

Project Title: **Course and Teacher Evaluations CTEC Spring 2026**

Courses Audience: **23**

Responses Received: **16**

Response Ratio: **69.6%**

Report Comments

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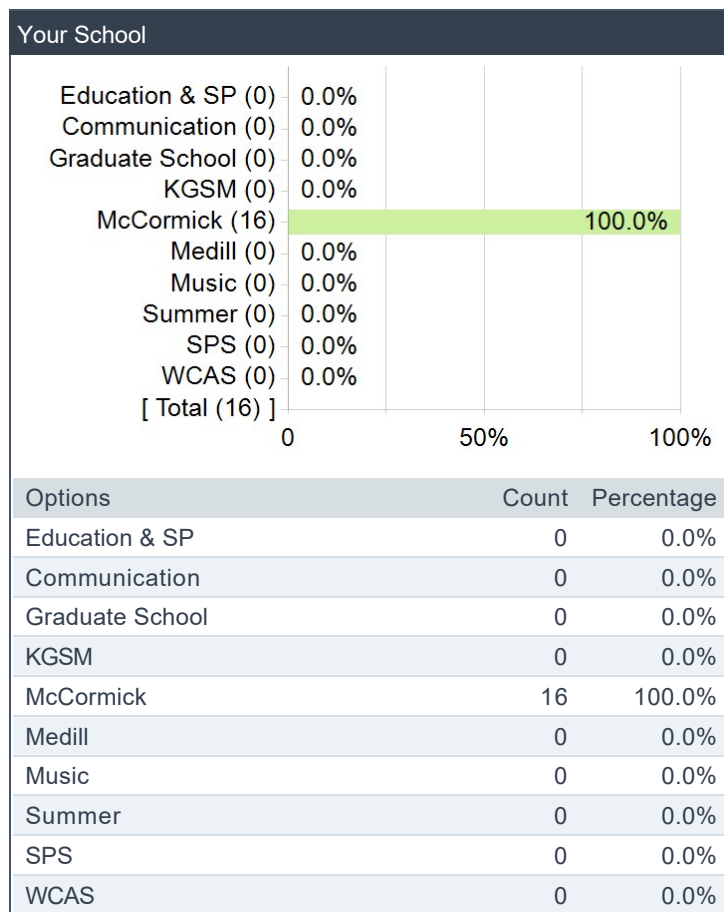
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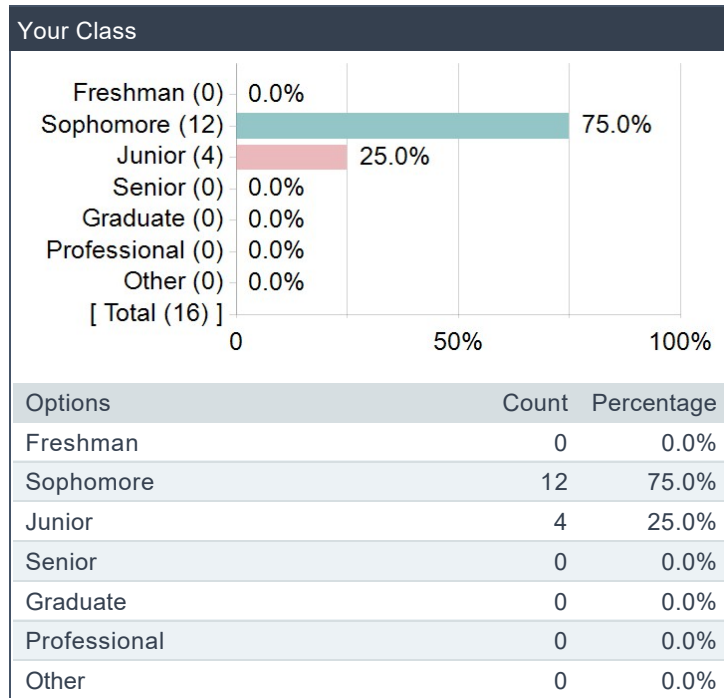
Teaching Assistant	Course
Heyuan Yao	IEMS_304-0_21: Statistical Learning for Data

