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Report Course Evaluation

Please find attached the feedback the students gave on your course. To facilitate the interpretation of the results, we have compiled some information for you:

Your report contains an indicator, so you can easily compare your course to others from your department and also use it as a basis for the discussion with your students. You will also find an overview of the averages of the indicator over the past four semesters in all departments (see p. 2).

The indicator *LLI (Lehr-Lern-Index)* is calculated from the arithmetic mean of the questions 2-7 in the area "Teaching & Learning" in the questionnaire. As another indicator you can also find the question of the overall satisfaction (asked in every course).

The Educational Development Team of the Academic Staff Development supports all lecturers in further developing their teaching competence. You can choose your topics from a broad spectrum of service offers in different formats, such as individual advising, (teaching) coaching, short presentations and workshops. In a personal meeting formats and topics can be compiled that meet your individual requirements. You can find more information on page 3 of this letter.

According to the evaluation regulations you shall discuss the results of the evaluation with your students. This is why the course evaluation takes place in the middle of the semester. Of course you can use the different presentation formats of the report.

By statute, the deans of studies and the members of the Committee on Teaching can inspect the evaluation results in a password-protected area of the QM homepage. This does not apply to additionally/voluntarily evaluated courses.

I hope you will gain valuable information and will gladly answer any of your questions.

Yours faithfully

Christine Pickert

Course Evaluation

Dear lecturers,

in order to give you feedback about the students' view on your course at a glance, Quality Management developed the questions in the area "Teaching and Learning" in cooperation with the Centre for Teaching and Learning in Higher Education. They contain important factors that promote sustainable learning.

Here you can find short explanations of the questions as well as a selection of the offers of the Centre of Teaching and Learning:

The Center for Teaching and Learning as part of the Academic Staff Development supports all lecturers in their pursuit of teaching excellence. Our Workshop-Programme covers a great variety of topics; the individual coaching format allows you to work very specifically on your objectives.

Workshop-Programme:

- Teaching your first course in English
- Planning your courses effectively
- Moderation in teaching contexts
- New Media in teaching

Individual Topics:

- Your course evaluations as a basis for individual development
- Refining your teaching formats
- How to manage difficult situations in teaching

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ITEMS:

The learning objectives of this course are clearly communicated.

With the help of learning objectives the students understand what they shall do with the content. The clear communication of learning objectives creates transparency. The students know why they shall learn something and what they might need it for in other situations in life.

I understand the way the course is structured (content-wise).

A logical order is crucial to make the content comprehensible while studying. This is true of the entire semester as well as single classes. A recurring theme supports the chance of learning success and thus the motivation.

Examples from real life or research help me to better understand the subject matter.

The practical relevance of the subject matter is demonstrated as this is important to enhance the learning motivation. Specific examples as well as novel, unexpected and special information capture the attention of the students and thus improve their learning success.

On request the teacher gives me valuable feedback and information.

Feedback in the courses and/or office hours helps the students to assess their learning progress and success. An important task of the teachers is to enable and guide their students to study autonomously.

Average Index LLI (Wintersemester 2015/2016 until Summersemester 2017)

