

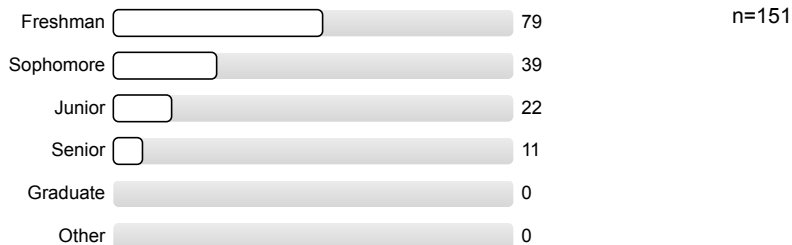


D.C. JEWITT
Evaluation of Instruction Program Report
 18S: EPS SCI 15 LEC 1: INTROD-OCEANOGRAPHY
 No. of responses = 152
 Enrollment = 444
 Response Rate = 34.23%

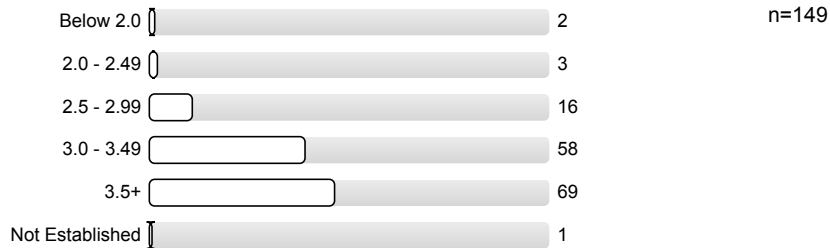
Survey Results

1. Background Information:

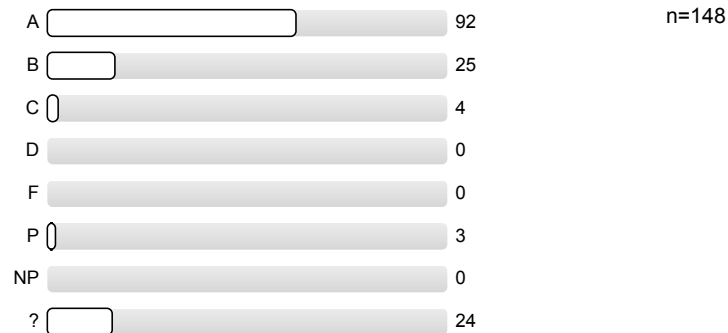
1.1) Year in School:



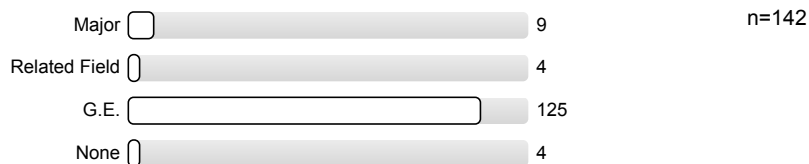
1.2) UCLA GPA:



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.

n=152
av.=7.8
md=8
dev.=1.53

2.2) Organization – Class presentations were well prepared and organized.

n=152
av.=8.18
md=9
dev.=1.3

2.3) Interaction – Students felt welcome in seeking help in or outside of the class.

n=148
av.=7.59
md=8
dev.=1.75
ab.=2

2.4) Communication Skills – The instructor had good communication skills.

n=151
av.=7.95
md=8
dev.=1.46

2.5) Value – You have learned something you consider valuable.

n=152
av.=7.53
md=8
dev.=1.7

2.6) Overall – Your overall rating of the instructor.

n=152
av.=7.99
md=8
dev.=1.36

2.7) Overall – Your overall rating of the course.

n=148
av.=7.69
md=8
dev.=1.55
ab.=1

3. Your View of Course Characteristics:

3.1) Subject interest before course

n=152
av.=1.91
md=2
dev.=0.71

3.2) Subject interest after course

n=152
av.=2.28
md=2
dev.=0.66

3.3) Mastery of course material

n=150
av.=2.28
md=2
dev.=0.6
ab.=2

3.4) Difficulty (relative to other courses)

