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2015-2016 Spring / Student Course Evaluation (End of Term) / Anonymous Survey

Course Assignments: 43 / Survey Participants: 4038

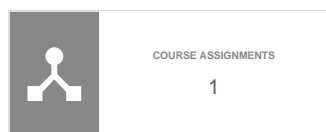
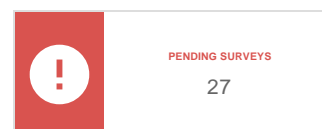
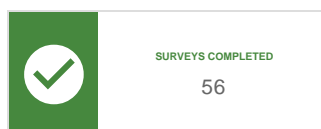
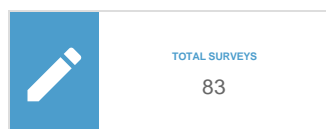
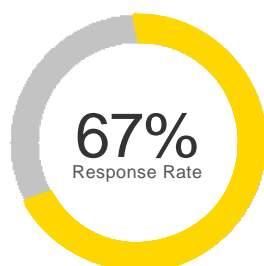
Schedule: 4/25/2016 to 5/5/2016

Results Available: 5/21/2016

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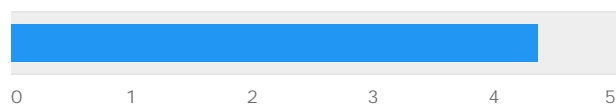
College: Letters and Science
Department: ECONOMICS
Course Section: ECON 708 - 001 Microeconomics II
Instructor:  LONES SMITH

Survey Overview / Course Section Results Aggregate



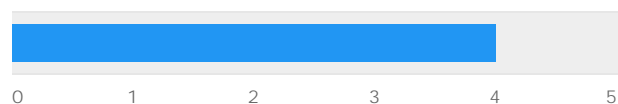
Survey Metrics / Course Section Results Aggregate

Course Difficulty



Avg	Min	Max	#Resp	Target	Success
4.36	0	5	56	NA	NA

Performance Rating



Avg	Min	Max	#Resp	Target	Success
4	0	5	56	NA	NA

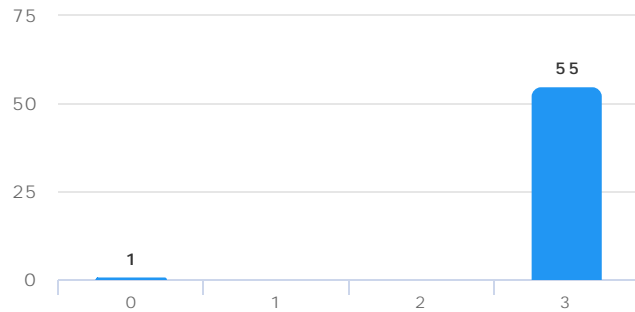
Survey Data / Course Section Results Aggregate

Section 1
 DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMICS COURSE AND INSTRUCTOR EVALUATION

I-Student Data

- Are you, or do you expect to be, an economics major?
 (Multi-Choice, Single Answer)

Value	Option	Total
0	No Answer	1
1	No	0
2	Not sure	0
3	Yes	55

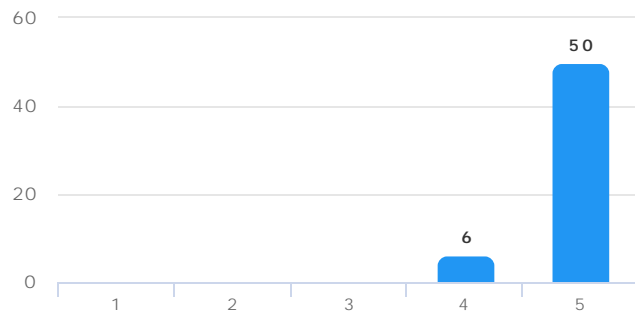


Average	3.00
Mode	3
Std. Dev.	0.00
Variance	0.00

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About what proportion of your professor's lectures (classes) have you attended this semester?
(Multi-Choice, Single Answer)

Value	Option	Total
1	Almost none (<10%)	0
2	Few (<25%)	0
3	About Half (~50%)	0
4	Most (<75%)	6
5	Almost all (~90%)	50

