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Instructor STOVER. Term: Fall 2021. Students nonpublishable comments.

Section: LING 2001 TY11 Introduction to Ling
Question: Apart from the instructor, what are the strengths of the course?
Answers
1. Gives a good history of linguistics in addition to real-world applications
2. Great Professor who teaches this course in a very fun and interesting way!
3. It helps me with my major
4. It is very interesting how language can be dissected.
5. It provides a solid practice for other courses such as phonetics.
6. It's not that hard if you review the notes and slides.
7. learning about linguistic history
8. the content
9. the course does a nice job of giving us a well rounded understanding of the variables behind a language
10. The course is interesting, as the professor made it generally applicable to the world outside linguistics. It teaches you about linguistics without getting to bogged down by technical discussion.
11. The course is organized very efficiently, starting from the basics of linguistics and then getting into more complicated and abstract concepts.
12. The course material is interesting and challenging enough so that you're not bored during the lecture
13. the easy access material
14. The overview the course takes is broad but every subject is related to each other so it's easy to follow along.
15. The strengths of the course include being able to gain more knowledge on language ad grammar.
16. The strengths of this course is being able to get a clear understanding of the scientific study of the language.
17. This course allows you to breakdown language even languages that you do not know
18. This course's strengths are within the subject matter and the variety of related topics mentioned in the teachings, such as psycholinguistics, social variation, etc which make linguistics so interesting.
19. Useful material, interesting readings, and assignments that make you think independently about the subject.
20. You are able to use this in different language studies and there are many ways to improve your grade if you aren't satisfied
21. you learn about language and about linguistics.
22. You learn everything you need to learn without the stress of needing to be perfect with everything. The way she planned everything was very conducive to learning.
Question: How can the course be improved?
Answers
1. Add in a creative project, possibly making a beautiful syntax tree or language tree
2. I don't think there should be any changes to the course
3. I have no ideas.
4. I loved this course.
5. I think it can be pretty technical and wordy sometime
6. It can be improved if we did a case study focus on a language of our choosing
7. It's make it somewhat less complex. it could be a little bit challenging to understand the times
8. More accurate practice questions for exams
9. n/a nothing
10. No improvements.
11. No suggestions!
12. None that I can think off

13. not sure
14. Not sure- I thought it was great!
15. Syntactic phrase structures can be taught from the top-down so not many revisions are necessary. Some higher-level vocabulary can be included (e.g "nodes" on syntactic trees) to make talking about a topic more precise.
16. The course doesn't need to improve because there is a fair amount of homework and assignments given.
17. The course doesn't not need any improvement I believe.
Question: Apart from the course, what are the strengths of the instructor?
Answers
1. She seems like a really kind person and she care about her student and she?s understanding
2. Good speaker, relatable, entertaining, friendly, understanding
3. Her communication is great. She is always available and truly cares for her students. She makes the classroom a safe space and stress free.
4. Her friendliness and willing to help
5. Prof. Stover is engaging, enthusiastic, and clear while teaching. She is always willing to discuss, explain things more in depth, and hear a student out about their ideas.
6. Professor Stover is very engaging and positive. She encourages participation in any way a student feels comfortable. Topics' application is made very clear.
7. Professor Stover is very knowledgeable and open to new branches and conversations around Linguistics
8. Professor Stover was warm, engaging, and knowledgeable. Her excitement around linguistics was infectious and made the course a lot better. She was rigid enough to make sure the class ran on schedule and was fair, but was understanding enough not to drown students in stress.
9. She is really understanding and fair on her work. Her sense of humor makes the class really fun to be in.
10. She is young, has great energy, and loves her subject. She is also very nice and patient.
11. Super friendly and sweet professor, cares for her students and it shows.
12. The instructor always makes sure we understand what is going on and is willing to explain further until understood
13. The instructor is very engaging and very understanding of students situations.
14. The instructor is very nice and a fair grader. She is understanding and gives a lot of time for work to be due before the following class. She is a fun teacher and I enjoyed her class a lot.
15. The instructor is very thorough in her explanations, makes the course very engaging and interesting. Makes the students excited to learn, even the tests are fun to complete even though they are challenging
16. The professor is always available and is accommodating to everyones needs
17. The professor was exceptional! She was passionate about the topic and knew how to keep the class interesting. She made sure there was no confusion or questions on each subject before moving on. The syllabus and entire semester was very organized and easy to follow.
18. This instructor has a an in-depth understanding of the subject which allows her to explain topics in the most simplistic manner.
19. Very approachable, made the atmosphere very friendly which made engagement a lot easier and less stressful. Very knowledgeable on the subject matter and was able to inspire interest in her students.
20. Very fair, very knowledgeable
21. very organized, helpful and explains thetopics very well. she very engage during async and sync class time
22. Very personal and positive, always kept the class in a jolly mood. Can also be very reassuring.
23. very understanding, extremely approachable, incredibly flexible, able to connect with students
Question: How can the instructor's teaching be improved?
Answers
1. By continuing to do what she is doing now.
2. I believe having 2 class meetings a week instead of 1 synchronous lecture and 1 asynchronous lecture that is recorded and posted for the class to watch would be better, as I often forgot to watch the asynchronous recording.
3. I dont know
4. it can not
5. It honestly cant be.

