

## **TE 250: Mid-Semester Feedback**

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**Fall Semester – Section 6**

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### **1. What is working well for you in this course (e.g., readings, class discussions, assignments, activity, lectures, etc.)?**

- Class discussions have been the most useful to me in this course. Some readings and most lectures are working well. There weren't very many assignments, however.
- I enjoy the class discussions a lot even though I don't really say much. I like to know how/what people feel at time we have the same views. Looking forward to book chats.
- The class discussions, activities and the angel forums have allowed me to better relate and understand the material.
- Class discussion, I love this class because it is honestly teaching or educating me a lot of things I had no clue about. I'm progressing better as a student, and person, seeing things from a different perspective. This class introduced me to my first conversation about racism and it has really taught me a lot.
- I like class discussion and being able to openly talk about how I truly feel about certain subjects. I think the assignments we do in class are good because we can branch out and talk with people we usually don't. The online activities are also good because sometimes it's either to write it online than talk about it.
- Class discussions and lectures help break down the readings we have to make them more clearly for us if they are confusing. I also like activities that we do to demonstrate the readings to help us apply it.
- Everything is working well. I just favor the class discussions, assignments and activities more.
- The class discussions and activities have worked very well for me. They have kept my attention and helped me understand the material better.
- Class discussions and the openness of the learning environment. Readings introduce new facts and perspectives I've never heard before.
- The class discussions are very helpful after reading the assigned articles. I really like when all of us get involved and add our own comments to the discussion.
- Class discussions definitely help me understand readings and topics being discussed in class. I like hearing what everyone has to say. I also like the posts on Angel because if I don't get to say something in class, I can always put it up on Angel.
- I like the class discussions especially well in this class along with the activities that we do and the videos that we watch. Everything that we do in this class is very stimulating and brings up interesting points that I have not thought about before.
- Lectures and class discussions work the best for my understanding. Also reading articles help to clarify my understanding of each of the subjects.

- I like the calls discussions. They are so valuable to me because there are a lot of differences I became aware of through talking with classmates. The assignments are helpful to the subject matter together and make personal relations etc with course material.
- The class discussions are very helpful. Sometimes the reading load seems a little heavy if there are a few large articles assigned at once. Otherwise everything seems to be going okay.
- I love the discussions we have. They're mature, personal, passionate and interesting every class period.
- Class assignments are great, activities and the lectures are all very helpful but the readings are repetitive.
- Readings are ones that are unlike ones I've ever read-very enlightening, thought evoking and interesting.
- Class discussions and activities work well for me in class. I learn a lot from the discussions and I also like the fact everyone is involved in the activities and discussions.
- I enjoy the class discussions in this course because I feel that I get to see all the sides/perspectives of a given topic. I also feel that the activities and video clips that directly relate to our discussions because they allow me to see and remember real life situations.

**2. What areas could be strengthened to enhance your learning in the course? (e.g., readings, class discussions, assignments, activities, lectures, etc.)?**

- Because the readings become a little overwhelming at times, I feel as if the readings should be done once a week so that we can stay engaged and have a chance to catch up and read all of the articles and enhance our learning.
- I think we should have a few more assignments instead of just the big papers. Posting grade on ANGEL could help students keep track of grades. Otherwise this is my favorite class.
- The prints of some readings make it very difficult to read and understand. Also I wish we only to read 2-3 articles per class instead of the multiple articles because I get confused with all the authors and their opinions.
- I would honestly have to say I have no complaints. This class is well-rounded; I honestly feel all educated African Americans should teach this class because they truly understand what it means to be considered a minority. They can really explain to student's who don't understand because they went through it. (Sorry if this isn't really explanatory I'm really engaged in the class discussion, I love it.) Multi-tasking is not my era!
- I think that the amount of reading every night is too much, especially since most articles are so similar.
- The readings can be a little heavy and overwhelming. I think there are some that could be eliminated. Other than that, I really enjoy this class.
- What could be strengthened in my opinion would be the class discussions. I really enjoy it.

- I think that if the readings were more spread out (so that we don't have 2 articles on day and 6 days then day). I would be able to comprehend the material more effectively. I know it's not always possible because we cover different topics each class and there are different articles on each topic.
- Assignments and in-class activities toward the start of the semester increased in depth and thoughtfulness throughout the semester.
- Sometimes when we have multiple articles to read I get confused on what information goes with what article. But, I really enjoy the topic of this class.
- I think we should have more small group discussions about readings and so on. Also group activities benefit me and my understanding of what we are doing in class.
- I think that the readings could be a little more interesting because sometimes I'm not always attached or interested. Some of that tend to get a little repetitive and boring.
- I feel reading could be strengthened. At times the readings are difficult to complete because the same ideas are being repeated over and over again.
- To help me learn more the class could be a little more organized. Moving from topic to topic with every discussion rather than spending too much time on one particular thing. Your friend, student.
- Activities are always helpful but time consuming sometimes. It's hard to stay focused on long readings when there are many assigned at a time. Everything else is really good. I really enjoy the class.
- Maybe not having so many readings each night so that we could go more in depth on each article during the class period.
- The readings could be strengthened.
- Class discussions are fun-but some stories get off topic-also I want to hear others' opinions.
- N/A. I like the way the class is.
- I really enjoy everything about this course. The only thing I could suggest would be more interaction between classmates. (Seating chart variety or small group discussions more often.)