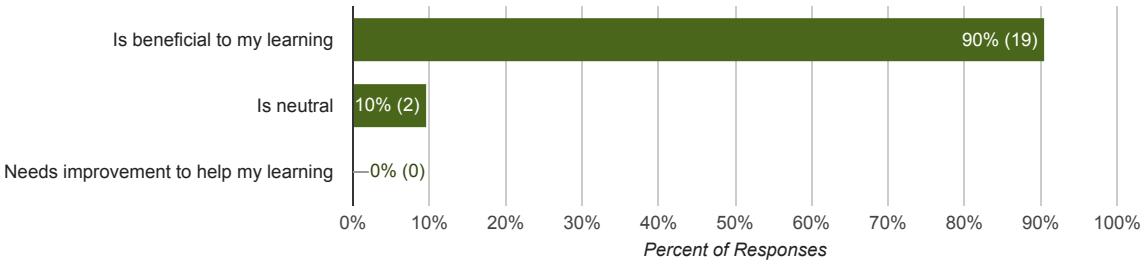
Interm Microec Theory (Winter 2024 E-SES)

Instructor: **Rojas, Jose**
Subject: **Economics**
Catalog & Section: **311 25557**

Enrollment: **45**
Responses Incl Declines: **21**
Declines: **0**

Teaching and Learning Elements

The inclusiveness of this course:



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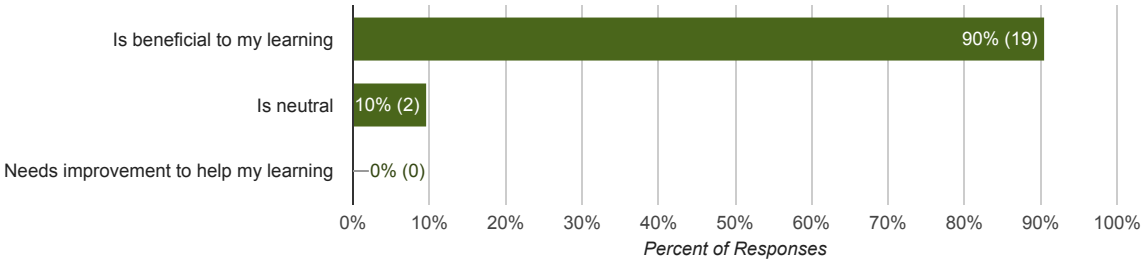

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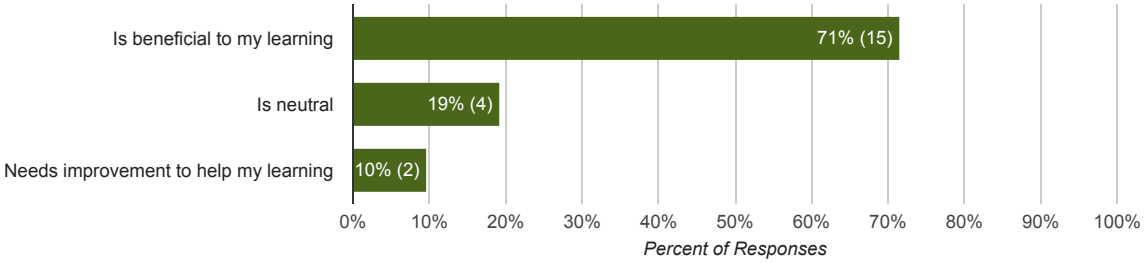
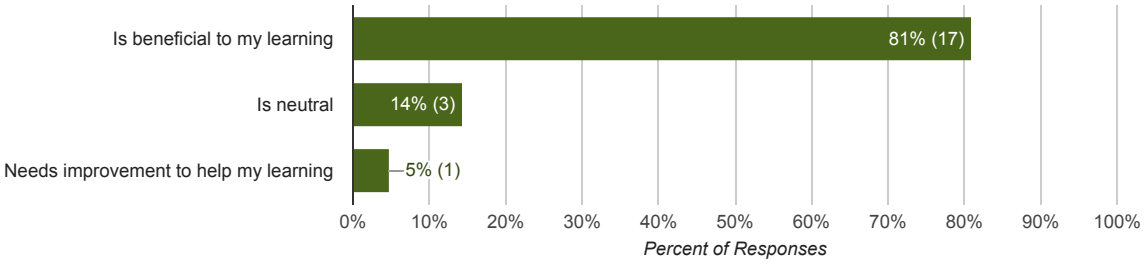
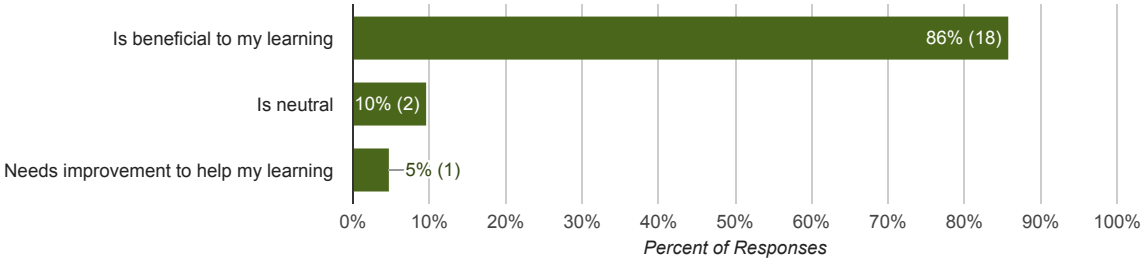


