

1. GEO-SD310 2022 STUDENT EVALUATION

DEPARTMENT: System Dynamics Group, Department of Geography, UiB
COURSE TITLE: Writing Course and Project Description (Fall 2022)
LECTURER(s): Birgit Kopainsky & Saeed Langarudi
TA: N/A
TOTAL NO. OF RESPONSES: 4

2: Statistics

Signed up for exam: 24

Absence: 1

Grade distribution:

Pass: 21

Fail: 2

3: Self-evaluation

Assessment of the teaching program in relation to the objectives and results

A. What did you focus on in the teaching plan? Give a short description of the teaching plan in the course, with emphasis on what was new this time.

We largely followed the format of previous years but had more seminars to discuss students' project proposals in terms of problem definition and methodology. Those seminars were largely peer-review-based. We also had more lectures on quantitative methods to support the system dynamics modeling process.

B. What is your opinion of how well the teaching plan worked? Give a brief description of any evaluations that have been made, and give an assessment of the experiences with this year's teaching plan.

The new elements seem to have worked well.

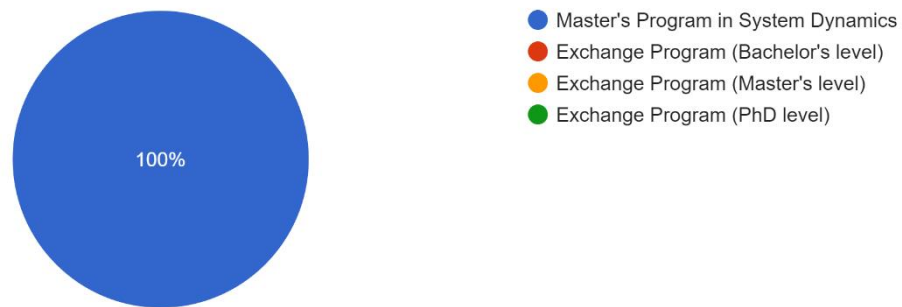
C. What adjustments will you recommend for the next time the course is offered? Give a brief assessment of which parts of the teaching plan should be continued and what, if any, should be changed.

We will continue with the newly introduced elements. Based on our own experience and also on the comments in the course evaluation, we will dedicate even more time to the problem definition stage, both in terms of lectures and discussions. We will also streamline thesis projects more along ongoing or planned research activities in the System Dynamics Group. This should a) help students more with the problem definition stage and b) increase the potential relevance of thesis projects.

4. Results

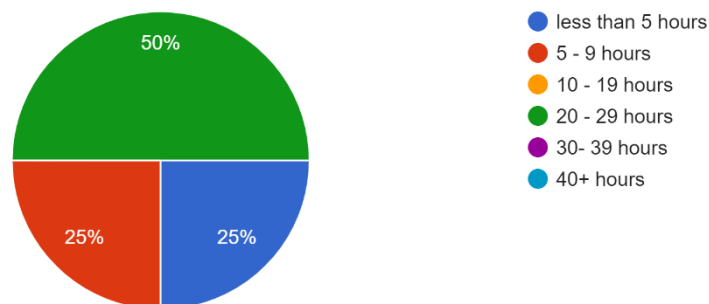
I took this course as part of:

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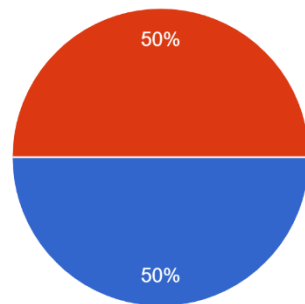
How many hours per week on average did you spend on this course? (include all time spent studying, doing homework, attending lectures and labs, etc.)

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To what extent did you participate in the lectures?

