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Student Feedback Survey Summary Report, Academic Term 2152 (SP15)

Instructor: Thirumuruganathan, Saravan
Course: CSE-5334-002-DATA MINING
Course ID: 2152-29771

Number of students enrolled: 21
Number of surveys submitted: 14
Response rate: 66.7%
(*cf. university-wide mean response rates: Fall 2014 = 44%; Spring 2015 = 52%*)

REPORT LAYOUT AND CONTENT

This report contains four sections:

Overall Indicators: An instructor index (a weighted average of the survey's five key items about the instructor) plus indices relevant to special courses (e.g., laboratory facilities), if applicable.

Survey Results: Summary data for each of the survey's multiple choice items.
To interpret the figures, refer to the legend near the top of the next page.

Profile: The average rating for each scaled item presented in an alternative format.

Comments Report: Responses to each open-ended item, unedited.

REPORT ARCHIVING

Faculty members must download their SFS summary reports a secure location so that they are readily accessible for future use, e.g., as part of one's annual review.

Within the next several weeks, each chair/dean will receive a departmental/school compilation for review and filing within the unit.

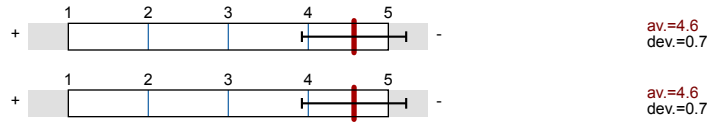
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Overall indicators

Global Index

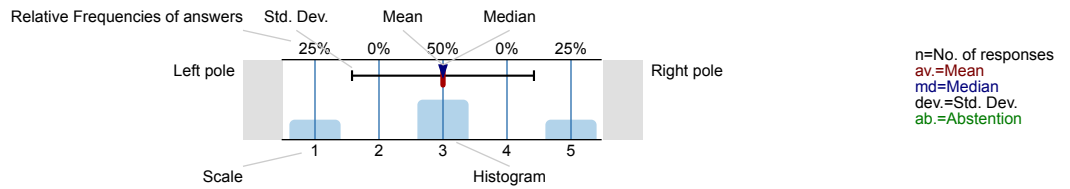
Instructor Index: Items 1.1 through 1.5 ($\alpha = 0.77$)



