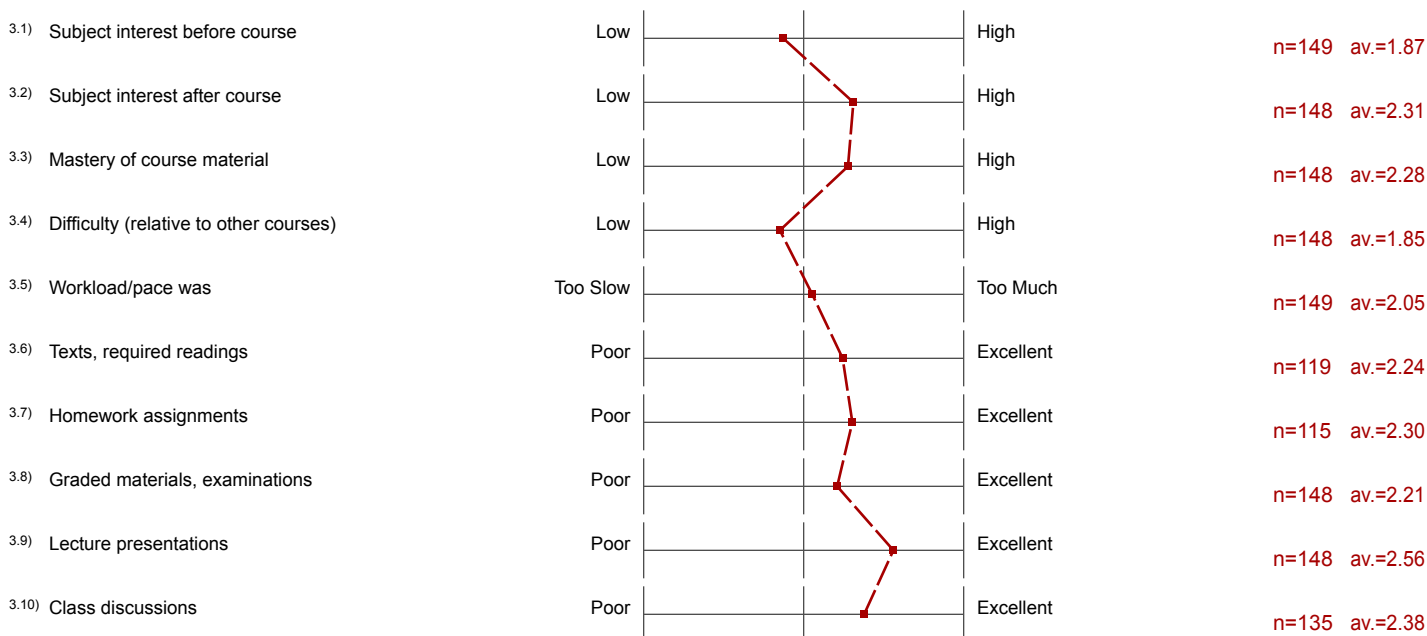
Subunit: EPS SCI  
 Name of the instructor: D.C. JEWITT  
 Name of the course: 16S: EPS SCI 15 LEC 1: INTROD-OCEANOGRAPHY  
 (Name of the survey)

