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Is this a required course?

Is this a required course?		
Yes (3)		50.00%
No (3)		50.00%
[Total (6)]		

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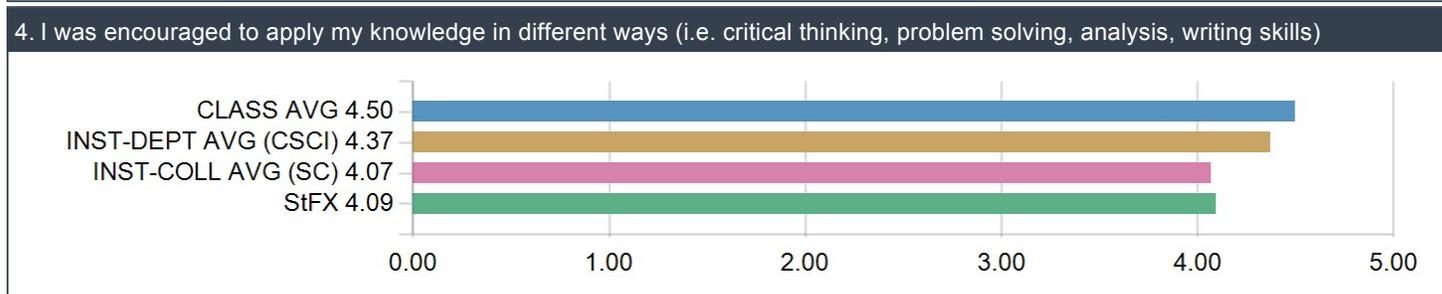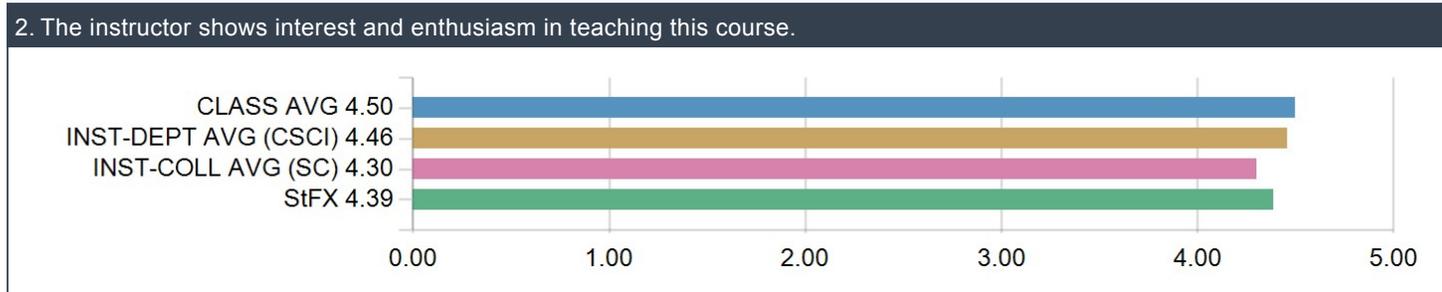## What percentage of classes did you attend in this course?

What percentage of classes did you attend in this course?		
Less than 50% (0)		0.00%
50-74% (0)		0.00%
75-89% (0)		0.00%
90-99% (4)		66.67%
100% (2)		33.33%
[Total (6)]		

0   50%   100%

Stimulation and Challenge

Overall

CLASS AVG 4.08
INST-DEPT AVG 4.33
INST-COLL AVG 4.05
StFX 4.11

1. The level of intellectual challenge in this course is appropriate.

CLASS AVG 3.50
INST-DEPT AVG (CSCI) 4.26
INST-COLL AVG (SC) 3.99
StFX 4.06

2. The instructor shows interest and enthusiasm in teaching this course.

CLASS AVG 4.50
INST-DEPT AVG (CSCI) 4.46
INST-COLL AVG (SC) 4.30
StFX 4.39

3. The instructor stimulated my interest in this subject area.

CLASS AVG 3.83
INST-DEPT AVG (CSCI) 4.25
INST-COLL AVG (SC) 3.82
StFX 3.91

4. I was encouraged to apply my knowledge in different ways (i.e. critical thinking, problem solving, analysis, writing skills)

CLASS AVG 4.50
INST-DEPT AVG (CSCI) 4.37
INST-COLL AVG (SC) 4.07
StFX 4.09

Stimulation and Challenge

Overall	Value
Mean	4.08
Median	4.00
Standard Deviation	1.02

1. The level of intellectual challenge in this course is appropriate.

Response	Percentage
Strongly Disagree (0)	0.00%
Disagree (2)	33.33%
Neutral (1)	16.67%
Agree (1)	16.67%
Strongly Agree (2)	33.33%
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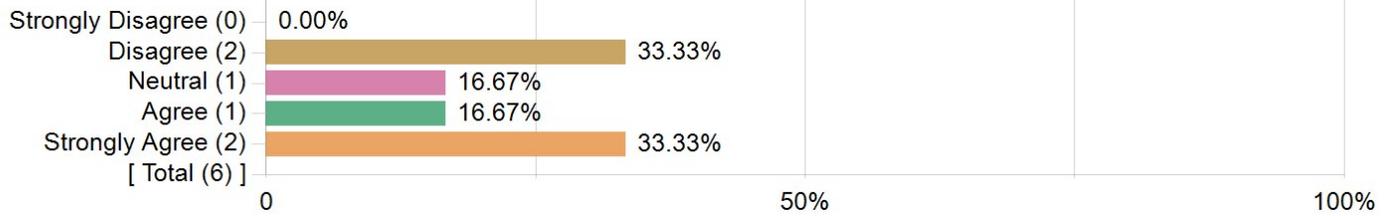
Statistics	Value
Mean	3.50
Median	3.50
Standard Deviation	1.38

