



## **Summer 2018 report for ENC 3250-522(54134) Professional Writing (Thorold Roberts)**

### **USF Student Assessment of Instruction**

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**Responses Received:** 23

**Response Ratio:** 92%

### **Subject Details**

**Course Name:** Professional Writing

**Section:** 522

**College Name:** Arts & Sciences

**Department Name:** English

**Term Title:** Summer 2018

**First Name:** Thorold

**Last Name:** Roberts

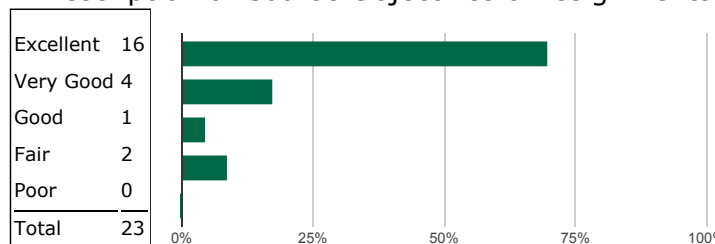
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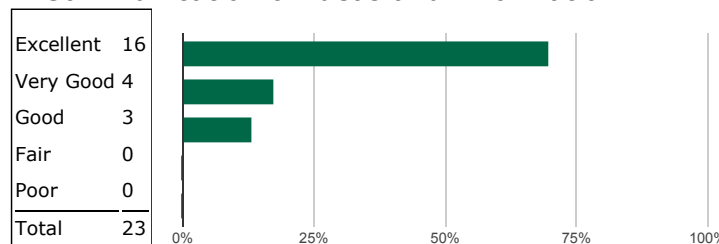
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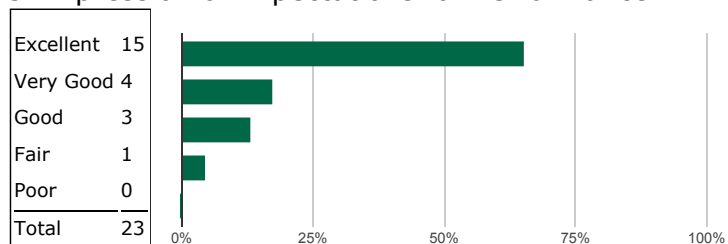