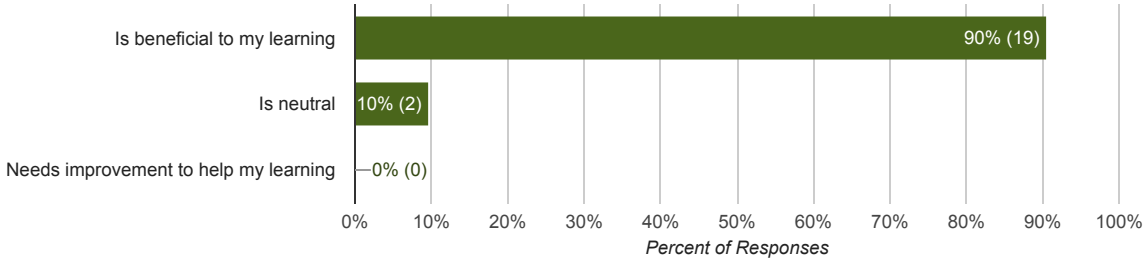
The clarity of assignment instructions and grading:



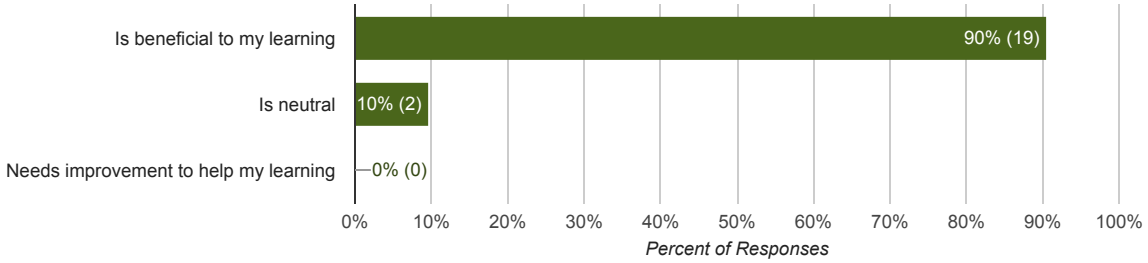
The degree to which the course includes active learning:



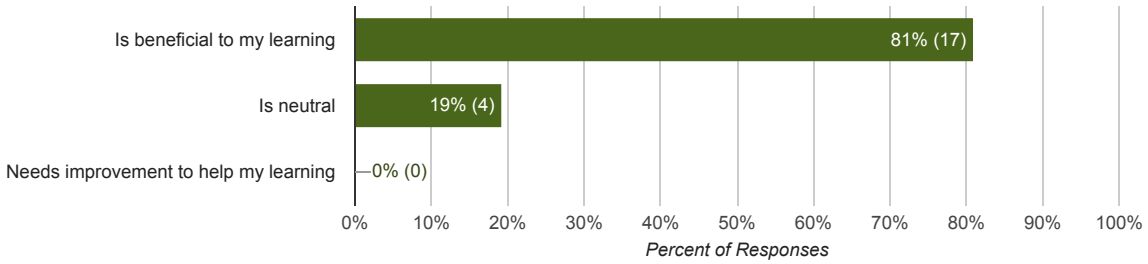
Instructor communication:



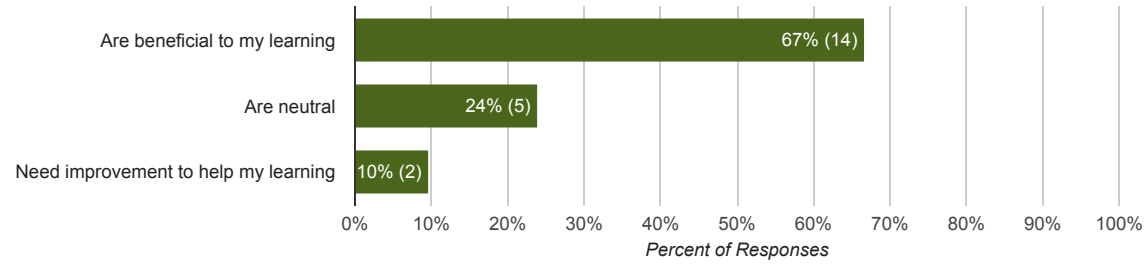
The organization of the course:



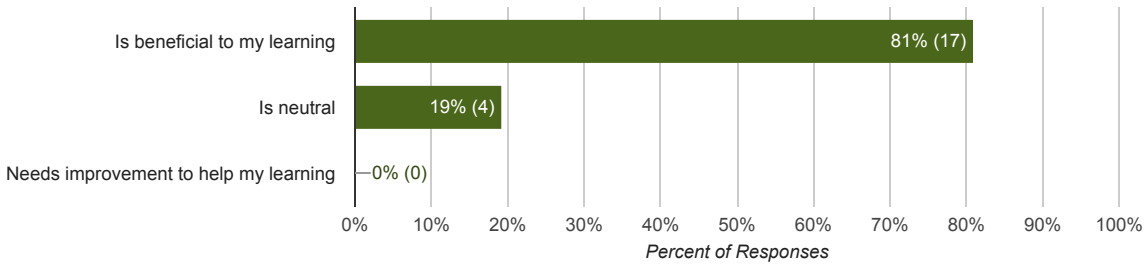
The relevance of the course content:



The assignments or projects in this course:



The accessibility of the course:



Most Beneficial

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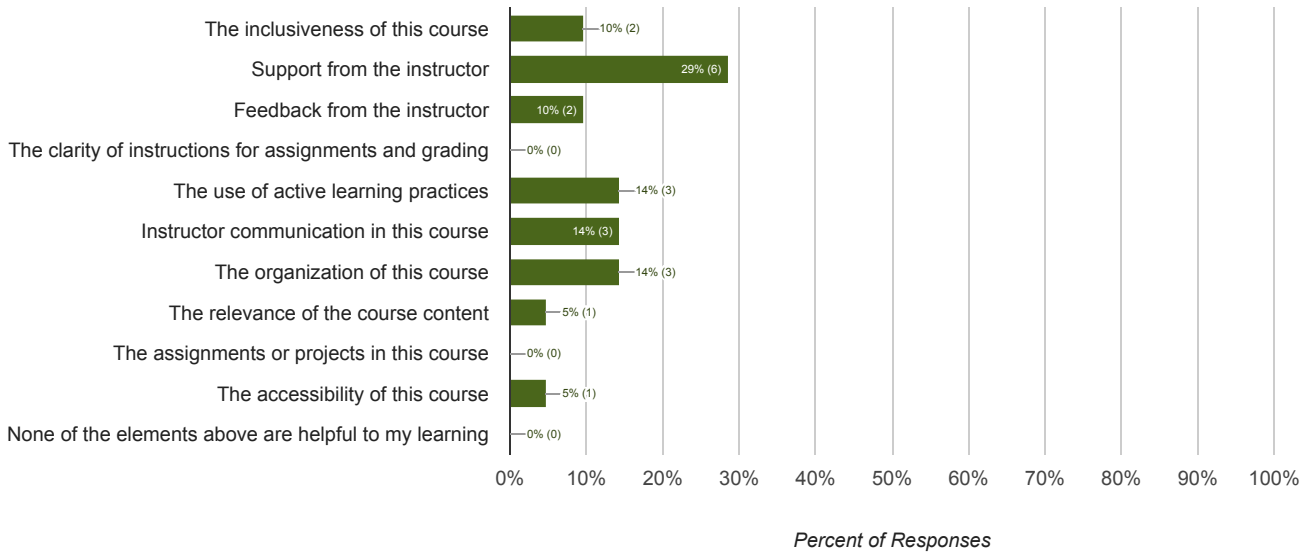


