



Pacific University
Evaluation System

To:

Heide Island (as private and confidential)

Course Evaluation

Dear Heide Island,

This email contains evaluation results for PSY-252-01: BIOPSY I: Intro Neuroscience 2014F / A&SEval.

Heide Island

PSY-252-01: BIOPSY I: Intro Neuroscience 2014F (PSY-252-01)
No. of responses = 16

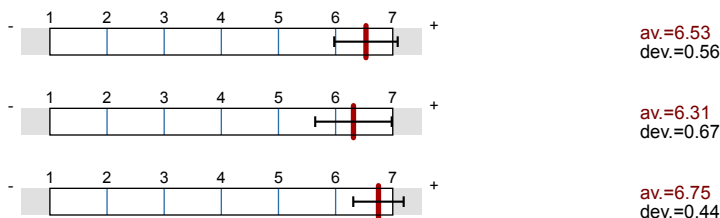


Overall indicators

Global Index

1. Course ($\alpha = 0.78$)

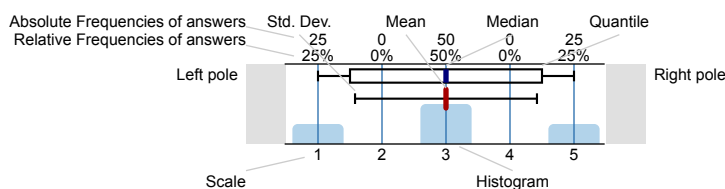
2. Instructor ($\alpha = 0.83$)



Survey Results

Legend

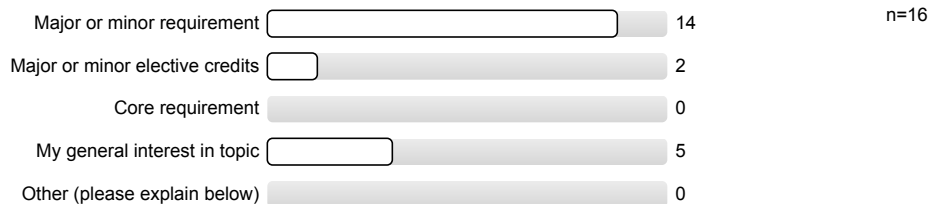
Question text



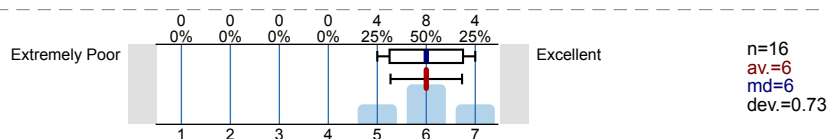
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av.=Mean
md=Median
dev.=Std. Dev.
ab.=Abstention

1. Course

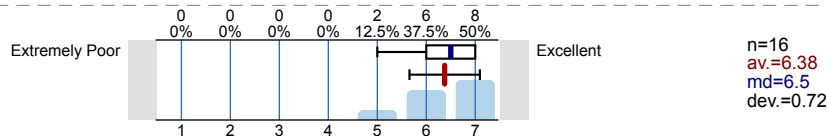
1.1) Your primary reason for taking this course was (mark the most appropriate response):



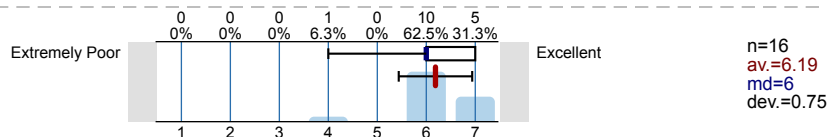
1.3) Rate your level of effort in this course.



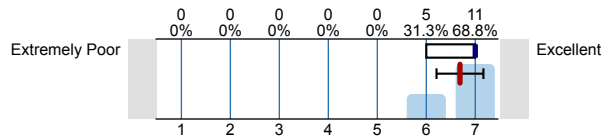
1.5) Provide an overall rating of the course.



1.7) Rate the likelihood that you would recommend this course to another student.



