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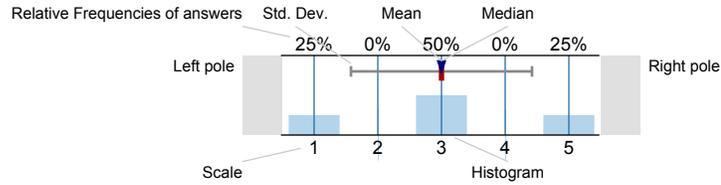
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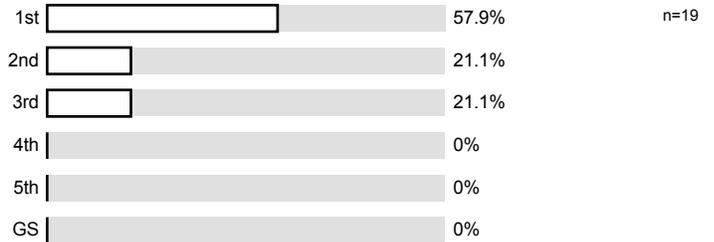
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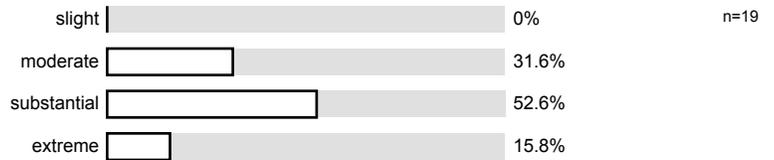
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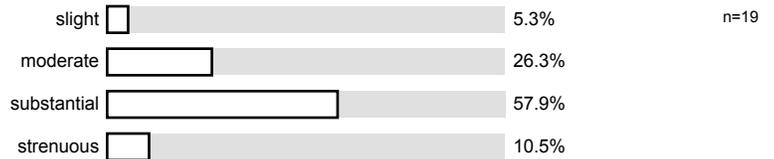
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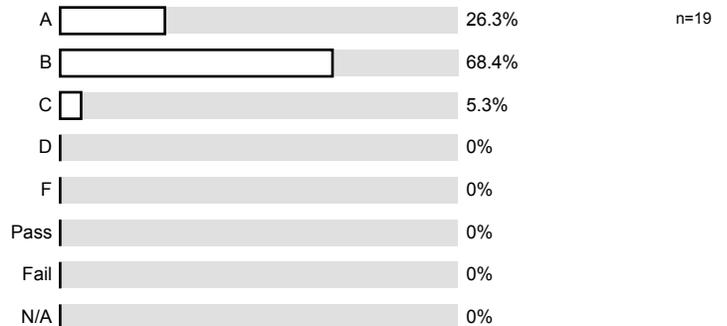
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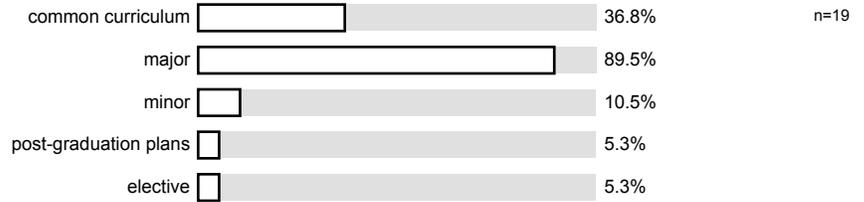
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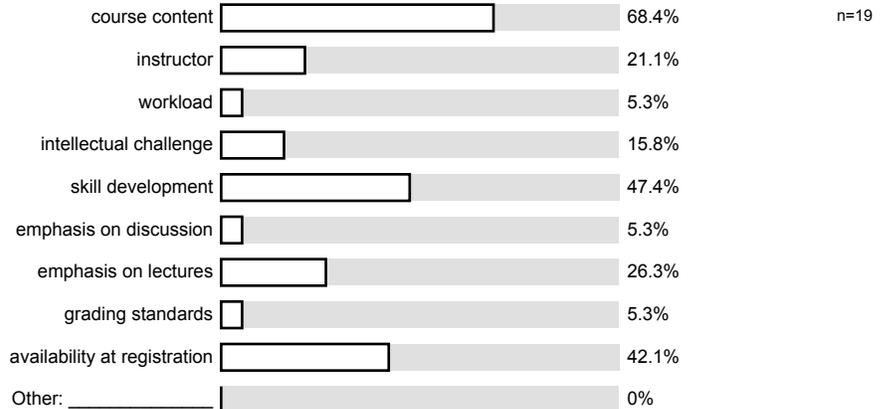
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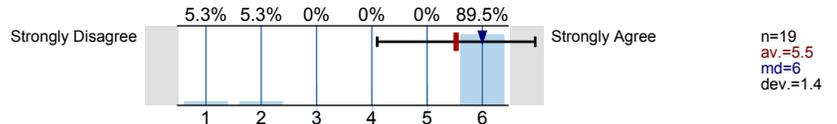


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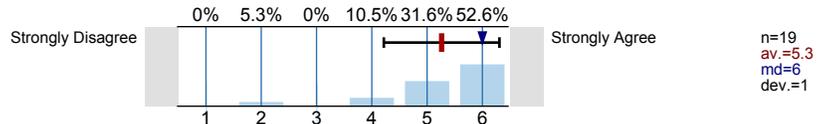


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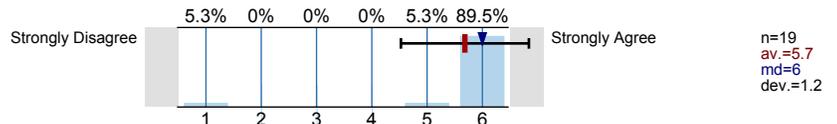
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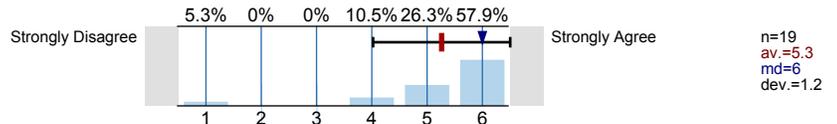
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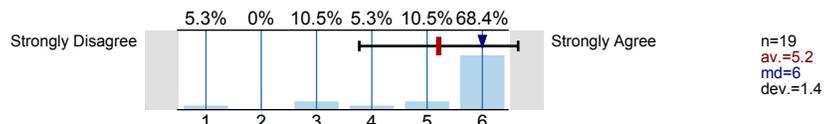
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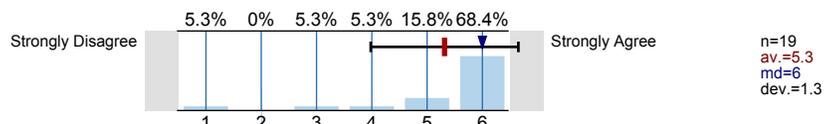
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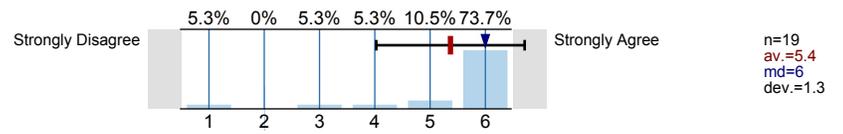
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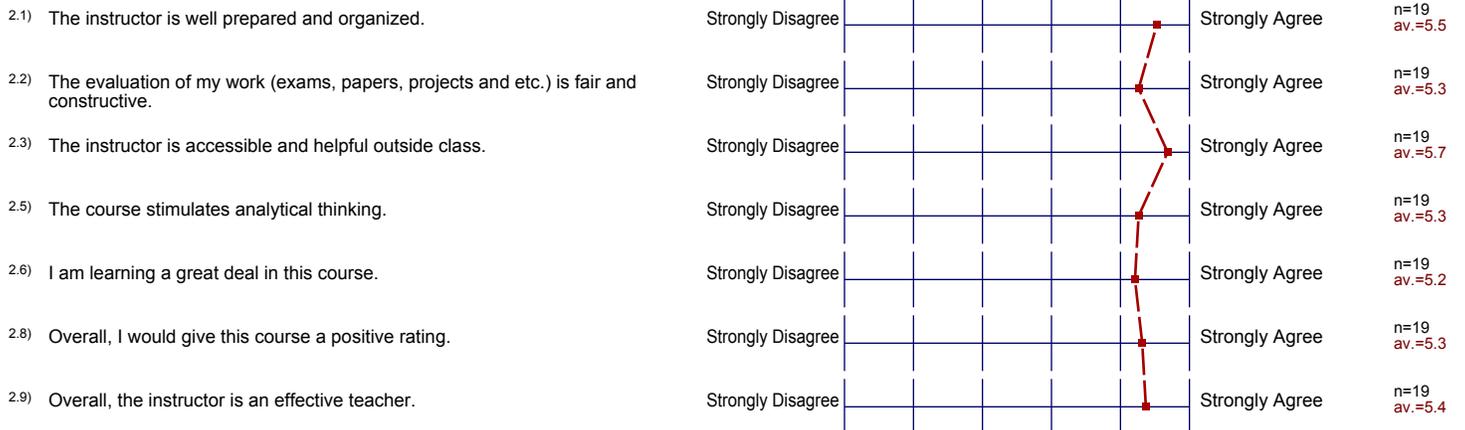


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Profile

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 Name of the course: Principles of Microeconomics (ECON13111FL12S-)
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^{1.7)} Considering your selections above, please comment on your experience in this course.

- Gina Pieters is a new instructor and it was clear throughout the semester but it was only a burden in the first half. Drastic learning occurred on both ends to result in a successful class. I actually ended up really liking economics even though I almost dropped the course the first few weeks.
- Good course if you're a business major, good teacher
- I found it challenging, but all the assignments helped be understand the material better. The lectures were informative and all the assignments reflected the material taught. Office hours were very helpful n understanding concepts that remained unclear throughout the lectures or homework.
- I knew I had to take micro econ and just picked the class that worked best with my schedule and I couldn't be happier with the class.
- I switched microeconomics classes at the beginning of the semester, and I can easily say it was the right choice. Dr. Pieters made micro easy to understand with her notes on the board, and always asked kids if they needed help or were having trouble understanding something. I'm extremely glad that I chose to take this class with Pieters over any other professor.
- I think my understanding of basic economic concepts has increased exponentially.
- Microeconomic challenged me to think about the world quantitatively, and in ways I hadn't previously considered. Dr. Pieters bases her course in the mathematics of economics, making theories and ideas quantifiable and universally applicable to real-world economic situations.
- Overall this course is not extremely challenging. The professor does a good job elaborating concepts and mathematical techniques and is very helpful explaining the questions that I had. The learning experience is even more fun when there were group project. Homework load is moderate and the exams were not very hard but a little long.
- The course was appropriately difficult. I learned a lot and always felt engaged during class. The instructor was knowledgable, always ready to help, and interactive in class. Overall a fantastic course I would recommend to anyone.
- The course was difficult at times. The content of the class was not easy to understand and took a lot of outside studying. There was a lot of homework and outside work for the class as well. The instructor however, was very helpful in office hours and allowed for a better understanding of the material.
- This class was very insightful on the topic of microeconomics. Class lectures were very interesting and the professor was always available during office hours for help on a problem set.
- This course was definitely a challenge for me, but I found the overall class to be manageable with enough studying.
- This course was very interesting. Dr. Pieters is a great professor
- This was an excellent course, that really did what it was set to do. I've learned a lot about the principles of economics and has even made me think to add economics as a minor.
- This was very challenging because I'm not good in econ. However, I learned more than expected and I understand economics better now.

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| 2. ECONOMICS DEPARTMENT STUDENT COURSE EVALUATION |
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^{2.4)} Please comment on your answers to questions 2.1, 2.2, and 2.3.

- 2.2 in order to get constructive feedback on your homework you have to attend office hours. I would prefer turning in written homework and having the graded homework returned to the class.
- Dr. Pieters has come to class prepared every day. There was never a class where I felt like my time was wasted or that I was not learning something new. This class was one of those classes where I'm so involved that the period ends before I get a chance to check my watch to see how much time is left.

I thought grading on homework and test was quite fair. In some cases I felt that I was given more credit than I deserved for an answer on an exam, but really that just shows Dr. Pieters' bountiful mercy toward the student body.

I've never had such an easy time getting to a professor's office hours. Ever.

- Dr. Pieters is always well prepared for class. The topics are outlined online beforehand and she follows a strict schedule. Her exams are difficult, but she grades very fairly and offers "reward points" to help soften the blow of the grade without dumbing down the material. She

is incredibly accessible during her office hours, and was careful to take our opinions into account, issuing a midterm evaluation that she then used to alter her lesson plans.

- Dr. Pieters was always available for help during office hours and was very fair when grading.
- Dr. Pieters was very approachable in office hours, always willing to go over topics and questions that I did not yet understand. Her classroom preparation was excellent as well - the notes she wrote on the board were always relevant but not overwhelming.
- Dr. Pieters did an excellent job of helping us understand the concepts of microeconomics
- Helpful at office hours
- Pieters was always there when I needed her, and I went to her office hours a bunch. Her one-on-one time was super helpful in keeping me caught up with the rest of the class, and I know it made a big difference on the homework sets and assignments. She was always easy to reach, and always willing to help; the signs of a great prof.
- Professor Pieters was always very clear about when her office hours were so it was very easy to go see her. She was extremely helpful in office hours because she actually helped me understand the homework instead of just doing the problems for me. She was also very quick at responding to e-mails.
- Professor Pieters was very helpful in understanding the material in office hours and going over any concept questions we had in class. I felt like the grading was fair and if there were questions regarding any decisions she made herself available to review them.
- She is always available for questions outside of class. She gives really good feedback on homework assignments and tests.
- The instructor always had material prepared for lectures and was very helpful during office hours.
- The instructor is always ready for class and puts effort into planning effective lessons. She is also available for tutoring more than most, which is fantastic! She is prompt with email responses and is always willing to explain something no matter how long it takes one to understand.
- The instructor is extremely helpful during class and office hours. The grading might be strict at times (if there is a technical difficulty for example), but it is generally fair and reflective. The instructor is very smart and seems to know what she is talking about.
- The instructor is very good for this class, always willing to help out

2.7) Please comment on your answers to questions 2.5 and 2.6.

- A lot of the material in this course was not very easy for me to wrap my head around. I definitely had to think differently and review the material to keep it all straight, but I enjoyed the challenge and Professor Pieters did a great job in making really difficult material understandable.
- Although I have learned some of the things in high school, there are still many new techniques that will be helpful for my future major.
- Dr. Pieter's course is based on quantifiable aspects of economics, but she still expects us to apply these concepts and explain them in the written word as well. We don't just memorize formulas, we have to thoroughly understand why and how they function the way they do. As someone with no experience in economics, I feel like I learned an incredible amount about the subject in just one semester, and that my understanding is very thorough and not easily forgotten.
- Every class includes new useful knowledge for future assignments and overall economic understanding.
- Helped me view the smaller details in economics not seen when taking micro.
- I am not a natural when it comes to economics, but I was definitely forced to move past my preconceptions and work hard to really learn the concepts.
- I came in to this course as a business minor fulfilling the requirements for a business minor. I've changed to an economics minor and will be taking Intermediate Microeconomics and Economics of Governments. All because I took this course and got a really good introduction to economics and the kind of problems that can be solved by it, but also the problems that arise from having a better understanding of economics.
- I have learned a great deal of economics that I didn't know before.
- I have learned a lot in this course. Dr. Pieters knows how to maintain the student's attention and keeps them participating in class.
- I have learned more than I thought I would in an economics course. I am not good in economics, but this course has helped me understand more about economics and how to apply this to any given situation, even if it is not a financial one. I really like that I have learned a lot, even if my grades sometimes don't reflect this. However, with the help of the teacher I have been getting better grades in the midterms and I have really good grades on homeworks.
- I learned a lot about the basic fundamentals of microeconomics and the behaviors of individual firms. The course material was often

challenging and caused me to work and study hard.

- I took A.P. Micro in high school so I had already seen and heard this information. Taking this class with Pieters essentially reaffirmed the info I already knew in a way that made it easy for me to understand; put simply, I understand Microeconomics much better now than I did when I first took the class my senior year of high school.
- The course material is difficult and sometimes difficult to comprehend, yet the course did provide a good understanding of the principles of microeconomics.
- There's a lot of information in this course, but all interesting

^{2.10)} Please comment on your answers to questions 2.8 and 2.9.