Most Beneficial Comments

What's Been MOST Helpful to Your Learning? (15 comments)

Q: What specifically about the inclusiveness of the course helped your learning?

1 Everyone needs to participate

2 Jose has a way of teaching that is clear and easy to follow. He is a gifted teacher, and am grateful and blessed to have had him.

Q: What specifically about the support from the instructor helped your learning?

1 Easy to get a hold of, great at explaining step-by-step problems. Easy to get help from

2 Jose made accommodations for me when I needed it, and made time outside of class to go over material which I found to be very helpful. Great guy and teacher

3 The way he makes the class entertaining and really clear.

4 Whenever I needed help with a problem Professor Rojas was willing to help, whether it be after class or in a Zoom meeting outside of his office hours.

5 The instructor has been extremely helpful and very good at communicating with us. Timely in emailing!

Q: What specifically about the level of challenge helped your learning?

Q: What specifically about the feedback helped your learning?

1 He was very helpful in teaching the material clearly and effectively. He was also was very accommodating to every students needs when it came to needing more help understanding tough material.

Q: What specifically about the quality of course materials helped your learning?

Q: What specifically about the clarity of instructions helped your learning?

Q: What specifically about the use of active learning helped your learning?

1	I appreciate in class work through the types of problems that we will see on the exams. Being allowed time to just struggle through problems, then be walked through it and able to mark all of my errors is good.
2	The practice problems that we go over in class have been extremely helpful.

Q: What specifically about the interactions between students helped your learning?

Q: What specifically about instructor communication helped your learning?

1	Everything has been clear so I'm able to understand both the content and the work I need to be doing.

Q: What specifically about the organization of this course helped your learning?

1	Everything has a very clear due date and is all available on canvas.
2	I liked the organization of lectures, and what we would be graded on. The syllabus was very organized so I always knew what to expect.
3	I like how the professor stops the lecture to ask questions just to make sure that we understand it and the slides are beneficial for learning

Q: What specifically about the relevance of the course content helped your learning?