2. The instructor shows interest and enthusiasm in teaching this course.

Response	Percentage
Strongly Disagree (0)	0.00%
Disagree (0)	0.00%
Neutral (0)	0.00%
Agree (3)	50.00%
Strongly Agree (3)	50.00%
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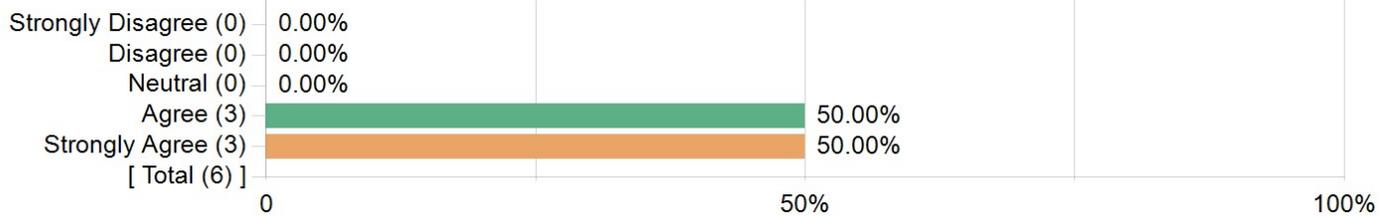
Statistics	Value
Mean	4.50
Median	4.50
Standard Deviation	0.55

3. The instructor stimulated my interest in this subject area.

Response	Percentage
Strongly Disagree (0)	0.00%
Disagree (1)	16.67%
Neutral (1)	16.67%
Agree (2)	33.33%
Strongly Agree (2)	33.33%
[Total (6)]	
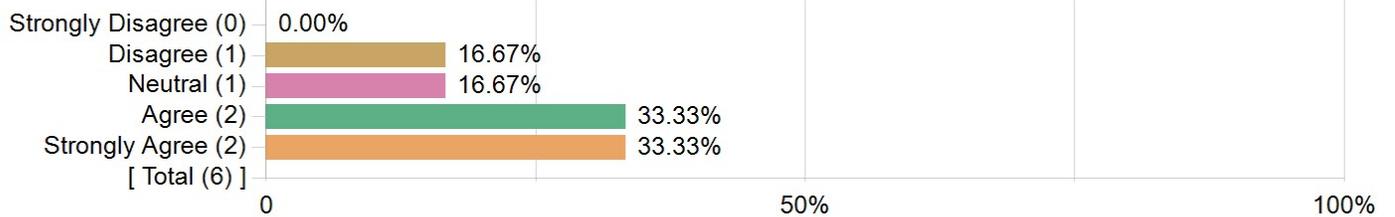
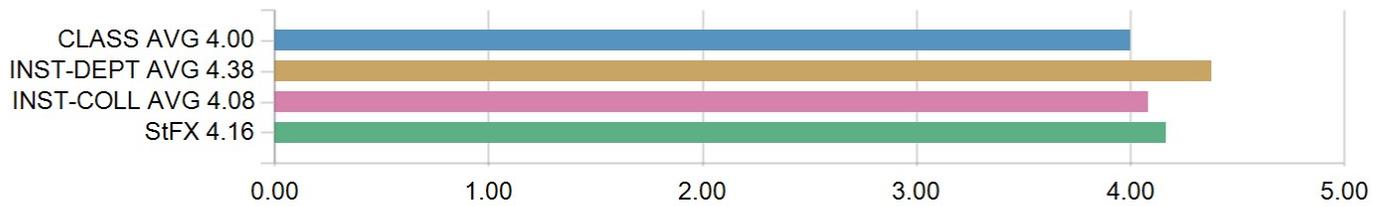| Statistics	Value
Mean	3.83
Median	4.00
Standard Deviation	1.17

Stimulation and Challenge (continued)

4. I was encouraged to apply my knowledge in different ways (i.e. critical thinking, problem solving, analysis, writing skills)
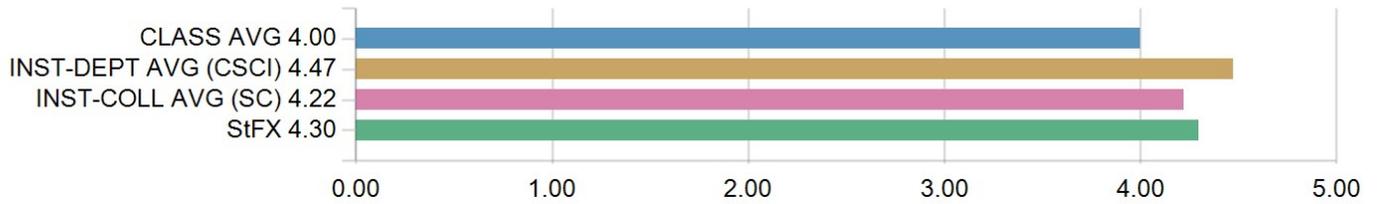
Strongly Disagree (0)	0.00%
Disagree (0)	0.00%
Neutral (0)	0.00%
Agree (3)	50.00%
Strongly Agree (3)	50.00%
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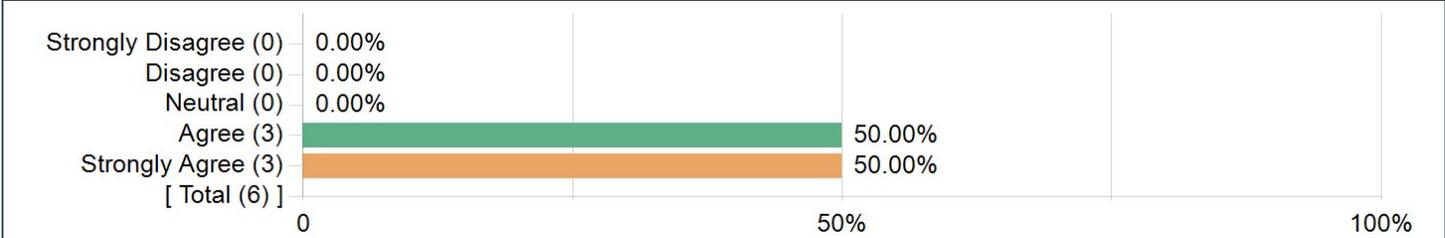
Statistics	Value
Mean	4.50
Median	4.50
Standard Deviation	0.55