- Dr. Pieters expects a lot of us and it encourages me to be a better student. This course was difficult but worthwhile.
- I have recommended Pieters' course to peers of mine looking to take micro because she is very clear in lectures and all the assignments enforce the concepts.
- I really enjoyed this class. I like the way she explains the content.
- If I had to put a grade on my overall experience in this class, I would definitely give a solid A. Pieters made Micro easy and accessible; I had no trouble keeping up in class and taking notes was what made the difference. Going to class was really the most important part of Pieter's approach to teaching, and that's the way it should be in my opinion. By being there, I got the notes and information I needed from a great prof who knew what she was talking about, and I think I'll much better off because I had her for a teacher.
- Microeconomics can be/is a hard subject to begin learning. I believe that Dr. Pieters does a great job of introducing the topics and understands that not all of us have a strong background in math or other economic areas.
- The ONLY issue I have with the course is that the tests are a little too long for a 50 minute class period. Otherwise, fantastic class and fantastic teacher. I would recommend this class in a heartbeat.
- The course material is hard and you have to work hard outside of class, but the instructor was an effective teacher and taught the material well.
- The instructor does everything she can to help students learn the material.
My only bit of frustration occurred when comparing review sheets for midterms to the actual exam. Often topics on the review were different enough to make the review sheet topics feel like a bit of trickery.
- This course is equally challenging and interesting. The instructor is also very fair and helpful
- This course was vigorous but successful.
- This is a great class that I truly think everyone should take. It's fair and many will learn a great deal from this class
- This teacher knows the subject really well. The class should go a little bit slower in tricky topics, but generally the pace and the workload is okay and expected. The teacher is really helpful during office hours.
- Though I found the class to be very challenging and rather difficult, I enjoyed the challenge and found Professor Pieters to be very understanding that this is a difficult class. She has a good balance in the class because it is not impossibly hard, but at the same time nobody in this class is making good grades without putting in the effort. Overall I absolutely love Professor Pieters teaching style and would take another class with her in a heart beat!

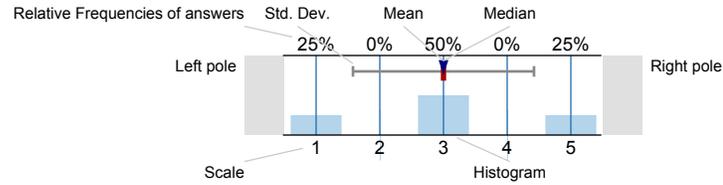
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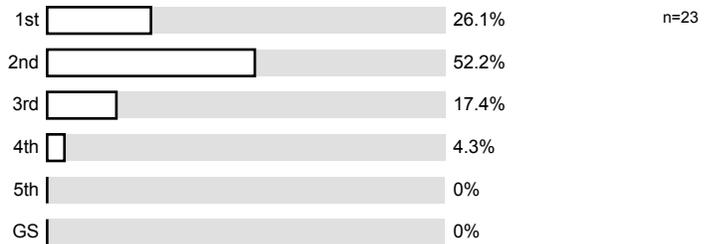
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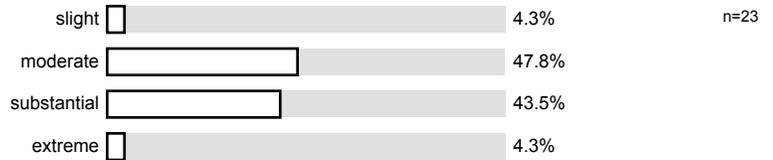
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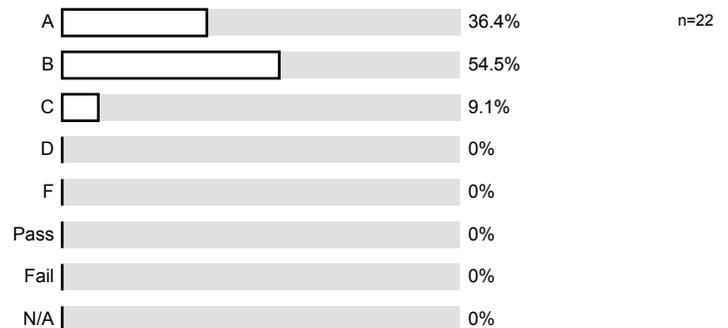
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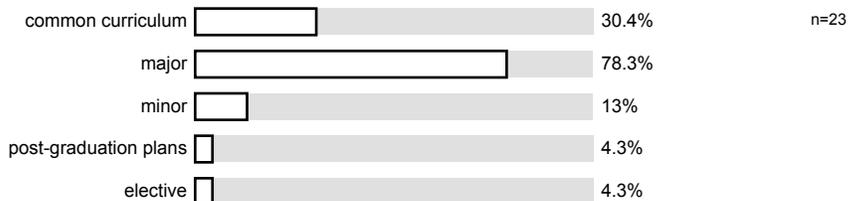
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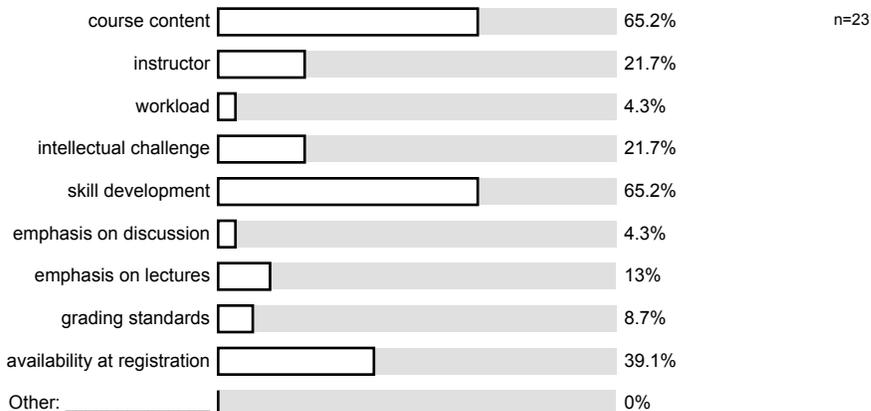
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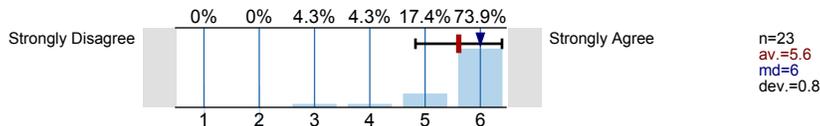


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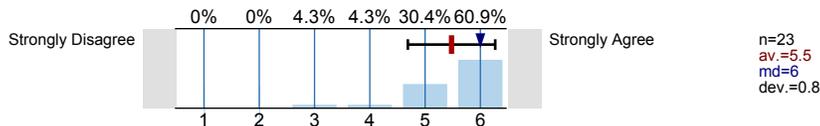


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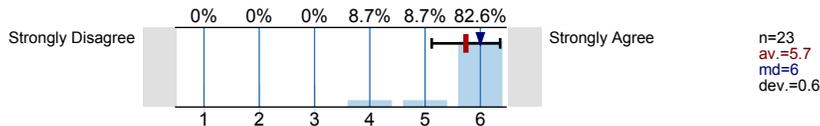
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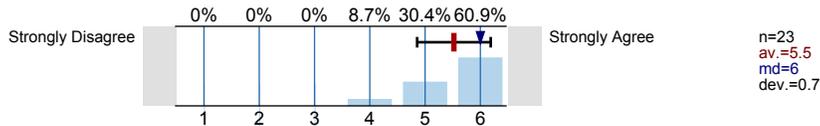
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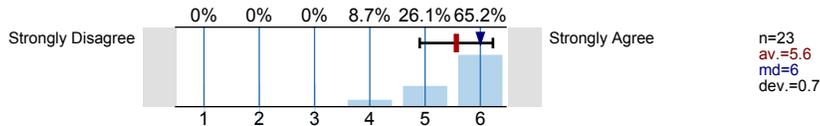
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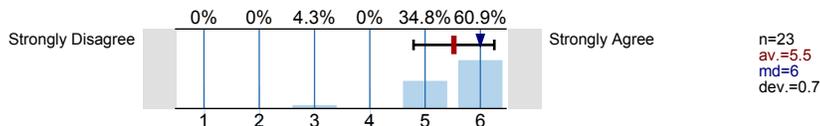
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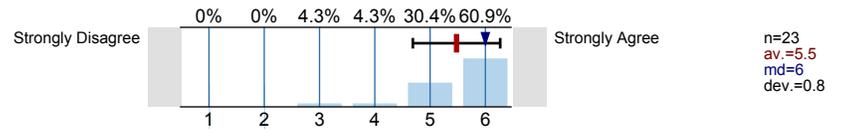
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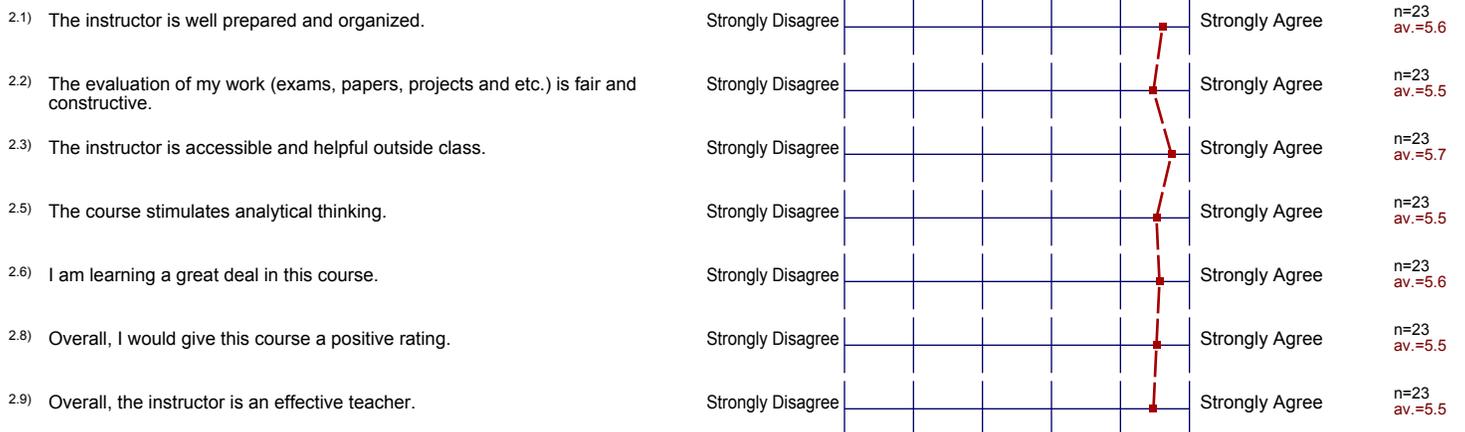


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- Dr. Pieters has a gracefully forgiving grading criteria that still adheres to the rigor of economics classes I have taken in the past. Good course, covered the concepts well, and allows for mistakes without sacrificing GPA
- I choose to take this class for my major.
- I enjoyed it and the discussions were great Dr. Pieters was interesting to learn from and I thoroughly enjoyed class
- I enjoyed microeconomics, though I found the material difficult. Dr. Pieters was very helpful in the classroom and during office hours. She wants her students to excel and help those that ask for help.
- I enjoyed the course very much. The instructor was very helpful both in and out of class. Compared to other classes we moved much more quickly, but thanks to the instructor we had the skills to do so.
- I have gained a tremendous amount of knowledge through this class and although the class is taught at a very high pace I can at least say I mastered most of the topics.
- I have never taken any sort of economics class really at any level so I can't say that I had any expectations coming in to this course. I feel like I learned a good deal however and certainly have a better understanding of the concepts of microeconomics.
- I think the course was challenging and very beneficial in the long run.
- The class is interesting. The professor is great. But the class could be more challenging.
- The course took what I learned in high school micro and pushed it to another limit. I was impressed by how much we covered in just a semester.
- The experience through out the course had some challenges. The course overall goes pretty fast and is incredibly interesting. The instructor is very helpful and she wants us to go to her office hours so we can learn more. Even though the course goes on a fast pace it is a very interesting class and a wonderful teacher.
- The flow of the class was pretty difficult to comprehend at first. Towards the end I was a lot easier to understand .
- This course has been very helpful overall in giving a good base floor for economics. Pieters did a very good job being thorough and making sure everyone understands it.
- This course has taught me a lot. This is my hardest course this semester but she is a great teacher making us ask questions and going slow and her office hours are great. The course is hard but she makes it easy!
- This course was fun and learning but not too difficult. It was still challenging and required a lot of effort but the course did not hurt my study time for my more difficult courses. The tests were fair and graded reasonably.
- This course was helpful in understanding microeconomics, especially pertaining to the US economy. Current and relevant examples were used to teach and overall very effective class.
- Though math based classes are typically not my strongest point, I think this class was very successful in the way it graded and in the way it presented material. Though class went a bit fast at times, office hours were always very helpful and made up for that quickness.
- the practice exams are much easier than the actual exam. I wish they were of the same caliber. great teaching method but I never feel ready for the tests.
- this course was challenging but fair. I think I have a better grasp on micro-economics after taking this class.

2. ECONOMICS DEPARTMENT STUDENT COURSE EVALUATION

^{2.4)} Please comment on your answers to questions 2.1, 2.2, and 2.3.

- Although the professor already has the topics prepared for the week, she doesn't allow time for questions during class and doesn't clarify any questions students may have at the time. She emphasizes on office hours a lot.
- Dr. Pieters is very organized, I really like her way of teaching because we can prepare in advance for lectures. Also she is open to questions and she always helps you with anything you don't understand in office hours
- Dr. Pieters was highly helpful outside of class and during class.

- Everything for class was well prepared. Grading was fair and thorough. And the instructor was almost always available
- Her office hours are at good times, and she's very helpful during them. Additionally the grading scale makes everything a ton easier to deal with. She always is prepared for class.
- I feel like more feedback could have been provided on some of the homework
- I felt the homework was sometimes a lot more difficult and confusing than what we were going over in class.
- I really like how the professor teaches. Super organized and prepared.
- I received the grades I expected for the quality of work that I submitted.
- I'm very impressed with the accessibility of the professor. She recommends office hours every week and she is very helpful when I have used that resource.
- Lectures were well prepared and very helpful especially the time before tests. Homework was graded fairly with plenty of extra points available.
- Pieters was ready to go at 11:30 every day. She was organized and the class ran fairly smoothly.
- She always came to class knowing what she would be discussing, never scrambled around in lectures. She is very organized
- She comes to class with a set curriculum to finish but is not making the pace too fast- she is very open to questions to make sure everyone understands the content. Evaluation is constructive and if you have a question she is also always available during office hours or through appointment. She also has multiple ways to explain things making harder material easier to understand.
- The instructor is well prepared in the area of instruction. She is very accessible during her office hours and is always available either on email or on her office hours. I would definitely recommend this teacher for any economics major since she is well prepared in this field of study.
- Was always helpful in office hours when I visited her. Every lecture was well planned, and my work was fairly graded
- The instructor was quick when grading papers and had plenty of office hours to visit and learn material.
- Very helpful in office hours. Fair grading.

2.7) Please comment on your answers to questions 2.5 and 2.6.

- A lot of the information I learn in the course pertains to real situations and makes me think harder about things I didn't think about before.
- All homework was hard and made you think. It was easiest to do it in a group and collaborate over the content.
- Although some scenarios for concepts learned in this class were tricky, it facilitated critical thinking with simple concepts.
- At first it was hard to understand, towards the end it was a lot easier.
- I did take economics in high school so most of the concepts weren't new to me, but I would say I still learned a great deal.
- I feel like economics has a different way of thinking compared to other classes. And I feel that I am learning a great deal on how to think like an economist.
- I have learned a lot in this course and Dr. P has made it really simple and easy for me to understand. I have developed a lot of my analytical thinking due to the assignments we get in this class. Even though they are difficult some times, they force us to apply what we have learned to reality and really analyze the current events and situations
- I now possess a greater understanding of the course now than I did at the beginning of the semester.
- Its econ, of course it stimulates your analytical thinking.
- The course manages different techniques. It focuses more on the application of theories rather than the theories and definitions of some economic terms. This is very helpful because it is not memorizing certain terms but rather applying them to real life problems and situations.
- This course has accomplished both of these things
- She has us connect everything we've learned in the end so we can see how it all fits together. Other than a topic or two I had learned in another class, I did learn a lot in this class.