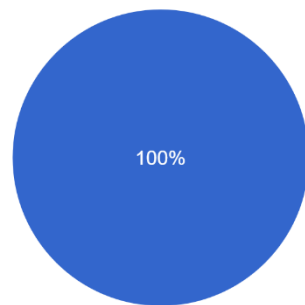
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- Attended all of the lectures and labs (90%+ attendance)
- Attended most of the lectures and labs (60% - 89% attendance)
- Attended some of the lectures and labs (25% - 59% attendance)
- Attended few or none of the lectures or labs (less than 25% attendance)

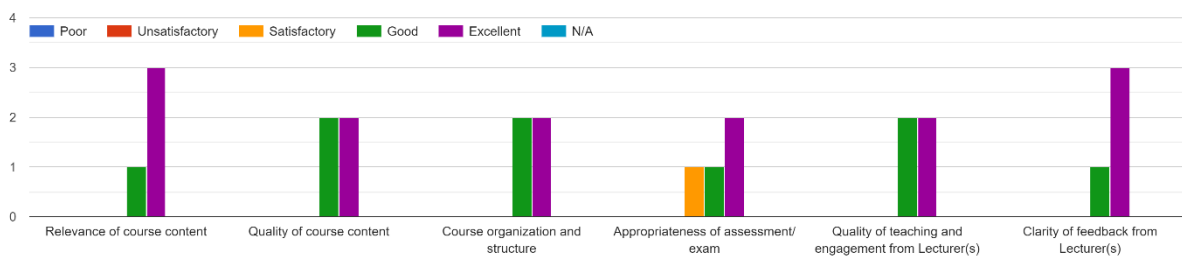
What grade do you expect to get in this course?

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- Pass
- Fail
- Unknown
- Prefer not to Answer

How do you assess the course content and the lecturer(s)?



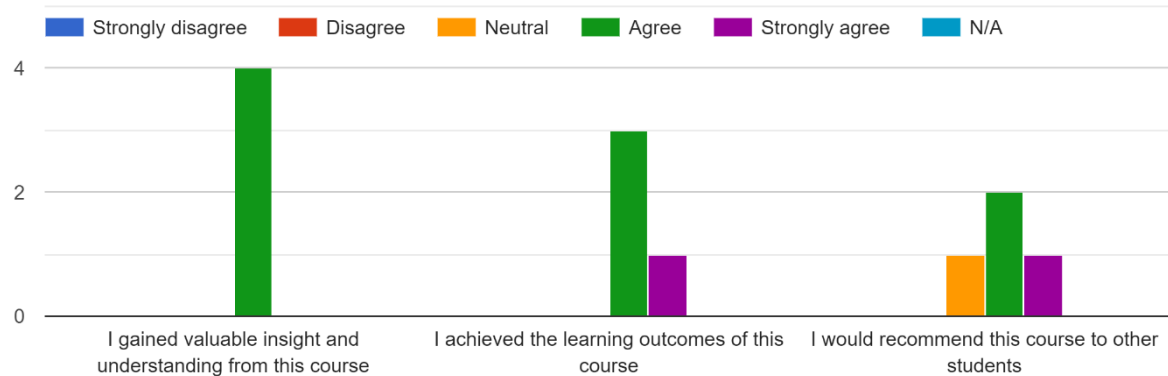
What did you like about the main lectures and overall course content?

1. Structure of the course
2. The feedback, especially their criticism, from my colleagues on my proposal
3. We Learn the important standards and process to write a master thesis proposal.
4. The lectures were a comfort really. We could discuss everyone's projects and difficulties, and that was OK. We were given the opportunity to struggle now, instead of in January and onwards. It was also nice to see everyone again each time.

What improvements would you like to suggest to the Lecturer(s)?

1. I have no suggestion
2. To make this course shorter
3. We don't have many lectures and I hope there can be more. And it is a little in hurry when we were given a topic for the first time at the beginning of the semester.
4. None.

What is your overall opinion of this course?



What do you feel you have learned by the end of this course?

1. The useful tips regarding writing master thesis
2. How to write master thesis in UiB
3. I gain the skills to read materials and organize a proposal for my thesis. I learnt how to evaluate a topic as a suitable SD thesis focus and set the boundary.
4. I learned more about the process and iteration

What do you wish you could have learned more about in this course?

1. I have no idea
2. To my mind, I have learnt more than it was even possible.
3. I hope to listen to more lectures about how to choose a suitable topic or problem for System Dynamics project and how to set a good boundary.
4. Nothing

Do you have any additional comments? If so, please discuss here:

1. I think that you devote too much time for thesis writing process. It was a little bit boring for me to present my work almost all the time.
2. Birgit, you are awesome!!

5: Follow-up

Comments on previous evaluations (if any)

How do plan to follow-up based on the course report

See point C from the self-evaluation.