Instructor Communication

Overall

CLASS AVG 4.00	
INST-DEPT AVG 4.38	
INST-COLL AVG 4.08	
StFX 4.16	

(Scale 0.00 – 5.00)

1. The instructor makes students feel free to ask questions and express their ideas.

CLASS AVG 4.00	
INST-DEPT AVG (CSCI) 4.47	
INST-COLL AVG (SC) 4.22	
StFX 4.30	

(Scale 0.00 – 5.00)

2. The criteria for assessment are clearly communicated to students.

CLASS AVG 4.00	
INST-DEPT AVG (CSCI) 4.32	
INST-COLL AVG (SC) 4.01	
StFX 4.07	

(Scale 0.00 – 5.00)

3. The instructor's communication skills (volume, enunciation, speed, tone, vocabulary) are appropriate for the course.

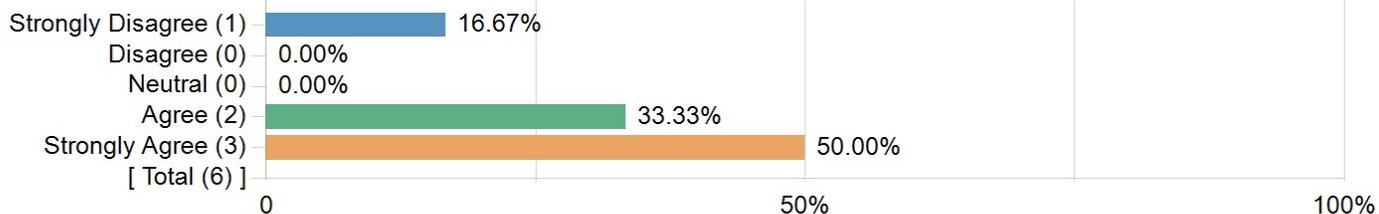|	
CLASS AVG 3.83	
INST-DEPT AVG (CSCI) 4.43	
INST-COLL AVG (SC) 4.13	
StFX 4.21	

(Scale 0.00 – 5.00)

4. The instructor is effective in organizing and presenting the course materials.

CLASS AVG 4.17	
INST-DEPT AVG (CSCI) 4.30	
INST-COLL AVG (SC) 3.97	
StFX 4.07	

(Scale 0.00 – 5.00)
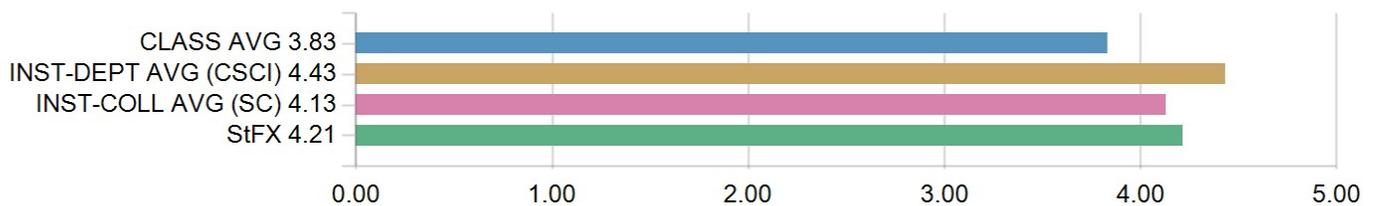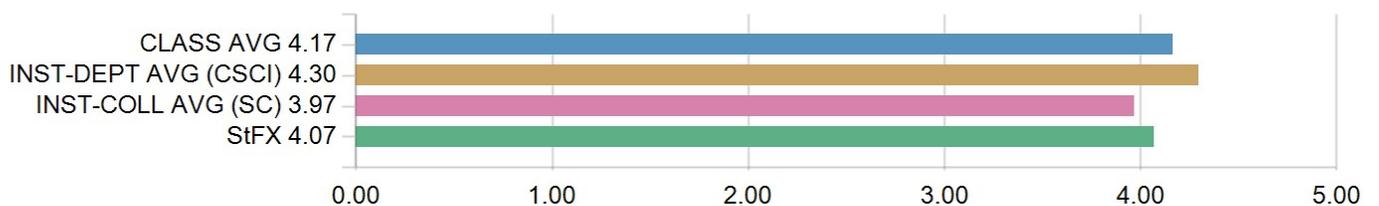
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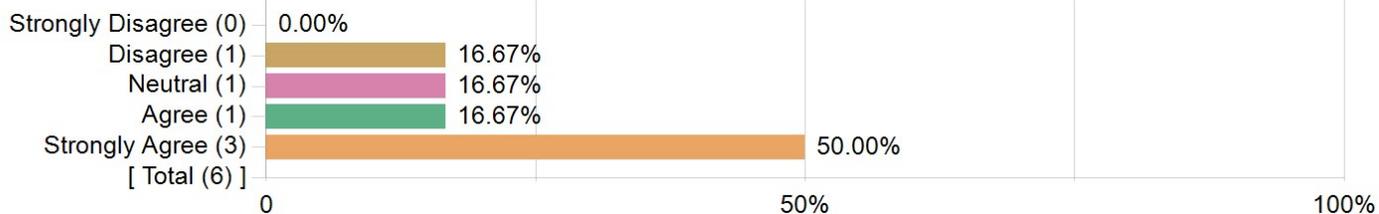
Overall	Value
Mean	4.00
Median	4.00
Standard Deviation	1.22