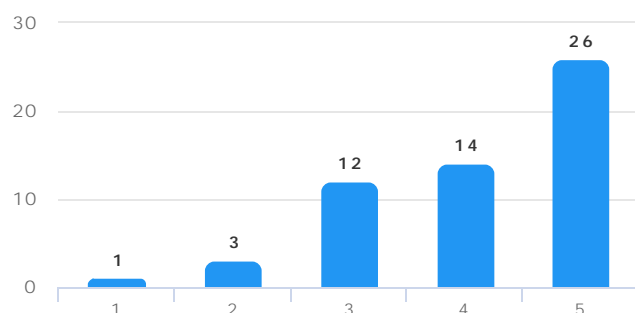


Average	4.89
Mode	5
Std. Dev.	0.31
Variance	0.10

3

How much time outside of class/discussion did you spend studying for this class in a typical week?
(Multi-Choice, Single Answer)

Value	Option	Total
1	0-2 hours	1
2	2-4 hours	3
3	4-6 hours	12
4	6-8 hours	14
5	More than 8 hours	26

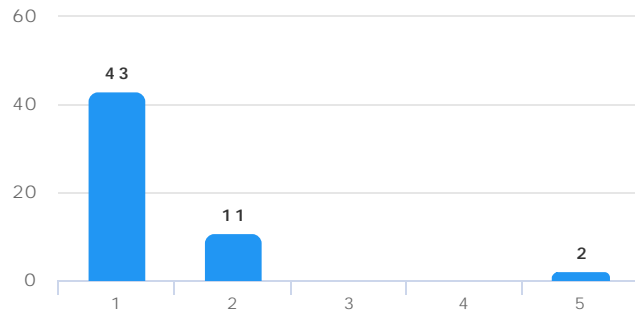


Average	4.09
Mode	5
Std. Dev.	1.02
Variance	1.05

4 What grade do you expect to earn in this course?

(Multi-Choice, Single Answer)

Value	Option	Total
1	A - AB Range	43
2	B - BC Range	11
3	C	0
4	Below C	0
5	Unsure	2



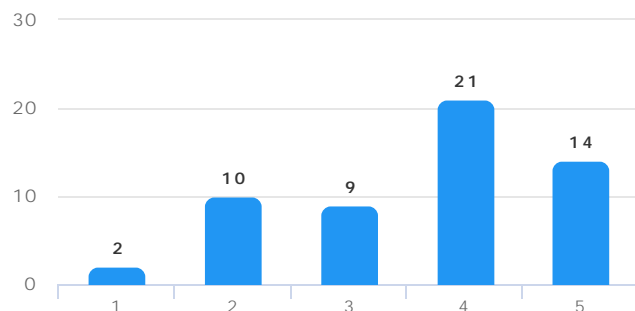
Average	1.34
Mode	1
Std. Dev.	0.81
Variance	0.65

II-Course

5 The workload for this course was appropriate.

(Multi-Choice, Single Answer)

Value	Option	Total
1	Strongly Disagree	2
2	Disagree	10
3	Neutral	9
4	Agree	21
5	Strongly Agree	14

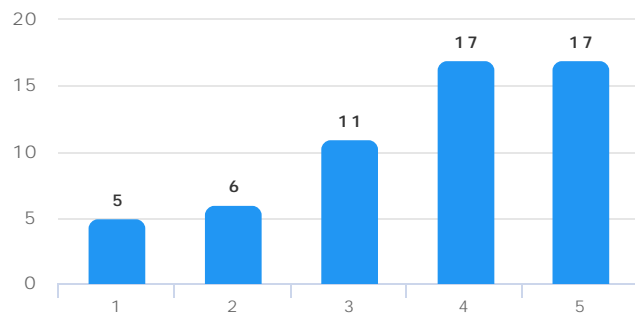


Average	3.63
Mode	4
Std. Dev.	1.14
Variance	1.31

6 The examinations measured knowledge of the course material well.


(Multi-Choice, Single Answer)

Value	Option	Total
1	Strongly Disagree	5
2	Disagree	6
3	Neutral	11
4	Agree	17
5	Strongly Agree	17