Department	Lecture				Pro-/Seminar				Tutorial			
	μ (LLI)	s	n	Number of surveys	μ (LLI)	s	n	Number of surveys	μ (LLI)	s	n	Number of surveys
Biology ⁽¹⁾	1,96	0,89	4.236	111	1,3	0,56	88	9	1,78	0,87	1.024	49
Chemistry ⁽¹⁾	1,96	0,92	3.084	83	1,88	0,91	540	22	2,21	0,98	141	3
Computer Science/Information Engineering ⁽¹⁾	1,88	0,92	2.018	91	1,42	0,69	258	28	2,03	0,99	874	53
Economics ⁽¹⁾	2,08	0,96	6.088	159	1,61	0,77	1.206	102	2,16	0,96	5.898	252
History/Educational Science/Sociology/Sport Science ^{(1),(2)}	2,07	1,01	2.975	70	1,6	0,79	4.445	336	1,73	0,86	1.525	83
Law ^{(1),(2)}	1,93	0,94	7.183	184	1,47	0,68	297	24	1,89	0,89	5.187	290
Linguistics	1,81	0,79	250	4	1,85	1	2.039	125	2,10	0,92	81	4
Literature ^{(1),(2)}	1,98	0,95	747	23	1,58	0,76	3.453	201	1,67	0,81	256	21
Mathematics ⁽³⁾	2,01	0,97	1.500	74	1,65	0,71	23	3	-	-	-	-
Philosophy ⁽⁴⁾	1,87	0,97	282	9	1,72	0,83	1.057	80	-	-	-	-
Physics ⁽⁵⁾	2,04	0,97	1.786	66	1,68	0,71	68	7	2,04	0,92	85	3
Politics and Public Administration ⁽²⁾	2,23	1,06	3.382	33	1,64	0,79	3.919	292	1,77	0,83	3.633	208
Psychology	1,98	0,96	2.977	37	1,62	0,84	4.312	224	1,78	0,88	303	20
Ø over all departments⁽⁶⁾	1,98		36.508	944	1,62		21.705	1.453	1,92		19.007	986

The items, that are mentioned in the index LLI are the following:

Complex issues are explained in a way which is easy to understand.

The structure of the course is clear.

I feel I can ask questions and make comments at any time.

The use of practical examples and examples from research help me to understand the material better.

I get useful feedback and advice from the lecturer when I ask.

I can summarize the important terms and concepts that are taught in this course.

We do not publish a result if there are only two courses or less.

(1) Seminar/other

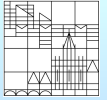
(2) Tutorial/AG/Colloquium

(3) without student tutorials

(4) Lecture/Kernkurs

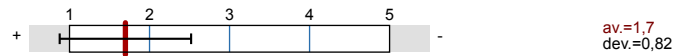
(5) Seminar/Laboratory

(6) arithmetic mean over all departments

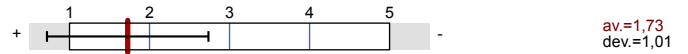


Overall indicators

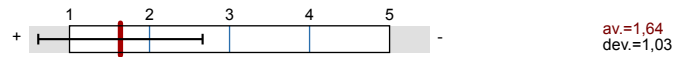
Lehr-Lern-Index LLI



Satisfaction (question 20)

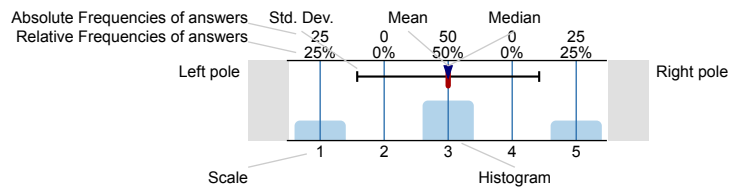


Evaluation overall (question 22)



Legend

Question text

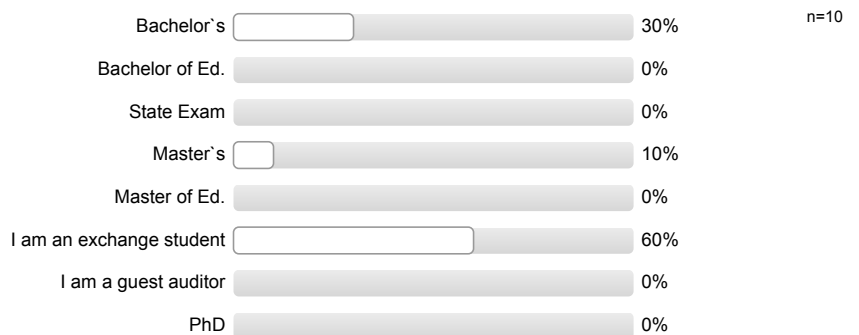


n=No. of responses
 av.=Mean
 md=Median
 dev.=Std. Dev.
 ab.=Abstention

Which semester are you in?