Values used in the profile line: Mean

## 2. To What Extent Do You Feel That:



## 3. Your View of Course Characteristics:



## Comments Report

## 4. Comments:

- 4.1) Please identify what you perceive to be the real strengths and weaknesses of this instructor and course.
- :D
  - A G.E. class that you take to get over with. Will probably not use much of this information in the future. The extra credit assignments were interesting though, and lectures were always organized and started on time. The professor seems to enjoy making fun of people and interjecting his opinions throughout lectures.
  - Amazing guy! He was very funny and interesting
  - Amazing lecturer, very engaging and active... keeps the students interested in learning!
  - Amazing, he is one of the few professors who wants our students to learn for ourselves not just grades.
  - Because Dr. Jewitt is an Astrophysicist, it is understandable that he goes into a lot of detail when relating oceanography to phenomena in our solar system, but I feel like it is a little too in depth in these areas. Personally, I would have liked to see more depth in the marine biology segment of the course because that is what I'm most interested in; however, I realize I could just take a marine biology course. Very good instructor overall; he cares a lot about his students learning and his extra credit opportunities are fantastic if students choose to do them.
  - Best professor I have ever had at UCLA, he's very enthusiastic about keeping individuals interested in science. I'm no science major but all of his classes is worth the time he gets to lecture. He's extremely knowledgeable and is always on the search for why things happen. It's great to have a professor who is learning new things he has never known and sharing it with the class. He's awesome!
  - Class was always engaging even for it being a boring topic in my opinion. Great lecturer and an overall great professor.
  - Easy class but lecture really is not necessary because all info is on slides
  - Everything about the class was great. There is nothing I would change.
  - Fantastic class, great extra credits!
  - Funny professor, keeps lectures engaging which is good. Offers extra credit!
  - GREAT CLASS -- my favorite so far, to have a professor that is SO credible in the area makes it all the more worth while to go to the lectures that aren't mandatory, I really enjoy listening to what he has to say because he makes the lectures interesting, although there is a lot to learn there are great diagrams and videos I would never have seen before if I didn't come to lecture. He is great at explaining. Sometimes I'm unsure as to what specifics to focus on for the exams because there is so much and he just says to 'look at the slides' and there are around 20 lectures of 50 pages or so!
  - Good class presentations, fair exams
  - Great class.
  - Great professor, straightforward teaching style was easy to follow. Anecdotes made class fun and interesting, extra credit was also fun to complete

- He communicates well but lacks office hours
- He had very interesting lectures and they were always well presented and out together. Some of the questions on the midterm exams weren't emphasized as extremely important concepts, yet were still placed on the midterm. Many of the concepts that were emphasized as important were not on the midterm.
- He kept the class manageable although the material might have been bland at times.
- He was a good professor.
- His lectures were fun and entertaining. The midterms were really detailed and challenging.
- Honestly my biggest problem with this class was the temperature of the lecture hall! It was REALLY cold, to the extent that it made sitting through class extremely difficult and I would leave with my feet feeling numb (and yes I brought a sweater just for this class). The professor himself did a great job making the material interesting to a lot of students who are otherwise not interested in the subject, and I really loved the extra credits because they got us to actually go out and go to the beach and appreciate the relevance of the class. I'm by no means a "science person" but I actually had several moments when I was studying the lecture slides or watching the videos in class where I thought wow this is all really interesting.
- I am grateful to have had Professor Jewitt because it feels like he genuinely cares about what he teaches. He presents the class material in an interesting manner with just the right amount of humor so that the lectures are fun to go to. The labs are cool and T.A. Erin Leonard is very knowledgeable, but the weekly quizzes are challenging and seem to take away from the somewhat relaxed material that is covered. Consider changing the labs to be more in review with the labs, as opposed to labs that are somewhat irrelevant to the course material.
- I could not have asked for a better professor. He is very considerate and incorporates humor into his lectures to make them very interesting. Best professor I have ever had!
- I enjoy how Professor Jewitt incorporates a lot of videos and pictures in his powerpoints. It keeps students engaged and provides a better understanding of the material we are discussing. I also appreciate his acknowledgement that 99% of the class is taking EPSS 15 to fulfill a GE. Rather than assigning an unnecessary amount of coursework, he focuses on teaching us concepts that we will remember after the GE is over. His extra-credit opportunities are fun and interactive, and I have learned far more from my experiences hunting grunions, exploring dunes, and analyzing waves than I have in any other GE. Jewitt is a great professor with an excellent understanding of how to teach effectively.
- I really enjoyed Oceanography this quarter and Professor Jewitt; however I think the midterms are a bit unfair in regards to how the class is structured. I bombed both of the midterms but then was able to salvage my grade because of extra credit and hopefully do well on the Final. I just think that the midterms should be more structured on what I have been learning in the classroom
- I really enjoyed this class! Thank you Professor Jewitt for the extra credit opportunities!
- I really like him and he is a good professor
- I took Professor Jewitt's solar system and planets class last quarter as well and I have greatly enjoyed having him as my professor. He is a great communicator and very knowledgeable and passionate about what he teaches.
- Interesting lectures, but really difficult labs that sometimes did not have to do with what we were learning
- Jewitt is GREAAAAAT. The extra credit assignments are also fun!
- Jewitt is a very knowledgeable professor who made a class that most people take to fulfill a science GE very interesting.