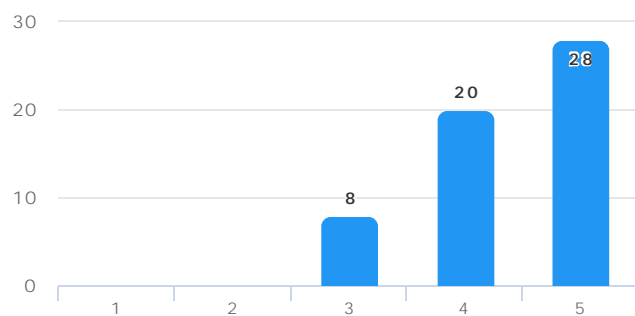


Average	3.63
Mode	4,5
Std. Dev.	1.26
Variance	1.59

7 How does this course compare with your other university courses in terms of difficulty?(Multi-Choice, Single Answer)

 Course Difficulty

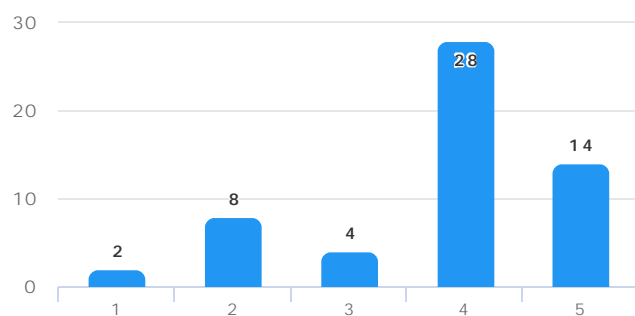
Value Option	Total
1 Much less difficult	0
2 Less difficult	0
3 About the same	8
4 More difficult	20
5 Much more difficult	28



Average	4.36
Mode	5
Std. Dev.	0.72
Variance	0.52

8 Would you recommend this course to a friend with similar interests?
(Multi-Choice, Single Answer)

Value Option	Total
1 Definitely not	2
2 Probably not	8
3 Not sure	4
4 Probably	28
5 Definitely	14

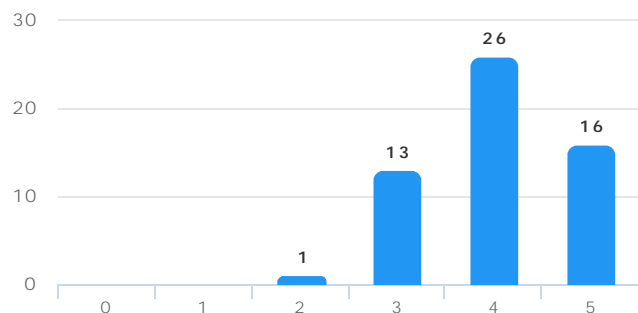


Average	3.79
Mode	4
Std. Dev.	1.08
Variance	1.17

III-Professor

9 The professor was well prepared for class when I attended lecture.
(Multi-Choice, Single Answer)

Value	Option	Total
0	Never Attended	0
1	Strongly Disagree	0
2	Disagree	1
3	Neutral	13
4	Agree	26
5	Strongly Agree	16

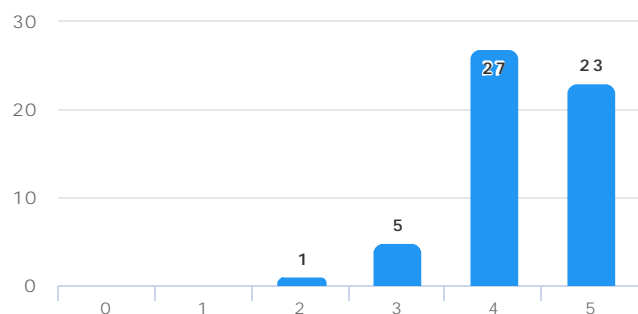


Average	4.02
Mode	4
Std. Dev.	0.77
Variance	0.59

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The lectures I attended were interesting and/or thought provoking.
(Multi-Choice, Single Answer)

Value	Option	Total
0	Never Attended	0
1	Strongly Disagree	0
2	Disagree	1
3	Neutral	5
4	Agree	27
5	Strongly Agree	23

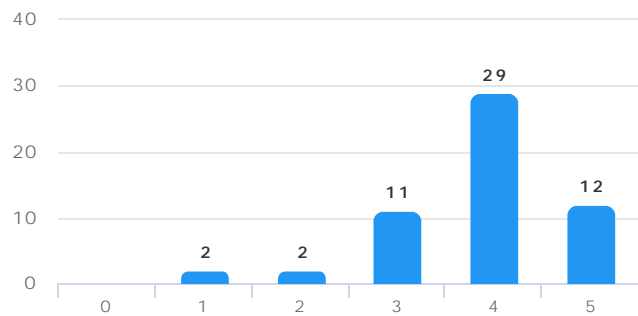


Average	4.29
Mode	4
Std. Dev.	0.70
Variance	0.49

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The professor provided helpful feedback and returned assignments/exams in a timely manner.
(Multi-Choice, Single Answer)