n=151
av.=1.97
md=2
dev.=0.62

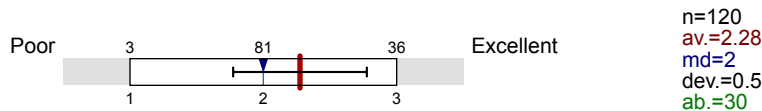
3.5) Workload/pace was

n=151
av.=2.02
md=2
dev.=0.29
ab.=1

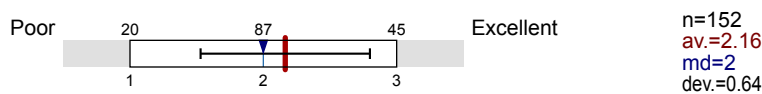
3.6) Texts, required readings

n=121
av.=2.26
md=2
dev.=0.54
ab.=31

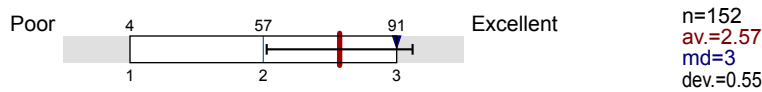
3.7) Homework assignments



3.8) Graded materials, examinations



3.9) Lecture presentations



3.10) Class discussions

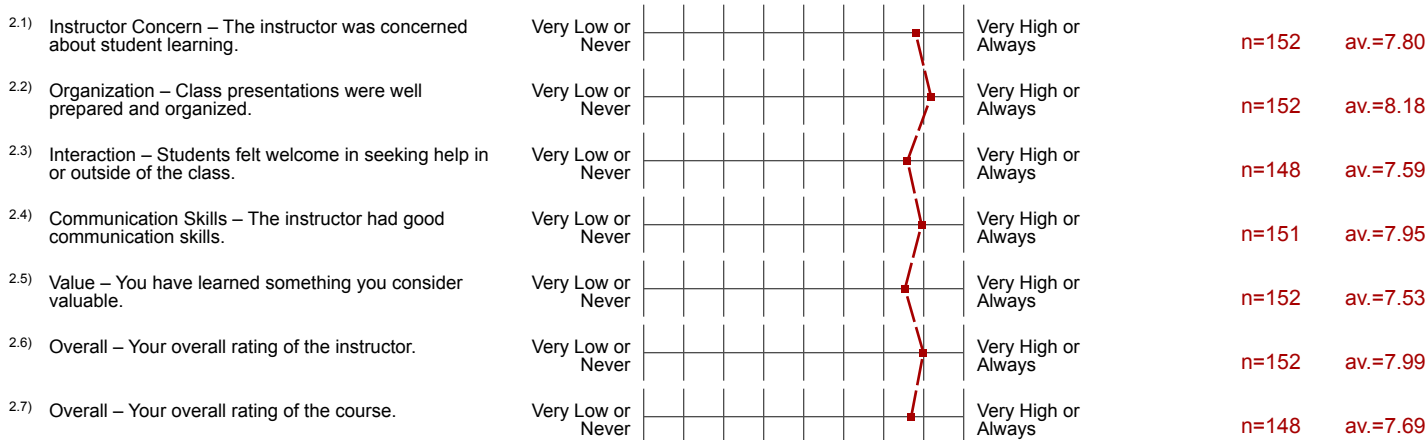


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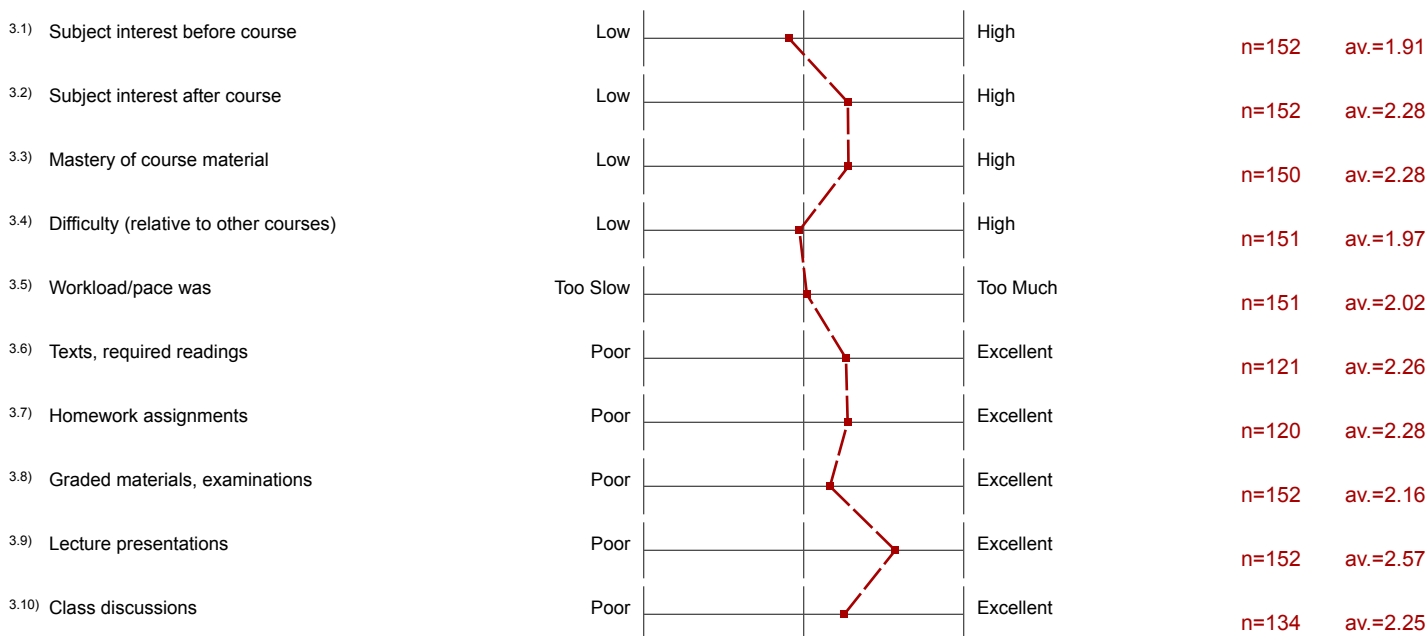
Subunit: EPS SCI
 Name of the instructor: D.C. JEWITT
 Name of the course: 18S: EPS SCI 15 LEC 1: INTROD-OCEANOGRAPHY
 (Name of the survey)

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.
- +Professor is genuinely passionate about teaching the course.
 - +Professor is engaging with students and answers questions well.
 - +Professor teaches course well and provides interesting relevant media to accompany slides.
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 - A strength of this class is that the professor knows that most people in this class are not science majors, and he caters the class to their benefits. This includes all the extra credit opportunities. The first midterm did not accurately reflect the course material though, and most people failed it. The professor is additionally very funny and does a good job dumbing down the material for us.
 - Dr. Jewitt was an excellent professor and he was very good at lecturing this course. I thoroughly enjoyed the course content and am glad I took oceanography.
 - EPS SCI 15 was a fun and interesting class thanks to Professor Jewitt. His strengths for the course include his structured presentation slides, his extra credit opportunities, his enthusiasm, and the material he decided to focus on in the labs. I found Professor Jewitt's presentations to be clear and concise throughout the whole quarter. His PowerPoint presentations contained text and visuals to help us fully understand hard oceanography concepts. Additionally, it was helpful how he would post his lecture slides on CCLE because I could always go back and review/rewrite the notes of the day. My favorite part of the course was the extra credit assignments Jewitt handed out. These extra credit exercises were based on the information we were learning throughout the week(s) and gave us the opportunity to put into practice what we were learning. I felt like a scientist going out and exploring the wonders of the ocean I had no idea existed. However, the best part of the course was Jewitt's enthusiasm for the material he was teaching. During