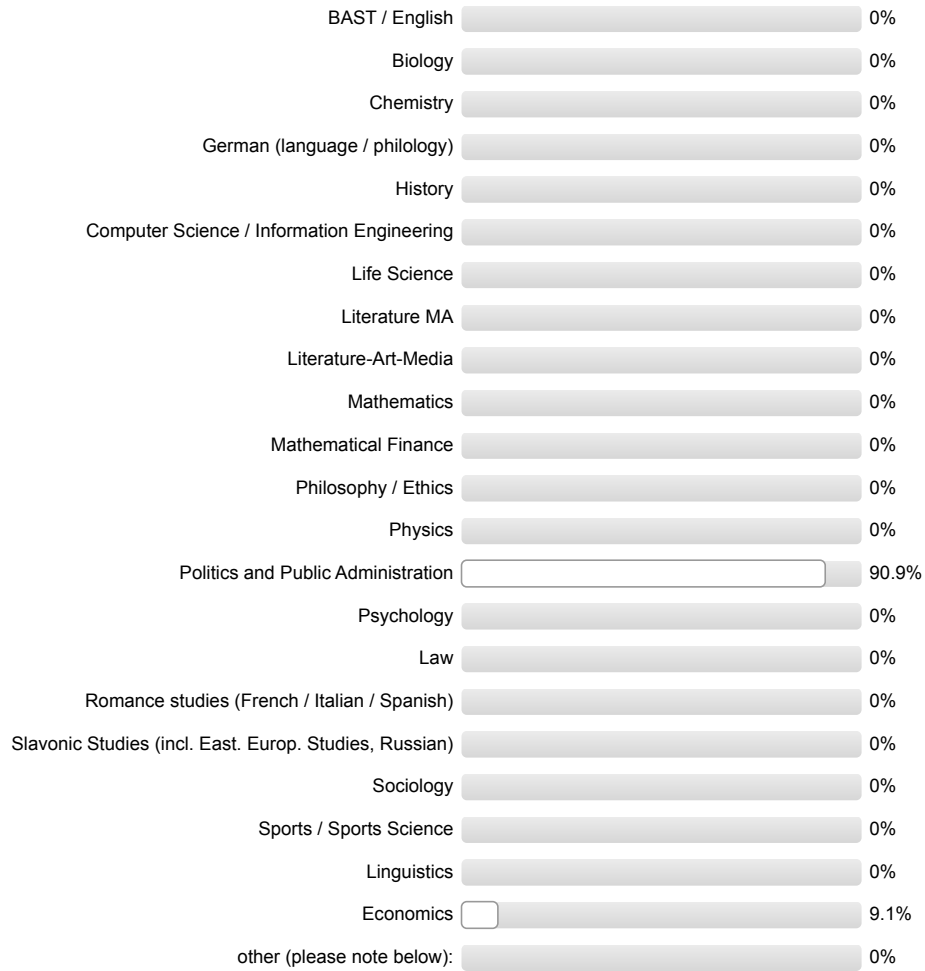


What degree are you taking?



What is your main subject? (Teaching degree: both main subjects)

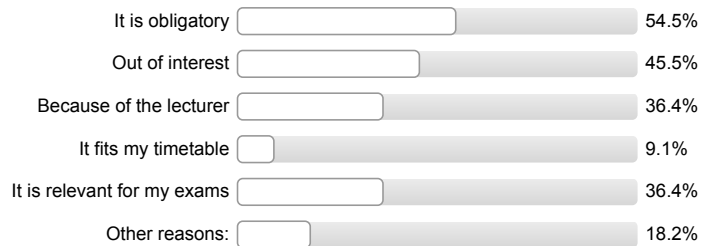
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Political Science

Why are you attending this course (you can give more than one reason)?

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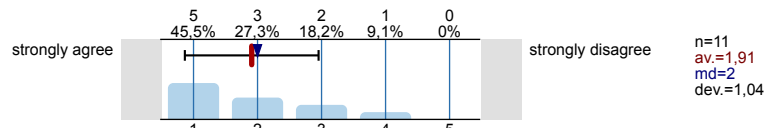


I'am planning to do my master about this topic.