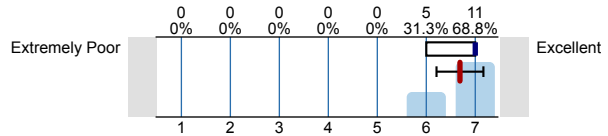
1.9) Rate your increase in skills/understanding as a result of taking this course.



n=16
av.=6.69
md=7
dev.=0.48

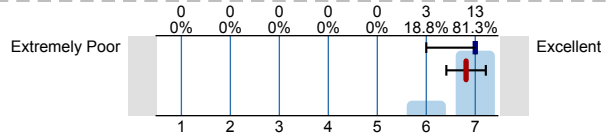
2. Instructor

2.1) Provide an overall rating of the instructor.



n=16
av.=6.69
md=7
dev.=0.48

2.3) Rate the likelihood that you would recommend this instructor to another student.



n=16
av.=6.81
md=7
dev.=0.4

Profile

Subunit: 1 Social Science Division
 Name of the instructor: Heide Island
 Name of the course: PSY-252-01: BIOPSY I: Intro Neuroscience 2014F
 (Name of the survey)

Values used in the profile line: Mean

1. Course

1.3) Rate your level of effort in this course.	Extremely Poor		Excellent	n=16	av.=6.00 md=6.00 dev.=0.73
1.5) Provide an overall rating of the course.	Extremely Poor		Excellent	n=16	av.=6.38 md=6.50 dev.=0.72
1.7) Rate the likelihood that you would recommend this course to another student.	Extremely Poor		Excellent	n=16	av.=6.19 md=6.00 dev.=0.75
1.9) Rate your increase in skills/understanding as a result of taking this course.	Extremely Poor		Excellent	n=16	av.=6.69 md=7.00 dev.=0.48

2. Instructor

2.1) Provide an overall rating of the instructor.	Extremely Poor		Excellent	n=16	av.=6.69 md=7.00 dev.=0.48
2.3) Rate the likelihood that you would recommend this instructor to another student.	Extremely Poor		Excellent	n=16	av.=6.81 md=7.00 dev.=0.40

1. Course

1.2) Other reason for taking course:

general interest

interest and for a focal study

I WAS originally taking the course for my general interest, but I have grown to love this topic. I AM NOW FINISHING THE SEMESTER.

1.4) Level of Effort Explanation:

I worked hard to complete all assignments and come to every class.

Other than the labs, not much of effort was needed

Missed some classes due to illness, could have studied more effectively.

I tried my best to come to class attentive and prepared each day, sought help when need and did my best on assignments.

Very challenging course (as it needs to be), and essential for my major

I was always here and prepared, but didn't always stay caught up with the readings

the lab did not require much effort, we usually just watched videos

I knew this course would be challenging so I worked hard to earn a good grade.

This course requires a great deal of commitment, must be self disciplined and just on top of your game all the time.

¹⁶⁾ Overall Rating Explanation:

B am is hard.

She had well thought out lectures, classes, labs.

covered a wide range of interesting topics

Material went by extremely fast. Was hard to get all of the information down and process connections within class lectures.

I learned an immense amount - feel as though I have grown greatly in my understanding of material.

Layout & lecture was great. Provided outlines for exams help a lot. It is a LOT of information, but is given in an organized way. Just wish labs were longer!

Decided to add psychology as a minor because of this course

I got a lot out of this course

The course was very interesting and thorough for an introductory course.

well-organized lectures, appropriate amount of lab work (didn't feel too overwhelming), ~~enjoyed~~ enjoyed the documentaries on the lab days

Detailed, hits about every aspect that should be covered

While this is not a field I find particularly enjoyable to study, Heide made it very accessible and interesting.

We were asked to do things I had never been challenged in before. If you would have asked me to do a lab write up, and know the things I do now, I would have laughed. Heide Island is one of the most hardworking, admirable people in Vermont.

1.8) Likelihood Explanation:

interesting class I learned a lot of very useful information

If the friend needs it, also if interested in Neuro.

for those interested in biology, neuroscience and/or psychology it is great.

Was a fun class but took a lot of outside time and was hard to find time for outside partner labs because of busy life schedules with work and other classes.

If they are interested in medical profession(s) or just want a biological vantage for various psychological topics.

While it's very challenging, it is really important & beneficial if you want to go far in Psychology/Medicine

Very interesting and really has some practical applications in terms of learning how to use equipment

Although quite challenging, it is very helpful.

I would recommend it if they were more interested in the psychology, but the science of what is happening chemically was not a big part of the class

good introductory course for psychology; become more knowledgeable

Absolutely if they are interested in natural sciences and psychology. Otherwise I might caution against it due to workload to keep up.

Every person in this class is encouraging to complete the semester minimum. Shirley amazing teacher and pushed our strengths the way they should be.

1.10) Skills/understanding Explanation:

I can't go a day without thinking about neuro outside of the classroom. It's taken over my brain.