DEMOGRAPHICS

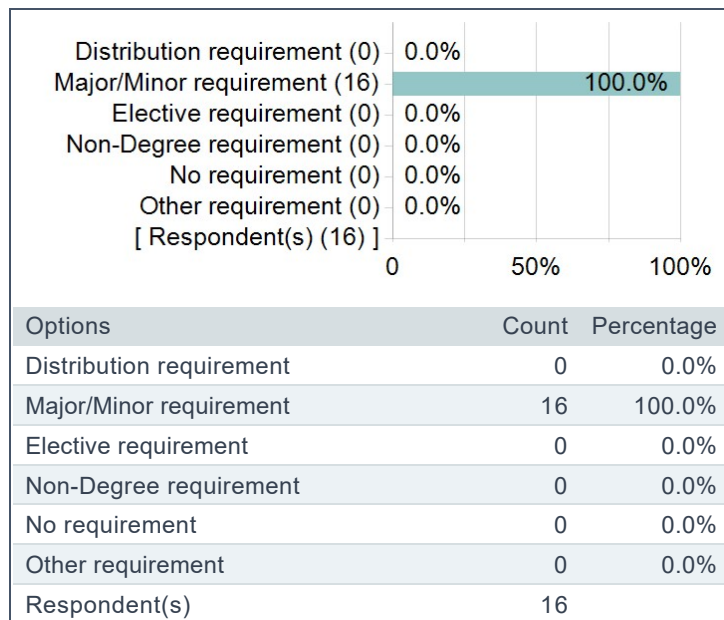
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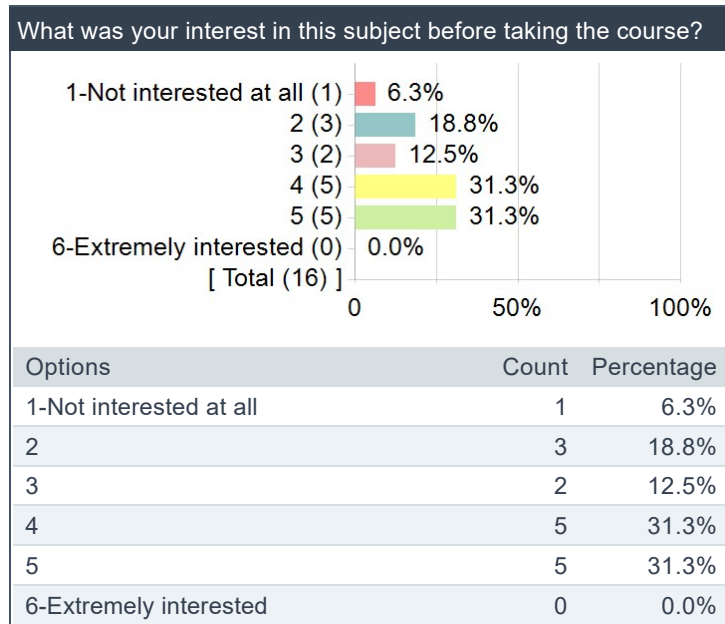
Your Class



What is your reason for taking the course? (mark all that apply)

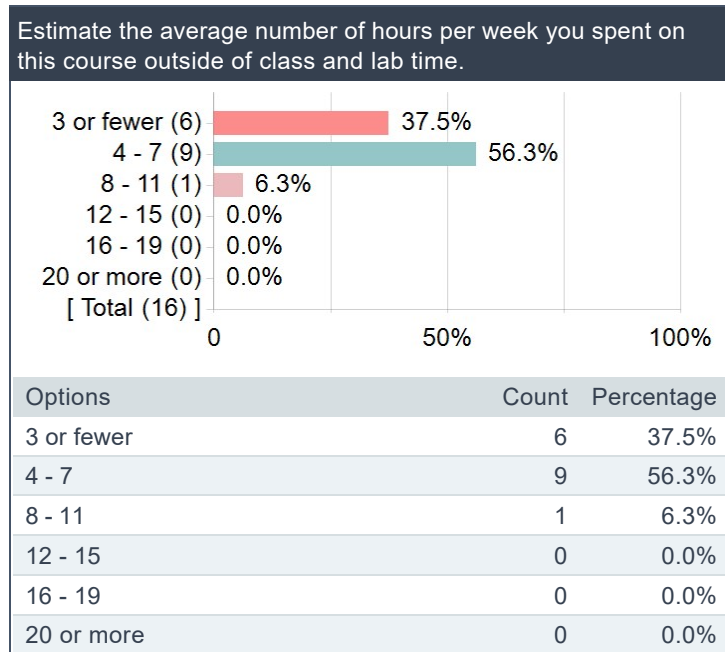


What was your interest in this subject before taking the course?