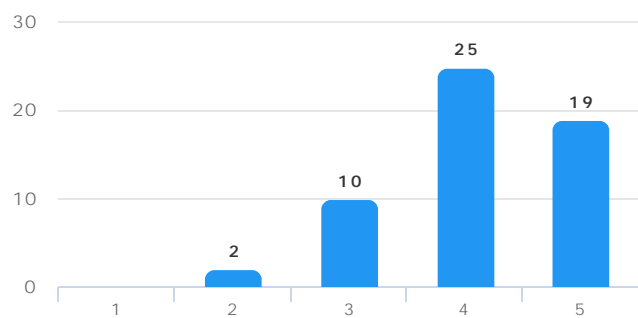
Value	Option	Total
0	No Answer	0
1	Strongly Disagree	2
2	Disagree	2
3	Neutral	11
4	Agree	29
5	Strongly Agree	12



Average	3.84
Mode	4
Std. Dev.	0.92
Variance	0.85

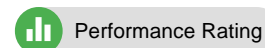
- 12 The professor was available to students.
(Multi-Choice, Single Answer)

Value Option	Total
1 Strongly Disagree	0
2 Disagree	2
3 Neutral	10
4 Agree	25
5 Strongly Agree	19

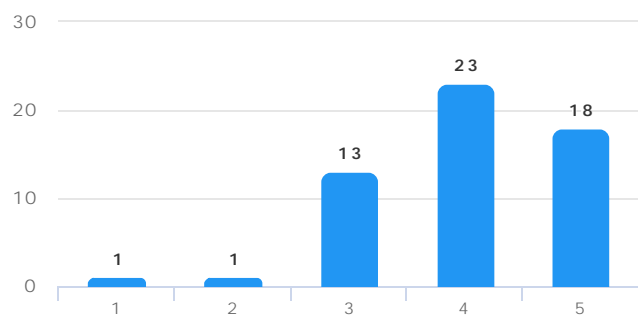


Average	4.09
Mode	4
Std. Dev.	0.81
Variance	0.65

- 13 All in all, in comparison with other instructors you have had at UW-Madison, how would you rate the professor's performance in this course?(Multi-Choice, Single Answer)



Value Option	Total
1 Poor	1
2 Fair	1
3 Average	13
4 Good	23
5 Excellent	18

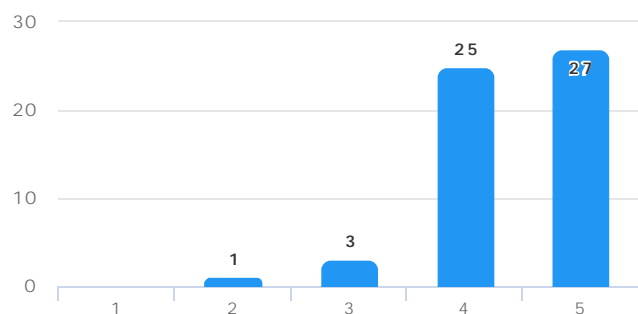


Average	4.00
Mode	4
Std. Dev.	0.89
Variance	0.79

IV-Learning

- 14 I learned a lot in this course.
(Multi-Choice, Single Answer)

Value	Option	Total
1	Strongly Disagree	0
2	Disagree	1
3	Neutral	3
4	Agree	25
5	Strongly Agree	27

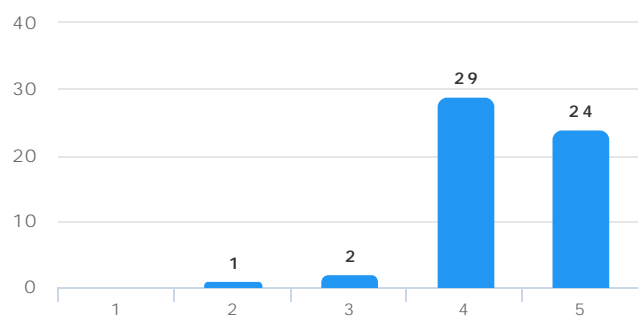


Average	4.39
Mode	5
Std. Dev.	0.67
Variance	0.45

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This course helped me develop valuable intellectual and critical thinking skills.
(Multi-Choice, Single Answer)

Value	Option	Total
1	Strongly Disagree	0
2	Disagree	1
3	Neutral	2
4	Agree	29
5	Strongly Agree	24

