

## Emnerapport- fylles ut etter endt evaluering #171

<b>Emnekode</b>	GOV 272-
<b>Emnetittel</b>	Self organized course
<b>Semester</b>	Høst 2024
<b>Institutt</b>	Institutt for administrasjon og organisasjonsvitenskap
<b>Emneansvarlig</b>	Lise Rakner
<b>Sist evaluert (semester/år)</b>	2024

### Emnets undervisnings- og vurderingsform

In the GIGov master students third semester- they chose one of three directions: A self designed semester (30 ECTS), an internship (30 ECTS) or mobility (30 ECTS). GOV 372 is a 10 ECTS course that forms a part of the self-designed semester. The course is organized around the development of a student paper of 20 pages. In collaboration with mentor/supervisor, the student chooses literature and develop av research paper on a selected topic. The core idea is for students interested in research to work closely with a supervisor/mentor and learn the "trade" of writing an academic paper.

10 ECTS may be designated as self-organized study at the Department of Government where the student conducts a self-taught course supervised by the MA program.

Learning Outcomes: A student who has completed the course will be able to recognize key theoretical perspectives and their applicability to global challenges. Further understand when and to what problem sets a particular approach is most relevant. Candidates understand key choices, ethical standards and quality criteria in academic writing.

A candidate is able to organize curriculum and integrate different theories and methods an empirical analysis, present key empirical and theoretical insights to other students. Finally, collect, align abstract theories and concepts, empirical knowledge about policy responses to global challenges, and the political science analysis of different governance approaches

### Oppfølging fra tidligere evalueringer

The course was offered for the first time Fall semester 2024

**Evaluering metode(er)** Written evaluation

### Sammendrag av studentene sin evaluering

One student of the (22 students in total) opted for the opportunity to organize and create their own semester. We believe that in comparison to internships and mobility, this direction was not presented clearly enough as an alternative and we have taken measures to improve that.

The student evaluation point to limited choices as a key impediment. However, both the Phd course (lawtransform) and the course offered by Glode (gender and development) were rated very positively.

Unfortunately, the self-organized course (GOV 372) was the part that the student was the least satisfied with, citing lack of repertoire with mentor/supervisor and feeling of not being given enough direction.

### Emneansvarlig sin evaluering

It is concerning that the student felt that it was difficult to communicate concerns and anxieties to mentor /supervisor. Better guidelines for expectations of candidates and mentors/supervisors were clearly needed.

It is very encouraging that the candidate find that taking courses from other departments greatly enriched her experience.

### Evt. kommentar til karakterfordeling

Only one student opted for this option. The candidate passed.

**Mål for neste evalueringsperiode- Forbedringstiltak**

1. We will present this semester option in a more clear and precise manner for the next cohort and not as a "default option"- work is already underway with webpages etc.
  2. We are working with four other global (and English speaking) master programs to offer more course options and alternatives to chose from. While students should be able to chose freely, we will provide a list of recommended courses
  3. We will improve the guidelines and expectations for the research paper in Gov 372, hereunder clarify the role of mentor/supervisor more clearly.
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## You created your own semester. What did you do and how did you design your own self-organized 30 ECTS semester? What courses did you take?

- I took 3 courses this semester. The options were limited.
  - GOV901 - Effects of Lawfare: Courts and Law as Battlegrounds for Social Change - 10 ECTS
  - GLODE308 - Gender Analysis in Global Development - Core perspectives and Issues - 10 ECTS
  - GOV372 - Self-Organized Course - 10 ECTS

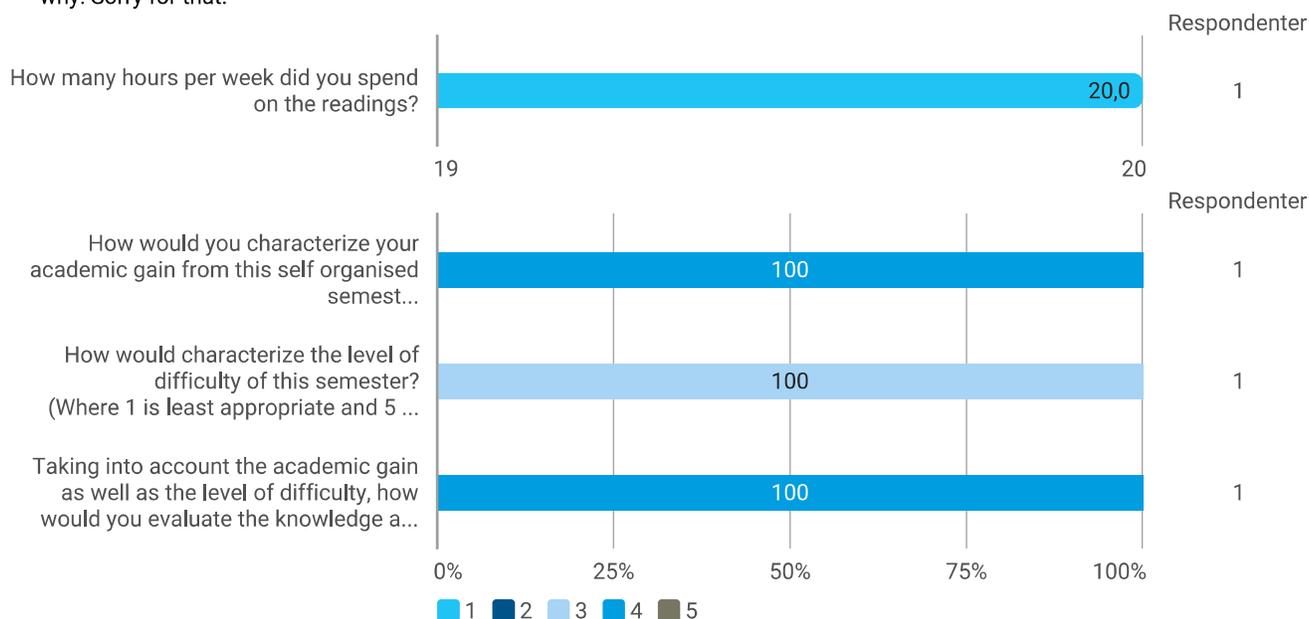
## Which topic of the semester did you find to be the MOST interesting and relevant for your masters degree?