2.10) Please comment on your answers to questions 2.8 and 2.9.

- At times it was difficult to understand some of the content taught with so many variables to take into consideration and to assume. But Dr. Pieter understood and did her best to explain inconsistencies with examples. She is extremely knowledgeable.
- I felt like she really was rushing in the beginning and left some people shell shocked. After the mid semester evaluation she gave out, she had a much better teaching approach.
- I loved this class! It was my favorite class during this semester, I would recommend it to anyone and specially with Dr Pieters, she is great.
- I really enjoyed the class. Definitely one of the best teachers I have had.
- I'm pretty impressed with the course and the professor.
- It was a well put together class. If you pay attention and do all of your homework you will learn a great deal.
- My only complaint is that I wish she would provide more complex examples in class to better reflect the questions asked on tests. I felt that a number of test questions were more difficult than anything that we ever did in class or on homework and I would have performed better if tougher questions were thrown at us before the test.
- The course is very popular course and very effective in terms of an good instructor that is really helpful and is willing to helps us outside the classroom. I would definitely recommend this course and especially with this teacher.
- The teacher makes sure that everyone understands every topic and does a lot of effective group exercises that are very hands on.
- This was a great class, the workload wasn't overwhelming. The test were well written and did test all the knowledge you had without it being to easy. The teaching was effective, the outline for the lecture notes helped greatly, it let you focus more on the lecture and not so much on drawing and writing everything.
- Yes. The class content is easy. But the professor is one of the best professors I have met in trinity.
- she is thorough in explanations and making sure everyone understands the material, fair and constructive grading, and always available for extra help if necessary. hard to ask much more of a teacher in any subject.
- the teacher is fair and understanding and does a good job of explaining concepts in ways that students will understand. she genuinely wants the students to learn the material and do well in the class.

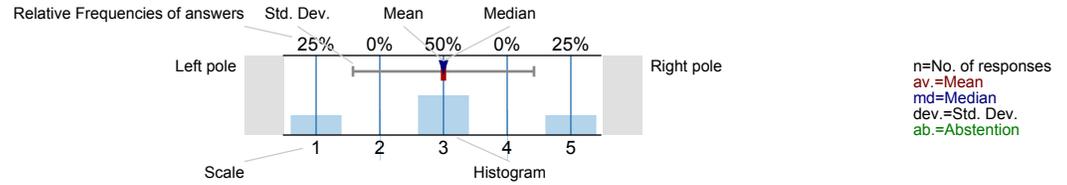
Gina Pieters

Principles of Microeconomics (ECON13111SP13S-)
No. of responses = 18

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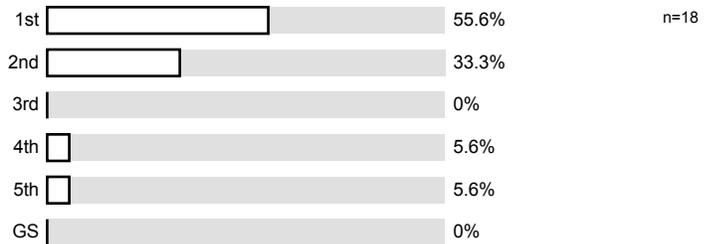
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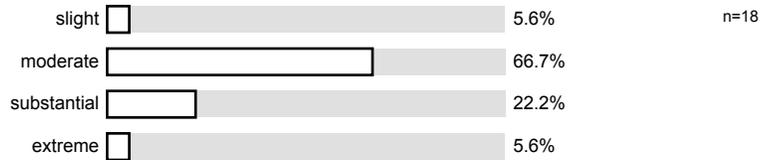


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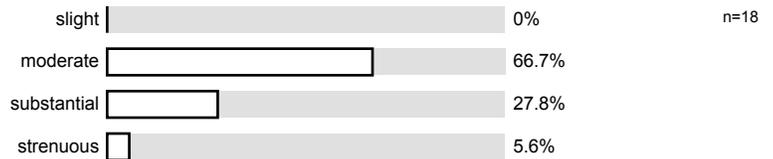
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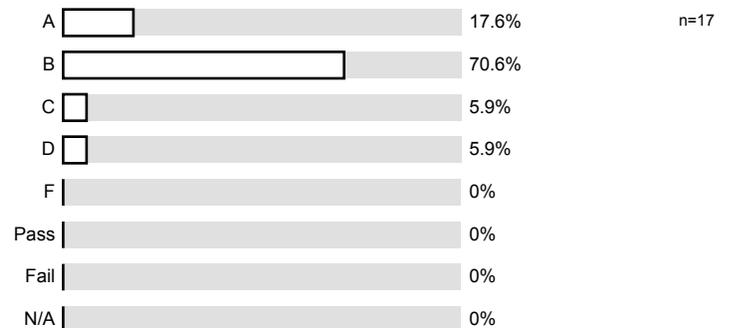
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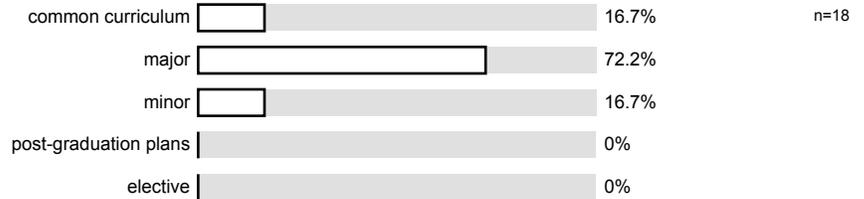
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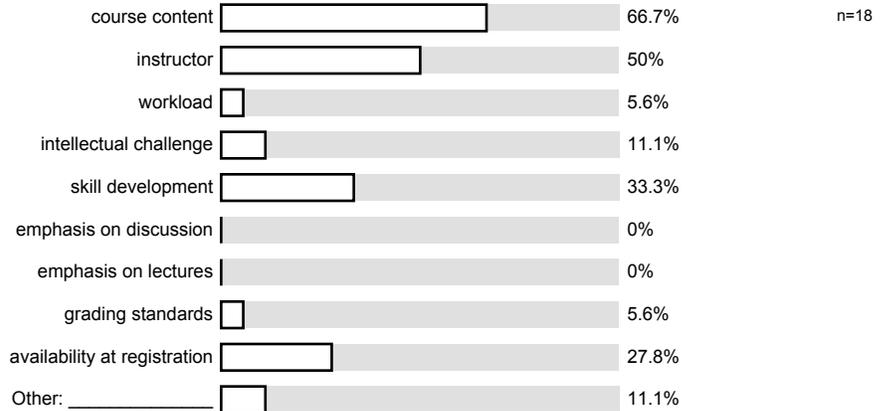
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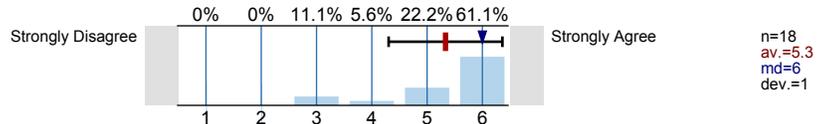


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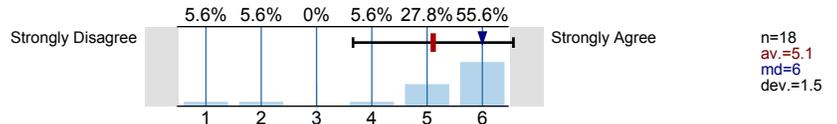


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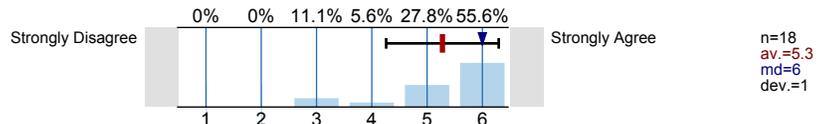
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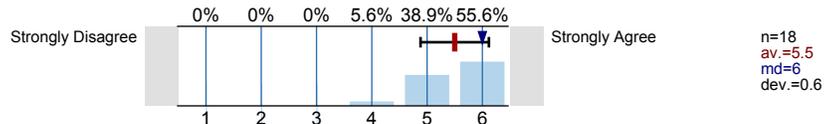
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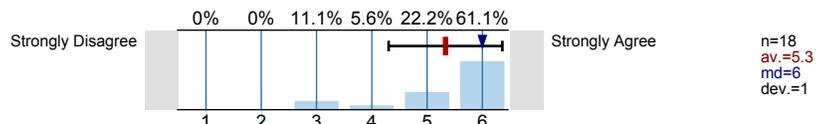
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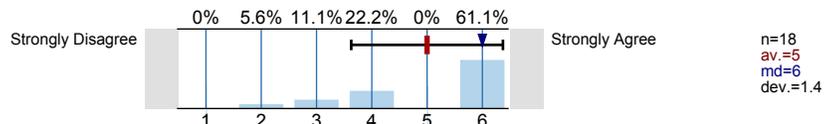
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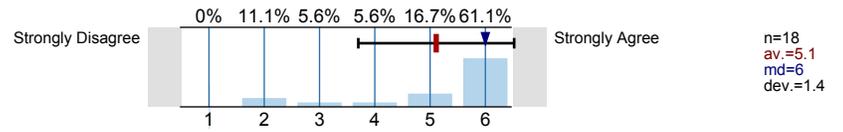
2.6) I am learning a great deal in this course.



2.8) Overall, I would give this course a positive rating.

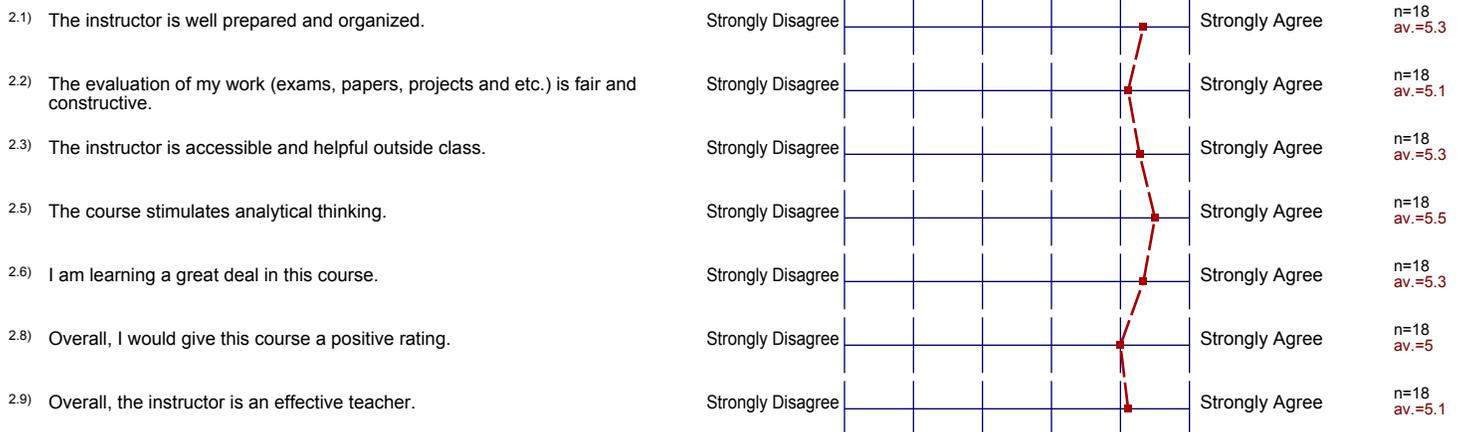


2.9) Overall, the instructor is an effective teacher.



Profile

Subunit: Economics
 Name of the instructor: Gina Pieters
 Name of the course: Principles of Microeconomics (ECON13111SP13S-)
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Comments Report

1. Background Questions

^{1.7)} Considering your selections above, please comment on your experience in this course.

- Economics is not my strength but I'm really glad that I ended up in this class with Dr.Pieters. I thought the material was well taught and everything (homework, tests, etc.) were straightforward.
- I am not very happy with my experience in this course. She grades way too hard, and has no give when it comes to homework or tests. Its hard to put a butt load of problems on one single word document while converting it to pdf. and be under the minimum requirements of MB.
- I love economics. It's one of my favorite subjects. This class was really great, and I learned a lot
- I loved this course. I actually feel as though I learned something about economics, unlike what I expected. The instructor was also very understanding and always willing to help.
- I really enjoyed this class. I'm one of the weird kids who didn't take economics in high school, so all of this material was new to me. However, this didn't prove to be detrimental to my learning in this class. Each topic was covered well, and if I didn't understand something, I managed to figure it out (mostly) before the test.
- I thought this class was going to be a lot easier. However, the practice exams and home works really help to prepare you for the tests
- It is extremely hard. I have studied for each test and homework and received okay to horrible grades. I have had to get an Econ tutor for this course just in the attempt to pass and get a C.
- The course taught me what I had to learn. I leave with what I believe is an understanding of the basic concepts behind the much complicated economics.
The home works were very useful !!!
- This class has been pretty difficult for me, but Dr. Pieters is a very good professor and she is really teaching us much more than I had any idea about.
- This course has been an experience. At the start I came into the class thinking that it was not going to be difficult, but I had to change my viewpoint quick. Dr. Pieters is a great professor and really breaks down MicroEconomics, her lectures are structured good, her homework is do-able, and she is really straightforward. At the end of the semester I can now say that I am very happy about taking this class.
- This course has been taught very well and the experience I have gained from it will help me in the real world.
- This course is very interesting and is taught by a great professor.
- This course was a good experience for my first economics course at Trinity. The material was well explained, with homework to back up all the information taught. Test are long for the amount of time given, but the class is extremely reasonable and I look forward to continuing on with economics here at trinity

2. ECONOMICS DEPARTMENT STUDENT COURSE EVALUATION

^{2.4)} Please comment on your answers to questions 2.1, 2.2, and 2.3.

- Always friendly in office hours and helpful. Love her sense of humor and that she plays zelda and videogames!
- Dr. Pieters always has notes of her graphs and other class notes so she knows where she's going. We've never been pressed to learn material before midterms or anything like that. She also mentioned once that she grades page by page so she doesn't know whose paper she's grading in an attempt to be as fair as possible.
- Dr. Pieters is a good professor. No nonsense, but is very effective at transferring the ideas from her mind to ours.
- I've never felt that the instructor is unorganized at all. She has a system that works for her and she sticks to that system. I think her grading is as fair as it can be and she is available and helpful outside of class. I never got the impression that I couldn't get help if I need it or that I was graded unfairly in anyway.
- Instructor always available and willing to help. She went out of her way to explain home works and not simply give the answers away, the instructor clearly cares about her students understanding economics .
- Office hours are great because she does not just give students the answers; instead, she assists you in using logic to get through them. I really appreciated that.
- Pieters is well prepared, her pre-class notes are available online, and she follows a pretty similar structure for each lesson. She has a grading system that seems to be fair and compensate for a mistake on one of the tests for the semester. If you approach her in office

hours she will really take the time to break down the subject for you, and she is always willing to help.

- She is a fair grader, but very picky in what she wants. Always willing to help
- She is accessible but she will not give help for some of the homework questions, which are much harder than those in class. She can be particular on showing work.
- She is on top of everything. If you have a question, you will get an answer within a two hour window. Her grading is stiff but it makes you understand why you got the problem wrong and she always gives homework and tests back in a timely fashion.
- She knows a lot about the course and the points she takes off make sense and she explains to you why. She is so nice in her office hours.
- The homework policy is whack
- The instructor is very helpful in office hours with homework questions and concepts
- Yeah she is available at office hours. But she doesn't help you at all. It's almost like your being torn apart for trying to get help.

2.7) Please comment on your answers to questions 2.5 and 2.6.

