Initial Report

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1. 1. Was this course required for your degree?

#	Answer	Bar	Response	%
1	no, not required		6	40%
2	yes, required		9	60%
	Total		15	

Statistic	Value
Min Value	1
Max Value	2
Mean	1.60
Variance	0.26
Standard Deviation	0.51
Total Responses	15

$2. \;\;$ 2. On average, how many hours per week did you devote to this course outside of class?

#	Answer	Bar	Response	%
1	0-1 hours		5	33%
2	2-3 hours		7	47%
3	4-5 hours		2	13%
4	6-7 hours		1	7%
5	8 hours or more		0	0%
	Total		15	

Statistic	Value
Min Value	1
Max Value	4
Mean	1.93
Variance	0.78
Standard Deviation	0.88
Total Responses	15

3. 3. Assignments and activities were useful for helping me learn.

#	Answer	Bar	Response	%
1	Strongly Disagree		0	0%
2	Disagree		0	0%
3	Neither Agree nor Disagree		0	0%
4	Agree		4	27%
5	Strongly Agree		11	73%
	Total		15	

Statistic	Value
Min Value	4
Max Value	5
Mean	4.73
Variance	0.21
Standard Deviation	0.46
Total Responses	15

4. 4. This course challenged me to think and learn.

#	Answer	Bar	Response	%
1	Strongly Disagree		0	0%
2	Disagree		1	7%
3	Neither Agree nor Disagree	_	1	7%
4	Agree		4	27%
5	Strongly Agree		9	60%
	Total		15	

Statistic	Value
Min Value	2
Max Value	5
Mean	4.40
Variance	0.83
Standard Deviation	0.91
Total Responses	15

5. 5. The instructor explains concepts clearly.

#	Answer	Bar	Response	%
1	Strongly Disagree		0	0%
2	Disagree		0	0%
3	Neither Agree nor Disagree		0	0%
4	Agree		0	0%
5	Strongly Agree		15	100%
	Total		15	

Statistic	Value
Min Value	5
Max Value	5
Mean	5.00
Variance	0.00
Standard Deviation	0.00
Total Responses	15

$\textbf{6.} \ \ \textbf{6.} \ \ \textbf{The instructor was helpful}.$

#	Answer	Bar	Response	%
1	Strongly Disagree		0	0%
2	Disagree		0	0%
3	Neither Agree nor Disagree		0	0%
4	Agree		0	0%
5	Strongly Agree		15	100%
	Total		15	

Statistic	Value
Min Value	5
Max Value	5
Mean	5.00
Variance	0.00
Standard Deviation	0.00
Total Responses	15

7. 7. The instructor facilitates critical thinking.

#	Answer	Bar	Response	%
1	Strongly Disagree		0	0%
2	Disagree		0	0%
3	Neither Agree nor Disagree		0	0%
4	Agree		1	7%
5	Strongly Agree		14	93%
	Total		15	

Statistic	Value
Min Value	4
Max Value	5
Mean	4.93
Variance	0.07
Standard Deviation	0.26
Total Responses	15

$\textbf{8.} \ \ \textbf{8.} \ \ \textbf{8.} \ \ \textbf{The instructor presented a positive and constructive teaching skill.}$

#	Answer	Bar	Response	%
1	Strongly Disagree		0	0%
2	Disagree		0	0%
3	Neither Agree nor Disagree		0	0%
4	Agree		2	13%
5	Strongly Agree		13	87%
	Total		15	

Statistic	Value
Min Value	4
Max Value	5
Mean	4.87
Variance	0.12
Standard Deviation	0.35
Total Responses	15

$9. \ \ \text{ 1. 1} expectations.$

#	Answer	Bar	Response	%
1	Strongly Disagree		0	0%
2	Disagree		0	0%
3	Neither Agree nor Disagree	_	1	7%
4	Agree		2	13%
5	Strongly Agree		12	80%
	Total		15	

Statistic	Value
Min Value	3
Max Value	5
Mean	4.73
Variance	0.35
Standard Deviation	0.59
Total Responses	15

10. 10. This course was well organized.

#	Answer	Bar	Response	%
1	Strongly Disagree		0	0%
2	Disagree		0	0%
3	Neither Agree nor Disagree		3	20%
4	Agree		4	27%
5	Strongly Agree		8	53%
	Total		15	

Statistic	Value
Min Value	3
Max Value	5
Mean	4.33
Variance	0.67
Standard Deviation	0.82
Total Responses	15

11. 11. I understood clearly where I stood in this course.

#	Answer	Bar	Response	%
1	Strongly Disagree		0	0%
2	Disagree		0	0%
3	Neither Agree nor Disagree	_	1	7%
4	Agree		3	20%
5	Strongly Agree		11	73%
	Total		15	

Statistic	Value
Min Value	3
Max Value	5
Mean	4.67
Variance	0.38
Standard Deviation	0.62
Total Responses	15

12. 12. The visual aids used in this course were effective.