1	Yes

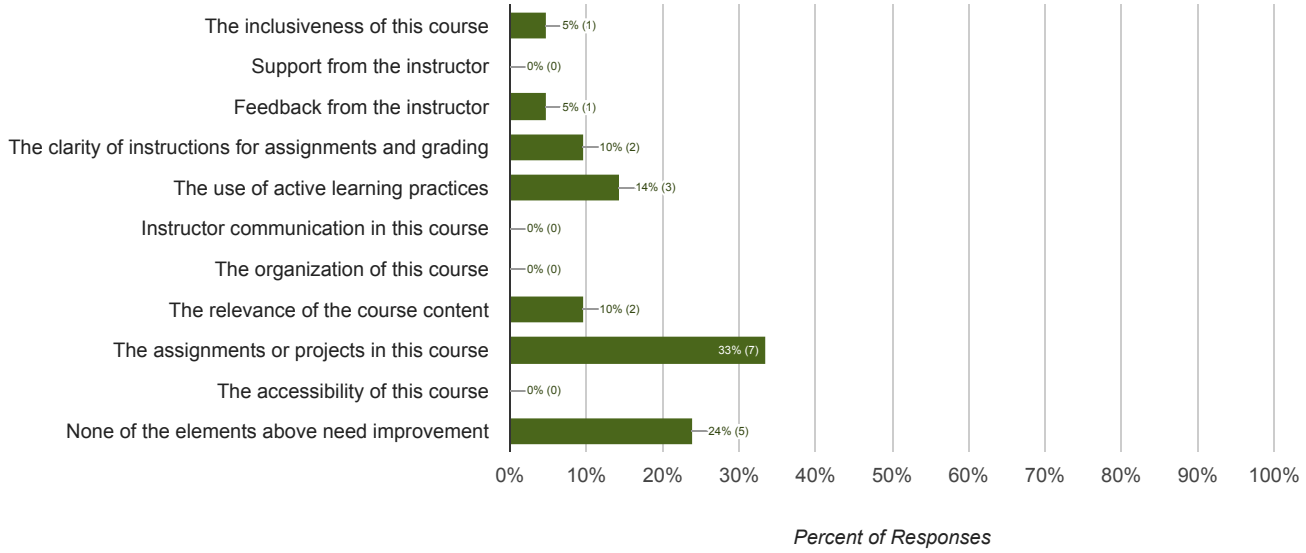
Q: What specifically about the assignments or projects helped your learning?

Q: What specifically about the accessibility of this course helped your learning?

Q: Please say more about how none of the teaching elements above were helpful to your learning.

Most In Need of Improvement

Please select one teaching element that could most use some improvement to help you learn, and then provide a detailed written comment about what specific changes you suggest.



Most In Need of Improvement Comments

What Could MOST Use Some Improvement to Help you Learn? (18 comments)

Q: What specific change in the inclusiveness of the course would help your learning?

1 Not necessarily inclusivity, but I would've preferred iclickers as opposed to the name wheel. I found that when I did attend class I was not called on, and when I missed class I was often called on, leading to a skewed attendance grade.

Q: What specific change in the support from the instructor would help your learning?

Q: Was the course too hard or too easy? What specific change related to the level of challenge would help your learning?

Q: What specific change in the feedback would help your learning?

1 Maybe having solutions on the achieve homework so we can self teach as well.

Q: What specific change in the quality of course materials would help your learning?

Q: What specific change in the clarity of instructions would help your learning?

1 The achieve problems don't give you good explanations

2 Rarely, the questions are worded weirdly and trip up students.

Q: What specific change in the use of active learning would help your learning?

1 More practice for the midterm and final.

2 I would make the labs required, because that active learning is what helps everyone.

Q: What specific change in the use of active learning would help your learning?

3	What would help is reviewing slides and work and ensuring all the content is correct. It took time from class and other students had to point out the errors. What would also be helpful is more interactive learning rather than just slideshows. Jose is a good professor, however some changes are needed in his teaching style.

Q: What specific change in instructor communication would help your learning?

Q: What specific change in the interactions between students would help your learning?

Q: What specific change in the organization of the course would help your learning?

Q: What specific change in the relevance of the course content would help your learning?

Q: What specific change in the assignments or projects would help your learning?

1	Please make your in class examples more like the ones on the quiz
2	The Achieve tends to be different from the stuff on the exam.
3	A lot of the content on the Achieve homework is purely from the textbook and doesn't relate to how we are taught materials within the course. At least making that clear and adding readings to the curriculum would be useful, or allowing more than two attempts as if it's a weird concept I will get the answer wrong, twice, and because of the number of questions absolutely destroy my grade with just that one failure. The quizzes are a bit different for me, sure I get often really bad grades but it's mistakes related to the in class learning instead of something I'm forced to learn on my own.
4	Achieve homework assignments are terrible
5	Specifically, the Achieve homework is useless. It does not match very well with the course material. It also just adds an assignment that is busy work.
6	The separate homework program was of inconvenience and could be more relevant for class content.
7	Did not enjoy the achieve homework as it didn't help with studying for the test.