TIME-SURVEY QUESTION

Estimate the average number of hours per week you spent on this course outside of class and lab time.



TA QUESTIONS

Please rate the TA on the following criteria:

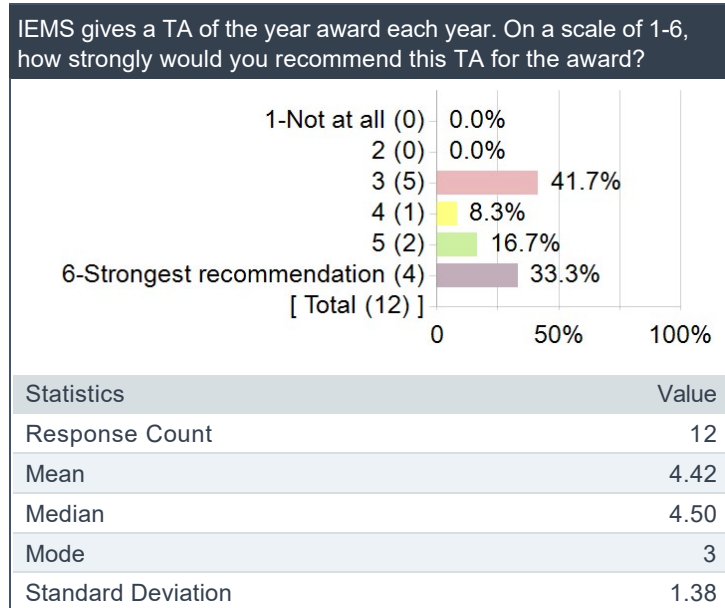
1. The TA was able to answer the students' questions adequately.					2. The TA was well prepared for each session.				
Options	Score	Count	Percentage		Options	Score	Count	Percentage	
1-Very Low	1	0	0.0%		1-Very Low	1	0	0.0%	
2	2	0	0.0%		2	2	0	0.0%	
3	3	1	7.1%		3	3	1	7.1%	
4	4	3	21.4%		4	4	1	7.1%	
5	5	4	28.6%		5	5	4	28.6%	
6-Very High	6	6	42.9%		6-Very High	6	8	57.1%	
Statistics	Value				Statistics	Value			
Response Count	14				Response Count	14			
Mean	5.07				Mean	5.36			
Median	5.00				Median	6.00			
Standard Deviation	1.00				Standard Deviation	0.93			
3. The TA communicated ideas in a clear manner.					4. The TA showed strong interest in teaching the course.				
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4	4	3	21.4%		4	4	0	0.0%	
5	5	3	21.4%		5	5	5	35.7%	
6-Very High	6	7	50.0%		6-Very High	6	8	57.1%	
Statistics	Value				Statistics	Value			
Response Count	14				Response Count	14			
Mean	5.14				Mean	5.43			
Median	5.50				Median	6.00			
Standard Deviation	1.03				Standard Deviation	0.85			

OPEN-ENDED QUESTIONS

What are the primary strengths and weaknesses of the teaching assistant?

Comments
I could tell he was passionate about teaching the course and the material, but I didn't find his instruction to be extremely beneficial to the overall course. I also think there was a slight disconnect between the TA and professor because sometimes, there would be miscommunication.
He was the greatest TA Ive had here, understood our needs as individuals and helped clarify so many things

IEMS gives a TA of the year award each year. On a scale of 1-6, how strongly would you recommend this TA for the award?



Briefly explain why.

Comments
Because the professor sometimes missed our questions and the TA helped a lot with that. And I think he is better prepared for the course than the professor.
He was very good at instructing us I just didn't spend a ton of time with him. Also, he was trying to make up for what the professor had left him.
I think the quality of instruction can be improved to be more clear and intuitive, but I really appreciated the TA's willingness to help and his passion for the course/subject.
He was enthusiastic and funny
Just the goat