6. It is already good as there are recorded lectures live classes office hours etc
7. n/a nothing
8. No improvements needed.
9. No suggestions as of now.
10. None! She's the best!
11. Nothing really comes to mind.
12. Nothing, she does a great job already
13. she should stay the same , she made my semester
14. She was awesome, the only note I have is that grades sometimes take a while, but no notes to her actual teaching!
15. The professor did a pretty good job this semester. I can't think about anything. she can improve on at the current moment
16. The teacher doesn't need to improve at all. Her lectures are the perfect amount of lecture and group work.
17. The teaching is very fun and interesting, so the instructor should keep herself motivated like always.

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Section: LING 2001 R11 Introduction to Ling
Question: Apart from the instructor, what are the strengths of the course?
Answers
1. A strength in this class was being able to communicate with other students and have them understand that material when they were confused because of how well professor Stover had me understand it.
2. A lot to learn
3. Complex aspects of linguistics are simplified for easier learning.
4. extremely informative and eye-opening
5. Goes through by introducing the variety topics of Linguistics.
6. It allowed me to be mindful of different dialects and to learn a lot of the way we speak.
7. It is very useful and you will apply the knowledge you learn here to other areas/subjects too.
8. It provides you a lot of information about how languages work as well as teaches you the structure of languages.
9. It's valuable if you want to understand language on a deeper level.
10. Learning communication rules in different languages and cultures.
11. Once you get the hang of the material and understand what it actually is that you're learning, you'd want to share that knowledge with close friends because it's cool.
12. recommend linguistics for any speech pathology or communications major to understand how language works
13. The clear powerpoints and presentations which help a lot with understanding the content a little better.
14. The course is very dynamic, as I learned about several different aspects of language in such a short period of time. I also feel like none of the topics were rushed.
15. The course is very organized and easy to follow.
16. The course provides us as students the knowledge of all the aspects of language and speech within every culture of itself
17. The strengths of the course is to enhance the learners foundation in the English language. An additional strength is that the learner will be able to break down the language for clearer understanding.
18. The strengths of this course is that it provides students with a background in understanding the science of language. This course introduces students to various languages as well.
19. This class will benefit you in the future.
Question: How can the course be improved?
Answers
1. A little more practice can be used.
2. Course seems fine
3. Everything about this course overall is perfect, I think the only thing it needs is just the participation of the students.

4. Focusing more on real life applications of the material.
5. I don't think there was anything to improve the course was great.
6. I dont think this course needs to be improved
7. I think it is good enough this way.
8. I think it's pretty well structured.
9. I think this class is very well as it is.
10. I wish the course was in person because I loved it so much. Other than that, it was wonderful.
11. it is perfect the way it is!
12. Maybe having things at a quicker pace would improve the course. However, this can be useful to students who have a hard time following.
13. None needed.
14. only complaint is in reference to allowing inappropriate/lenient language use in chat box from other students. distracting from trying to learn the topics
15. Quizzes can be a bit more fair.
16. The course can be improved by being taught in an in-person format, all learning would benefit from it, it is the setting that is lacking (the home setting).

Question: Apart from the course, what are the strengths of the instructor?