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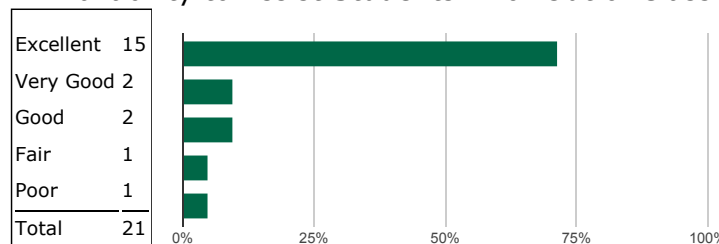
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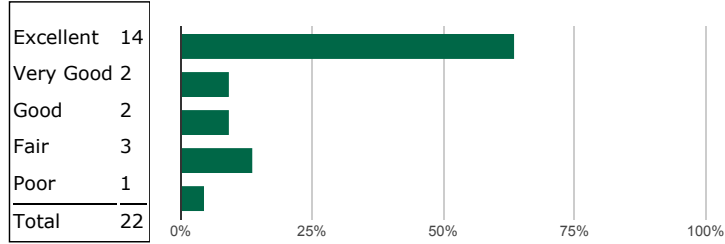
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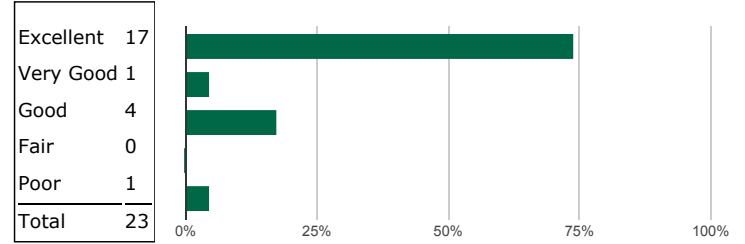
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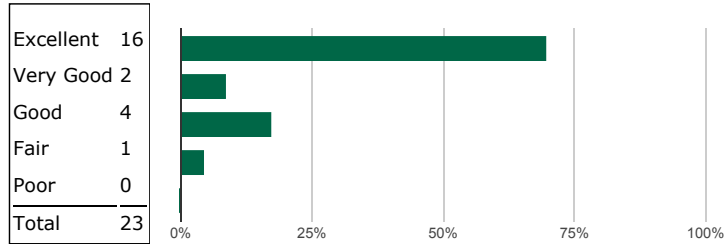
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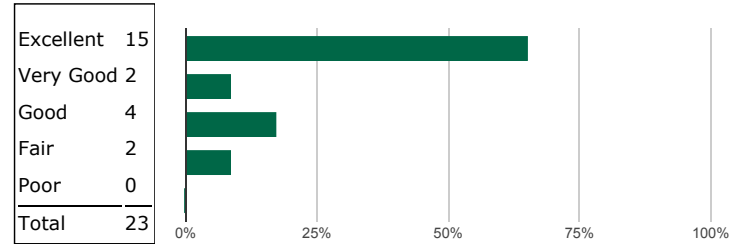
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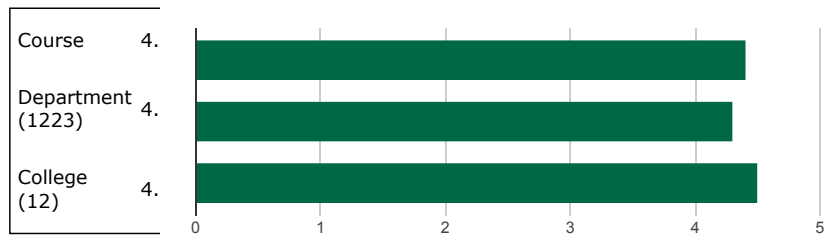
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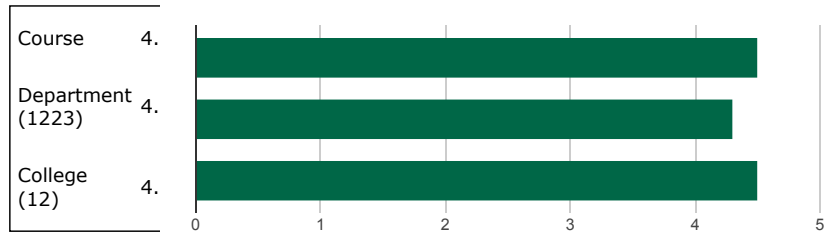