lecture, you could always see Jewitt's excitement for the material he was presenting because he would emphasize the importance of certain topics. Jewitt was also very funny during lectures because he would tell us funny stories and show us hilarious videos related to the content of the class. His funny personality and his enthusiasm made lecture fun and enjoyable. Lastly, the material Jewitt focused on in the labs was interesting because it expanded on concepts we did not have time to cover during lecture. I felt that the labs really expanded my knowledge and allowed me to put into practice that knowledge through the various experiments we did during lab (i. e. looking at basalt and granite rocks, etc.). One area for improvement would be to wait until the videos he shows are over and then start speaking. Sometimes it was difficult to hear what he was saying because the sound from the videos blurred his voice and I could not decipher what he was saying. But apart from this, the course and Professor Jewitt were overall great and I would highly recommend them to future students.
 - Enjoyed the many cool videos shown in lecture, the extra credit assignments, and the class itself. Especially enjoyed the last lecture about death and what we're doing with our lives
 - Excellent professor, wish he taught other lower division sciences. He probably would have made a great chemistry professor too! Very lively and passionate, but still straight forward and gets his points across with his lectures and slides. Finally a professor that does not put me to sleep, just wonderful!
 - Great professor!
 - Great professor, very knowledgeable and coherent. Lectures were interesting and he made them fun.
 - Having approximately 447 students in the course, it was understandable that Professor Jewitt's primary goal was to increase our awareness of the importance of the earth's oceans as well as ingrain in us a

sense of respect and appreciation for the bodies of water that cover a majority of our planet. By integrating entertaining videos into his lecture slides, he kept the attention of the class and made this course feel much more engaging than some of the other lectures I have encountered. Additionally, all of the students, myself included, appreciated that he offered extra credit opportunities. The only fault with this class lay in the exams. Some of the questions were phrased in an awkward manner, which is to say that there might be more than one answer that appeared favorable or correct to the student. Despite my own qualms with the tests in this class, I would still say it was an thoroughly enjoyable course.

