Wentworth Institute of Technology

Spring 2016, COMP 3770 INTRO ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE Section 3
Instructor: Derbinsky, Nate (Primary)

There were: 13 possible respondents.

	Question Text	N	Top Two	My Avg	COMP Avg	Div Avg	Div Lvl	Str Agree	Agree	Neutral	Disagree	Str Disagr	NA		
1	Course required me to use previously obtained knowledge	9	78%	3.7	4.0	4.0	4.0	33%	44%	0%	0%	22%	0%		
2	Analyze a problem, idetifying inputs, outputs and processing req.	9	56%	3.4	4.1	4.1	4.1	56%	0%	0%	22%	22%	0%		
3	Better able to design, code and test a program	9	56%	3.6	3.9	3.9	3.9	56%	0%	11%	11%	22%	0%		
4	Course used current techniques, skills and tools	9	78%	3.7	4.1	4.1	4.1	33%	44%	0%	0%	22%	0%		
5	Intend to further my study of material	9	56%	3.3	4.0	4.0	4.0	33%	22%	11%	11%	22%	0%		
6	Better able to analyze user needs	9	44%	3.2	3.9	3.9	3.9	22%	22%	33%	0%	22%	0%		
7	Obtained enhanced understanding of best practices, standards and protocols	9	67%	3.7	4.0	4.0	4.0	44%	22%	11%	0%	22%	0%		
8	Better assist in creation of effective project plan	9	67%	3.7	3.9	3.9	3.9	44%	22%	11%	0%	22%	0%		
9	Adequate lab facilities	9	67%	3.7	3.9	3.9	3.9	44%	22%	11%	0%	22%	0%		
10	Environment conducive to learning	9	67%	3.7	4.0	4.0	4.0	44%	22%	11%	0%	22%	0%		
11	Goals for learning achieved	9	56%	3.4	4.0	4.0	4.0	44%	11%	11%	11%	22%	0%		
12	Access of information	9	78%	3.4	3.9	3.9	3.9	11%	67%	0%	0%	22%	0%		
13	Oral communication skills.	9	25%	2.9	3.6	3.6	3.6	11%	11%	44%	0%	22%	11%		
14	Written communication skills.	9	38%	3	3.7	3.7	3.7	11%	22%	33%	0%	22%	11%		
15	Graphic communication skills.	9	50%	3.1	3.6	3.6	3.6	11%	33%	22%	0%	22%	11%		
16	Improved problem solving.	9	56%	3.6	3.9	3.9	3.9	44%	11%	22%	0%	22%	0%		
17	Understanding traits of leadership.	9	38%	2.9	3.7	3.7	3.7	11%	22%	22%	11%	22%	11%		
18	Improved team skills.	9	75%	3.5	3.7	3.7	3.7	22%	44%	0%	0%	22%	11%		
19	Exposed to ethical behavior.	9	22%	2.7	3.7	3.7	3.7	11%	11%	44%	0%	33%	0%		
20	Sustainable resources.	9	13%	2.6	3.5	3.5	3.5	11%	0%	44%	11%	22%	11%		
21	Societal and global issues.	9	25%	2.8	3.5	3.5	3.5	11%	11%	33%	11%	22%	11%		
24	Stimulated thought	9	78%	3.9	4.0	4.0	4.0	56%	22%	0%	0%	22%	0%		
25	Knows subject matter	9	78%	3.9	4.3	4.3	4.3	56%	22%	0%	0%	22%	0%		

								Str Agree	Agree	Neutral	Disagree	Str Disagree	N/A		
26	Communicated subject well	9	67%	3.8	3.9	3.9	3.9	56%	11%	11%	0%	22%	0%		

								Midnight To 300A	301A - 600A	601A - 900A	901A - Noon	1201P - 300P	301P - 600P	601P - 900P	901P - 1159P
	What Time Of Day Are You Completing Evaluation	9	0%					11%	0%	33%	0%	44%	0%	0%	11%

								1-3	4-6	7-9	10-12	13-15	16-18	19-21	22+
	Classes this semester	9	0%					0%	100%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%

Text Responses

Improvement suggestions

For labs and HW, for each question, explain whats required of the question(pseudocode). For pacman HWs, maybe go over some programming examples. Otherwise, I really loved the class because it challenges.

assign bookwork or worksheets to enforce the topics of class. Keep using pacman labs. Lectures should not have laptops to encourage engagement in classes. It can get discouraging to be one of the only 3 in a class contributing.

make it easy for students to understand.

Port pacman to java so that there is no longer the barrier of not knowing the language.

not use a programming that the people in the class aren't already familiar with, as I feel that it further hinders the ability for students to execute ai concepts.

Other comments

Great professor

please no python

Improvement suggestions

show more code examples

The homework right now are really challenging which is expected considering the class is about Artificial Intelligence. I think the difficulty comes more from the programming language and the complexity of the code rather than understanding the logic. I'm not sure how much it would help but we should consider providing the class in something every student is familiar with (java or c++). Besides that, I think the class is amazing. The concepts are really amazing and make you think.

Comments for professor

Just what I wrote on the other suggestion box..

Thanks for a great semester. You put a great effort in teaching students even when you know some are zoning out completely. You have a great teaching style that is very engaging.

he is a liar he told that he would teach how to use python i was excited but he did not. he doesn't explain the class and he copies lecture form Berkeley University. and his slide does not make any sense. I hate this class.

Mr. Derbinsky is the man. Best professor I've had by far.

please no python

Nathan is extremely good at communicating the subject matter and I feel that he truly enjoys teaching the class and has an extremely strong command on the material. He knows it from front to back and when students are having trouble he is more than helpful. The only negative is when taking two of his classes, all of the assignments are due on the same thursday and those days are pretty stressful.

Keep up the awesome teaching! By far one of the best courses I took at WIT. Class was challenging to the point that I was consistently learning, and the grades ended up reflecting effort of understanding. Thank you!

I don't really know what suggestions to give. You're there if I need help; you explain tough problems in a really simple way and the BB-8 toy is really cool. The one thing I suggest is using some newer jokes. The 'alien in the T.A.R.D.I.S.' joke has been heard too many times now.