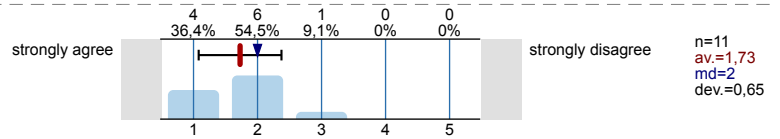
Its in English and has something to do with Europe

Teaching & Learning

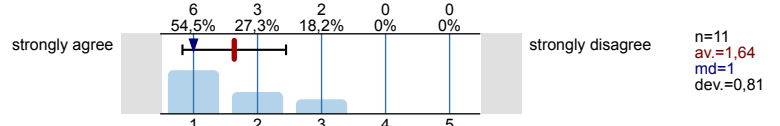
1) The learning objectives of this course are clear.



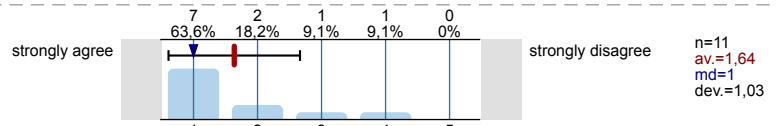
2) Complex issues are explained in a way which is easy to understand.



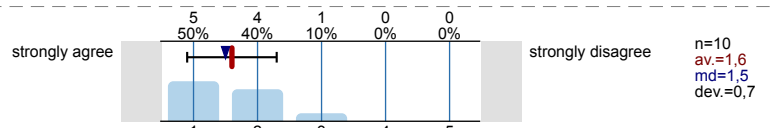
3) The structure of the course is clear.



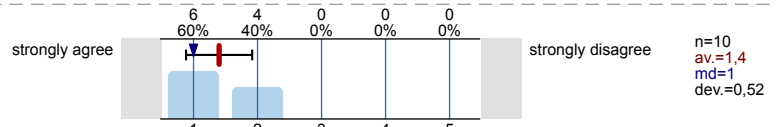
4) I feel I can ask questions and make comments at any time.



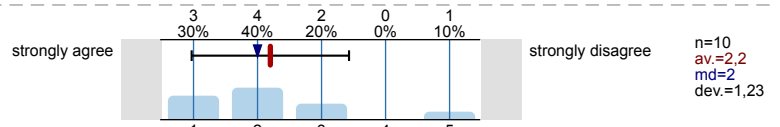
5) The use of practical examples and examples from research help me to understand the material better.



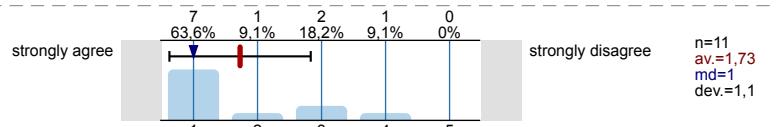
6) I get useful feedback and advice from the lecturer when I ask.



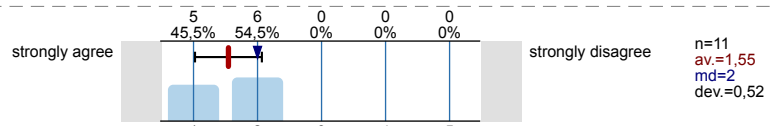
7) I can summarize the important terms and concepts that are taught in this course.



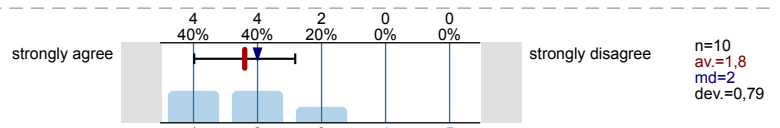
8) The opportunity to discuss the topics helps me to understand them better.



9) The lecturer's input to the discussions is helpful.

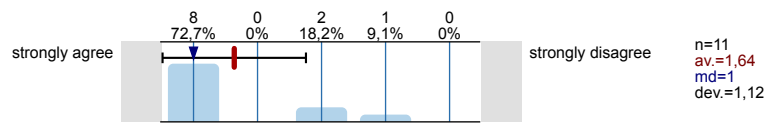


10) The assessment criteria are clear.