Answers

1. A strength of this professor was that she was able to always provide help to her students when they needed it. Also, she always encouraged to participate in class and made everyone feel comfortable, and because of this it made students feel motivated to share.
2. Good class discussions
3. Is able not only to provide notes in a very organized manner, but is able to engage with students in a easygoing and fun way.
4. nice, genuine, easy to reach out to, understanding
5. Prof. Stover is very accommodating and approachable if you are struggling with this class she is more than willing to help you out. She also posts Asynchronous lectures apart from the live sessions which are helpful for quizzes/exams.
6. Professor Stover is really understanding and helpful. She wants her students to do well and provides us with useful and interesting information
7. She is a very personable person so it allowed me to feel more comfortable in her class
8. She is amazing with great energy, she likes to help students connect to the content and she always uses great examples to make it easier to understand.
9. She is so fun and knowledgeable, she really cares about her students and that hard quality to find in professors
10. She is very good at explaining terms and concepts. It was very easy to understand the material.
11. super pleasant, very knowledgeable of the course topics and makes it very easy to breakdown and understand the information. also Professor is very approachable
12. The instructor is extremely responsive to each and every student. She allowed us to voice our opinions on many of the topics and subject matter discussed. She also made the class pretty interesting.
13. The instructor is fair and very funny, I really enjoy the course.
14. The instructor is very open to students' ideas and gives the space to speak and validate their thoughts.
15. The instructor is very polite, understandable for the students. She is always here to listen to any suggestions and very open to people.
16. The instructor is very understanding and very thoughtful of the students and our capabilities of grasping the material since it is hard with being online but she kept her students in mind all the time. She was never discouraging to her students and always offered to help or repeat anything that wasn't understood the first couple of times.
17. The strengths of the instructor is being thorough and knowledgeable about the topics of the course and is able to clearly get the point across. Me doing well in this course primarily is due to the teaching of the instructor.
18. Very charismatic charming and empathic
19. very knowledgeable of the content! she also personalizes the content and connects it in a very useful and cool way.
20. Very open to opinions and very engaging during class discussions.

Question: How can the instructor's teaching be improved?

Answers
1. Giving too much space to students to speak slowed the course down a bit so being strict about when it would be appropriate for a student to share would help the teaching improve.
2. I don't have anything to add for this part.
3. I don't really see anything that can be done, since everything was done excellently.
4. I dont think she needs to improve her teaching i think the way she is going about teaching is perfect
5. I have no suggestions for this
6. I would say she is great this way.
7. Maybe by allowing the options of group work when it came to the big hw assignments.
8. More groupwork
9. None needed.
10. see question no.12
11. she is a great professor!
12. Something that can be improved is having us do little quizzes to ensure that we understand the material, but I think the Professors teachings in this course is great as it is.
13. Teaching is fine
14. There's nothing to be improved since everything is beyond perfect.

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Section: LING 2001 TY11 Introduction to Ling
Question: Apart from the instructor, what are the strengths of the course?
Answers
1. Easily organized, very clear instructions for assignments, interesting material.
2. Easy communication, assignments look tough but are easy once you do them.
3. Everything about this course will help you deal with people in the real world i learned so much about cultures languages and dialects in this course
4. Intro to Linguistics teaches about the basics of language; starting from the sounds that make up words, to parts of words, to the meanings of the words themselves. For anyone who likes languages, phonetics and speech pathology this is a great class.
5. Organized topics, outline of content was clear. Information easy to digest.
6. The course allows you to learn more about languages
7. The course is difficult but with Prof. Stover you are sure to understand it.
8. The strengths of this course is that the information is retainable and you leave learning something after every class.
9. The work is always organized and i?d you need help she is there for you. Class time can drag and i often find myself doing other things but it?s not hard to catch up as she posts the slides and has videos explaining everything
10. This course provides a foundation in the main areas of linguistics.
Question: How can the course be improved?
Answers
1. Add more infographics to presentations.
2. Allowing for appointed office hour times so there can be group settings for office hours.
3. I think the course is good.
4. In person class for this course would be way better
5. it doesnt have to
6. less work. it?s extensive
7. Make the textbook free.
8. Nothing
Question: Apart from the course, what are the strengths of the instructor?

Answers

1. Everything
 2. Prof. Stover is very understanding and accomodating. She encourages everyone to ask questions and makes everyone feel comfortable.
 3. She is very nice and understanding
 4. She was very understanding and helpful with whatever we needed.
 5. she?s always ready to offer a helping hand
 6. The instructor skillfully conveys information.
 7. The strengths of the professor is that she is truly the most empathetic, compassionate, and understanding person. I loved this class because of how well she held the class together and how comfortable everyone in the class felt talking with each other about the subject as if we were all friends which made me excited for every class!
 8. Understanding and easy to talk to, also emails and lets us know about different things in the course.
 9. Very accommodating and patient. Enthusiastic about the subject.
 10. Very sweet and knows a lot about linguistics. Makes the course interesting.
- Question:** How can the instructor's teaching be improved?

Answers

1. allow students to work out problems in class to reinforce what was taught.
2. I think it's good.
3. I wish some of the readings were a little easier.
4. it doesnt have to
5. make class time a little more interesting
6. Nothing
7. Nothing. Great balance between technical aspect of linguistics and the concept of language and how it is studied.
8. nothing. loved prof. stover
9. She's the best professor, nothing needs to be improved.
10. The instructor needs more experience in designing quizzes.

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