#	Answer	Bar	Response	%
1	Strongly Disagree		0	0%
2	Disagree		0	0%
3	Neither Agree nor Disagree		2	13%
4	Agree		1	7%
5	Strongly Agree		12	80%
	Total		15	

Statistic	Value
Min Value	3
Max Value	5
Mean	4.67
Variance	0.52
Standard Deviation	0.72
Total Responses	15

$13. \ \ \, \text{13. The instructor stimulated interest in the subject matter}.$

#	Answer	Bar	Response	%
1	Strongly Disagree		0	0%
2	Disagree		0	0%
3	Neither Agree nor Disagree		0	0%
4	Agree		2	13%
5	Strongly Agree		13	87%
	Total		15	

Statistic	Value
Min Value	4
Max Value	5
Mean	4.87
Variance	0.12
Standard Deviation	0.35
Total Responses	15

14. 14. The grading policy was fair and clear.

#	Answer	Bar	Response	%
1	Strongly Disagree		0	0%
2	Disagree		0	0%
3	Neither Agree nor Disagree	_	1	7%
4	Agree		3	20%
5	Strongly Agree		11	73%
	Total		15	

Statistic	Value
Min Value	3
Max Value	5
Mean	4.67
Variance	0.38
Standard Deviation	0.62
Total Responses	15

$15. \ \ \text{15. I would recommend this course to other students}.$

#	Answer	Bar	Response	%
1	Strongly Disagree		0	0%
2	Disagree		0	0%
3	Neither Agree nor Disagree		0	0%
4	Agree		0	0%
5	Strongly Agree		15	100%
	Total		15	

Statistic	Value
Min Value	5
Max Value	5
Mean	5.00
Variance	0.00
Standard Deviation	0.00
Total Responses	15

Text Response

The course focused on lifes lessons as well as education, unlike other classes where we sit in lectures and then regurgitate the materal before it's forgotten.

Dr. Pickering, or Pick as we called him, was the most enthusiastic and caring teacher that I have every had. I really enjoyed it. He approached learning a different way and guided more hands on activities, such as field trips and presentations.

Professor actually believes in helping students gain real world skills. Gained much more from his teaching method than any standard lecture and test style of class. We worked a lot on how to effectively present, retain information, and question whether sources are reliable or not.

This course was extremely interactive. Instead of learning vocabulary words out of a textbook, we actually took field trips to help us understand concepts. For example, we went to a sewage treatment facility to learn about the entire process and its effects on the environment. Furthermore, we had to teach the class about different topics, which not only kept everyone engaged, but truly improved my overall public speaking and critical thinking skills. Loved this course!!!

I loved that it was a hands on learning environment, and their wasn't pressure to memorize facts that you'll just cram into your brain the night before and then forget after the test. It was discussion based and actually getting to go out into the field during class made me curious about the subject matter and interested in Ecology. It applied to my life and I got to see how in a hands on way.

The teaching method Pick used was unlike many other classes I have been in. He facilitates thinking by group discussions rather than boring lectures which causes us to come to our own conclusions about the material. Pick is by far one of the best teachers I have had because he makes his course so fun and inviting. You do things most classes do not and this makes going to class actually something to look forward to unlike most classes.

Our Professor taught us everything needed to be covered in the ecology 1000, while also teaching us critical public speaking and research skills. This has been on of the most beneficial classes I have ever taken while in college

Pick's a great professor, really got people interested in the subject. Made it interesting.

It wasn't about the grades. I really care about school and doing well, but as a future teacher, learning is more important than the letter. In today's education system we hinder learning by defining students by numbers and devaluing the material we want to teach. This class inspires class discussion and independent learning, which is a great model for education at any age level.

This course was very interesting and helped me learn a lot about ecology without putting tons of pressure and stress on me.

It was more hands on activities compared to other classes which makes me better learn the topics at hand.

I like how this was a flipped classroom and how students research and present topics. I got better at public speaking and presentation as well as learned a lot about ecology.

The professor he is a very chill and nice guy!

It allowed for students to interact with each other instead of being in a boring lecture hall

I liked your teaching style overall and that the class was somewhat run by the students. I liked how you emphasized communication skills instead of memory skills.

Statistic	Value
Total Responses	15

Text Response

n/a

I felt that students should've been held a bit more accountable for their poor attendance.

This course could use a bit of a better organization when it comes to due dates and assignments; I didn't have a problem with it, but we did not end up doing a couple of assignments due to time-constraint.

Knowing what our grades are earlier in the semester, closer to the midterm area.

Maybe more field trips, I thought one of the best parts was going to different local areas in Athens and studying how certain places like the waste treatment plants have an effect on the ecological area in Athens.

This class was well constructed and I do not think this class needs to be Improved

Better planning and assessment of how long presentations would take.

It really is a great class. Sometimes I get tired just because it's 3:30 and we spend a lot of time in the dark but that's probably a personal problem.

I wish I had gotten grades back on my presentations etc at some point throughout the course - so I had a better idea of what my grade would be at the end of the semester.

Go on more field trips

Better time management

There could be some more students in the class.

If i were you i would bring in current events that you found interesting and share them to the class and have the class have a discussion.

Statistic	Value
Total Responses	13