1. The instructor makes students feel free to ask questions and express their ideas.
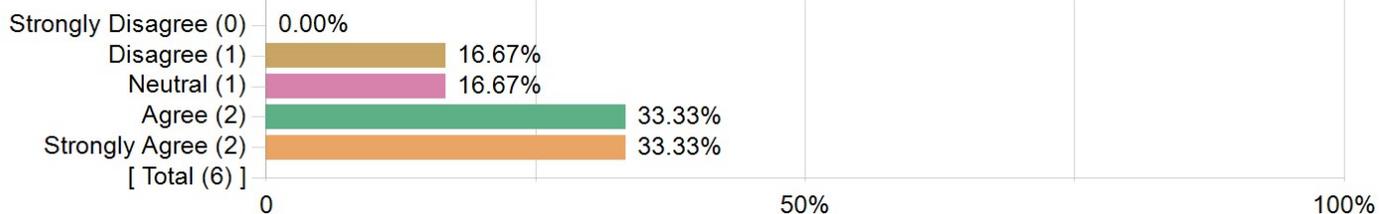
Strongly Disagree (1)	16.67%
Disagree (0)	0.00%
Neutral (0)	0.00%
Agree (2)	33.33%
Strongly Agree (3)	50.00%
[Total (6)]	

Statistics	Value
Mean	4.00
Median	4.50
Standard Deviation	1.55

2. The criteria for assessment are clearly communicated to students.

Strongly Disagree (0)	0.00%
Disagree (1)	16.67%
Neutral (1)	16.67%
Agree (1)	16.67%
Strongly Agree (3)	50.00%
[Total (6)]	

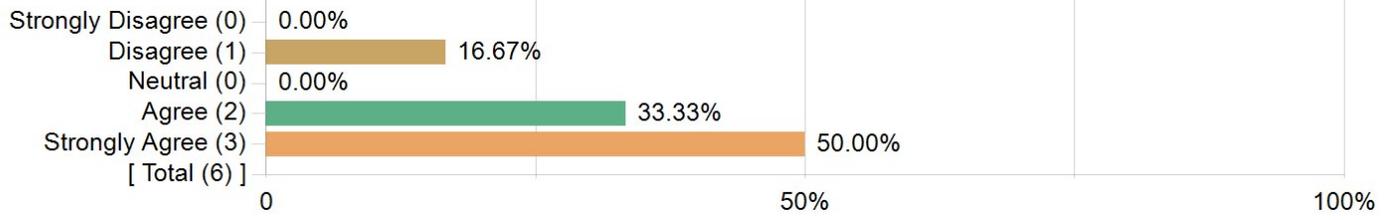| Statistics	Value
Mean	4.00
Median	4.50
Standard Deviation	1.26

3. The instructor's communication skills (volume, enunciation, speed, tone, vocabulary) are appropriate for the course.

Strongly Disagree (0)	0.00%
Disagree (1)	16.67%
Neutral (1)	16.67%
Agree (2)	33.33%
Strongly Agree (2)	33.33%
[Total (6)]	

Statistics	Value
Mean	3.83
Median	4.00
Standard Deviation	1.17

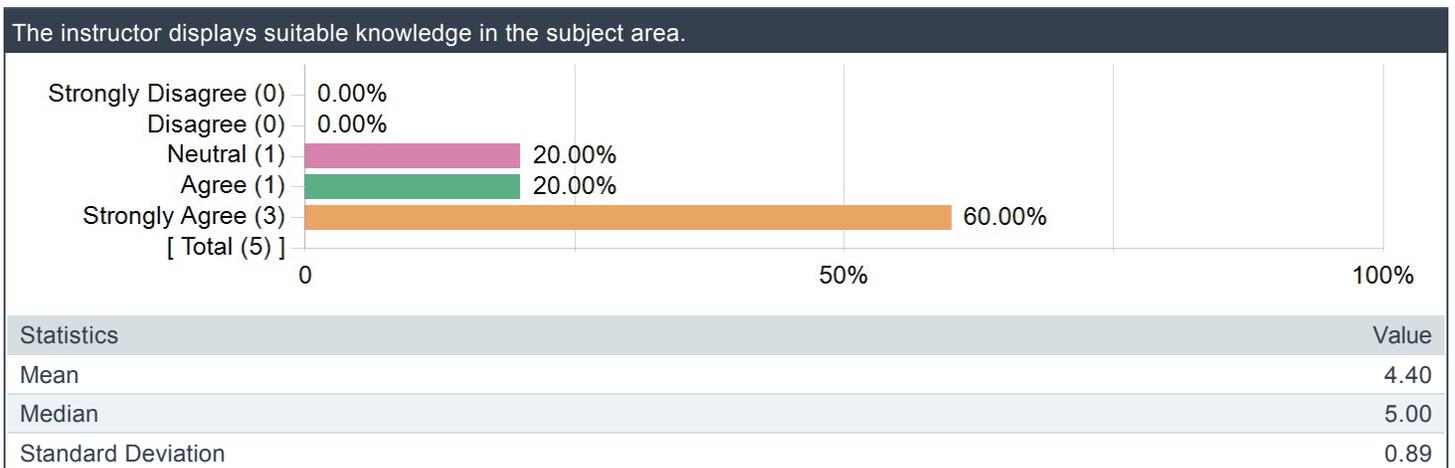## 4. The instructor is effective in organizing and presenting the course materials.