- Good course. A little heavy on the math and less so on the theory at first.
- Homeworks are comprehensive and lectures are always easy to follow.
- I really did not understand what Microeconomics was before this class, I just assumed that it was about money or the way the US economy worked. This was not the case however, Micro deals with various trends and concepts that I would have never began to think of. The course content was somewhat difficult, but Dr. Pieters really did a good job of breaking down material.
- I suck at this class and it is a difficult course to pass
- If economics doesn't stimulate analytical thinking, you're doing it wrong.
As I said before, I didn't take an economics class in high school, so this class taught me a lot of new things that will be helpful to understanding my future.
- LOVE ECON YAY
- She generates an atmosphere of learning and I feel like I have learned a lot this semester.
- The homework questions especially require us to analytically think about micro economic concepts
- The only reason I'm not learning that much is because I have already taken so micro, they just didn't accept my 4
- This course has taught me a lot about a subject that does not come easily to me

2.10) Please comment on your answers to questions 2.8 and 2.9.

- Always willing to engage in the class and answer questions where we have to think to come up with the answer.
- Effective Teacher, Great Class
- It's a good course but it is a little difficult. The tests are on a much higher level (in terms of testing our understanding) in comparison to the homework assignments
- She is effective but too hard. I like her teaching style but the course should be taught slower with more examples like the homework instead of the student struggling to answer hw questions far harder than experience in class has taught them. Also, if a test is going to have half of it be about game theory, please our some practice questions of game theory on the practice exam
- The class was definitely still a challenge but I don't think I would have done as well with another professor. Dr. Pieters works hard to fully teach all the course material in a manner in which the students understand and takes the time to explain things we don't understand. The course requirements are straightforward and you should always know what to expect on hw/tests if you are active during lectures and taking notes.
- The only thing that was terrible in this class was converting out homework to a PDF and then scanning it to learn where it had to be uploaded
- This professor was recommended to me by a friend who took micro last semester, and her recommendation was well founded. I've enjoyed learning this material, but that's mostly because Dr. Pieters makes the course engaging.
- This teacher is one of the best economics teachers out there and she really knows the material and teaches it well. Overall I would say take this class.

- literally these are basically the same questions as before. see above

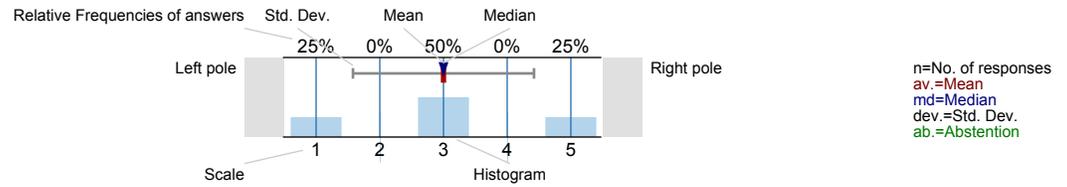
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Principles of Microeconomics (ECON13112SP13S-)
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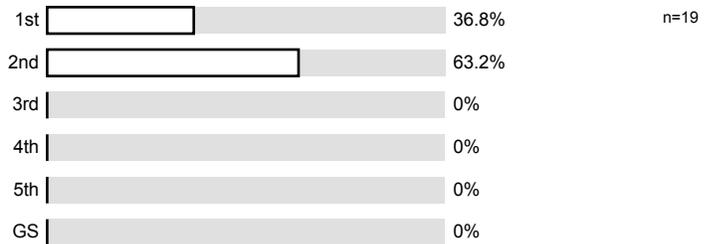
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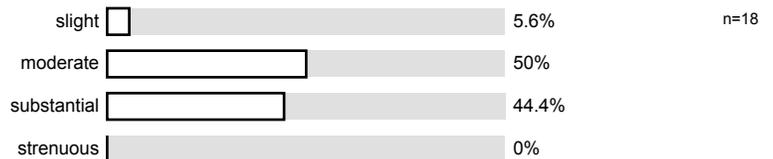
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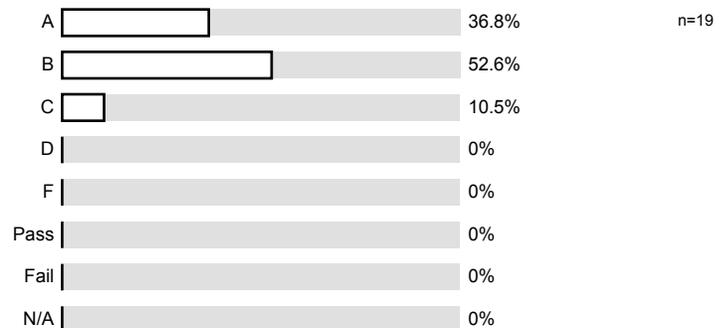
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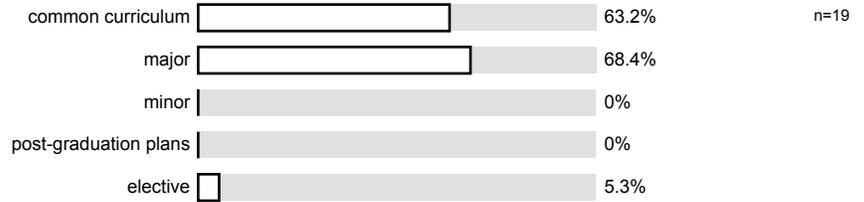
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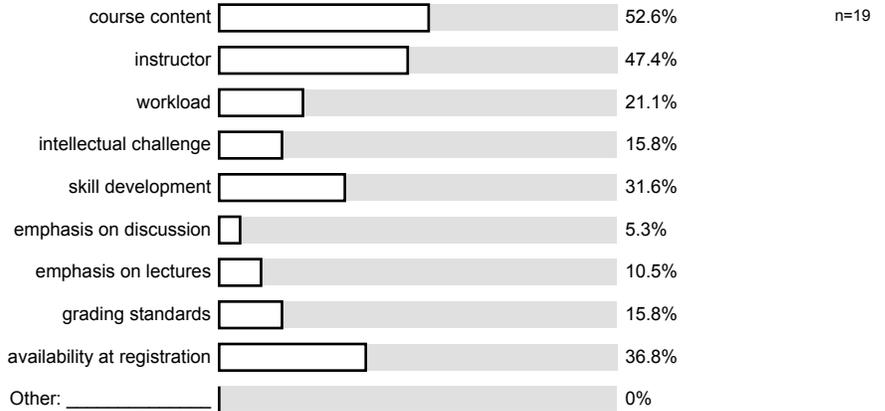
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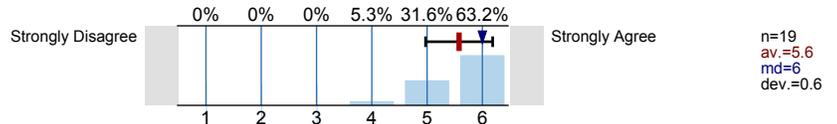


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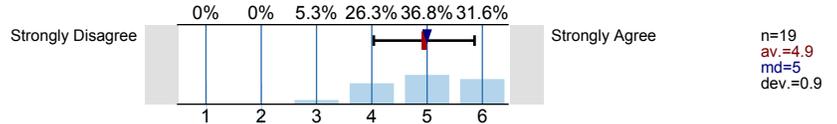


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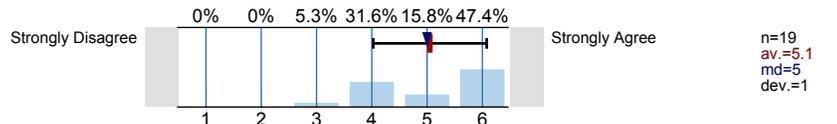
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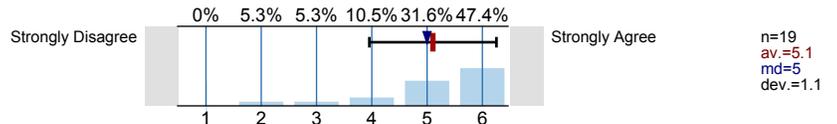
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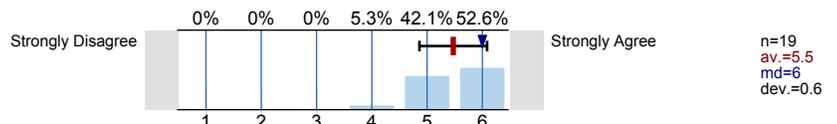
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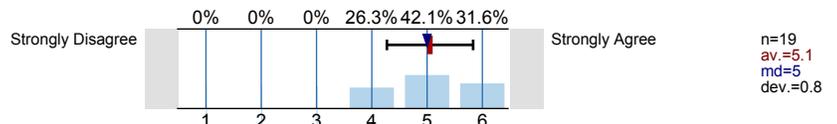
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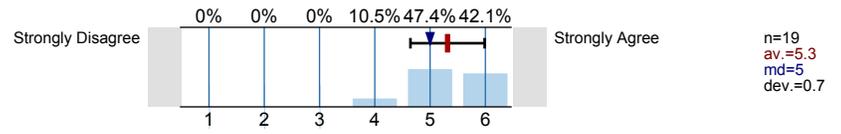
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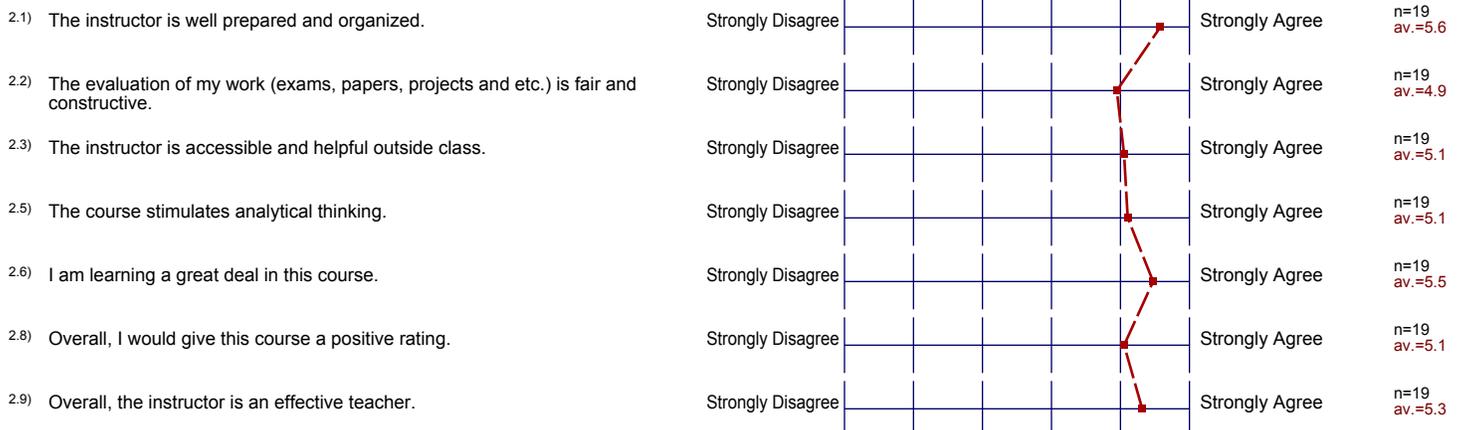


2.9) Overall, the instructor is an effective teacher.



Profile

Subunit: Economics
 Name of the instructor: Gina Pieters
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Comments Report

1. Background Questions

^{1.7)} Considering your selections above, please comment on your experience in this course.

- As an engineering I have to take micro Econ. I thought the material was interesting and manageable. My only major concern with the class was the length of the tests given the class time. I think some of the tests were unreasonably long.
- Class is not too bad. I could have done better if I allotted more time to this class as opposed to my other courses.
- Definitely my hardest course this semester. I was often lost and confused, but going into office hours really helped me out. A lot of my semester was spent on trying to do the homework.
- Dr. Pieters is too cool. She teaches the subject in a way everyone understands and the class group work allows for good collaboration. The course is tough but manageable if you pay attention in class and are understanding the homework.
- Dr. Pieters was an extremely effective professor in teaching this course. The course was very well organized and there was just the right mix between lectures, group work, individual work, and exams.
- I did not expect this course to be as difficult as it was (my most difficult), but I have no regrets on taking the class. Dr. Pieters was a fabulous teacher that explained difficult concepts on simple terms (most of this time), and she was always welcoming when I asked for help in office hours. I know I will walk away with a substantial knowledge of the basics of microeconomics, as well as some common misconceptions the public has about the economy.
- I found the class more challenging than I expected. I took it just as a requirement for my major. The homeworks were very challenging and took up much more time than I thought they would. She was also a very hard grader.
- I have really enjoyed this course and all the reasons I took it have worked out nicely.
- I really enjoyed this course a lot. Dr. Pieters was a great professor that really cared about her students which in return made me care about her class. She has interested me on pursuing a major in economics.
- I really liked that there wasn't much work on the book and more on her lectures because sometimes it gets confusing from textbook info and lecture info.
- Microeconomics was not an easy course for me. I struggled with concepts, as our homework was due only every two weeks, and I did not reinforce lessons on my own. But eventually I came to understand Dr. Pieters' very logical methods of testing, in which her homeworks followed her in-class examples and the tests followed the homework and the practice exams and it became easier. Definitely one of the more difficult classes to figure out, but I appreciate her gracious grading scale.
- This class is a hard one, and she moves very fast on the material. She also expects a lot from us, and it's difficult to hold up to that expectation. Overall, I don't mind going to this class, but tests are super frustrating. I know she thinks that the test can be done in 50min, but NEVER is anyone done by that time and ready to turn it in. And then the next class day, she chides us on "If I (the instructor) can do this test in 15min, you should be able to do it in 50min." She is the instructor and the one with the focus on econ, whereas a lot of us are here to take this class as a prerequisite for our majors, so we shouldn't be expected to do these tests that fast. She needs to shorten the test.
- This class was a good mental challenge yet was able to make learning econ fun.
- This was a very good economics course, and I learned a lot from the professor. The pace was good, and the professor made sure she explained all the topics in detail. The homework was representative of the tests, and all the tools were provided to get a good grade.
- This course was fairly simple.
- To be honest, I was expecting microecon to be boring when I signed up for it so I was very surprised to find I actually really enjoyed this course. I like seeing how microecon relates to the world, something that is often difficult with other courses like English or microbiology. Overall, I'm happy to say I really enjoyed this course and I would recommend it to other students.

2. ECONOMICS DEPARTMENT STUDENT COURSE EVALUATION

^{2.4)} Please comment on your answers to questions 2.1, 2.2, and 2.3.

- Always available for office hours and is always willing to help
- Always well organized and prepared, lecture guidelines were posted on TLearn before every class. Extremely helpful in office hours. Feedback on work was very clear so you could easily understand what the mistakes were that you made.

- Dr. Pieters always comes to class prepared, and she gets there early to write stuff up on the board for us. She also always has everything that we need uploaded onto t-learn, which is helpful. Homeworks are graded hard, but fairly, and quickly, which is helpful to know immediately how well you are understanding material.
- Dr. Pieters always returned grades extremely quickly which was appreciated.
- Dr. Pieters is wonderful! Her explanations are very clear and she is very helpful during office hours. I also like how prepared she is with her notes and I like how we begin class with a recap of what we learned in the previous class. This really helps me relate the information and solidify it in my memory.
- Dr. Pieters was always accessible, I just wish I had had more time to take advantage of office hours. As for grading, I felt it was sometimes random on free response questions if you didn't spit back the answer how she would say it.
- Every class was well planned and outlined. Dr. Pieters was always very accessible at office hours, and was helpful. Though i know some people were frustrated, I appreciated her method of getting us to acknowledge quickly that we were wrong, and then move on quickly to here's how I can help you do this correctly.
- Her lectures are very well laid out and structured. I liked the review from the last lecture before the day's lecture started. I also enjoyed the group work. It broke up the sometimes monotony of class.
- I understood things a lot more during office hours! She was always accessible and helpful. Exams and homework were given back graded fairly and quickly.
- She is always available for office hours, her lectures are very organized, and everything is laid out for the students perfectly.
- She is really good at grading work and giving it back in time.
- She is very helpful and often available during her office hours and through appointments!
- She was never really unprepared for class when we showed up. She grades rather harshly and I felt like there was a few times where I was docked a considerable amount for doing something slightly incorrectly.
- Very well organized professor, and she clearly prepared her lectures ahead of time. Sometimes didn't get much feedback on the homeworks, and I only went to office hours once.
- although the instructor is helpful during class, she isn't as helpful at office hours. She is also a fairly tough grader, and will sometimes take off points when the questions is done 90% correctly, she is very picky about the answers we put down.