- He knows what he's talking about but this is a class I was taking as a major requirement for Marine Biology and it's a class specifically designed for non-science majors. It's essentially basic biology and waves. Great class for non-science majors!
- I am not taking this class because it is a requirement or to fulfill any other aspect, but because I previously took a class with Professor Jewitt before and it was one of the best times I had at UCLA. Taking this course, he does not disappoint! He is an excellent instructor with a talent for communicating difficult concepts. It was a joy and an honor to take a class again with him before finishing my undergraduate years.
- I approve of your taste in music. Also, I found the course really fascinating. Thank you.
- I believe that professor Jewitt is a good lecturer and really cares about his students. He uploads all the lecture slides, which is useful and he provides extra credit assignments. The course material can be a little bit boring at times, but overall very interesting.
- I enjoyed Jewitt's lectures. I found them to be entertaining and interesting. I honestly did not expect myself to find oceanography this interesting and was pleasantly surprised. I attribute this to Jewitt's teaching style. One change I'd make is to make the tests a bit more comprehensive, maybe even add some short answers. There were some parts that felt like we were applying what we learned, but a bulk of the questions were regurgitating facts. This wasn't a huge problem, but I felt like the exams didn't do justice to the quality of the class and the information we were learning. It would have been nice to get one or two short answers similar to the questions we received in the lab sections. All in all, this has been one of my favorite courses and professors at UCLA. I'd highly recommend it.
- I love the professors personality and his humor. Very engaging with the class and I enjoy the videos he shows during lecture for us to further understand the topic.
- I really believe that Professor Jewitt is one of the best professors here at UCLA. His lectures are very engaging and he inputs many interesting videos that help us understand more about the material for the class. The extra credit also allowed many of the students to get out of their comfort space and into the beauty of nature. I really enjoyed his class and I am very thankful to have had him as a professor.
- I really liked this class and you as a professor!
- I think that the information is really interesting and engaging.
- I think the lecture slides had too much information on each, to the point where I was more concerned with reading that than listening to the actually words the professor said. The extra credit assignments were very fun to me, and gave extra meaning to the course as a whole. Overall, I enjoyed the class.
- Interesting, but I just didn't like the amount of info I have/had to memorize instead of being able to take time to be fascinated of less material.
- Jewitt is a smart guy overall, that's easy to see. He had an interesting style for lecturing and he would play weird music at the beginning but I think that was to troll us. I liked him overall and you can tell that he knows what he teaches about.
- Jewitt is the absolute man. This class was dope and jewitt is an extremely interesting guy
- Jewitt was a chill professor. Enjoyed taking his class