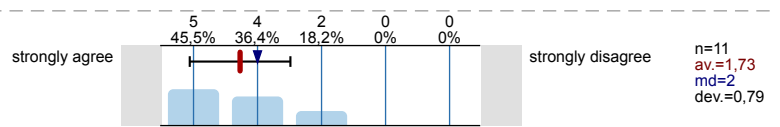


Other Factors

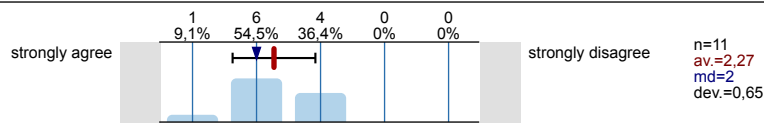
11) The room for this course is the right size and suitably equipped.



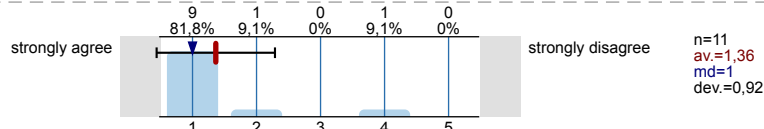
12) I was already very interested in the topic BEFORE I started the course.



13) In this course I can make extensive use of what I have learned in other courses.



14) The number of students in the course is acceptable.

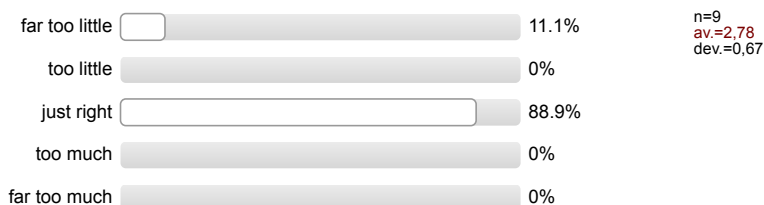


Workload

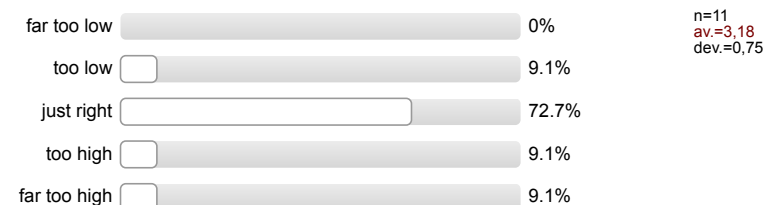
15) How many hours per week do you normally spend working for this course (not including presentations and term papers)?



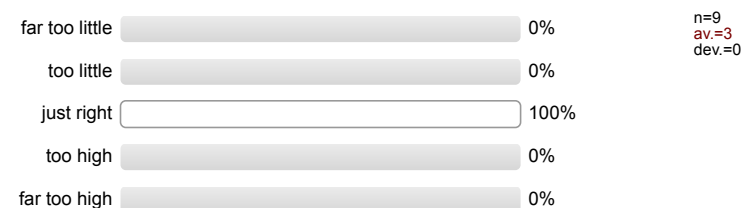
16) For each ECTS point you are expected to do 25-30 hours of work. (For a 3 ECTS course this amounts to about 4 hours a week outside class.) How does the amount of work you do compare with the amount of work expected for the ECTS points awarded for this course?



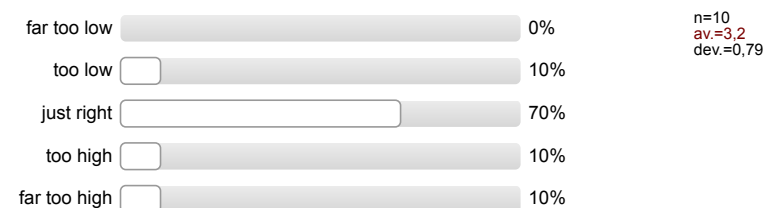
17) The demands of this course are:



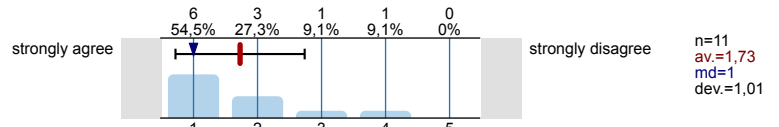
18) The amount of time required for this course is:



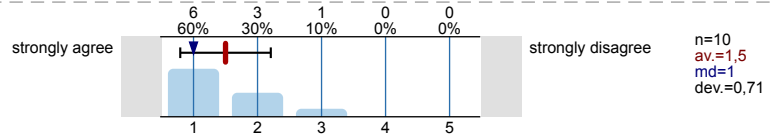
19) The level of subject knowledge that you are expected to have when you start this course is:



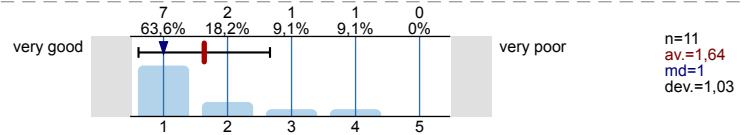
20) In general I am very satisfied with the course.



21) The class is well planned and all the required material can be covered.

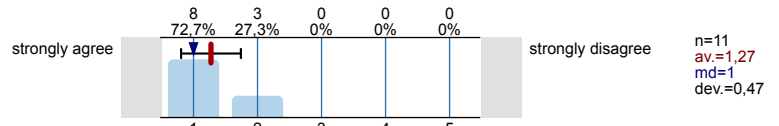


22) Please evaluate the course overall.

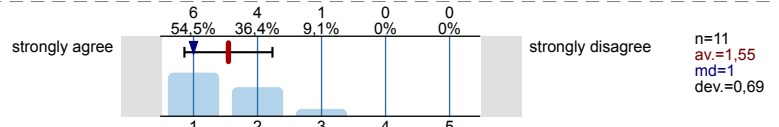


Instructor Evaluation

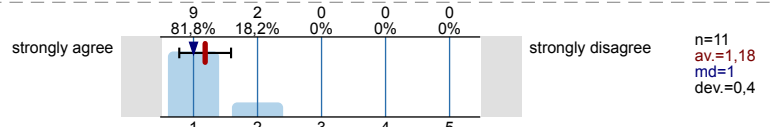
23) The lecturer seems well prepared.



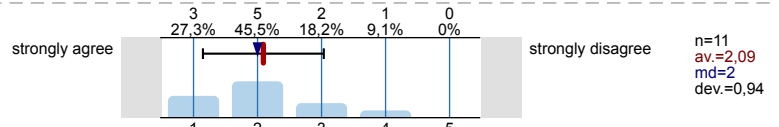
24) The lecturer can present the subject matter in a comprehensible manner.



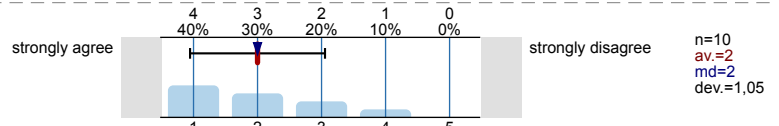
25) The lecturer is open-minded and cooperative.



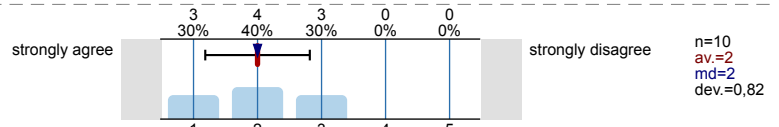
26) I receive effective guidance from the instructor/instructors.



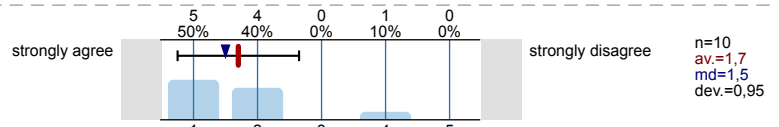
27) The oral presentations are structured and comprehensible.



28) Feedback provided by the instructor for students making an oral presentation is helpful.



29) The discussions are well-structured and help to explore given topics in greater depth.



21) What I find good about the course is ...

Lecturer.

The lecturer has very good pedagogical skills

the amount of interaction

It keeps updated on new developments in Foreign Policy of EU. It includes materials apart from theoretical readings & studies, e.g. the Commission papers or discussion on trade deals. Also appreciate time the lecturer spends on methods of writing term paper & considers diff. background

In general I very much enjoy the class!