2.7) Please comment on your answers to questions 2.5 and 2.6.

- Definately agree that this course helped me think more analytically and helped me think in the mind-frame of an economist.
- I have learned a ton and am forced to step out of my comfort son every time we have class.
- I have learned so much, but especially because it has challenged me too.
- I knew nothing about economics coming in, and I've found it strangely applicable to my life since taking this course. I liked the analytical homework exercises a lot.
- I learned some but I needed to put more time into the course to actually understand more.
- I took macroeconomics in high school, but it was way easier than this class. I learned a lot and enjoyed the second half of the course more because it wasn't so dry. I especially liked the real world examples such as the department of labor website about wages and the gender/ race discrimination lecture.
- The professor makes learning the material fairly easy, and it is a new topic for me, so I am thinking and learning a lot.
- The short answer questions on the KAs and exams confused me at the beginning of the semester because it required me to analyze what we had learned in class and apply it in different circumstances. However, these short answer questions were the ones that drove home the importance of the terms and their impact.
- This course definitely makes me think on a daily basis about real life things, which is one reason that makes the class so interesting and engaging.
- This is a good course for getting the hang of econ, it's not an easy A, but it is good for learning

2.10) Please comment on your answers to questions 2.8 and 2.9.

- 2.8 I definitely learned a lot, but it was often stressful.
- 2.9. I think the professor is great at teaching, but she could take constructive criticism a little better.

- A thorough and knowledgeable teacher but has really hard tests that are far too long for the time allotted. I liked her lectures because there were lots of examples, not just all definitions. Also, she gives you enough time to absorb a topic before moving on to new material.
- At times dr. Pierre's was condesending and stuck in her own head but I could tell that she didn't mean to be and she really cares about her students; it was just hard to tell. I think continued experience in the class room will further soften some of her rough edges.
- Dr. Pieters is very effective instructor who balances lectures with group work very well so we can figure out in class whether we understand the topic or not before we move on to the homework.
- Good class, I enjoyed the material, and the professor gets her point across very well.
- Good class, teaches well, she likes to teach and help out students
- Good course to take for understanding econ materials. Grading is nice that she optimizes your score!
- Great class, one of the best professors I have ever had. If you don't understand something, even very basic, she will always take the time to explain it to you in many different ways if necessary. She makes me eager to learn and eager to do well for her.
- The instructor is always answering questions and is very good at clearly teaching this subject.
- This was an extremely difficult course where the professor demanded a lot of time and effort, but the professor was extremely competent and helpful, which made getting an A easy.
- Though I did not enjoy my difficult adventure in this course, I acknowledge that I learned a lot and Dr. Pieters was very helpful and instrumental in helping me survive it.
- Very effective teacher and I would highly recommend this course to everyone.

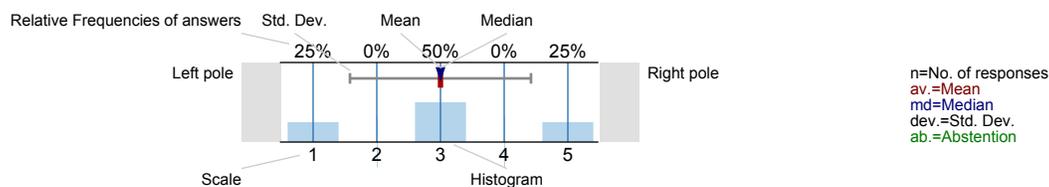
Gina Pieters

International Trade (ECON33471SP13S-)
No. of responses = 13

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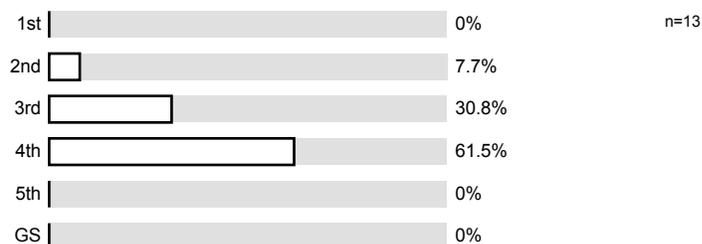
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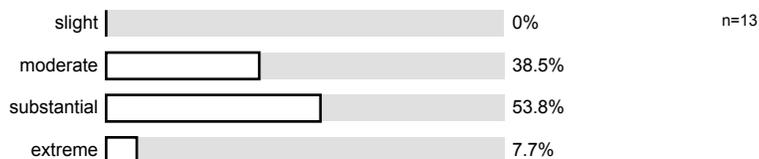


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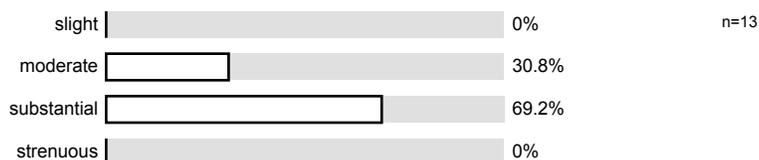
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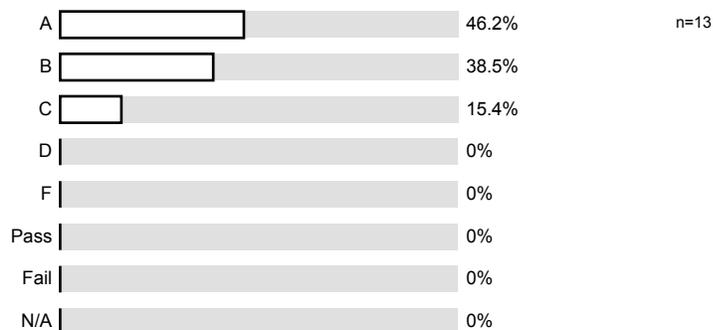
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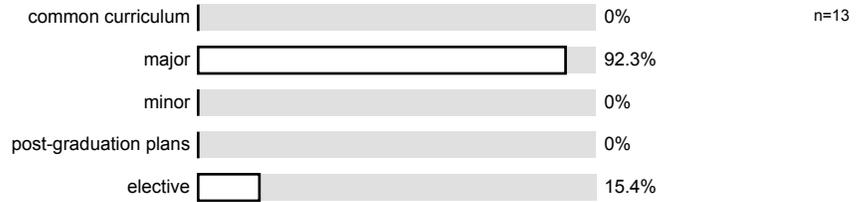
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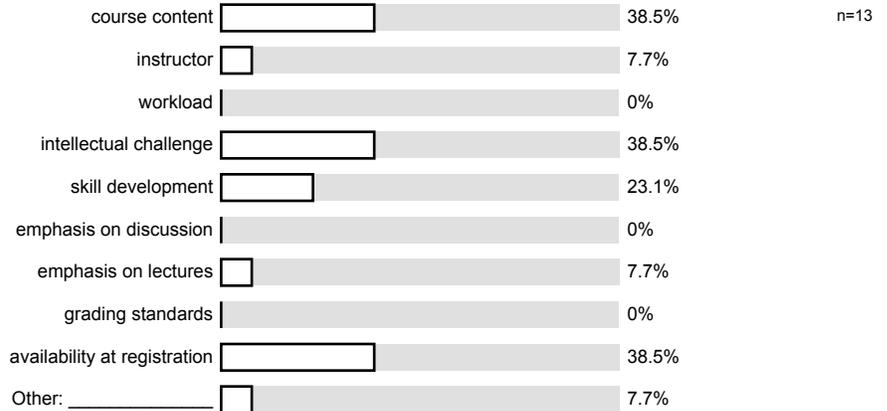
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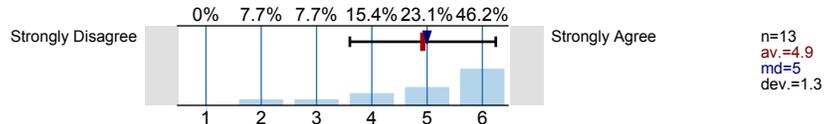


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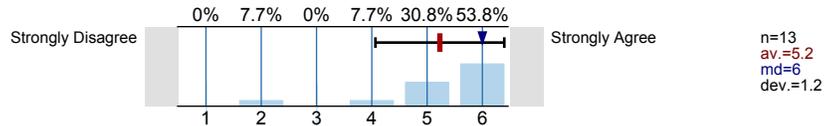


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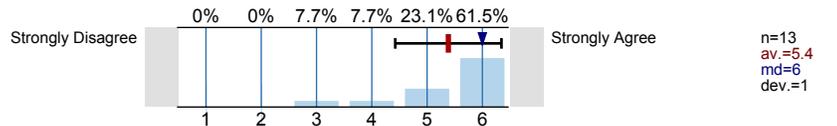
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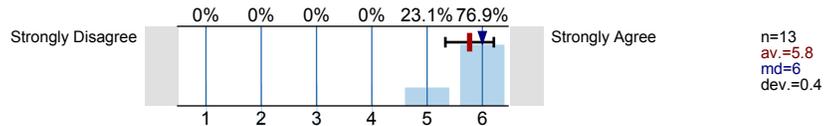
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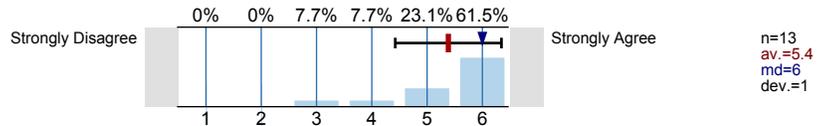
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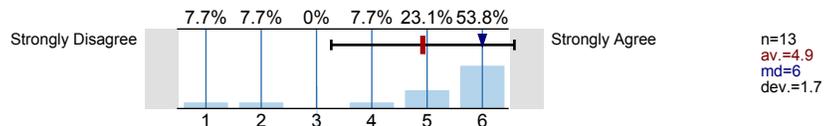
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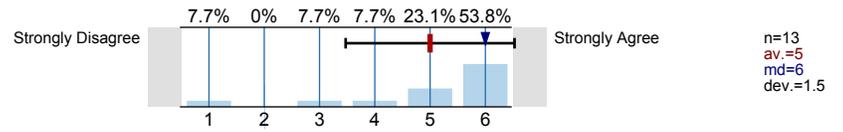
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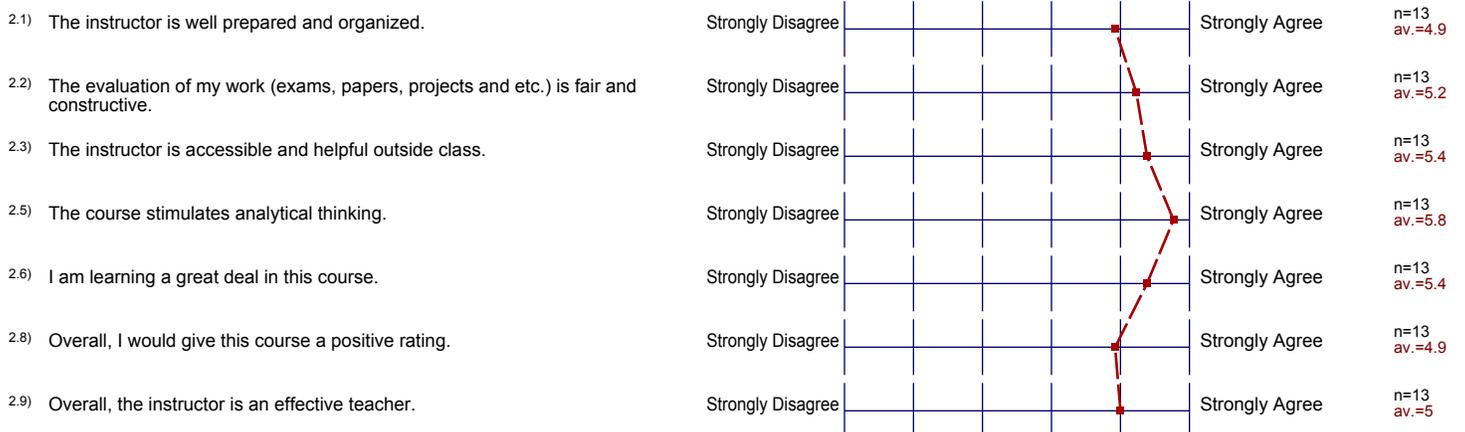


2.9) Overall, the instructor is an effective teacher.



Profile

Subunit: Economics
 Name of the instructor: Gina Pieters
 Name of the course: International Trade
 (Name of the survey)



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| 1. Background Questions |
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^{1.7)} Considering your selections above, please comment on your experience in this course.

- Great class and great teacher. Content material could be better if calculus 1 and 2 were prerequisites.

did not like grading questions in exam 1.

enjoyed the class and learned a new field in economics..

- I appreciated the variety in homework, classwork, and even exams. I'm not sure how helpful replacement points were, as the problems were always helpful to do anyway. I would rather just have assignments worth more points. The midterm was an interesting experiment, but even not considering how we did on the grading exercises, the whole thing felt like it took too long.
- I feel I have learned a lot and I really enjoyed this class.
- I had a good experience in the class. The subject was interesting and I feel like I learned a lot.
- I really liked the class, I personally believe that I learned so much by writing the paper.
- I took this class as my last requirement for my economics major. I feel like the course is as difficult as I thought it would be although I am pleasantly surprised with Gina as a professor. She is very prepared, organized and structured the class well. While I am not great at economics, I understood most of the class. I wish however, the class was more example based rather than straight teaching.
- I took this class because I needed upper division economics hours to fulfill my major. I thought it would be easier than some of the other classes being offered. It wasn't. But, I found it much more interesting than I thought it would be
- International Trade is a class that should either be taught at an introductory level or an advanced level. Either is a reasonable difficulty level for the class. What transpired here was a class of advanced students dealing with an introductory professor. Professor Pieters seems confused about the role of this classroom: whether it is to teach us basic introductory economics 101 (we spent nearly 2 weeks on the basic fundamentals of comparative advantage), or to demand we produce papers in the style one might find in a published economic journal. The content of the class is so scattered that it was nearly impossible to predict what was expected in homework or tests.
- It was an interesting class and I hope it would be more case based like we did at the end of the semester. However, the theory part was good as well. It would be interesting to have a different type of final because we have not done something like is expected in the end by ourselves.
- The class was a bit tough to follow. Lacked structure which detracted from learning the material.
- The whole experience is okay. I did learn a lot. Dr. Pieters is new to Trinity so I didn't set my expectation too high.
- This class was very informative. I felt like I actually learned a lot about trade models and international relations in general. It was a difficult class but not unmanageable
- This course was a challenge for me. The models were pretty complicated and it felt like we really flew through them at the beginning and as a result I have been kind of fighting for my life the whole semester. The problem sets are a bit ridiculous. Maybe I was doing something wrong, but they took me several hours (in one instance, over 10 hours) and I still felt unsure of them. Sometimes the classroom felt kind of scattered and confusing and it made it hard to engage with the material being presented.

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| 2. ECONOMICS DEPARTMENT STUDENT COURSE EVALUATION |
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^{2.4)} Please comment on your answers to questions 2.1, 2.2, and 2.3.

- Always willing to accommodate outside class hours.
- Dr. Pieters is ridiculously intelligent. Like almost too smart. I spent a significant amount of time outside of class in her office hours getting help on homework and she is very helpful. Her dedication to her students is uncommon- I kept her until 6pm on a Friday evening and she was happy to help me as long as I needed it.
- Gina is ALWAYS available in office hours and she is ALWAYS helpful and grades perfectly. I truly have no complaints.
- Grades work really fast and that is really appreciated as a lot of teachers take their time. She gives good feedback and tries to help others as well.
- I didn't take enough advantage of office hours, but there were times that the instructor felt unorganized. This became less and less of a problem over the course of the semester though.