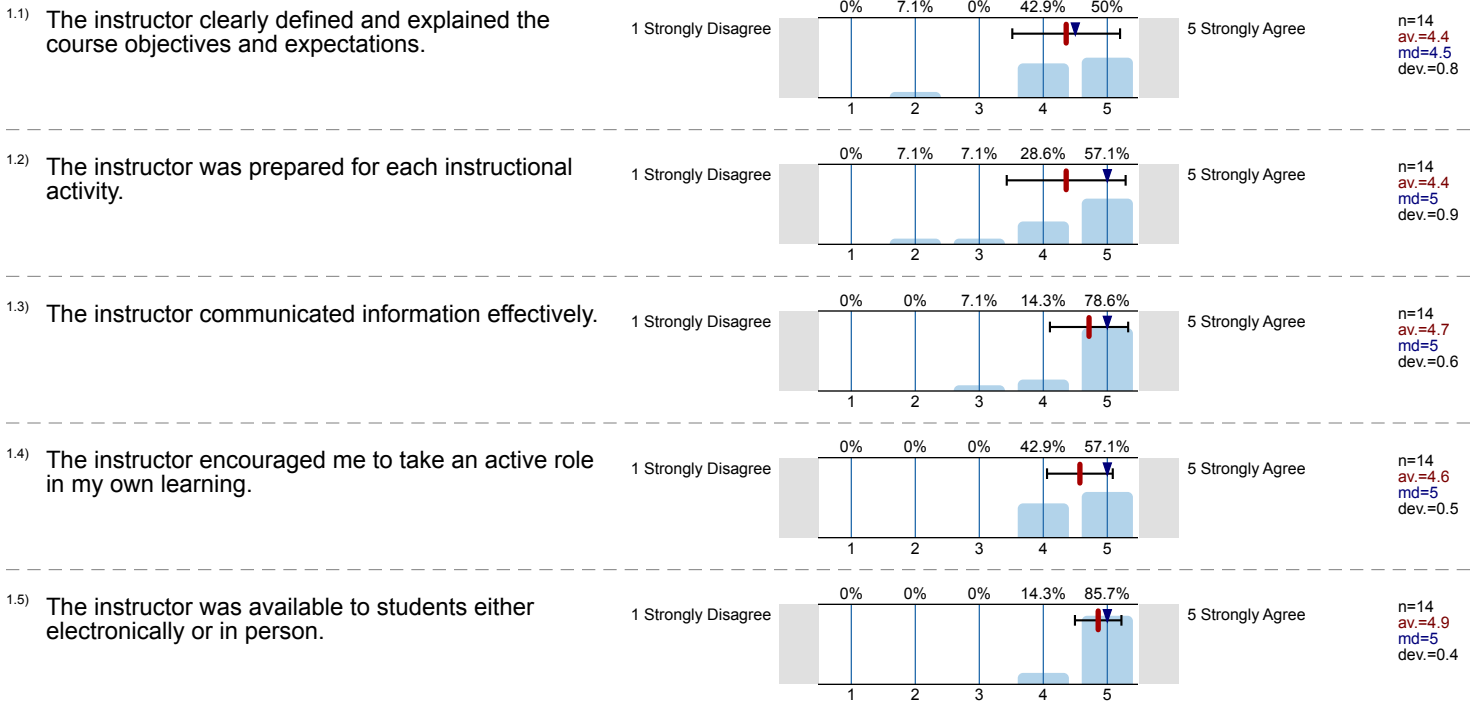
Survey Results

Legend

Question text



1. Core Survey Items. For each of the following five items, mandated by The University of Texas System, indicate your level of agreement. (Please note the relative placement of the options on the response scale.)

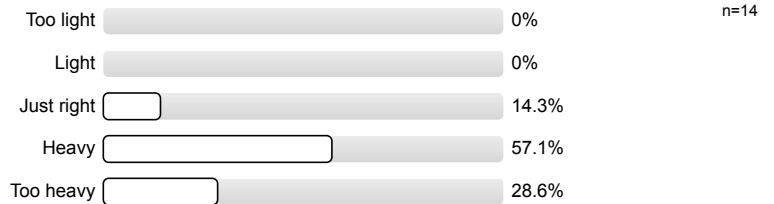


3. Pace and workload.

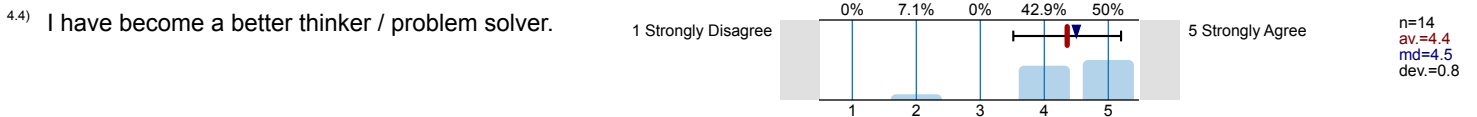
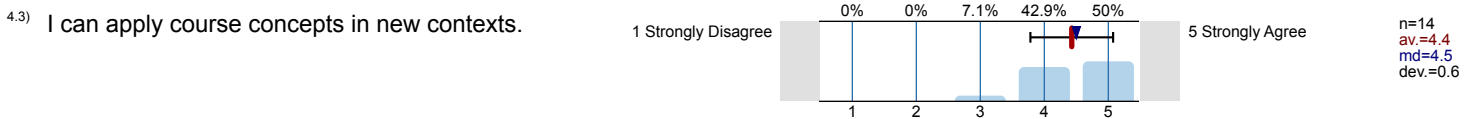
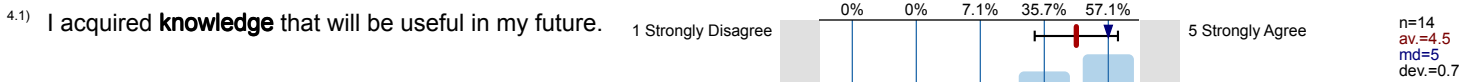
3.1) Rate the pace of the course.



