Wentworth Institute of Technology

Spring 2017, COMP 3770 INTRO ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE Section 3
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There were: 22 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	19	100%	4.7	4.0	4.0	4.0	68%	32%	0%	0%	0%	0%		
2	Analyze a problem, idetifying inputs, outputs and processing req.	19	100%	4.6	4.1	4.1	4.1	63%	37%	0%	0%	0%	0%		
3	Better able to design, code and test a program	19	84%	4.4	3.9	3.9	3.9	58%	26%	16%	0%	0%	0%		
4	Course used current techniques, skills and tools	19	95%	4.6	4.1	4.1	4.1	68%	26%	5%	0%	0%	0%		
5	Intend to further my study of material	19	89%	4.6	4.0	4.0	4.0	74%	16%	11%	0%	0%	0%		
6	Better able to analyze user needs	19	84%	4.3	3.9	3.9	3.9	47%	37%	16%	0%	0%	0%		
7	Obtained enhanced understanding of best practices, standards and protocols	19	100%	4.7	4.0	4.0	4.0	68%	32%	0%	0%	0%	0%		
8	Better assist in creation of effective project plan	19	84%	4.3	3.9	3.9	3.9	53%	32%	11%	5%	0%	0%		
9	Adequate lab facilities	19	94%	4.6	3.9	3.9	3.9	63%	26%	5%	0%	0%	5%		
10	Environment conducive to learning	19	95%	4.7	4.0	4.0	4.0	79%	16%	5%	0%	0%	0%		
11	Goals for learning achieved	19	95%	4.7	4.0	4.0	4.0	74%	21%	5%	0%	0%	0%		
12	Access of information	19	84%	4.3	3.9	3.9	3.9	42%	42%	16%	0%	0%	0%		
13	Oral communication skills.	19	44%	3.7	3.6	3.6	3.6	32%	11%	47%	5%	0%	5%		
14	Written communication skills.	19	61%	3.8	3.7	3.7	3.7	32%	26%	32%	0%	5%	5%		
15	Graphic communication skills.	19	53%	3.9	3.6	3.6	3.6	37%	11%	37%	5%	0%	11%		
16	Improved problem solving.	19	95%	4.7	3.9	3.9	3.9	74%	21%	5%	0%	0%	0%		
17	Understanding traits of leadership.	19	53%	3.9	3.7	3.7	3.7	37%	11%	37%	5%	0%	11%		
18	Improved team skills.	19	71%	4.1	3.7	3.7	3.7	32%	32%	26%	0%	0%	11%		
19	Exposed to ethical behavior.	19	100%	4.6	3.7	3.7	3.7	58%	37%	0%	0%	0%	5%		
20	Sustainable resources.	19	68%	4.1	3.5	3.5	3.5	37%	32%	32%	0%	0%	0%		
21	Societal and global issues.	19	79%	4.1	3.5	3.5	3.5	32%	47%	16%	5%	0%	0%		
24	Stimulated thought	19	100%	4.8	4.0	4.0	4.0	84%	16%	0%	0%	0%	0%		
25	Knows subject matter	19	100%	4.9	4.3	4.3	4.3	95%	5%	0%	0%	0%	0%		
								Str Agree	Agree	Neutral	Disagree	Str Disagree	N/A		
26	Communicated subject well	19	95%	4.8	3.9	3.9	3.9	84%	11%	5%	0%	0%	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	21	0%					0%	5%	0%	67%	14%	14%	0%	0%
								1-3	4-6	7-9	10-12	13-15	16-18	19-21	22+
	Classes this semester	21	0%					19%	81%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%

Text Responses

Improvement suggestions

Keep using Pacman!

Change the course prerequisites so that we could cover more material.

Incorporate in class exercises into the lessons. Sometimes it was not always clear how to implement some algorithms from lectures into assignments.

Offer an advanced level course or at least go faster through the content in this one. I would love to get deeper into this but there's no real Part 2.

If there was a course to use python before taking this class, it would be much easier to get into. It would also allow more time for AI subjects instead of needing to spend time giving a crash course on python.

Make more prerequisites for the course

Add more pre-reqs! Its hard! But otherwise everything is totally fair and well done.

Other comments

This course take more time to finish projects and homework than others, it might necessary to know this for someone take many class in one semester.

Great course, It needs to stay and it is a great into to AI in software.

Are there other ways/projects to teach AI algorithms other than PacMan?

The course is difficult but fair, and the material is interesting. I thoroughly enjoyed this class despite its large amount of work.

Comments for professor

For the homework, I think it might be better to go over some basic information needed to finish the homework in the lab before the homework is due. People who have problem with the homework likely miss something they need to understand in order to do this homework.

I enjoyed Derbinsky a lot. He is very engaging. I wish we got to spend more time on machine learning. I think we could have benefitted from spending more time discussing what ideas ai could be applied to besides pacman

Great class!

I appreciated how down to earth all the examples given in class were, the videos helped a lot. I wish we could have covered more!

Nate Derbinsky is a great professor. He challenges the entire class while still making it fun and a great work environment. He is always available when needed during office hours and always willing to help with any class/unrelated problems you may be dealing with.

I think the course was great both for my CS fundamentals and my understanding of AI. Personally, though, I prefer final projects to have a bit more structure, and I think I would have benefited from more lab time dedicated to project work. Yet, there is a lot of content to cover so I know this may not be possible.

Very helpful and reasonable. He gives us a lot of work, but is there to help us learn everything we need to do it well. Very enjoyable personality and a great teacher overall.

Prof. Derbinksy is an extremely smart professor and his ability to explain complicated subjects well and offer incredibly useful feedback, has strongly improved his clarity since I last took his class.

I enjoyed the class very much. I thought the workload, though difficult, was manageable. The grading was fair and expectations/requirements were clearly stated. Even though there were no pre-req's, it definitely helped coming into this course with some other main classes, specifically data structures and algorithms.

I get why you're a tough grader, but I know people who wouldn't take the class because of it, and they're really smart people; they just don't want to lose their high GPA.

Nates the best!!!! Go nate!!