- Jewitt is an awesome teacher and makes lecture interesting. Obviously has done a lot for science and is very brilliant. Overall great teacher and great course!
- Jewitt is awesome!!
- Jewitt is definitely a character. He has strong opinions and he is not afraid to share them. I appreciate how his main goal for the class was just for us to take an interest in science and knowledge in general. There are not many professors who strive to take that stance. My favorite part of the class was learning about tsunamis and watching the tsunami videos. I had no idea tsunamis were that destructive. I would like to see more videos incorporated into other parts of the lectures as well. I feel the driest lectures, had the least amount of videos. I did not like the midterm question: "what color are blue-green bacteria." That was not fair! Other than that, thank you for the enjoyable class experience
- Jewitt let his personal opinions take over the class on multiple occasions. Religion can be a controversial topic and I do not believe it is appropriate for a professor to bash any one person's values or beliefs based on religion.
- Jewitt makes this GE engaging. He is great at making the subject relevant and fun to learn. He obviously does not want his students to fail and offers a lot of help and extra credit. Awesome professor.
- Jewitt was one of my favorite teachers. He's really funny and tries to get you interested in the material. There were times I fell asleep, but I definitely do not stay asleep the entire time.
- Liked the organized structure of the course. Liked how the exams tested exactly what was learned in class. The extra credit opportunities were a plus. Lectures were enjoyable and at an easy pace.
- Made something I never thought would be interesting, very interesting! Was very accommodating with my OSD as well. Found the extra credits to be very fun! Great professor!
- One of my favorite classes at UCLA!
- Passion for the class, learning and science in general, great depth in subject matter, makes learning interesting and easy to understand.
- Please keep giving out the extra credits. They are a godsend. Thank you so much for a great and enjoyable class, professor Jewitt. Your quality of teaching is a great thing to add to an already successful career. :)
- Prof. Jewitt is an excellent professor. It is important for him to make science more interesting for non-science students. He cares that the students will learn important information more than just to get a good grade. I will highly recommend this class and professor Jewitt to other students.
- Prof. Jewitt kept the class engaged with awesome lectures and cool extra credit opportunities. I would like to know how the labs connect to the lectures a bit more sometimes. Overall awesome class that I have recommended to all my friends. Thanks!
- Prof. Jewitt is a hilarious, engaging professor who never fails to surprise his students by incorporating interesting information or entertaining, thought-provoking, educational videos. He dumbs everything down (in a great way), which has really helped all of his students, including myself, focus and understand the material.
- Prof. Jewitt is one of the best professors at UCLA. He is actually concerned with teaching the students something useful that they can later apply in their lives. He was very organized with his lecture presentations. He made class extremely engaging and fun to go to by using videos that relate to the course material. I would definitely recommend any student to take this course with him because you become more knowledgeable about the world around you.
- Professor Jewitt is an awesome lecturer. I highly recommend this class and just him as a professor. He is extremely engaging and the lectures are actually interesting. You do not necessarily have to go to class, but Jewitt makes it worth going. He is not boring and does not want to waste your time. The

midterms are not hard but because they are only 25-30 questions there are usually around 5 that are a little tricky but the others almost give away points. My only complain about this class was the disparity in the Labs. My TA graded our labs pretty harshly, while I heard that other classes got graded for completion. The lab TAs should all grade on the same basis since the class is curved overall not based on your section.