3.2) Rate the workload required for the course.



4. Reflecting on what you learned in this course. Indicate your level of agreement with the following statements. Again, note the relative position of each option on the response scale.



Profile

Subunit: CSE
 Name of the instructor: Saravan Thirumuruganathan
 Name of the course: CSE-5334-002-DATA MINING
 (Name of the survey)

Values used in the profile line: Mean

1. Core Survey Items. For each of the following five items, mandated by The University of Texas System, indicate your level of agreement. (Please note the relative placement of the options on the response scale.)

1.1) The instructor clearly defined and explained the course objectives and expectations.	1 Strongly Disagree		5 Strongly Agree	n=14 av.=4.4 md=4.5 dev.=0.8
1.2) The instructor was prepared for each instructional activity.	1 Strongly Disagree		5 Strongly Agree	n=14 av.=4.4 md=5.0 dev.=0.9
1.3) The instructor communicated information effectively.	1 Strongly Disagree		5 Strongly Agree	n=14 av.=4.7 md=5.0 dev.=0.6
1.4) The instructor encouraged me to take an active role in my own learning.	1 Strongly Disagree		5 Strongly Agree	n=14 av.=4.6 md=5.0 dev.=0.5
1.5) The instructor was available to students either electronically or in person.	1 Strongly Disagree		5 Strongly Agree	n=14 av.=4.9 md=5.0 dev.=0.4

4. Reflecting on what you learned in this course. Indicate your level of agreement with the following statements. Again, note the relative position of each option on the response scale.

4.1) I acquired knowledge that will be useful in my future.	1 Strongly Disagree		5 Strongly Agree	n=14 av.=4.5 md=5.0 dev.=0.7
4.2) I acquired skills that will be useful in my future.	1 Strongly Disagree		5 Strongly Agree	n=14 av.=4.5 md=5.0 dev.=0.7
4.3) I can apply course concepts in new contexts.	1 Strongly Disagree		5 Strongly Agree	n=14 av.=4.4 md=4.5 dev.=0.6
4.4) I have become a better thinker / problem solver.	1 Strongly Disagree		5 Strongly Agree	n=14 av.=4.4 md=4.5 dev.=0.8

Comments Report

2. Narrative Feedback.

2.1) Which attributes of the course and/or the professor **helped** you learn the material?
(When the course is next taught, what should be done in the same way?)

- Great course content. Great Projects
- One of the best course that I had in UTA, Very Very useful course. Learnt a lot. A lot. The projects were very challenging and we learnt a lot through it. This course has created an interest in Data Science. The professor was available 24*7 for the students which is the best part of the professor. He tried to teach as much as possible in the given course duration. I WISH SARAVANAN TEACHES MORE COURSES IN UTA. I would blindly choose his course. Best course i ever had. !!!
- Professor's way of teaching and his interest to teach. Amazing syllabus. Excellent Professor!
- The Programming Assignments. Some were really challenging and time consuming but overall a good learning experience.
- The assignments given were very useful and challenging.
- The assignments helped understand the concepts and implementations. The resources were good in explaining the concepts.
- The professor us always motivate and planned the courses well.
- Topics. A Lot to learn.
Teaching method is good.
Instructor is always prepared and very helpful to all the students.
Always available to help.
Please carry on this attitude towards students, no matter how tough you make the course, you'll win students' hearts. :)
- ver helpfull and encouraging,slides, PA

2.2) Which attributes of the course and/or the professor **did not help** you learn the material?
(When the course is next taught, what might be revised?)

- Assignments' timeline tooo much hectic.
Very very tough midterms.
But then if we want to learn something, the current method should be carried on.
Please make the assignment schedule less coupled and less tightly scheduled.
- Exams could be little easy rather than too hard.
- Instead of exams the instructor could have two more assignments.
- NA
- None
- None!
- The Theory part could have been better also like other courses for tests sample material should be provided at least the pattern and type of questions. No prior idea of the test structure led to very low score.
- There is nothing such in this course. We learnt a lot.
- n/A