THAT IS HAS DIFFERENT APPROACH TO TOPIC (not just giving back to learn for exam, but we have readings and term paper)

- The setup with a presentation and a discussion afterwards
- relevant examples of daily politics regarding the topic
- good atmosphere

Good lectures, good learning atmosphere

funny
motivated
well prepared

THE PROF IS OPEN TO COMMENTS IN DISCUSSIONS + THERE IS NO BACKLASH WHEN COMMENTS ARE INCORRECT. HIS INSIGHT IS VERY GOOD

22) What I do not find so good about the course is ...

The number of student were so high!

No comment

Too high previous knowledge
If we don't know qualitative methods or design for term paper, its hard to write good one (paper)

Apparently, some ~~some~~ students did never ~~learn~~ how to read ~~an~~ empirical paper before taking this course?!

Time is sometimes lacking in the end.
Niveau ~~is~~ is too low → not lecturers fault, it's because of Erasmus incoming's lack basic knowledge about IR-theories

room is hard to find (D201)
room is a bit too huge

THAT DIRECTIONS ARE NOT ALWAYS AS CLEAR AS I WISH THEM TO BE.

23) I would like to make the following suggestions for improving the course:

More current issues about EU foreign policy can be mentioned.

Some video presentation: interviews, debates.

We could have study questions apart from the content-sheet or at least optional study-questions.

↳ I suggest that to every seminar.

- I would appreciate clearer guidelines on what is specifically wanted from me in the development paper (written in syllabus), though we discussed it in class, it avoids confusion.

- I would not mind including even more on current developments like PESCO, TTIP etc...

small exam: so students force them self to learn at least basic info about EU foreign policy
+ more time for explaining how to write term paper

upload the slides of student presentations also on LITAS

-uploading the slides + presentations would be good, because it's sometimes hard to write down everything