- I thought Dr. Pieters was organized and helpful.
- Let me be clear: Gina Pieters may be one of the most unprepared professors I have ever seen. Countless days have been spent in class with her unable to make sense of her own homework questions. Entire periods have been spent watching her work away at a whiteboard completely baffled by simple models SHE HERSELF introduced to the class. It was shocking to me to see a professor stare at a homework question for 45 minutes only to conclude she would "get back to us" about it, when the homework itself was due in less than 12 hours. Evaluation of work was impacted heavily by my earlier criticism that the difficulty of the class (and what was expected) changed dramatically from assignment to assignment. Often what was returned on the homework was unintelligible red checks or "x"s with no linkage to advice or explanation of what was wrong. While Gina was often available outside of class, she was rarely helpful, typically abdicating teaching responsibility to another student in the class (who often had little idea what to do), or continuing with her patented system of having no idea what the answer to her own homework was.
- She had office hours. She graded fairly.
- She was willing to help me outside of class on homework and other assignments. She came to class well prepared and organized. We received our homework and test at a fast turn around.

2.7) Please comment on your answers to questions 2.5 and 2.6.

- Despite the difficulty and moments of uncertainty, I have learned a great deal from this course and feel that my understanding of economics has been significantly furthered by it.
- I did learn a lot in this course however, at the beginning of the class I struggled a lot. I feel the pace was way too fast through the models but overall, I have learned a lot. I really like when we would analyze articles and I'm excited for that for the final.
- I did learn a lot, but again I think the more real world relatable the class is the easier it is to remember everything. I do like that we really have to bring our econ knowledge to really analyze everything that is happening in this class.
- I did learn a lot.
- I don't necessarily feel any more educated on international trade beyond the introductory level. Still have to find out why she taught game theory for one class and applied it to nothing.
- I liked how the first half was set up to learn the models then the second half was used to see how the models are used in real economic times.
- Indeed I learned a great deal of materials about trade and made me think about every question critically and look at them from different angles.
- This class was really challenging for me. I haven't taken many classes based in theory so it was definitely different and I think more analytically after taking this course.

2.10) Please comment on your answers to questions 2.8 and 2.9.

- Dr. Pieters kicks ass. Enough said.
- I have learned a great deal, which is the point I suppose, but this course was also the cause of significant amounts of stress for me. I wanted to excel but felt that it was very difficult to follow class. I think that these concerns became less and less prevalent as the semester went on and the instructor found her stride.
- I thought Dr. Pieters was effective.
- It would have been better if you'd have given me nothing at all. Everyone who took this class is now dumber for having taken part in it.
- No complaints. The class is taught well and organized well. I really learned a lot.
- She is really good. I would try to measure some of the hw is not too much work and that it can be done when assigned. It is not the same to say you have two weeks to do a hw but only have the knowledge a couple days before it is due. If you are changing your testing format make sure we have more practice not just the last couple weeks to really think how to work for our test. I thought the mid term test format was really good and would like to have another like that one.
- Teaches at her level of understanding and pace. Models were taught too quickly to gain a full understanding. I would recommend avoiding this class unless it is major specific.
- The only thing that really should be changed is when we write our own test questions they should be turned in a week or so earlier than the test so that they are fully correct.

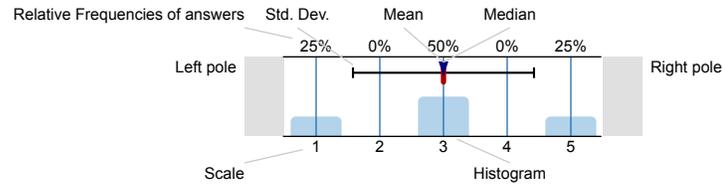
Gina Pieters

Principles of Microeconomics (ECON13111FL13S-)
No. of responses = 18

Survey Results

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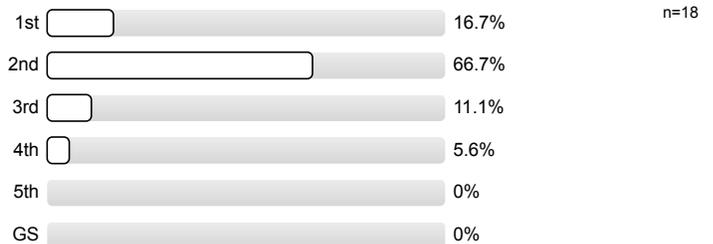
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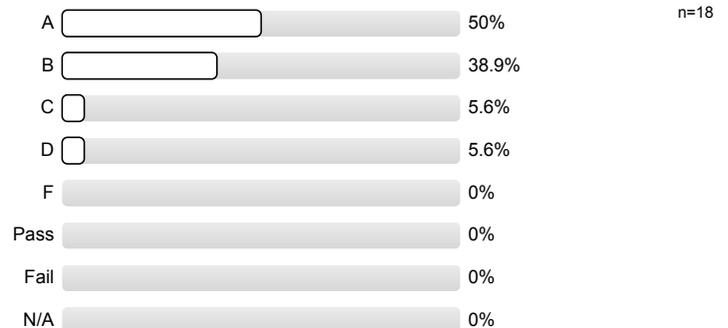
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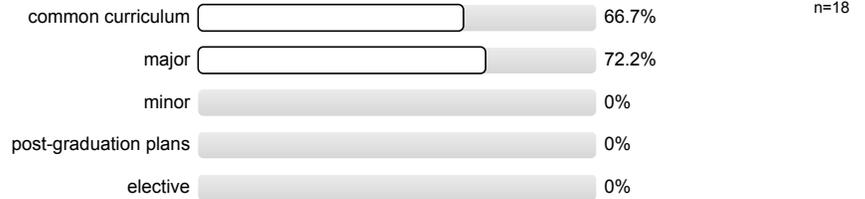
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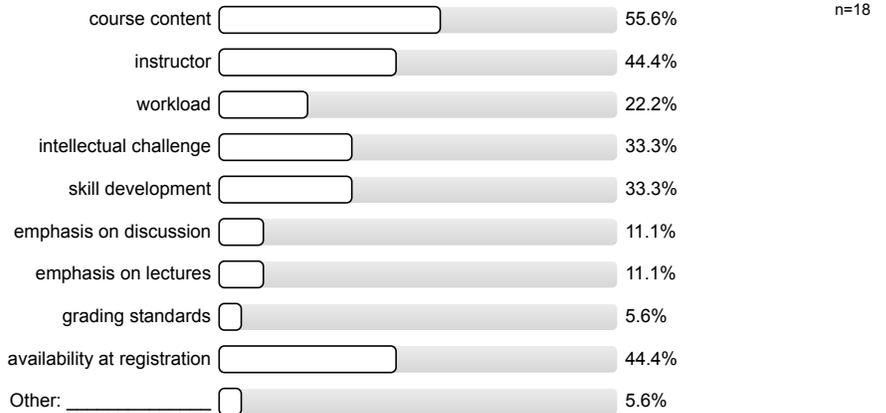
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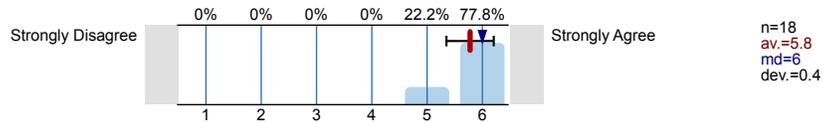


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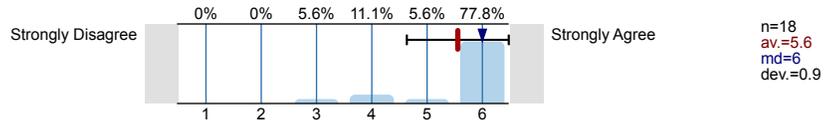


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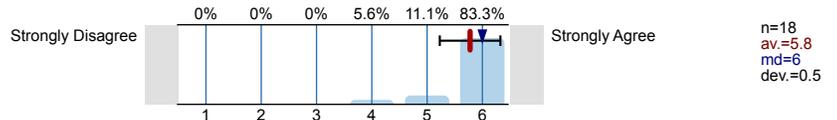
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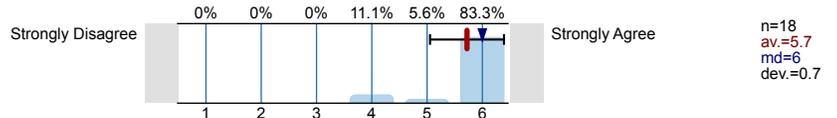
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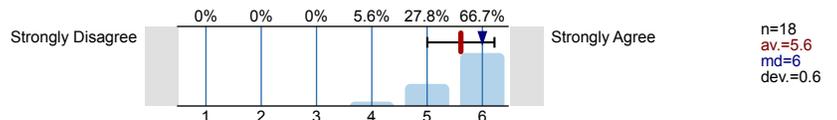
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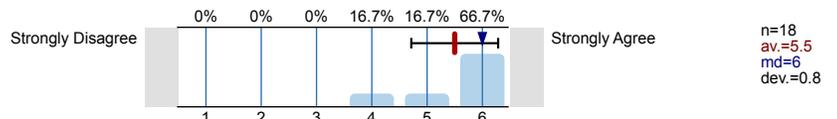
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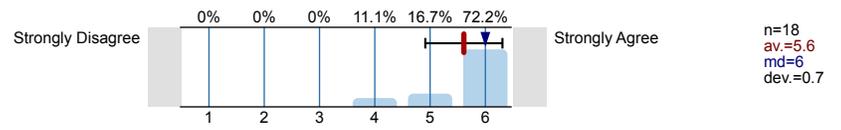
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2.8) Overall, I would give this course a positive rating.



2.9) Overall, the instructor is an effective teacher.



Profile

Subunit: Economics
 Name of the instructor: Gina Pieters
 Name of the course: Principles of Microeconomics (ECON13111FL13S-)
 (Name of the survey)

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2. ECONOMICS DEPARTMENT STUDENT COURSE EVALUATION

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| 2.8) Overall, I would give this course a positive rating. | Strongly Disagree | | | | | | | | | Strongly Agree | n=18 | av.=5.5 | md=6.0 | dev.=0.8 |
| 2.9) Overall, the instructor is an effective teacher. | Strongly Disagree | | | | | | | | | Strongly Agree | n=18 | av.=5.6 | md=6.0 | dev.=0.7 |

Comments Report

1. Background Questions

^{1.7)} Considering your selections above, please comment on your experience in this course.

- Dr. Pieters is very nice and ALWAYS willing to help. She will sit with you in office hours for as long as you need, help you on homeworks, and even stay after class to discuss the class notes from that day. However, Microeconomics is not an easy class. It was very challenging for me to try to understand these economic principles, and I did not think it would be that hard to learn the basics. The tests were very challenging, especially to get them done in a short amount of time. I always had problems with the short answers because sometimes I had difficulty seeing the whole picture. Also, class moves pretty fast, and it was often hard for me to keep up. However, I am one of those people who need to sit and let things soak in in order to fully understand them.
- Dr. Pieters provided a comfortable learning environment that was never intimidating, but also was not lax. She encouraged students to continually question the points made in front of them and to logically walk through each problem they faced. Her grading standards were not terribly high, and she provided well-reasoned explanations for all of her graded assignments. She emphasized her lectures, especially attendance, because she does not directly rely on any textbook, and you cannot fully learn what is taught via the learn website.
- Great experience overall. While the pace of the course was very slow, I remained engaged throughout the material
- I initially only signed up for this class to fulfill my Political Science major. Now, I realize that this was so much more important than just a class to check off my course list. Economics is definitely not my strong point, but I now realize that I need to continue studying it in order to fully understand how the world operates.
- I learned a lot and got to know various economic policies. The class had a good mix of group work and lectures which made learning the material easy and enjoyable
- I loved this class. I really enjoyed the course content, but also loved the class because of Pieters' teaching style. She was engaging and easy to follow. Her lectures were organized, and the group work and group activities were strategically placed so that they were both fun and helpful to learning the course content.
- I took this course for my major and had no expectations as I've never taken economics before. I found that the course material is interesting and Dr. Pieters presents it logically and coherently.
- Overall, positive experience in the course. I am very happy that I took the class and would recommend it to anyone in the future.
- Overall, this class has been insightful and has improved my understanding of basic economics.
- The class is difficult because of the content and speed at which we are learning. This is economics with more of a scientific background, rather than learning definitions and reading the book. Sometimes, things not covered in class are on the homework and then they are on the test. The instructor says she does this to make us use our critical thinking skills and using our brains to analyze and fix problems. While part of this should be true, I do not think it is fair that something we glanced over in class can take up a huge percentage on homeworks tests. Also, the way the Economics department does the curve is sort of unfair because I have heard from others that some of the instructors teach easier classes and their classes can mess up the curve. Overall, I hope I end up passing and I will be very upset if I don't.
- The reason I wanted to take this course was because I felt like Microeconomics was much more applicable to real-life personal situations than was Macro. Although I didn't learn a whole lot about what I expected, I felt like I learned a good amount in the class, and it as overall a fun class to take.
- This class ended up being more interesting as it progressed
- This course has been very difficult. The lectures move very quickly and the things in the lecture are very different than what shows up in the homework or on the tests. You have to go to office hours in order to get everything explained on the homework because the lectures are not sufficient.
- This course has helped me learn how the world works and why different concepts related to money make sense. It has also taught me how to think critically and apply concepts to other situations.
- This course was very difficult for me mostly because the exams are rigorous and I could never finish the exams in the allotted time. Dr. Pieters is a great teacher though and I would recommend her as a professor for anyone who has to take economics.
- This was a very interesting course, it was structures very well.

2. ECONOMICS DEPARTMENT STUDENT COURSE EVALUATION

^{2.4)} Please comment on your answers to questions 2.1, 2.2, and 2.3.

- Dr. Pieters does a great job of giving a short synopsis in the beginning of every class of what you learned last class. This was a great help; however, the most difficult part for me was in the beginning of the semester when some of the terms seemed to mesh together in my head.

Dr. Pieters is EXTREMELY helpful and giving of her time. Although sometimes I could not keep up because she talks fairly fast, it was a great help every time I went to office hours or asked questions. She sacrifices her time for her students in hopes that they will reach their full potential.

- Dr. Pieters was a wonderful professor. She always had well prepared and organized lectures. As someone who has a hard time theoretically thinking about Econ, the graphs and tables that she drew on the whiteboard really helped.

As for grades, Dr. Pieters graded fairly and constructively on all of our work. After each homework assignment was turned in she would post the PDF of 100% assignment on Tlearn. Each exam was graded based on question set, that really helped me identify what I was having trouble with.

My favorite part of this class was Dr. Pieter's office hours. She would actually move us into a classroom in the Econ department and let us work on the whiteboard. This was by far, the best method because she could immediately tell our group where we had gone wrong in our math or though process.

- Dr. Pieters was very well prepared for every lecture and any discussion that came up from any lesson. Her evaluations were thoughtful, constructive, and fair. Her grading method (though it sounds like a time-consuming bear of a task) is incredibly fair and thorough. I would say that her accessibility via tlearn and email is great, but her office hours were difficult for me to attend and not varied much, limiting my facetime with her outside of lectures.
- Each class has an agenda and we typically get through every topic. Sometimes I was unsure as to where I lost points. She is helpful in office hours.
- Gina Pieters is an excellent professor, it is obvious that she prepares well for her lectures and she also has the ability to answer any unexpected questions thoroughly
- Gina knows how to help us learn.
- Grading is fair, but there are never any indication or explanation of why points were deducted.
- Her office hours are extremely helpful. People can usually finish their homework during her office hours.
- Instructor is always easy to understand, takes time to answer questions in class, and is available outside of class. Thanks for giving straightforward explanations.
- My professor always made herself very available during office hours if we didn't want to ask questions in class, but she also allowed us time to ask questions over homework stuff in class. She never seemed to get frustrated when she had to reexplain things multiple times to me in order for me to get a concept and never made me feel dumb for the questions I asked.
- Pieters was very accessible in and outside of class. She taught at a very good pace and was always engaging.
- The instructor always gives plenty of feedback on graded assignments and it very helpful during office hours.
- The instructor is very organized in class. The evaluations are returned very quickly which is helpful. The instructor is accessible outside of her class if you go to her office hours or email her and make an appointment.
- There's a lesson plan online that she uses in class and everything's structured well. I haven't actually been to office hours for this class, but her hours are posted and she notifies us ahead of time whenever there's some change or difficulty.
- ye the instructor is well preparad and organized , comes to class ready to teach, she is also available durong office hours and she really helps out

2.7) Please comment on your answers to questions 2.5 and 2.6.

