

Course	UNWE-Sofia; Institutional Economics, Sprign 2015; Verbal Student Evaluations
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Comments are unabridged. Language, grammar and spelling are kept as given.	
1	What types of critical/independent thinking were involved?
	Criticizing Nobel's articles is a good way to exercise for independent thinking. Peer review. Extension assignment.
	To make your own independent research. To make a critical review of your colleague's independent research.
	With studying the opinion of the most important researchers, we were able to criticize them and in this way we improved our independent thinking.
	The research papers were only from Nobel winners, which helped me see what kind of thinking was important to be successful.
	We had to prepare individual course works and give our opinion about those matters.
	We had to prepare individual papers and group work but not give opinion and comments on our (group) course works.
	Making a connection between topics of importance of our century and in the past.
	The course provoked my thinking on many economic matters.
	The peer review is a good way to concentrate and go deeper into the subject with explanations and connections to real life.
	It helped me realize how important are the different economic, social factors and how nothing can be stated as a constant factor in economy.
2	What is your overall assessment of this course? Why?
	A lot of practical work underlying the theoretical study.
	Not enough words to meantion all. But in a few words -- a complete professional.
	Lectures - very interesting; paper assignments with STATA - a bit hard. I would have liked if we had a book to study from, because the articles (some of them) were a bit boring. However, I received very practical knowledge from this course.
	Because it is a very useful course and I like the way it was presented and also the activities we did. That is why I put a lot of efforts for this course. It motivated me to spend more of my free time to study Economics.
	Very helpful. Friendly athmosphere during classes.
	Sometimes was too demanding and we didn't have time for our other classes. Overall good course, I have learned a lot and it was very interesting for me and very useful.
	It was very practical which is not usual for courses in our university. My overall assessment is that the course learned us to think and observe a matter from different point of views.
	The course was helpful and informative. Gave us knowledge and insspired critical thinking.

	The course was very useful, although the subject was not that interesting.
	It was very interesting and helped our independent thinking.
	The course was very informative and motivating for students to study and to take participation in classes by making different and interesting exercises such as term papers and course work which will be helpful for us in the future.
	Excellent because it was very informative and the exercises gave me a good idea of what institutional economics are all about.
	Although there were some really hard tasks, it was useful in order to develop in the future and also it is a inevitable part of the university studying to actually study and maybe we were not that used to this.
	Excellent.
	3 Would you recommend the course to other students? Why/why not?
	Quality! Practise! Knowledge! Stimulating critical thinking. Western style of education.
	I would 100% recommend this course to anyone interested in economics. You can learn a lot and it is interesting and inspiring.
	I would recommend your courses as a whole.
	Yes, because many smart students deserve this kind of attitude from the teacher to students. Also the usefulness of information.
	I would recommend it.
	I would recommend the course to others, because it is useful and there is implication of economic theory.
	Yes, definitely, it was one of the most interesting courses that I've ever had in the university up to now!
	It depends. If they want to actually learn something and improve their critical thinking I would recommend it.
	Yes. It was very interesting and you have the opportunity to work with STATA - helpful if you want career in Economics.
	I would definitely recommend this course because I find it inspiring and informative on many topics except from IE.
	Of course. It was very interesting, informative, however, they should study hard in order to achieve good results and improve their way of thinking.
	Yes, I would, because the course is based on different types of studying that main aim is to prepare the students how to be better economists.
	I would recommend it everyone. It is very interesting to see and think in a different economic way of problems that are around us every day.
	Yes, because I think that it gives a good example of how economics should taught and a good preparation on the topic of institutional economics.
	I would definitely.
	Yes, because it develops the outside of the box thinking both in social and economic perspective.

4	Was the instruction on this course different compared to other courses you have taken? If yes, in what ways?
	As I said, old teaching manners are absent which is great. That is the future of our educational system, at least it must be.
	Yes, it was very clearly said in the beginning of the course what the requirements, assignments and grading scale will be.
	It was more interesting than other courses and more informative.
	It was different in a good way. The teacher encouraged student participation in class and encouraged communication.
	Yes, overall, you bring this university to a whole new level, keep up with the good work, please.
	The course was very productive. However, I would suggest less time to be devoted on students' term paper comments and mistakes. Overall - Great course!!!
	The lecturer was very open for critics and for students' opinions.
	Yes, it was demanding but the hours invested are paid off.
	Yes. The different in the course was the amount and the character of the tasks. It is a good thing that we had to do actually significant works from the real life.
	It was different. We've learned extra technical programs - Latex and Stata and we had group and individual assignments and we had our opinion on different matters.
	It was different because we learnt how to use programs that will improve our knowledge such as STATA, LATEX.
	It is different because of all the work and individual thinking that we had to do to push us in a new way.
	Yes because there were too many tasks than needed to be fulfilled.
	It was more than expected and it was a bit more difficult than the others.
	Yes, because he made it to influence more of 70% of the students to be more organized, efficient and willing to learn.
5	Do you have any other comments on the course or the instructor?
	For the record, I am trying to be as objective as possible. I am not exaggerating!!! Thank you!
	The instructor should be granted political power. The Bulgarian society and the country as a whole could greatly benefit from his knowledge and ideas.
	Just don't stop teaching and you have to teach more students, because Bulgaria needs teachers like you!
	The lectures - interesting; the course - difficult, but not impossible; the idea about the lecture about transition period -- extremely useful.
	The instructor rocks. They way of teaching is only to be respected.
	The course is good. Keep up the good job.