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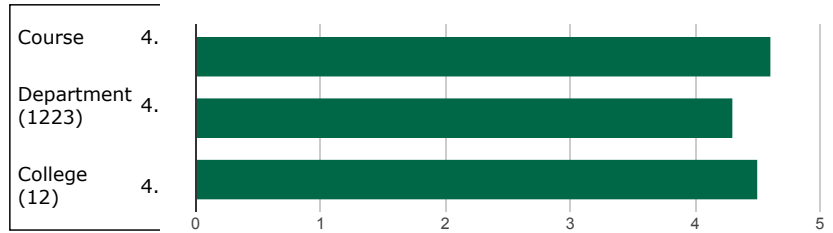
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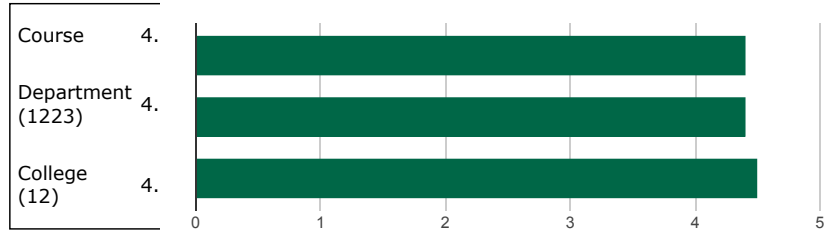
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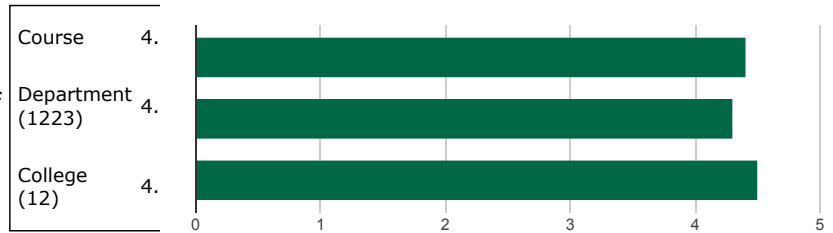
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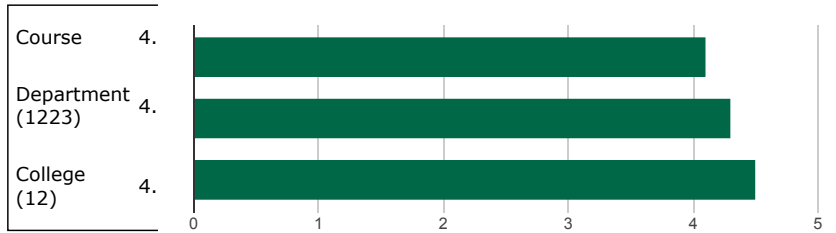
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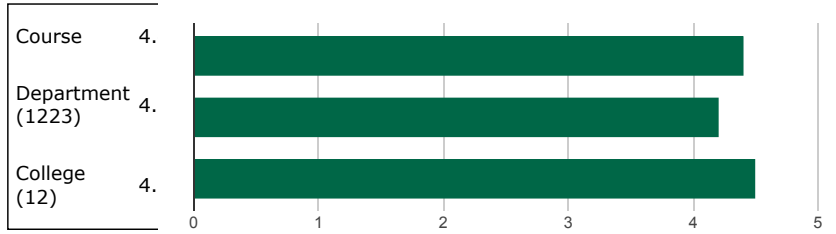
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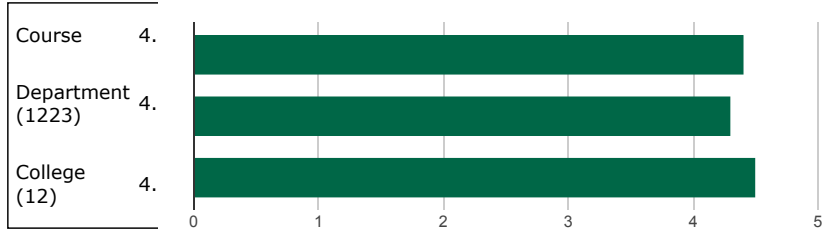
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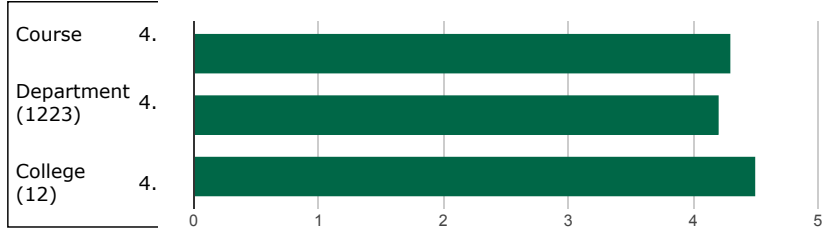
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## Section 3. Comments