THAT HE SPEAKS MORE ABOUT HIS INSIGHT TALKS MORE ABOUT HOW TO APPLY WHAT WE LEARN TO THE PAPERS WE WILL WRITE

Profile

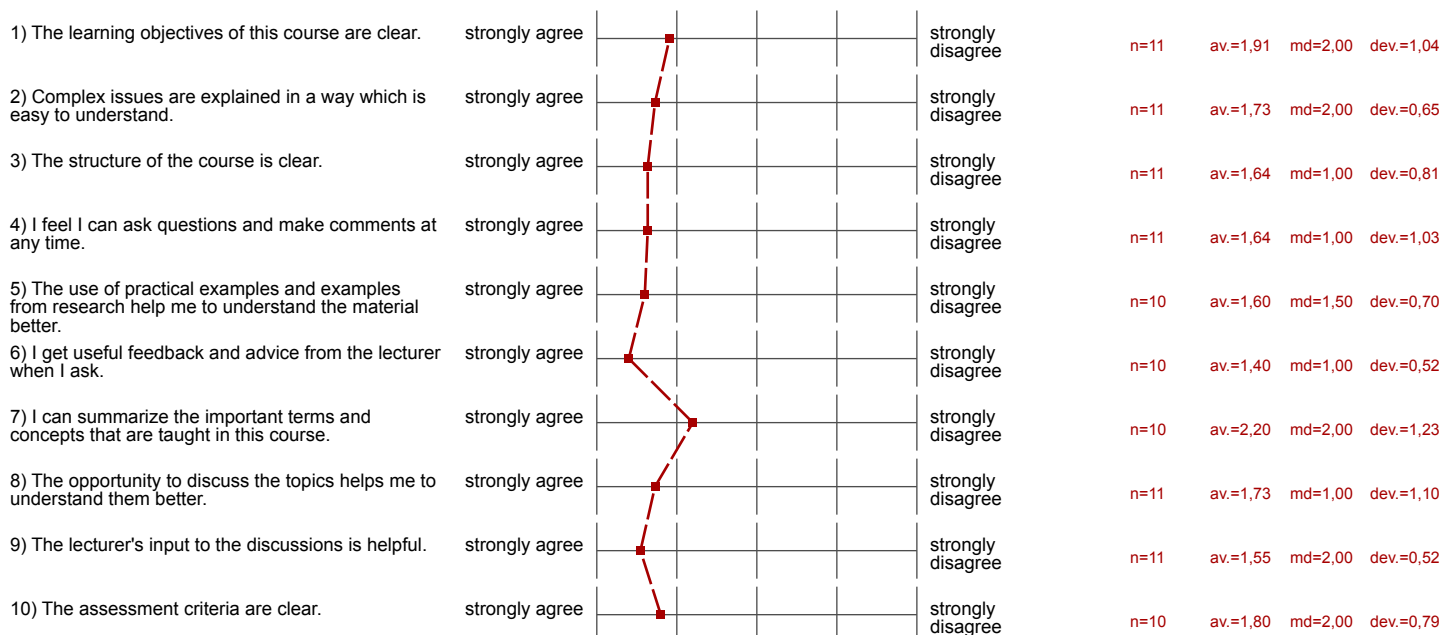
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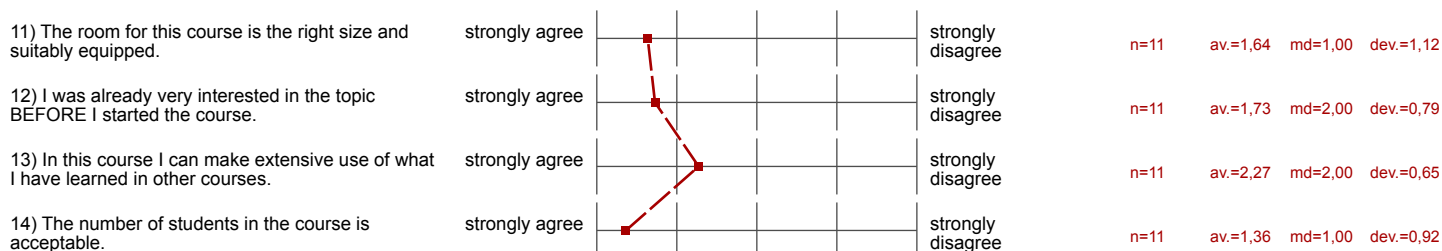
Name of the course: EU Foreign Policy
(Name of the survey)

Values used in the profile line: Mean

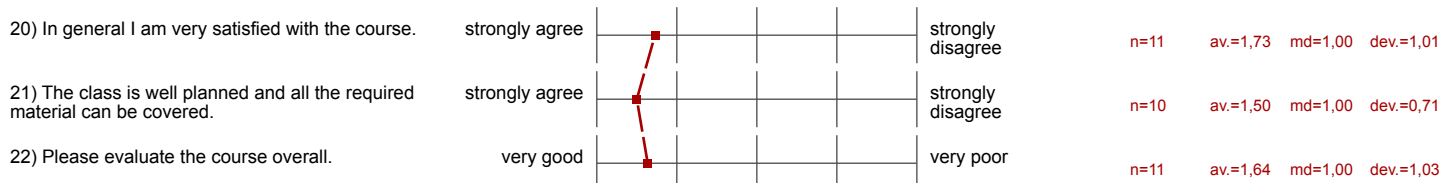
Teaching & Learning










Other Factors



Workload



Instructor Evaluation

23) The lecturer seems well prepared.	strongly agree		strongly disagree	n=11	av.=1,27	md=1,00	dev.=0,47
24) The lecturer can present the subject matter in a comprehensible manner.	strongly agree		strongly disagree	n=11	av.=1,55	md=1,00	dev.=0,69
25) The lecturer is open-minded and cooperative.	strongly agree		strongly disagree	n=11	av.=1,18	md=1,00	dev.=0,40
26) I receive effective guidance from the instructor/ instructors.	strongly agree		strongly disagree	n=11	av.=2,09	md=2,00	dev.=0,94
27) The oral presentations are structured and comprehensible.	strongly agree		strongly disagree	n=10	av.=2,00	md=2,00	dev.=1,05
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