- Kept the class entertaining with videos and examples given. All the lectures were well prepared.
- Lectures are very entertaining and he is very passionate about this subject
- N/A (2 Counts)
- Once in a while, the professor included summaries from the previous lecture. These were extremely helpful because the lectures were pretty lengthy. I think it would have been helpful if we had some kind of review before the midterms and final because it was a lot of information and kind of hard to tell what to study.
- Passion for the subject was natural and contagious
- Pretty good class and professor
- Prof Jewitt is an intelligent professor who seems to be very passionate about the material he lectures on. He could probably work on being a bit more engaging with his lectures, but other than that, his class was very interesting.
- Professor Dewitt seems to be a very knowledgeable person and he has very clear intentions with this course. There is not much to say about this professor other than the class was interesting at times and was boring at times.
- Professor Jewitt is a delight to have as a lecturer. He always makes the class engaging with his videos in his powerpoints and his witty remarks during class. I enjoyed the final lecture in particular. I would definitely recommend this course to my friends. It is interesting and easy to be engaged with a reasonable amount of workload for a GE.
- Professor Jewitt is a great lecturer, and lectures well on all the topics. I think a study guide would really help for the exams, because there is so much material, and because the tests are less about concept comprehension, and more about fact retention. Also, the extra credits were great to have, but sometimes harder than anticipated, especially Point Dume, which featured a rather gnarly hike which wasn't warned about. They can also be pricey to get to, especially the grunions, which may or may not appear.
- Professor Jewitt is a very entertaining and engaging lecturer. He is a funny guy, and always kept my attention. I feel like his exams sometimes pull more obscure statistics or concepts, which made it feel like I had a good understanding of the material, but my expectations for the test were not met.
- Professor Jewitt is a wonderful teacher. However, I would appreciate it if there was less judgment about our national politics involved in his class. As a somewhat more conservative student (than the average Bruin Bear) I find it unfair to diss the other side with a captive audience that cannot comment or rebuke freely. It is a sad commentary on our universities when the minority (conservative) view point feels shut down, shamed and basically at risk. So sad:(please just teach the subject. Don't need opinions. One more thing (and I voiced this with the TA) if you're going to tell us how we can eliminate our footprint why not also call out all of the elite, celebrity and politicians that want to save the earth but all fly G4's and G5's which leave a bigger footprint than all of the things that were pointed out in the lecture on what the average person can do. They should all fly first-class commercial and deal with airport security like the rest of us. Or they can just shut up about the whole subject and not be so hypocritical. UCLA could lead on this but we don't see anyone calling out these people. Also sad.
- Professor Jewitt is an exceptional teacher who I believe really cared about his class this quarter. He was very flexible with assignments and was understanding of family issues if they arose. I will be looking forward to taking more classes with him in the future.
- Professor Jewitt is an intelligent man. He knows so much about oceanography. It really opened my eyes to more of the ocean. He made the class really interesting, it was overall a lot of fun.
- Professor Jewitt is an overall good professor, but his lecture slides tend to hold too much information,

and he talks through them quickly, so it can be difficult to keep up.

- Professor Jewitt is engaged the large class with videos and jokes to keep us entertained throughout class. I know of people who did not show up to classes, and I felt sorry for all of the jokes that they missed. I appreciated that he acknowledged that this class was taken as a GE by most students, and did not expect us to understand specialized theories in depth. His exams were reasonably difficult despite being multiple choice, managing to reward students who put the time in and showed up to lecture. However, a lot of his extra credit assignments required students to have a car or to go far via uber late at night. I highly recommend this class and professor to anyone who wants a science GE that is actually fun.
- Professor Jewitt is great at keeping lectures very interesting and interactive. However, I believe that the content he presents to us in class might be too excessive and unnecessary. Overall, Professor Jewitt is a great instructor, and he makes oceanography very interesting.
- Professor Jewitt is one of those very view professors who I love listening to. He makes lectures very fun, visual, and is very explanatory. He acknowledges that we are first timers to the course and tries to give us a basic, yet informative lessons. His tests are very practical and straightforward. He also gives excellent extra credit opportunities for people who haven't been scoring well on tests.
- Professor Jewitt is passionate about this material and it shows in his lectures. I enjoyed attending lecture and learned a lot of interesting things about the ocean. There were many opportunities for extra credit and the labs were helpful in balancing out grading. One critique is about the exam questions. It would be really helpful if the exam questions weren't ambiguous in the answers (i.e. listing a, b, c, a&b, ab&c).
- Professor Jewitt is very knowledgeable.
- Professor Jewitt really cared about student learning. I learned a lot about the ocean, and he gave really good insights throughout the class. I really enjoyed this class, and the extra credit assignments were lots of fun!
- Professor Jewitt was a great professor for Oceanography! He made the topics interesting and always had fun videos to show us. The pace was good and the extra credit opportunities were pretty fun.
- Professor Jewitt was a very good professor. He always made lecture fun.
- Professor Jewitt was great. His lectures were very easy to follow. He always made jokes to keep the lectures light and engaging. He explained the material clearly and thoroughly.
- Professor Jewitt was very energetic and funny. He made the class very interested, and succeeded in engaging students who did not have much interest in oceanography. Thanks for a great class!
- Professor Jewitt was very knowledgeable in this topic, and thus explained it very well. However, making a midterm only 20 questions and being okay with the average of said midterm being around 60% is something that I don't personally understand. Overall, it was a fun course and I enjoyed learning what I did. I just hope my GPA doesn't suffer for it.
- Professor Jewitt was very witty and often kept his lectures very engaging. His tests however were worded very different compared to the way it was taught in class. I don't think he meant to do this but it was pretty difficult. Overall however he was very generous with his extra credit and his lectures were engaging.
- Professor makes the lectures fun and engaging, which makes it easy to learn. His slides and information are very clear.
- Straightforward
- Strength - commitment to material
Weakness - read off powerpoint slides, extremely difficult midterms with no proper studying material