Response	Percentage
Strongly Disagree (0)	0.00%
Disagree (1)	16.67%
Neutral (0)	0.00%
Agree (2)	33.33%
Strongly Agree (3)	50.00%
[Total (6)]	

Statistics	Value
Mean	4.17
Median	4.50
Standard Deviation	1.17

Knowledge and Expertise

CLASS AVG 4.40
INST-DEPT AVG (CSCI) 4.47
INST-COLL AVG (SC) 4.48
StFX 4.56

Knowledge and Expertise

The instructor displays suitable knowledge in the subject area.

Strongly Disagree (0) — 0.00%
Disagree (0) — 0.00%
Neutral (1) — 20.00%
Agree (1) — 20.00%
Strongly Agree (3) — 60.00%
[Total (5)]

Statistics	Value
Mean	4.40
Median	5.00
Standard Deviation	0.89

Course Organization

Overall

CLASS AVG 4.00	
INST-DEPT AVG 4.28	
INST-COLL AVG 4.06	
StFX 4.13	

1. Assignments and tests are returned to the students within a reasonable time.

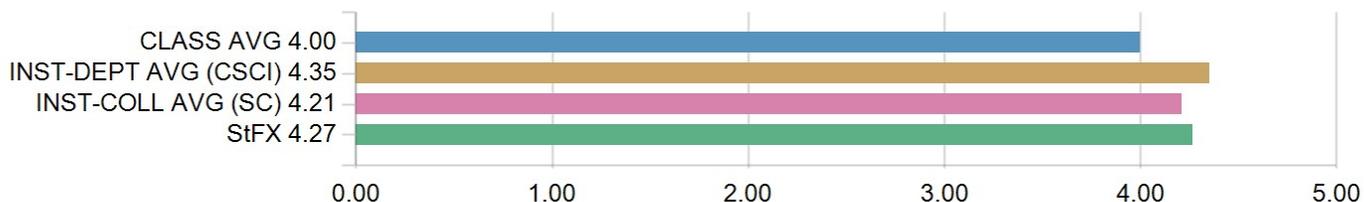|	
CLASS AVG 3.67	
INST-DEPT AVG (CSCI) 4.20	
INST-COLL AVG (SC) 4.09	
StFX 4.10	

2. The instructor adheres to the criteria for assessment and evaluation as described in the course outline.

CLASS AVG 4.50	
INST-DEPT AVG (CSCI) 4.38	
INST-COLL AVG (SC) 4.19	
StFX 4.25	

3. The course material is well organized.

CLASS AVG 4.33	
INST-DEPT AVG (CSCI) 4.22	
INST-COLL AVG (SC) 4.00	
StFX 4.10	

4. The instructor is available for consultation outside of class

CLASS AVG 4.00	
INST-DEPT AVG (CSCI) 4.35	
INST-COLL AVG (SC) 4.21	
StFX 4.27	

5. I would recommend this course to fellow students.

CLASS AVG 3.50	
INST-DEPT AVG (CSCI) 4.23	
INST-COLL AVG (SC) 3.81	
StFX 3.92	
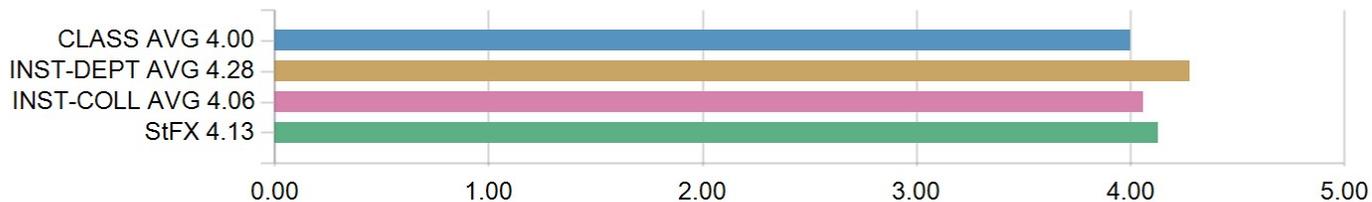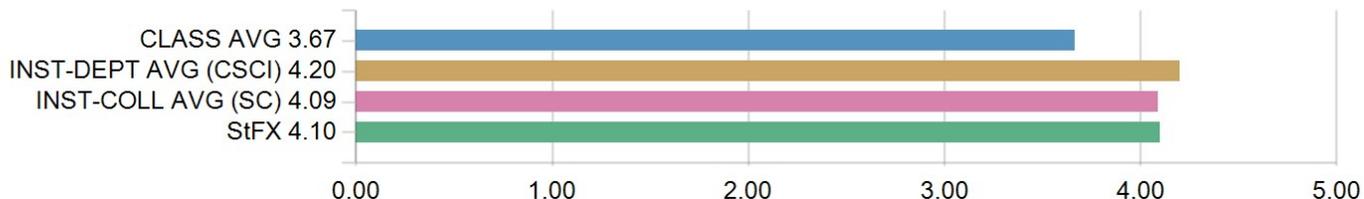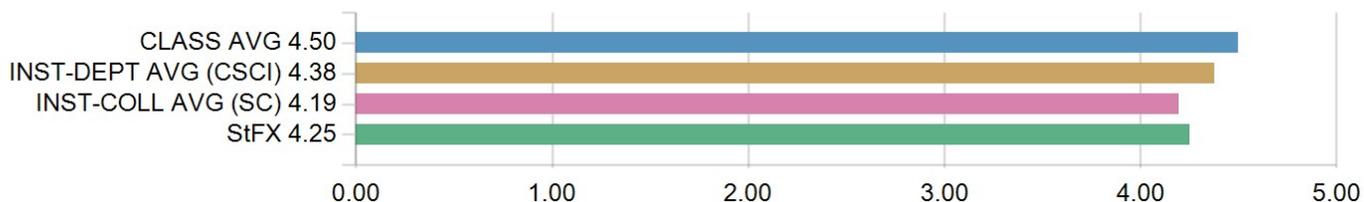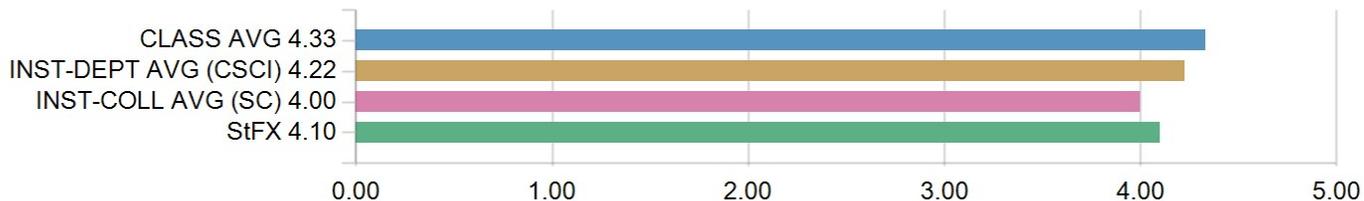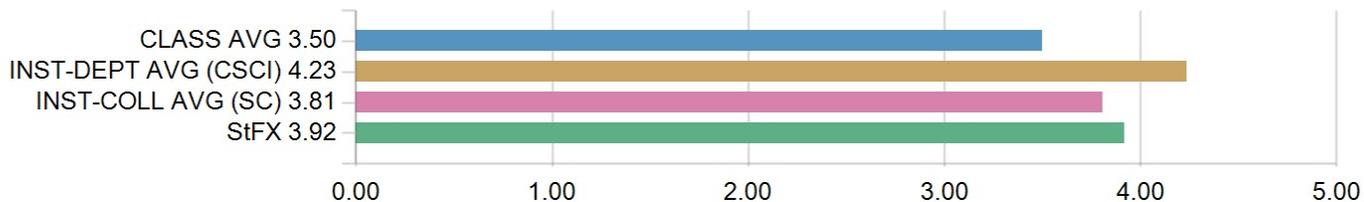
Course Organization

