

Summer 1 2021 Individual Report for Richard Kolenda - PAA-632-40428:Policy Studies

Response Count

Raters	Students
Responded	7
Invited	14
Response Ratio	50%
Opted-out	0

THE COURSE

	Mean	Median	Mode	Min	Max	SD	Freq(N/A)	% (N/A)
The objectives of this course were clear.	4.86	5.00	5	4.00	5.00	0.38	0	0.00%
The course has satisfied the objectives.	4.86	5.00	5	4.00	5.00	0.38	0	0.00%
The course requirements and grading system were made clear from the beginning.	4.86	5.00	5	4.00	5.00	0.38	0	0.00%
Exams and/or projects were fair and reflected course content.	4.86	5.00	5	4.00	5.00	0.38	0	0.00%
I would recommend this course to other students.	4.86	5.00	5	4.00	5.00	0.38	0	0.00%

THE INSTRUCTOR - Richard Kolenda

	Mean	Median	Mode	Min	Max	SD	Freq(N/A)	% (N/A)
The instructor was well-prepared and organized.	4.86	5.00	5	4.00	5.00	0.38	0	0.00%
The instructor was a clear and effective communicator.	4.86	5.00	5	4.00	5.00	0.38	0	0.00%
The instructor was able to stimulate interest in the subject.	4.86	5.00	5	4.00	5.00	0.38	0	0.00%
The instructor encouraged questions, participation, and discussion.	4.86	5.00	5	4.00	5.00	0.38	0	0.00%
The instructor is knowledgeable in the subject area.	4.86	5.00	5	4.00	5.00	0.38	0	0.00%
The work was evenly distributed over the course of the semester; material covered at a good pace.	4.57	5.00	5	2.00	5.00	1.13	0	0.00%
The instructor responded to questions promptly and fully, either by e-mail or by other means.	4.86	5.00	5	4.00	5.00	0.38	0	0.00%
The instructor displayed respect for each student.	4.86	5.00	5	4.00	5.00	0.38	0	0.00%
The instructor tried to make the class understand the content and how to navigate the course.	4.86	5.00	5	4.00	5.00	0.38	0	0.00%
I would recommend this instructor to others.	4.83	5.00	5	4.00	5.00	0.41	0	0.00%

INSTRUCTIONAL MATERIALS

	Mean	Median	Mode	Min	Max	SD	Freq(N/A)	% (N/A)
The text was effective in helping me understand the course.	4.43	4.00	4	4.00	5.00	0.53	0	0.00%
The instructor made effective use of other instructional material(s) and/or technology such as Blackboard.	4.71	5.00	5	4.00	5.00	0.49	0	0.00%
Readings, links and other assignments added to my understanding of the course.	4.71	5.00	5	4.00	5.00	0.49	0	0.00%

What element(s) did you find most valuable about Richard Kolenda's teaching?

Comments

well organized studying literature.

Professor Kolenda does a great job in relating the learning materials to everyday life. His lessons put a real world spin on the materials which make them easily understandable and usable.

Although this class is online, the review of relevant and current articles on the subject matter is/has been beneficial to my overall understanding and discussion board interaction. The powerpoints and videos are also beneficial. It is very helpful that professor broke down the policy paper over the course, made it manageable and not overwhelming. Which increased my learning, provided guidance on what I was doing correct/incorrectly.

Professor was very communicative and responsive – course was clear, liked the Voicethread.

experience

Dr. Koldenda provided weekly updates and responded to all questions in a timely manner. He also encouraged students to become involved in course content and share additional materials and articles that were relevant to the course. He also included Covid-19 related material which was beneficial in understanding how pandemic response is relevant in policy studies.

What element(s) did you find least valuable about Richard Kolenda's teaching?

Comments

NA

N/A

I wouldn't say that the Voice Threads is not valuable, I just have been unable to utilize this functionality as I would have liked.

Felt there was too much content for a short class where students are also employed full time. The workload felt more overwhelming than previous courses.

n/a

Do you have anything else you wish to write regarding any of the statements in the previous sections? If so please provide your comments.

Comments

The reading was very significant in understanding the course, but the book Weimer was a little bit hard and heavy. Fewer examples and a lot of uncertain sentences.

N/A

What element(s) did you find most valuable about this course?

Comments

discussing

Professor Kolenda actively engages with all of the students in weekly discussions and encourages participation by leading the way with his own.

I enjoyed how Dr. Kolenda incorporated discussion posts where classmates were able to interact with each other. I also appreciated how he included a discussion forum for questions as some of my questions were posed by other students and each of us were able to see the responses.

What element(s) did you find least valuable about this course?

Comments

NA

N/A

Was there anything left off this form about which you would like to comment? If so, use the space below.

Comments

It would be better if the course will be taught in person

No, the form is sufficient and to the point.