The following are responses to two open-ended questions from your students pertaining to you, and the course.

Please provide any additional comments with respect to **Thorold Roberts**

Comments
Great professor who cares about his students!
He did a great job outlining the class and the expectations, and had a good way to get kids to listen to his lectures. However I found his lecture to occasionally be pretty repetitive. He teaches well, and is a fair grader. My biggest issue with him, however, was his attitude. He state in several place that he doesn't appreciate e-mails contained stupid questions. For a personal example, I turned in one assignment, with an aspect that wasn't explained very clearly, I choice to do it a bit differently than I figured he had expected, because it was the only way I could figure out to do it,. In the submission email I explained to him why I did it the way I did and apologized for it looking a bit strange. I got a reply the next day, It sarcastically stated, "thank you for making this much hard than it needed to be" and referred my to page in his instruction that didn't have anything to do with the issue. Although my grade didn't reflect his attitude, I didn't appreciate having received it at all.
I appreciate the time you took out of your day to answer my questions and how fast you responded. Best online professor USF has to offer!
I know that samples were provided, however for someone who has never written any of the assignments in a course - an outline of the format of what is expected would be beneficial. I know you mocked this idea in one of your presentations, but knowing what exactly an outline/format of an assignment looks like - like the components and not trying to copy an example would have been beneficial. There are also not clear statements regarding the purpose and difference between the options given for assignment #4. I know there were options on your website, but I don't recall you telling us that we needed to read specific articles to be successful on the final exam or for the course. I know there were options on your website.
I really enjoyed having Mr Roberts as my professor this summer. To be honest, I don't like writing at all, but with the way his class was arranged, made it always accessible as well as knowing when things were suppose to be turned it.
In respect to Thorold Robets the dates on the course website could have been changed to the Sumemr term due dates. Other than that, great professor. Thank you!
Prof Roberts seemed to care a lot about his students and their success in their class. There was an assignment that I missed a deadline for and he emailed me continuously to make sure that I turned it in. I appreciated his concern and reminders. His assignment instructions were very thorough and provided examples, which I appreciated very much. Would definitely take another course with him.
Professor Roberts is an excellent teacher. He is always available to answer questions regarding assignments. He provides excellent feedback for the assignments. Professor Roberts always responds to emails in a timely manner.
Professor Roberts is very supportive and wants me to succeed. He is very helpful to me with all my questions about my assignment , or any other questions in general. Mr Roberts answered email very promptly and always willing to help me. I really learn a lot from this course.
really enjoyed the teahers lectures and provided feedback when needed help correct issues i had on some assignments greatly enjoyed him
The instructor was the most professional I've experienced via online learning. His requirements for the students was clear and concise. He was immediate to respond to students when contact.
Wonderful Professor, I learned so much to advance in my future career.

## Please provide any additional comments with respect to **ENC3250-522 (54134) Professional Writing**

### Comments

An interesting take on a writing class that is practical to business world settings!

good class glad i took it during the summer semester.

I think the first two assignemnts in the course could have had a little less time to work on them and had more time on the last two assignments.

Overall great class. The material seems to be able to genuinely help students as they transition into the workforce. I would recommend this course to every student.

Professor Roberts gave very clear instruction about the course, and the textbook is not required. Use all of the guidelines and criteria he gives us you will be fine for the course. I promise when you finish this course, your writing skills will improve a lot.

This course wasn't what I expected professional writing to be.

Very straightforward course, with valuable material useful for future professions.