- As I've commented in other areas of this survey, I enjoyed this course because it gave me an entirely new perspective and way to express people's (and governments') decisions.
- Dr. Pieters highly values analytical skills and that is a large portion of our test material. I feel I learned a lot having not known the first thing about economics prior to the course and due to her teaching style.
- Dr. Pieters used real-world applications throughout the course and really provoked some deeper thoughts and discussions into how the world values its goods and why people interact the way they do. I came away with a very different viewpoint than I had coming in.
- Even though this class takes a lot of hard work, I am learning great deal. My economics class in high school was trash. Also, by making it more science based and "mathy" that helped me a great deal.
- I am learning a lot in the course but it's very difficult to understand much of the content.
- I had no idea what economics was or how any of the market things worked whenever I started this course and now I can't stop thinking about how reservation price affects the cost of my hot chocolate and things like that.
- My understanding of most of the topics covered in this course results from analytical thinking problems.

- She asks a variety of questions for tests and homework, some that involve critical thinking, some that involve conceptual knowledge. Overall, it's a good variety of assessment and I feel like everyone is tested fairly.
- The instructors ensure that we are learning things outside of economic theory and are applying it to the real world. Exams are not just about spitting out economics knowledge but always requires analytical and critical thinking.
- Thinking about all this economic concepts is definitely not my forte. It is not something I grasp right when it is introduced to me. I had to think extremely hard in this class and outside this class to try to make sense of things in my head. The homeworks also required a lot of analytical thinking and, especially in the beginning, I struggled greatly with them.
- This course provides a great balance between mathematical calculations and conceptual/analytical thinking.
- this course encourages critical thinking

2.10) Please comment on your answers to questions 2.8 and 2.9.

- Again, the instructor is always easy to understand. No complaints. I would recommend this course to a friend.
- As I said earlier, she asks a variety of questions and recognizes that different people learn differently and because of that, no one type of learner is tested unfairly.
- Dr. Pieters is an amazing teaching and is fantastic at conveying her knowledge onto us. She is always super well prepared for class and even though the material and class are difficult, she is a good teacher.
- Dr. Pieters is tricky, which I like, but she teaches effectively. She teaches in a very linear way. I especially liked her use of the whiteboard in presenting concepts (each class has a "roadmap" of what will be covered on the board and a quick review of the previous class concepts before moving on to new notes. I like this format).
- I feel as if you either like economics or you don't. I really didn't embrace the field of study in the beginning of the semester; however, Dr. Pieters has gotten me to grow to like it a little more. She is always positive, and she is definitely passionate about what she teaches. I wish there would of been some more in-class experiments because that helped me greatly when we did those a few times.
- I think the way she grades certain problems is unfair, mostly the definition and critical thinking problems. For example, my way of thinking may not be her way of thinking and I can prove I understand the concept, but she will not give credit back even if you tell her where your head was at when taking the test or doing the homework.
- If you're not getting something, she will go over it again as many times as you need for you to understand the material.
- Pieters style of teaching was very clear and methodical. Everything she wrote on the board was helpful and important to the class.
- The instructor is very effective and runs the course at a great pace to make sure everybody understands the material. She is very clear with explaining the material and gives everyone the opportunity to do well in the class.
- The teacher is effective for people who naturally understand economics. She moves way too quickly for the people that don't have a good understanding of economics, and is sometimes hard to follow in lecture. This course should be taught for people that are more advanced than beginners, because it goes into way more detail than other micro courses and is much more difficult. Much of the lecture is not on the test, and the questions on the test are very complicated.
- This class was awesome!! Gina is teh best EVARR!!!!
Awesome teacher!
Funny, likeable.
Snappy dresser.
- This is a good intro level microeconomics course.
- This was one of my favorite classes this semester. Not because it was easy, but because it made me grow academically. This was almost entirely due to Dr. Pieters. I'm so sad that she's not teaching Macro next semester. I would recommend that anyone who is interested in lower-level take he class.
- she deserves a raise

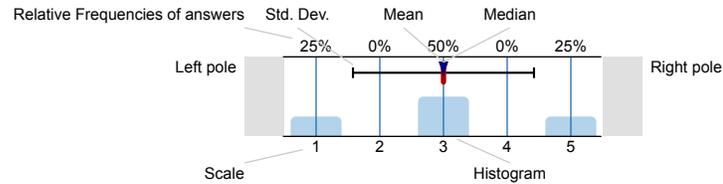
Gina Pieters

Principles of Microeconomics (ECON13112FL13S-)
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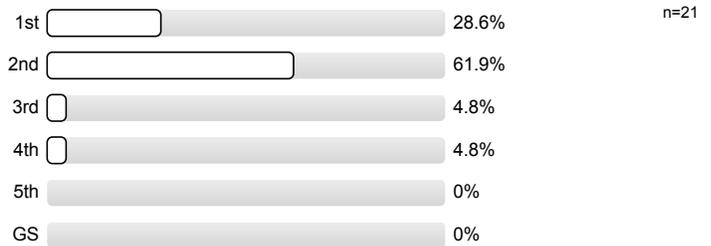
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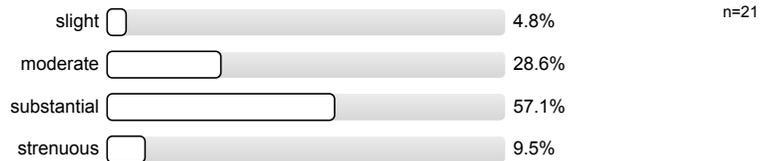
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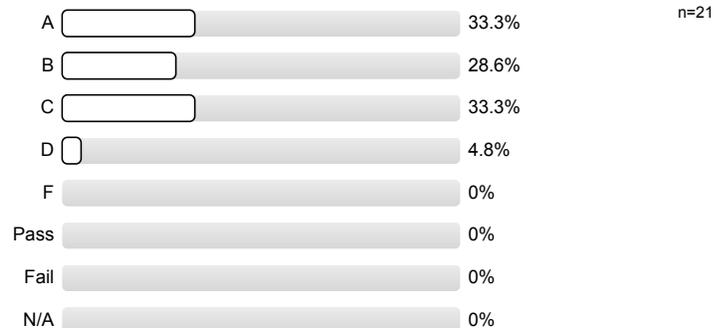
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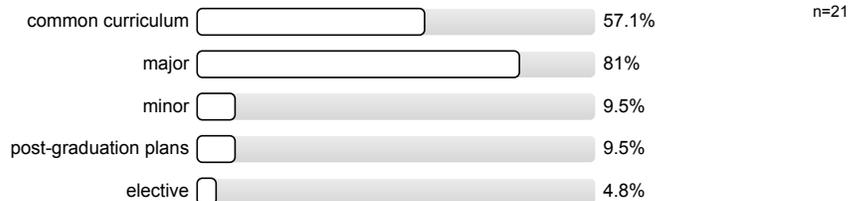
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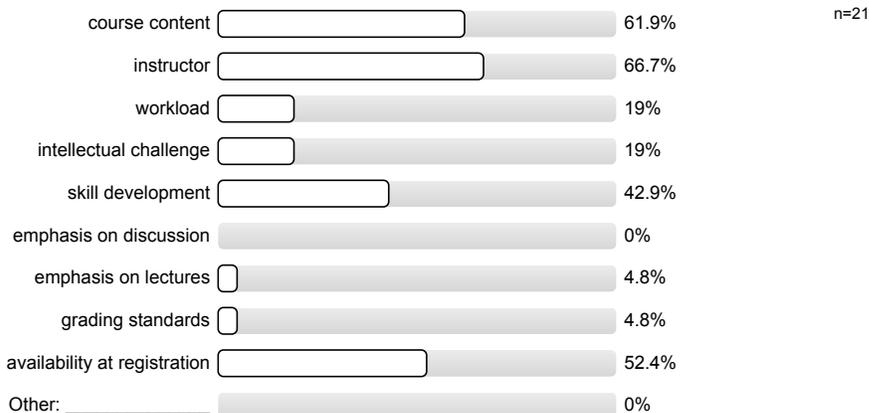
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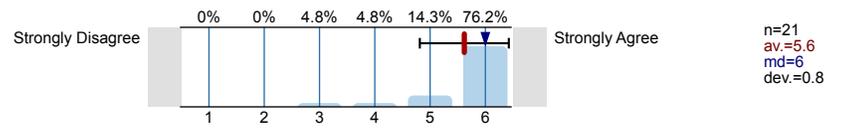
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2. ECONOMICS DEPARTMENT STUDENT COURSE EVALUATION



2.9) Overall, the instructor is an effective teacher.



Profile

Subunit: Economics
 Name of the instructor: Gina Pieters
 Name of the course: Principles of Microeconomics (ECON13112FL13S-)
 (Name of the survey)

Values used in the profile line: Mean

2. ECONOMICS DEPARTMENT STUDENT COURSE EVALUATION

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| 2.1) The instructor is well prepared and organized. | Strongly Disagree | | | | | | | | Strongly Agree | n=21 | av.=5.8 | md=6.0 | dev.=0.5 |
| 2.2) The evaluation of my work (exams, papers, projects and etc.) is fair and constructive. | Strongly Disagree | | | | | | | | Strongly Agree | n=21 | av.=5.7 | md=6.0 | dev.=0.8 |
| 2.3) The instructor is accessible and helpful outside class. | Strongly Disagree | | | | | | | | Strongly Agree | n=21 | av.=5.6 | md=6.0 | dev.=0.6 |
| 2.5) The course stimulates analytical thinking. | Strongly Disagree | | | | | | | | Strongly Agree | n=21 | av.=5.8 | md=6.0 | dev.=0.4 |
| 2.6) I am learning a great deal in this course. | Strongly Disagree | | | | | | | | Strongly Agree | n=21 | av.=5.6 | md=6.0 | dev.=0.7 |
| 2.8) Overall, I would give this course a positive rating. | Strongly Disagree | | | | | | | | Strongly Agree | n=21 | av.=5.5 | md=6.0 | dev.=0.8 |
| 2.9) Overall, the instructor is an effective teacher. | Strongly Disagree | | | | | | | | Strongly Agree | n=21 | av.=5.6 | md=6.0 | dev.=0.8 |

Comments Report

1. Background Questions

1.7) Considering your selections above, please comment on your experience in this course.

- Dr. Pieters has been more than helpful both in office hours and in class.
- Fabulous course. I thoroughly enjoyed my time here. I really have no constructive criticism because the course structure worked for me.
If I had to criticise a certain aspect of the course, it would simply be the amount of information delivered. I appreciated Dr. Pieters's simplification of topics - really helps when first learning - but I really wish we could have explored topics further. Not more topics, just diving down further into the ones we discussed.
- Good teacher learned a lot.
- I disliked how confused I was many of the times. After doing badly on the first test, I attended office hours more frequently. I felt like that made a big change. On the second test, I did much better. Although, despite of doing all that I could, I got a B. I did not expect the course to be this difficult for me. I like that we had weekly homeworks and toward the second half were able to work with other students on them. I feel that with the homeworks I was able to practice what i learned and as well as help my grade.
- I have enjoyed this course. I found the class to be even more interesting than I expected.
- I have truly enjoyed this class. Yes it is difficult, especially to shift your thinking in the perspective necessary for economics and not examining these issues "morally", but it is a great class. I have learned a lot of interesting things that can be very applicable to my life outside of Trinity, and especially my future no matter what my plans and career goals will be. It has allowed me to see the world in the new perspective of economics, that is very effective when coupled with sociology and urban studies.
- I was honestly surprised at how much I enjoyed this course. Dr. Pieters is an excellent professor who challenges her students to think outside of the box. Principles of Micro could have easily been a tedious class but she made it extremely interesting and fun. All of the homework assignments related to real world issues and articles making the material more enjoyable and easier to comprehend. I recommend this professor to all of my friends and want to continue to take economics courses even though they are not in my field of study.
- I wish the exams were shorter, more student friendly (tables, and other space layouts were given for the student to fill out), and exam reviews would actually be more like to the exam.
Over all it would be helpful to use outside resources to learn the material and prepare for in class content.
- Taught me a lot about understanding how businesses run.
- The course has been really great! Dr. Pieters is an amazing professor and I really feel like I understand the basics of micro economics.
- The instructor is brilliant and really knows her stuff. Class time is mainly lecture but engaging and open to questions and group work. I feel that I know a great deal more about economics. Unfortunately my mind does not easily grasp these concepts so I bring quite a deal of bias to my answers to this survey and I have generally poor recall for most concepts in this class. For most students I believe that this class is very effective and may even encourage people who are unsure about their majors to choose economics.
- The instructor of the course is amazing, she goes out of her way to make us understand the material. As someone who struggles with mathematically-based subjects, this was very much appreciated. I can't say that I necessarily enjoyed this course, but only because I would much rather be reading philosophy or writing about the Aeneid. I do believe, however, that I have gained a relatively solid grasp on the principles of microeconomics, which was my goal.
- This class has been strenuous, but manageable. Dr. Pieters is very knowledgeable and helpful, as well as approachable if a student needs help. Overall I am very satisfied with this course.
- This class was HARD. I found that I was lost a lot, and things weren't explained too thoroughly. I wish we could have spent more time going into the subjects in greater detail so I wouldn't always be lost in class.
- This course has been one of the most challenging courses I've taken at trinity this far. That being said, I have greatly enjoyed it, and feel that I have a greater grasp and understanding of the economy and how it functions. I greatly enjoyed the instructor's lectures, and the homeworks always allowed for greater practice on the material that was being covered.
- This course turned out to be more challenging than I expected but it was enjoyable.
- This course was difficult for me. However, I still enjoyed it and my professor. She is very knowledgeable and very willing to help students.
- Very interesting course. Dr. Pieters was always very helpful. I feel like I've learned a lot
- While often difficult for me to grasp, this Microeconomics course was taught at a level not frequently experienced. In-depth, analytical, and encompassing of conceptual framework, the class is well structured.

2. ECONOMICS DEPARTMENT STUDENT COURSE EVALUATION

2.4) Please comment on your answers to questions 2.1, 2.2, and 2.3.

- Dr. Pieters has been so wonderful this entire semester. She aims to ensure that you are learning, and always grades so that it is clear as to what you have missed and need to work on. She has been more than helpful during office hours, and always strives to ensure you're caught up on the material.
- Dr. Pieters has never once been unprepared or disorganized for class. Her criticism is very useful and he is available for office hours at times that are convenient for me.
- Dr. Pieters is a consummate professional with a sharp and developed understanding for all forms of Economics. I often posed questions concerning the state and drivers of Financial Markets prior to the beginning of class, and always received substantial and notable answers. Dr. Pieters is an erudite professor who is able to cut through the fog of frivolities, inuring greatly to the benefit of the university.
- Dr. Pieters is always very prepared and is able to answer any and all of the questions and curveballs people have thrown her way.
- Dr. Pieters is extremely helpful during office hours and grades homework and exams very quickly.
- Dr. Pieters is probably one of the most organised professors I've had here at trinity. She's always on time, super helpful, and a gem during her - in my opinion - widely accessible office hours.
- Dr. Pieters made it clear when she was available and was available at the times she said.
- Dr. Pieters was always available for questions at Office hours and was very helpful. I learned so much this semester!
- Fair grading. Office hours are great.
- Good amount of help during office hours. The course is organized well. Although, I would have liked to spend more time learning about monopolies.
- Great in office hours. Grading doesn't always work in my favor, but it happens..
- I felt that class was definitely planned out in advance.
I also am happy with the grading, everything was fair and we were able to look at, and go through, what we did wrong on homework and exams.
She always held office hours and was more than willing to help you with questions on the homework!
- Office hours are wonderful and I would strongly recommend attending them for future students taking this course. Instructor explains concepts in the clearest manner she can and allows helpful collaboration among students. Instructor's brain absolutely astounds me and she obviously knows her subject material very well. Class time is well organized and notes on board are very helpful. I do wish however that there was a textbook for the class that I could actually use, or at least a key to which chapters to study. Reading helps me to understand concepts better.
- Professor is a great teacher. Class is not easy, but not due to any lack of clarity in the instruction.
- She seems busy but always very helpful.
- The instructor is always prepared for lectures and never had to reorganize the syllabus. We will always get through the lectures in time. Her test and grade evaluations are very fair, and gives constructive feedback to better improve performance in the class. Her accessibility is one of the best of all my professors this year. Being available through Tlearn forum, email and office hours.