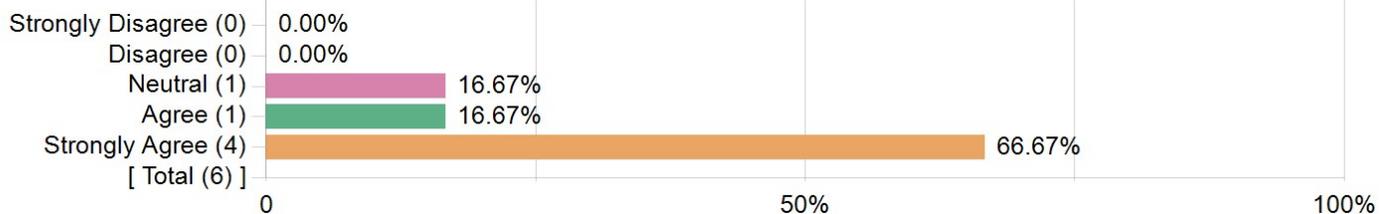| Overall	Value
Mean	4.00
Median	4.00
Standard Deviation	1.11

1. Assignments and tests are returned to the students within a reasonable time.

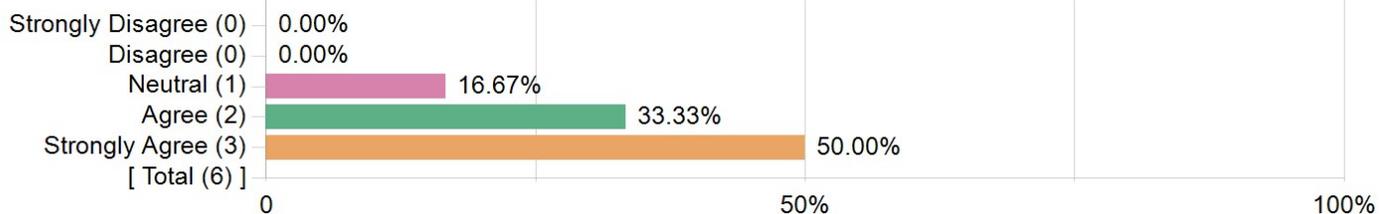|	
Strongly Disagree (0)	0.00%
Disagree (1)	16.67%
Neutral (2)	33.33%
Agree (1)	16.67%
Strongly Agree (2)	33.33%
[Total (6)]	
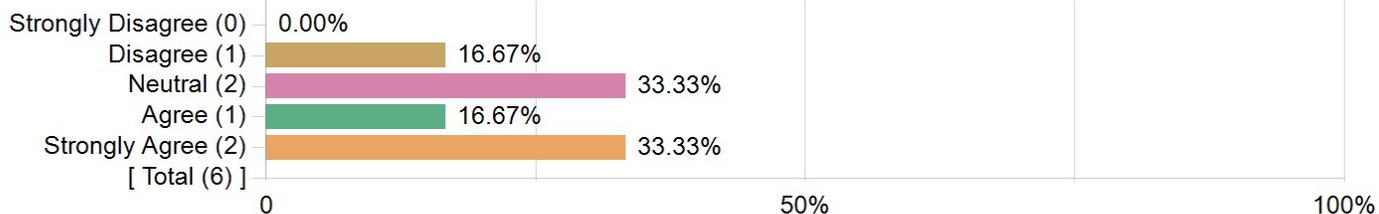
Statistics	Value
Mean	3.67
Median	3.50
Standard Deviation	1.21