- Professor Jewitt is just fantastic. His lectures are really interesting and have lots of funny videos which also related to the course materials.
- Professor Jewitt is outstanding. Not only does he teach such an interesting topic and has zeal for the ocean, and life in general, but he also wants to enforce in the students the same type of meaningfulness for everything that they do. Really fun class, made enjoyable by a great professor, who is kind of crazy but really cool, and who gives numerous opportunities to expand our learning outside of the classroom.
- Professor Jewitt is so far the best GE professor i have ever taken with. He cares so much about your interests of the materials and not to harsh about the grade, which is totally awesome. and we do learned a lot during the course. and extra credit are so fun and enjoyable. excellent cool professor.
- Professor Jewitt is very involved and welcoming to his students. His teaching style keeps people interested, and I thoroughly enjoyed his class.
- Professor Jewitt is very soft spoken so it is very difficult to understand him in lecture. Also, I'm very confused as to why an astronomer was teaching an oceanography class. Professor Jewitt apparently made a mistake on a slide, and two students caught the mistake, and he sent an email saying "The big-picture of the course is not affected," which I find strange, considering the mistake involved oceanic plates, and this was an oceanography course.... I don't understand why certain faculty in the geology department teach courses that really don't relate to their research.
- Professor Jewitt made his lectures engaging. He had a sense of humor and was sympathetic to the busy lives of students. The workload wasn't too much or too little.
- Professor Jewitt really cares about his students and their learning not just inside the classroom but outside as well. He targets this by giving extra credit to those who go and participate hands-on during their own time. His class is enjoyable.
- Professor Jewitt really wanted students to learn something from his class for the sake of learning rather than for the grade, which I really appreciated. I really enjoyed this class, and definitely learned a lot of interesting things. The extra credit that he offered was great. I got the chance to go to the beach multiple times to not only have fun, but to learn something related to the class material. It was definitely a great experience. The videos that Professor Jewitt had in his powerpoints were great visuals as well. I'm very glad I had the opportunity to take this class.
- Professor Jewitt was a very entertaining lecturer. I really liked how the course covered the oceanography topics broadly because I probably wouldn't have remembered many specific scientific details years after taking this course. The material discussed was very interesting and will be very valuable general knowledge. I loved the jokes mentioned here and there. I also enjoyed watching the video clips embedded in the lecture. The extra credit assignments provided me with valuable and memorable experiences. This is probably one of my favorite courses so far!
- Professor Jewitt was very passionate about his topics, which was appreciated during lecture. He tried making the class as applicable as possible too. I was a little unhappy that all extra credit opportunities required off campus activities, since it could be difficult to schedule time and a ride to get to the beaches.
- Professor Jewitt's strength teaching this course was that he communicated the topics in a very down-to-earth manner, that was easy to understand even as a non-science major. However, I think he could've given the students more direction on what topics/concepts would be most important for the exams.



- Professor is average. Nothing particularly stands out. However the course turned out to be very practical and useful for me.
- Professor was really made lectures interesting but not interesting enough to make this North Campus major involved in class. I was not able to grasp the material and just in a way to where it was easily learned.
- Professor was very encouraging and focused more on student's learning than anything else. Wanted students to enjoy learning the subject material and not feel overwhelmed. Professor was very relatable and humorous making the class all the more enjoyable. Professor provided ample materials for students to learn the subject material. Only weakness might just have been the hardships of just the sheer size of the class and number of students Professor was forced to accomodate.
- Really interesting materials. I become so attracted to our planet.
- Sometimes it was hard to hear due to the microphone.
- Strengths: Analysis and Interest  
Weaknesses: Interaction with students
- The class presentations were extremely well organized and helped expand on course ideas with visuals and interactive videos. The professor had great communication and made sure that the necessary material was covered.
- The instructor really wants to engage the students in what they are learning and many times attempts to tie in course related material with funny applicable videos. He really tries to push the scientific method in a theme overall in class and feels that all of his students should develop this mindset of thinking. He is really doing things for the students and this along with an epss 9 class I took with professor Jewitt last quarter have been my most enjoyable classes in my time here at UCLA. He made it so that the material we were learning was actually enjoyable and interesting.
- The instructor was very very very passionate about the subject and made me want to learn more and more. By far the best professor at UCLA
- The professor is a really interesting guy. You could tell that he knows a lot about the subject and lectures in a way that makes it interesting for his students. He is also easy to reach and easy to talk to.
- The professor makes the lectures engaging and enjoyable. I really enjoy coming to his class everyday.
- This class is always highly recommended. For a large GE, I commend Professor Jewitt's ability to command the audience. Although his lecture slides are a tad dense in text, making it difficult to pay attention at times. Overall I learned a lot in this class. However, if I had any critique it would be Professor Jewitt projecting emails from past students and parents on the screen (I write this in fear he might do the same for this review). I found it to be uncomfortable, unprofessional, and petty. Regardless of how silly the email was, it's his duty as both a mature adult and respected professor to keep that between him and the student or parent.
- This is one of those classes where I would consider it as a waste of money and time. Test are unfair multiple choice questions often with two answers that can be arguable both correct. We are being tested on memorizing a bunch random facts that google can answer in less than a second. Many of the questions involve memorizing random numbers and pictures that are barely gone over in lectures.  
This class is a joke, something I expect high school to be like. Welcome to UCLA taking my time and money away from more important classes.
- best class at ucla, give that man a raise
- best ge instructor ever.
- good communication between student and professor

- real interesting. Prof. Jewitt is not only a great prof but also a scientist!