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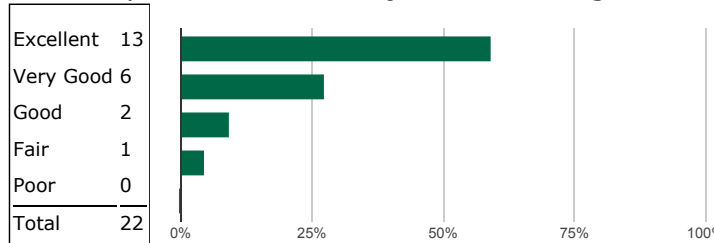
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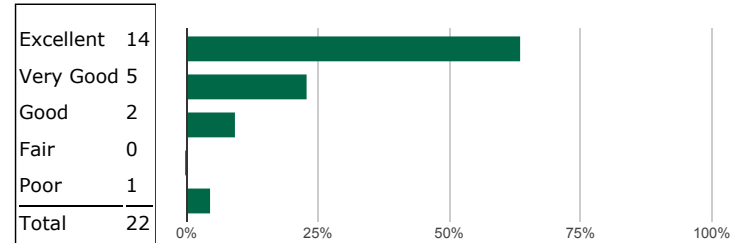
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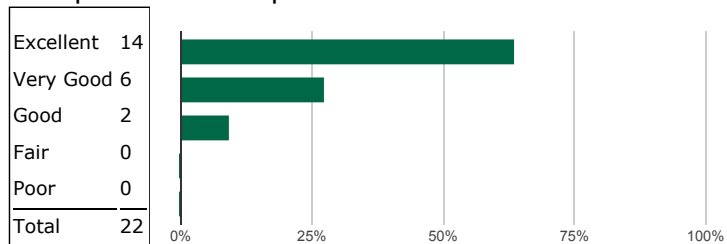
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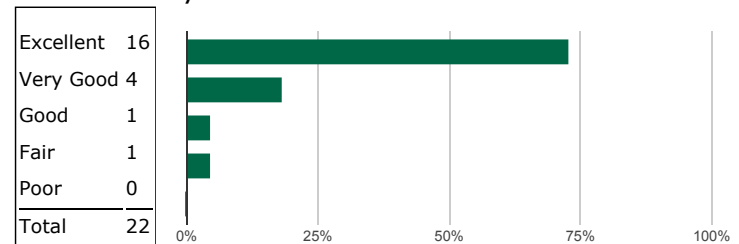
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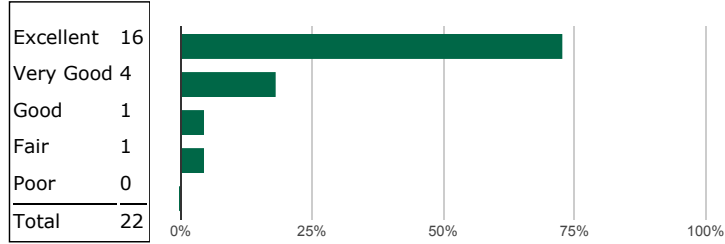
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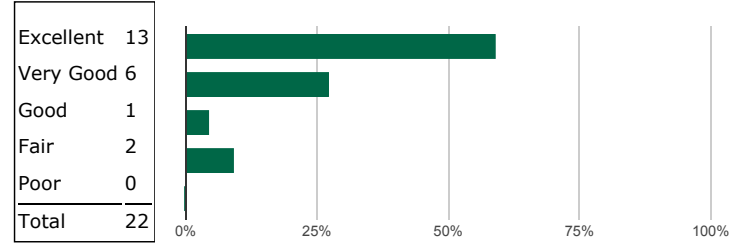
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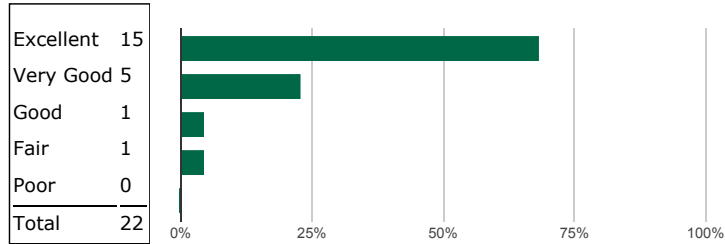
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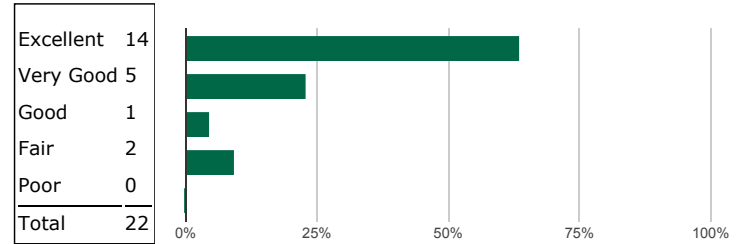
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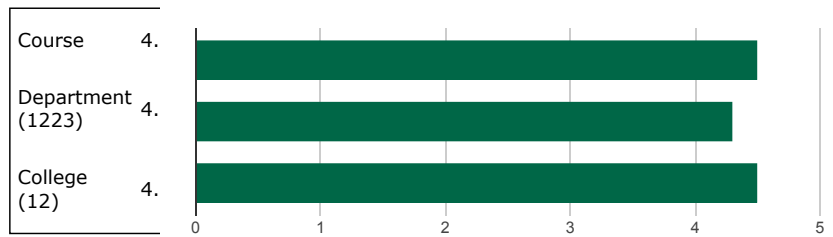
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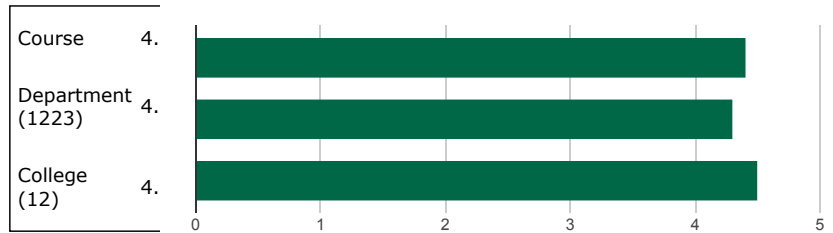
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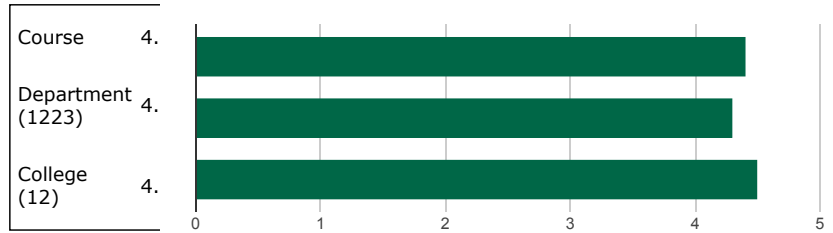
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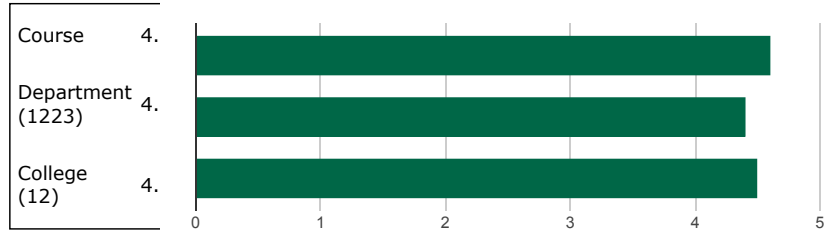
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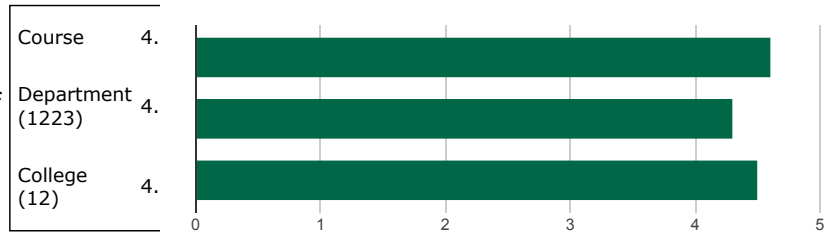
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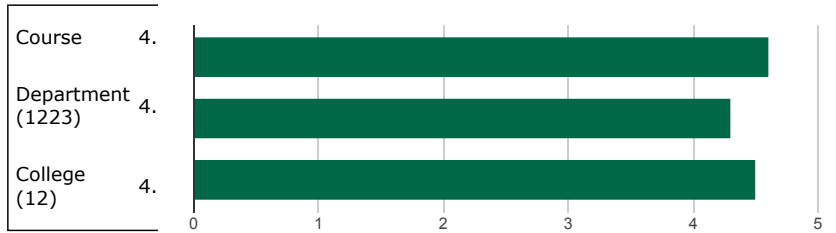
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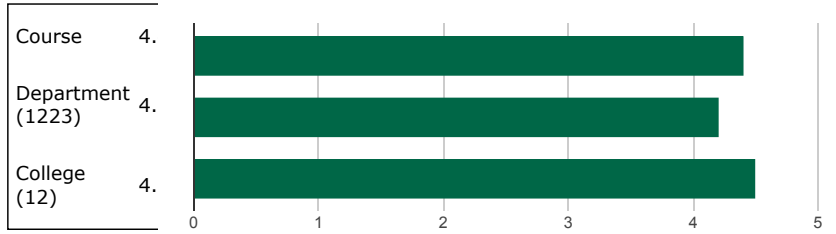
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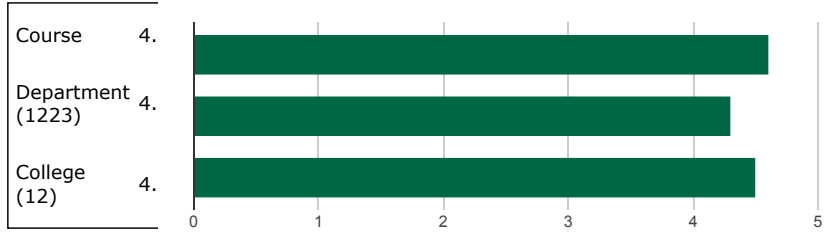
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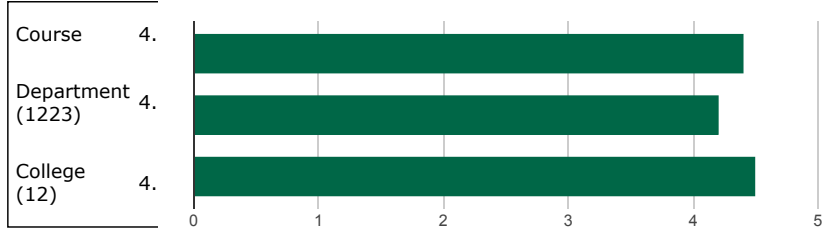