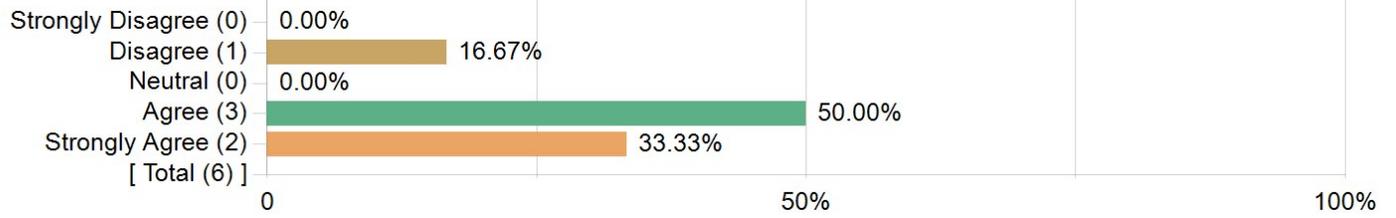## 2. The instructor adheres to the criteria for assessment and evaluation as described in the course outline.

Strongly Disagree (0)	0.00%
Disagree (0)	0.00%
Neutral (1)	16.67%
Agree (1)	16.67%
Strongly Agree (4)	66.67%
[Total (6)]	

Statistics	Value
Mean	4.50
Median	5.00
Standard Deviation	0.84

3. The course material is well organized.

Strongly Disagree (0)	0.00%
Disagree (0)	0.00%
Neutral (1)	16.67%
Agree (2)	33.33%
Strongly Agree (3)	50.00%
[Total (6)]	

Statistics	Value
Mean	4.33
Median	4.50
Standard Deviation	0.82

4. The instructor is available for consultation outside of class

Strongly Disagree (0) — 0.00%
Disagree (1) — 16.67%
Neutral (0) — 0.00%
Agree (3) — 50.00%
Strongly Agree (2) — 33.33%
[Total (6)]

Statistics	Value
Mean	4.00
Median	4.00
Standard Deviation	1.10

Course Organization (continued)

5. I would recommend this course to fellow students.

Strongly Disagree (1)	16.67%
Disagree (0)	0.00%
Neutral (2)	33.33%
Agree (1)	16.67%
Strongly Agree (2)	33.33%
[Total (6)]	

Scale: 0 — 50% — 100%
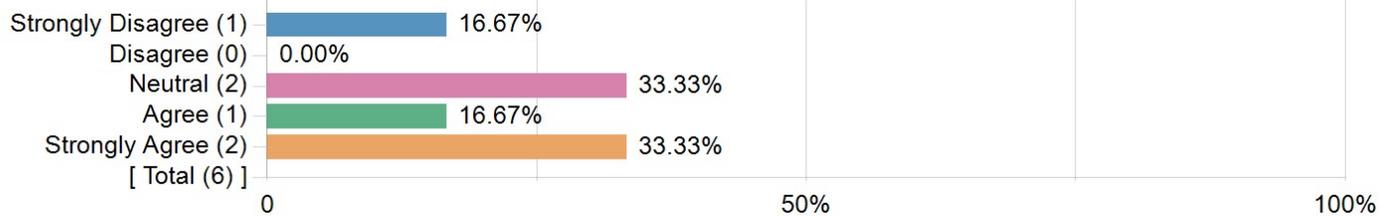
Statistics	Value
Mean	3.50
Median	3.50
Standard Deviation	1.52

The amount of material covered in this course is:

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Too low (0) — 0.00%
Appropriate (3) — 50.00%
Too high (3) — 50.00%
[Total (6)]

0   50%   100%

I would describe this course as:

CLASS AVG 2.83
INST-DEPT AVG (CSCI) 3.79
INST-COLL AVG (SC) 3.44
StFX 3.56

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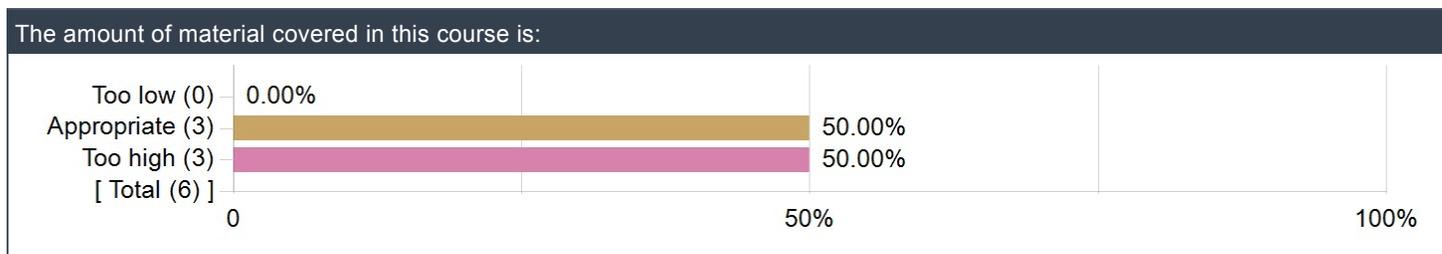
I would describe this course as:

I would describe this course as:

1 Poor (1) — 16.67%
2 Fair (3) — 50.00%
3 Good (0) — 0.00%
4 Very Good (0) — 0.00%
5 Excellent (2) — 33.33%
[Total (6)]

0   50%   100%

Statistics	Value
Mean	2.83
Median	2.00
Standard Deviation	1.72
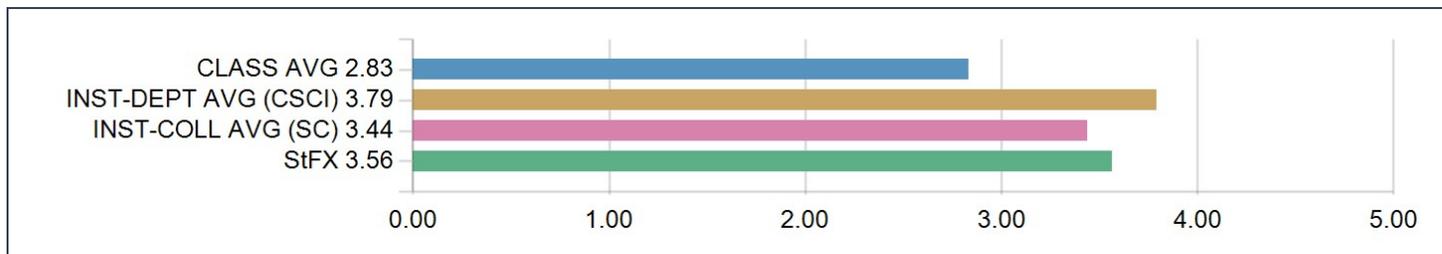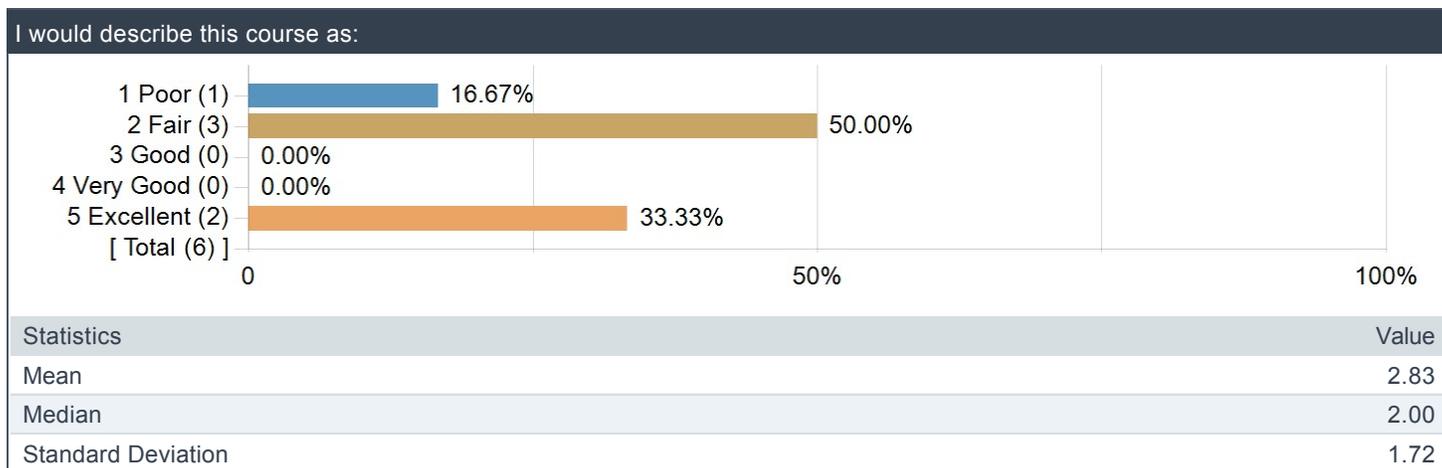
What were the best aspects of this course and/or instructor?

Comments
– passionate about the material – course website is incredibly helpfu
Online was perfect
Assignments are given plenty of time to be completed.
James is fantastic. This is my second course with him and he is knowledgeable, hilarious, and treats his students like real human beings and not morons as many profs do! I love how the course is setup as a website and everything is accessible. Very useful in office hours and highly recommend other students to actually go to his office hours, it definitely helped me out this semester on several occasions. STFX is lucky to have Dr Hughes teaching their first year CS courses as he cares about growing the program here and getting more of us involved in it.
Questions asked in class were often explained well
He is a good instructor

Are there any aspects of this course or of the instruction that could be improved? If so, please explain.

Comments
labs: they were helpful but the format was not great for me. I always feel I have a hard time getting started with them and consequently working through the lab. This might be attributed to the online format.
As someone who doesn't entirely have a knack for computer science, I found it incredibly difficult to understand the course. The actual concepts were easy to understand but I failed to understand how to apply them into the code. In lecture, too much computer science jargon is used making it extremely difficult to understand.
Loved this course. At times I felt very overwhelmed just due to the amount of content and the challenges that come with working in a new programming language. We were an online course this semester which I was okay with, however some students abused this and would join the course under silly usernames and make foolish comments in the chat. A bit of joking around is okay but at times I felt it got taken too far. If this course was to be online in the future I would recommend forcing people to join the lecture with their real name attached to them so that they are accountable for acting goofy in a course we're paying good money for. Overall, really enjoyed this course.
Labs should have more guidance. Instructor absolutely discourages questions over email, unlike all of my other professors. Allow for collaborative work between students. Because the class and labs are online, there is zero communication between students; this is a problem.

Do you have any other comments about the course and/or the instructor?

Comments
I usually do not like online lectures but I really enjoyed the online format. the YouTube videos are particularly helpful
Assignments in this course are ridiculously time consuming and unreasonable for a first year course. Almost all the skills required to complete them are not covered in class. It feels like a self–directed course. The only resources given for these assignments were the often unrelated course content, links to vague wikipedia pages and a note that says "do some digging online". There was no reason for this class to be online for the whole semester unlike every other class, if I wanted to watch videos in my room, I would go to YouTube and watch for free instead of paying thousands of dollars. If the lectures and course content are publicly available, what am I paying for?