- The course was fine and all, but the last lecture was one of the most strange lecture I have ever been in. I honestly don't understand what it was about or the purpose for it. It had absolutely nothing to do with oceanography.
- The exams are focused to a great extent on the memorization of facts. This requires near perfect recall of values that are completely pointless. Understanding of material is not required to do well in exams. Labs are very useful and entertaining. The professor himself is very charismatic and makes the lectures enjoyable. The huge weight of extra credit dramatically affects a student's grade. I think it would be more useful to create exams that are easier to do and not create extra credit assignments as opposed to having hard exams and creating extra credit. The extra credit all revolves around going out to the beach. This can be challenging for students who have busy days with spread out schedules and little mobility.
- The exams are heavily memorization-based.
- The format of the lectures are very interesting, especially with the inclusion of videos regarding the topics. Also the professor always uploaded his lectures on ccle, this helped a lot when preparing for the exams. Really enjoyed this class and I recommend other students to take it as well.
- The instructor was through, clear, and blunt. I appreciated how he got to the point of lecture and did not beat around the bush, while still being clear and concise.
- The instructor was very good at communicating with the class via email and offered extra credit opportunities, which is very rare. The instructor also incorporated strange videos into the lectures which kept the classes entertaining. However, I did feel that the exams were relatively confusing and the exam questions were poorly formatted
- The professor was great in conveying material for the course. The amount of information on slides could be more condensed. Videos in class were very interesting. The extra credit assignments were very fun and interesting! Really enjoyed the professors enthusiasm for the extra credits and topics in class. Made the course more interesting!
- The subject matter was not too interesting to me. However, Professor Jewitt is very knowledgeable and finds lots of interest in the subject. He brings in his expertise, which is interesting at times. The examinations were pretty difficult, and not what we really covered in class.
- The tests were hard but he was nice and understanding and really cared about the students
- This class was awesome and I don't have anything bad to say! I wish the students would be quiet when he starts lecturing, because he deserves it. I learned a lot about the oceans.....but not only that I learned a lot about life. I wish I had taken this course sooner so I could really apply the lessons about not being a sausage in the sausage pipe that is UCLA. Thank you Professor Jewitt, and rock on.
- This class was fun and engaging. Overall, a good class and I learned something relevant and interesting.
- This class was so interesting it's convinced me to be an AOS major. Jewitt was the best professor I've had at UCLA. His last lecture was amazing and he should consider making it into a TedxUcla talk, it was that good. Keep being great Dave!
- This course was frustrating to me because while I studied extremely hard for both midterms and felt I had a genuine mastery of the course materials, it was not reflected in my scores. The mean and median exam scores were also fairly low, showing that I was not the only one. However, I did really enjoy the way the professor taught the course and I enjoyed the material itself, I just wish the exams could have been made to reflect that accordingly. I liked that there was extra credit offered, however, as it gave me an opportunity to raise my grade and they were fun and taught me more about nature.
- This professor was very good at communicating the information and making it fun and enjoyable for the students. The lectures were very informative as well and the extra credit opportunities were nice to

have. I would suggest having the extra credit assignments be slightly more accessible to students with lack of transportation.

- Very average professor. Not rude or distant, helpful.
- Very funny guy, so his lectures were very engaging. Very kind man. Always welcomed student engagement. Understood what people were expecting out of G.E. and designed the class curriculum accordingly, which is always very much appreciated.
- good
- it was a very interesting class. the instructor was very knowledgeable on the subject. overall a great class
- love the jokes and sarcasm here and there. your personality helped make the class interesting. i took EEB 109 (marine bio) before this class and i enjoyed relearning some of the concepts in this class.
bye bye.
- strength: he just wants students to be a bit more appreciative about the ocean rather than just simply memorizing the material

weakness: exams are tough

- this class was interesting and definitely perked my interests in marine life a lot more than I thought it wouldve. I really appreciated the numerous extra credit assignments and how accommodating he was for the students who may had not been able to see the grunions fully. Also the extra credit assignments were relatively fun. The tests however were a bit hard to study for especially the first midterm because i had no idea how much of the slides to know and did pretty badly. but the second midterm I was able to get a good grade by memorizing the slides. Which has its pros and cons bc I cant tell how much of the material i actually know or if I memorized the material for just the midterm. The labs were fun but i found some of them difficult because we hadnt learned the material in lecture.