- I liked the GLODE 308 Gender Analysis course. This course helped me to look get the knowledge of Gender theory, frameworks, core perspectives and real life cases. So far, in this course I could see myself opening up, giving opinions and really enjoyable classes. Course leader Haldis H. is super supportive and understanding.

I also enjoyed GOV901. readings were little hard cause it is a PhD course. It was great to participate in the 10-year anniversary of LawTransform.

## Which part of your self-organized semester did you find LEAST interesting and relevant to your master's degree?

- The self-organized course GOV372. I could not connect myself with my supervisor. I felt little nervous around her I don't know why! Sorry for that.



## Is there any part of the semester that you are especially satisfied with?

- I was able to take courses from another department and the course went so well.

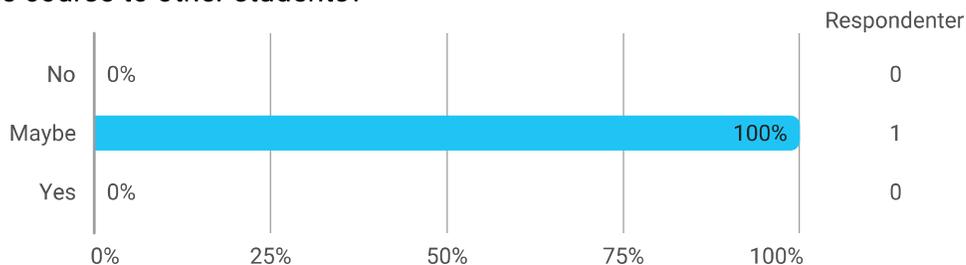
## Is there any part of the semester that you are especially dissatisfied with?

- GOV 372.

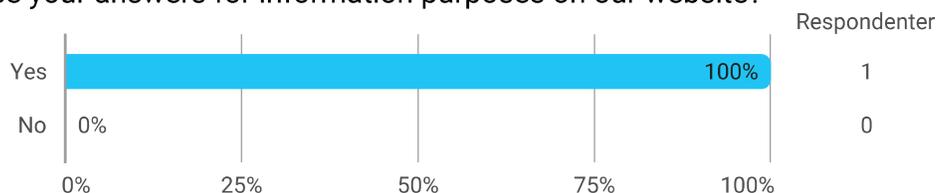
## In your opinion, how do you think this semester can be improved?

- It would be great to have more courses to choose from.

## Would you recommend the course to other students?



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What was the best thing about the self-organized semester? (Feel free to write about a good experience or cool courses you have taken)

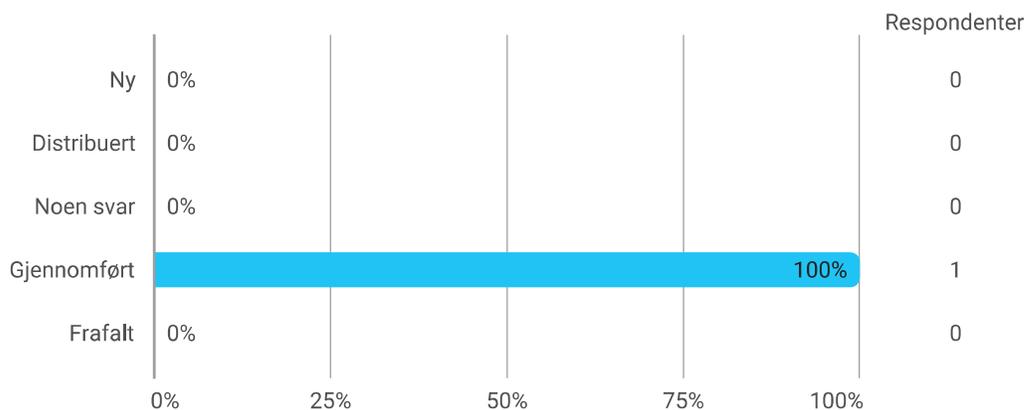
- The best thing about self-organized course is the flexibility. What I really like about this semester is that I was able to choose courses from different departments that I was interested in and wanted to learn about. For example, I chose my own topic and readings in the GOV372 course.

If you were to take a self-organized semester again, what would you do differently? (Feel free to write good tips for future students)

- If I could, I would more courses from my department and other departments as well. I found out that I am interested in Gender Analysis, especially Intersectionality and Transnationalism in Gender.

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Samlet status



**FS580.001 Resultatfordeling**

Eksamen: GOV372 0 O 2024 HØST

Self-organized course - Oppgave

Karakterregel: Bestått/ Ikke bestått

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	Totalt	Kvinner	Menn
Antall kandidater (oppmeldt):	1	1	0
Antall møtt til eksamen:	1	1	0
Antall bestått (B):	1	1	0
Antall stryk (S):	0 0%	0 0%	0 0%
Antall avbrutt (A):	0	0	0
Gjennomsnittskarakter:	,00	,00	,00
Antall med legeattest (L):	0	0	0
Antall trekk før eksamen (T):	0	0	0

Karakter	Antall	Kvinner	Menn
Bestått	1	1	0