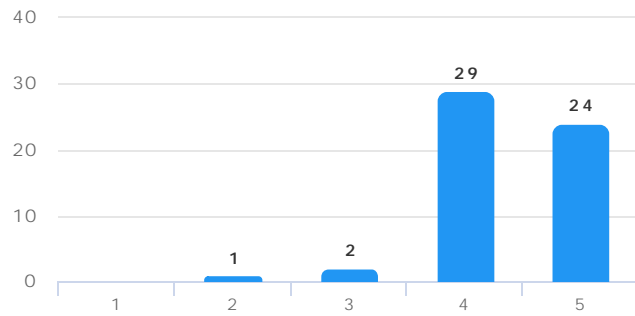


Average	4.36
Mode	4
Std. Dev.	0.64
Variance	0.41

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This course improved my ability to evaluate economic arguments and/or policy proposals.
(Multi-Choice, Single Answer)

Value	Option	Total
1	Strongly Disagree	0
2	Disagree	1
3	Neutral	2
4	Agree	29
5	Strongly Agree	24



Average	4.36
Mode	4
Std. Dev.	0.64
Variance	0.41

V-Writing Response

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Please comment on any aspects of the course which you consider particularly satisfactory or unsatisfactory. Since this information will be given to your professor for improvement in his or her teaching, be as specific as you can in discussing and evaluating any element of the course: presentation, responsiveness to questions, command of material, organization, mannerisms, teaching aids, examinations.

(Text/Memo)

- Professor Lones is both humorous and tough. The materials are not so well organized that we sometimes have homework ahead of lecture. The questions in the exams are sometimes beyond imagination. Despite of these, it's an interesting course.
- So far so good.
- Notes could be better by revising typos.
- The examinations were orthogonal to information covered in class. HWs did not reflect current class topic. Poor communication between TA's and Prof. Lead to much confusion among the class. Studying hard did not pay off and a select number of students had access to questions the rest of the class did not. Cheating. Poor Communication. Exceedingly difficult. Thank you for wasting \$5,000 of my hard earned dollars.
- i find the course to be really interesting and helpful.
- Have fun in this class
- The experience each lecture was one of a kind. Some material was very tough to understand, and steps were often skipped to speed up the process, but the real-world examples and witty stories did an amazing job of painting the picture of intuition underlying economic principles.
- Excellent class although maybe difficult for me...
- He is a great professor. But maybe the materials were a little bit beyond my ability so that I couldn't follow him very well.
- The material was both interesting and challenging. Professor Smith did a good job of making it accessible to students. He was also quite funny during lectures. The course was well paced. Exams were challenging but fair. HW assignments were a bit too frequent, more time to study would have been helpful. Overall the Professor did a very good job teaching the material and I think it is a wonderful course for masters students.
- The professor is very smart, knows a lot and the lecture and notes are very good. However, the tests are very deviated from what we learn. Reviewing for the test has low payoff. I hope the tests could relate much more to our material.
- The pace of this class's lecture is too fast so that I have some difficulties in following the professor's logic and reasoning. I wish the professor could give me more real-life examples and more detail-explanations.
- Highly recommended! The materials covered most topics that I'm interested in and was presented in a organized way. Theorems are elaborated explicitly and comprehensibly, and the well-designed exams make me excited. The only pity is that we don't have enough time to enjoy more on game theory and information economics. Prof. Smith is a funny person, too. I really love his Star War T-shirts, his sparkling coat(or shirt?), and his jokes about Trump and Sanders. Also thanks his brothers and his Facebook friend Kenneth Arrow for showing up so many times providing theorems with fun.
- The course give me deep thinking about the microeconomics theory. However the test load is to much. It makes me panic when doing the test.
- There are a lot of materials and details needed to learn. The most interesting thing is during this course, I get a new view of microeconomics, which is the most exciting part for me. Less practice for us to prepare for examinations is really sad.

prof sometimes organized hard tough both good much
 professor exams
 questions bit beyond examinations information lot time class

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Please enter any comments or feedback that you have on the course readings.

(Text/Memo)

- The lecture notes can be organized in a better way such that we can better understand the contents I think.
- So far so good.
- From the mouth of the TA "reading the notes and practicing the HW is a waste of your time." I was informed of this only after our third midterm. Again. Thanks UW for wasting my money.
- i think the readings are really helpful.
- The Varian book was somewhat helpful. Lecture notes contained mistakes often times.
- Good.
- To me the readings can be easier to understand if it is more logical.

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lecture
understand