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+Pretty fair grader on written assignments +Fair workload overall +No textbook required, and had a nice collection of outside materials -Attendance can only impact you negatively, and lectures weren't very helpful on the assignments -Due dates were weird, not sure what the purpose of a 6 pm deadline serves -Final exam was busywork at best, and outright irrelevant to the materiel at worst
Clear instructions. Professor has good intentions. No complaints.
His instructions were very clear. The only thing I would change is the way the lectures are presented with a separate audio and power point file. If it was combined in to one it would be much easier.
I enjoyed professional writing and will continue to love the subject, I felt as if our professor was amazing but I wish I could have taken this course in person rather than online. I felt disconnected and alone most of the time and even when the help was near it was difficult to communicate with others because we are all on our computers. I understand there is a lot to learn from this class overall but I really think having more face to face interaction is important for a students success in the class. Thank you and best regards
I truly believe that Mr. Roberts really cares about his work and his students. A+ professor in my book. P.S this professor is lightning fast at responding to emails.
Initially I was apprehensive about taking the course, as the description did not pique my interest; however, after completing the initial assignment and lectures, I was motivated and intrigued to start the following assignments early. Throughout the course I have been trying to apply everything I have learned, especially the importance of being concise, into my day to day work.
Overall, you were a great teacher just when it came to emails I was not sure if you were being sarcastic with me at times but I would keep the tone of them a little more professional. I know I had some silly questions sometimes, but I would rather hear "yes/no" or a short answer than "Didn't you do this or this?". Every email I sent was because I was confused about something not because I did not do what I was asked to do. Other than that, you were a great teacher that definitely taught me a lot and gave me a lot of resources to learn from. I would for sure recommend your class to other people in the future! I hope you will have a great rest of the summer!
Professor Roberts was wonderful, very responsive to emails, and provided topics that were relevant to everyday life and work.
Very good teacher. All assignments have been very beneficial to the overall learning process.

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(54701) Professional Writing**

**Comments**

Clear instructions. Professor has good intentions. No complaints.

Had very detailed assignment instructions, which was always helpful.

The only thing I would like to see is possibly a couple more examples for students to examine. Especially for the final project other than that this class was perfect!

This was a great class, probably the most beneficial class I have taken in my college career. This provided real-world examples and allowed me to create documents that I eventually give to my boss one day. Professor Roberts was wonderful and I would highly recommend him as a professor.

What I really liked about the course is the fact that it didn't have any busy work. There are some things I would advise on possibly changing. I found the final exam kind of pointless. It was not too hard but it covered a lot of details that are not easy to remember. Another thing is project #4. It is weighted a lot and I would rather see maybe another assignment incorporated in the class curriculum that would allow for all the projects to be weighted lower.