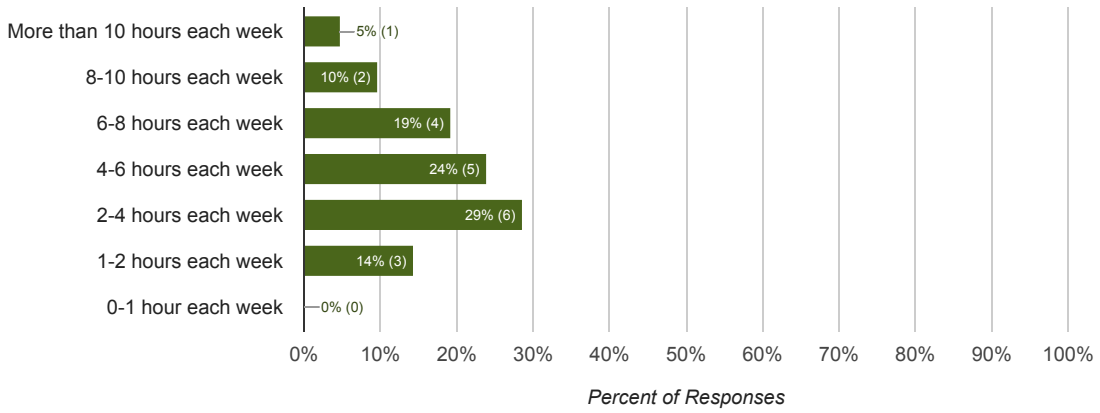
Q: What specific change in the accessibility of the course would help your learning?

Q: Please say more about how none of the teaching elements above need improvement to help your learning.

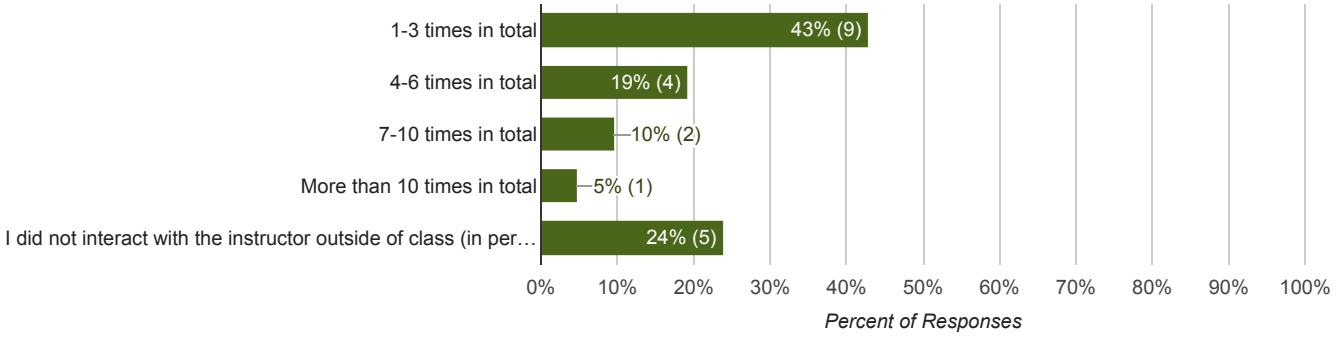
1	I liked his class and i felt very engaged and wanted to learn.
2	none
3	I think he provided all the stuff needed to learn, I don't see there needing to be a ton of improvement
4	I though this class went smooth

Student engagement in their own learning

How many hours per week did you spend on this course (not including any face-to-face class time)?



Approximately how many times did you interact with the instructor outside of class (e.g. by email, office hours)?



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Is there anything else you would like to say about your learning experience?

Final Question (5 comments)

Q: What else would you like to say about your learning experience in the course? Please avoid personal comments about the instructor.

1	Thanks for a good year!
2	Jose has been a fantastic instructor, greatly helping to make a challenging course more understandable for all students. I rate his teaching style and professionalism as 10/10.
3	The random wheel of cold calling is very anxiety inducing and causes me to focus purely on getting an answer rather than actively doing the class problem.
4	The lectures are always fun and entertaining.
5	Jose had an interesting way of teaching in which he was relatable and made the content he was teaching easy to learn. The learning experience was the best out of any other teacher i have had at the UO. I would hope he continues teaching!