I came into the class with very basic knowledge of the brain, but I feel this has changed.

I have learned a lot.

was perfectly complementary to bio 224 (human anatomy)

My skills increased a lot but could have increased more if material was able to be processed and not missed

As previously stated, I feel as though I have increased in my understanding of many neuropsychological topics - from assessment to neuroanatomy.

I feel as though I learned a substantial amount from this course

I think taking anatomy, physiology, and biochemistry before this class made parts of it review and I wish it would have gone more in depth

I didn't expect to learn as much as I did

Increased my knowledge of the brain and new things occur and am looking forward to further my knowledge in neuroscience

Through labs and lectures I have a more in depth understanding of material and it is quite rewarding.

2. Instructor

2.2) Instructor Rating Explanation:

Heide really scared ~~me~~ me before this class, but she's become one of my favorite profs in the psych department. She's challenging, but extremely constructive and supportive. I WANT to impress her, and

Extremely kind and knowledgeable She presents information very well

Enthusiastic about subject; very helpful

She was always willing to help and answer questions. She had everything planned out from day one. Lots of resources available to help us succeed.

Goes through material extremely fast but shows a genuine love of the subject.

She is always prepared, and willing to help. At times can seemingly race through the material or go fairly fast.

Heide is the perfect person to teach this class. She brings humor, passion for the subject, and a desire to help us understand. While she is a little intimidating, I found this helpful because it made me want to do it again. Decided to add a minor because of the course and the instructor.

She is an excellent instructor, but sometimes moves really quickly through things that are difficult to understand.

~~and~~ The professor was very helpful and explained things well.

all material was presented in a clear way, but sometimes lectures moved slowly

very knowledgeable about topic, easy to approach for help, very helpful for labs

Very knowledgeable in her study. I get a better feeling from her that she knows what she is teaching than some professors

Heide is an excellent instructor and works ^{hard} to help students understand complex topics

She cares, works hard, enthusiastic, is helpful with feedback.
She is motivating and inspirational, she is an amazing teacher.

24) Recommendation Explanation:

The outlines and lectures provided made it easy to be successful in the class

Excellent person w/ good planning and assistance.

If you aim to learn a lot and want a supportive network - yes.

If you want somebody to provide you w/ necessary tools and push you/motivate you to succeed, Heide is the professor to do it

Not only does she teach really well, but she is very understanding and seems to truly enjoy sharing her knowledge.

Although the professor may not always seem approachable, she is willing to help you to understand and cares about your success in the course.

I have to write person 'mt.

I say this is the smartest lady I have ever met. I only wish I was as smart as her.

^{2.5)} Please provide any additional comments that you want to make about the course and instructor.

I think that is very important in an instructor. She is one of the best professors I've had in that sense and I wish I had more time to take more classes with her.

I feel it was difficult to ask questions in lecture, this is partly due to my own shyness, but quick pauses for questions would be useful.

Overall, the course was a good experience. I ~~was~~ surprisingly enjoyed it.

- Not An easy course, quite a quick pace but Prof. Island is a stellar ~~in~~ instructor really is excited to teach this topic ~~and~~ has an immense amount of knowledge not ~~just~~ just in this subject matter but areas which she draw from for lecture

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- Really liked the outlines for tests, great studying tool
 - would appreciate spending lab time on actual labs, not just movies.
 - Leave the slides up for longer, you got better at this in the second half of the class.
 - Really enjoyed taking a class from you.
Promote you! 😊

The course was my favorite in my time at Pacific so far. Lab sections could have been longer, it would also have been helpful if you could post some form of your slides online perhaps with a password because at times you would go a little fast. I really appreciate your explanation of latin terms as well, it makes more sense that way.

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- The timing is very bizarre and very difficult to fit into a schedule.
 - Seems like it should be cross listed due to all of the biology and chemical systems taught
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I think the course might be better as a MWF course because the amount of information given in an hour and a half is sometimes too much. But other^s than that, I really enjoyed the course and got a lot out of it.

In lecture, sometimes important terms or ideas were said verbally but the class was focused on writing down notes from the powerpoint so things were missed. It is difficult to focus on both the powerpoint and the lecture when they do not seem to correspond. It would have been more helpful if we could have taken down the notes, then heard to expansion given verbally instead of the other way around.

Heide, thank you for a great semester! While neuroscience wouldn't be my first choice of classes I found it extremely interesting and feel as though I learned a lot. I appreciate how hard you worked to help us succeed

I could not have imagined to be praised in a more helpful way.
I respect you and your intelligence.