2.7) Please comment on your answers to questions 2.5 and 2.6.

- Again I am having difficulty learning a great deal because my mind does not do so well with numbers, but yes I have.
- Dr. Pieters is excellent at making economics interesting and applicable to many world issues we are facing and examining today.
- I am an env. studies major but this course relates so much to the issues I want to change in our society. Dr. Pieters also at times would cater in class examples to students based on what their interests were, which most professors do not do. She also has a very dry sense of humor, making class and lecture a lot more enjoyable. We always do in-class problems similar to those that will be on the test, and if you are struggling with the material you have the opportunity to ask questions. Dr. Pieters is the best!
- I definitely was forced to think in this class, and although I learned a lot, I still feel fuzzy about some topics that we quickly covered.
- I had only a very basic knowledge of economics from a semester long high school course. This class definitely challenged me and made me work to better understand principles of microeconomics. I feel that through training my brain to do more analytical thinking, I have been able to learn more then I imagined in this course.
- I have learned so much in this course.
- I have learned so much in this course. I cannot wait to see what adventures I'll embark on later with this knowledge.

- It's the perfect blend of challenging and engaging and fun.
- Naturally, this class requires a lot of analysis and can be extremely difficult, but I think Dr. Pieters handled the material very well.
- One of the goals of this course is to help us develop critical thinking skills and analysis skills. Most if not all of our assignments have required that we do both.
- The homework analyzes real world problems, but also makes sure we understand the principles of micro
- This course is very apt at stimulating analytical thinking. Learning the material has been difficult for me because its so outside my usual comfort zone, but its been an appreciated challenge.
- Though I found the material very challenging, I have enjoyed that it's made me think I'm ways I haven't before and that I am challenged each time I have an assignment for this course.

2.10) Please comment on your answers to questions 2.8 and 2.9.

- Dr. P really is an outstanding professor. She is intelligent, funny and relatable.
- Dr. Pieters is a tough cookie, but I love that about her. She is willing to help when you've shown interest and curiosity, but if you don't reach out for appropriate help she has no problem failing you--which is how it should be! She grades very fairly, and is a great teacher.
- Dr. Pieters is one of the best teachers I've ever had and this course was probably my favorite this semester.
- Dr. Pieters is very clear and shows many examples
- I find this to be a very good course. The only thing keeping me from giving it a perfect positive rank is the difficulty and time limit of tests. However, the teacher is extremely knowledgeable and willing to help her students in any way. So she is definitely an effective teacher.
- I would recommend this class to anyone who is interested in taking Microeconomics.
- Like I said, we learned a lot in this class, but I feel like the material could have been taught and explained better.
- One of the best. You go, Dr. Pieters!
- Overall a very well put together class and a brilliant instructor...thanks for being such a great teacher!
- Please refer to 2.4.
- Stimulating teacher.
- The contet is rough, but the instructor tries to mitigate it, and always makes sure you understand what the heck is going on. She has been awesome! It is evident that she loves what she does.
- The course is more difficult, I've heard, than other principles of micro classes. While this may not be ideal for freshman and non-majors, I think it is the result of the professors genuine desire to accurately evaluate our grasp of microeconomics. She is very clear in lecture, and makes herself available for questions both in class and in office hours to an admirable extent.
- The professor is highly skilled in her field and very approachable as a professor. "A!"

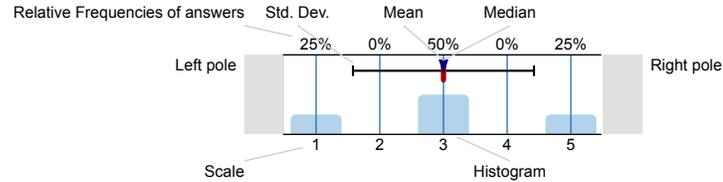
Gina Pieters

International Monetary Systems (ECON33481FL13S-)
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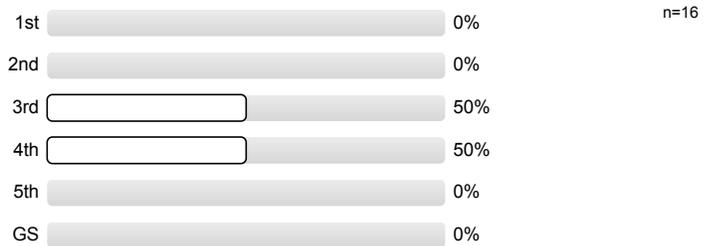
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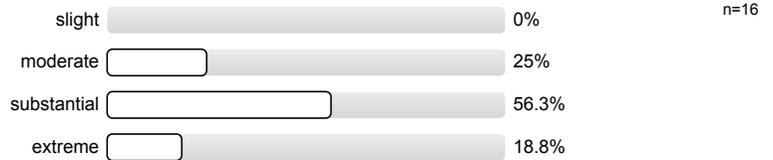
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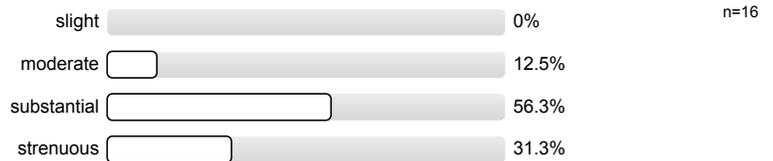
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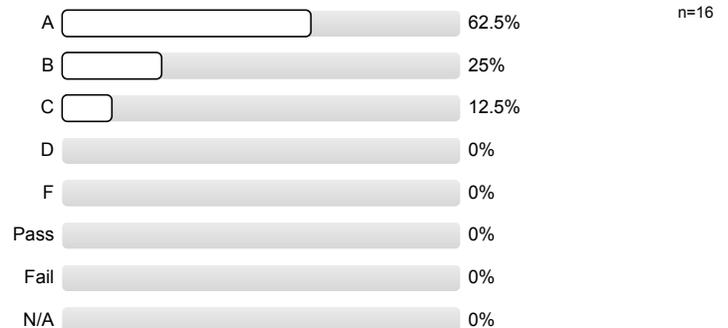
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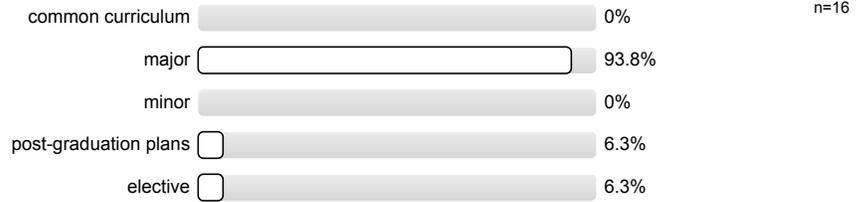
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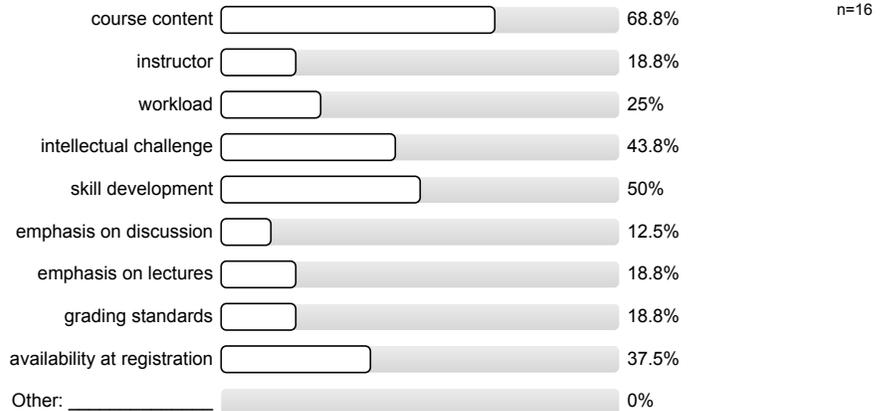
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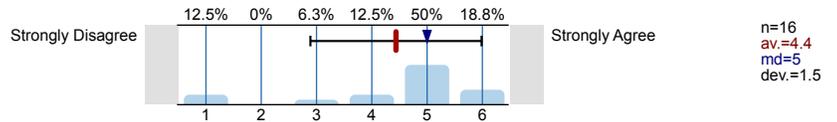


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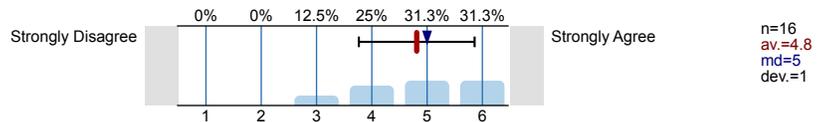


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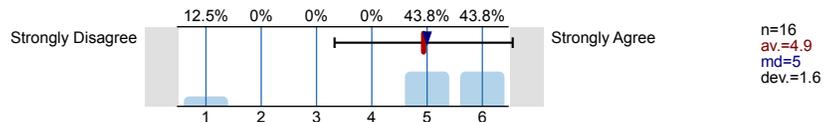
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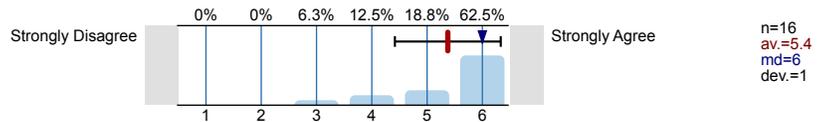
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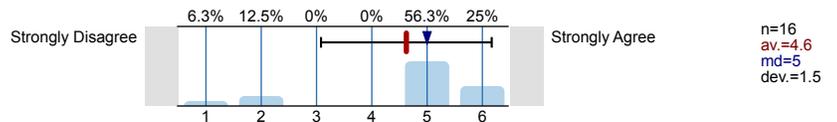
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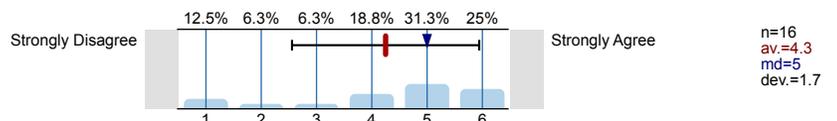
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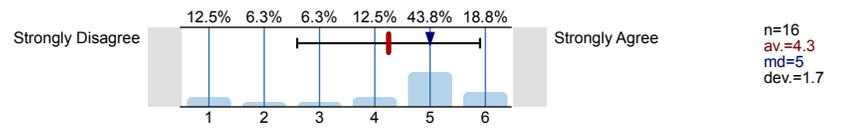
2.6) I am learning a great deal in this course.



2.8) Overall, I would give this course a positive rating.



2.9) Overall, the instructor is an effective teacher.



Comments Report

1. Background Questions

^{1.7)} Considering your selections above, please comment on your experience in this course.

- Absolute worst course and professor at Trinity. I have never spent more time on a course in my entire years at Trinity. I got a 100 on the midterm and am expecting an A in this course yet I have learned absolutely nothing as this course has been a colossal waste of time. Dr. Pieters was often distracted and inconsistent with her lectures. There were actually times when I would turn in the EXACT SAME homework assignment as fellow classmates (she allowed this) but would receive different grades. This happened in about four different occasions. Because homeworks were material I used to study with, it was impossible to differentiate right from wrong because of the difference of grades between classmates, and the difference between what she said during class versus her explanations in office hours. Usually I would walk away from office hours with more questions than answers because she would consistently tell us something different than what she taught in class. I usually do not ever participate in course evaluations but I feel it is absolutely necessary that some sort of action be taken. Students should not have to endure such rigor if they are not getting any knowledge out of it. I do not think students should be subjected to a professor who's only concern is getting tenure. This fact was obvious throughout the duration of the semester as Dr. Pieters often told us of her stress and distracted state of mind involved with her research.
- Course was definitely a good learning experience and encouraged critical thinking
- I really enjoyed this course. I feel that Dr. Pieters' grading standards are clear and more than fair. The weekly homeworks allowed me to apply the concepts discussed into current economic situations. The term paper allowed me to study in-depth a topic in which I had much interest. The knowledge I gained while researching my topic is invaluable.
- I really enjoyed this course. Throughout this course I have learned many skills I hope to apply later on. I really liked the articles we read and the questions that made us apply our knowledge in real world applications
- I thoroughly enjoyed this class. While the workload wasn't too heavy, the coursework was very challenging and intellectually stimulating. For anyone interested or intrigued by the way money works and operates on a global spectrum, this is a must take course. The theory combined with the mathematical application makes the class interesting and understandable. Dr. Pieters did a wonderful job at making the information relevant.
- It was not that easy but by doing homeworks , I learned alot.
- The weekly homework assignments helped with understanding the material. However, they could be confusing and demanded a lot of time outside class. The professor was available during office hours, but there were always a lot of people there and made it somewhat uncomfortable. Most of my classmates had trouble with the assignments.
Recommendation for the future: go over a similar example in class so we have a better base to do the homework.
- This course was difficult because it has been a long time since I took an economics class and therefore it required me to spend more time on the assignments. I took it because my International Affairs major required it.
- This was the hardest class I have taken at Trinity. It was taught in a way that the professor expected the entire class to know the material prior to ever taking the course. I have never spent so much time and effort on any other course during my entire three and a half years at Trinity. Weekly homeworks were given. I would spend over 6 hours on each assignment, sometimes more. The midterm was based majorly on questions asked by the students. I found this ineffective as the professor is supposed to be the one teaching, not the students themselves. After over 28 hours of studying, two all nighters, and increased stress levels, I walked away with a 100 on the midterm. The material itself was difficult enough, but the fact that we lacked any instruction whatsoever made things much more difficult. As Dr. Pieters is pressured to receive her tenure, I and several other classmates expressed her lack of concern for our class. She was always preoccupied with a personal matter and was on several occasions inconsistent with what she taught in class and what she said in office hours. There were COUNTLESS times when I would go to office hours and she would actually ask to see my notes because she kept explaining the material differently than what she had originally taught in the lecture. I have never experience a more unprepared, distracted, and frustrating professor. During the first half of the semester I would actually go to office hours of other past professors that I have had. For one homework assignment I spoke with three different professors.

2. ECONOMICS DEPARTMENT STUDENT COURSE EVALUATION

^{2.4)} Please comment on your answers to questions 2.1, 2.2, and 2.3.

- Dr. Pieters has weekly office hours and is available to meet outside of them if students need be. Her grading is fair and constructive. Replacement points allow students to make up for lost points. While many students expressed disappointment in this course, I feel that this class is very fair. Class lectures have clear structures.
- Dr. Pieters is well prepared for each session. She critics your work and explains why you've made your mistake and how to correct it. She accessible during her office hours and through appointments.
- Dr. Pieters takes instruction very seriously. Wants her students to learn and be successful.
- Dr. Pieters was always encouraging people to come to her office hours and that was really helpful.

In class, she would get confused several times with the material which also confused the students. She would later clarify the theory but it was harder to keep up.

- Dr. Pieters was very helpful during office hours
- See above
- She answered our emails and questions promptly which was helpful while we did our homework assignments. She was also ready to answer homework questions during class.
- Sometimes it felt like she got lost when she was teaching. She had notes, but if something got off track then she couldn't get back on track and if she couldn't articulate the material it was incredibly hard to learn.
- Sometimes she is just too brilliant and hard to understand. Also a bit of a tough grader
- Sometimes the grading (particularly on the paper) can be a little harsh but Dr. Pieters is determined to help you do your best.

^{2.7)} Please comment on your answers to questions 2.5 and 2.6.

- I am learning to put theory to practice in this course.
- I have learned more than what I expected at the beginning of the year.
- I'm not an econ major, this material was too advanced for me. It might have been useful to someone but it really just went over my head most of the time.
- The term paper let me think in depth and analyze a real world situation
- Weekly homeworks help reinforce the lectures.

^{2.10)} Please comment on your answers to questions 2.8 and 2.9.

- Dr. Pieters really wants her students to do well. She's extremely helpful in office hours and in the classroom.
- I have learned a great deal in this course. However, clarity and organization can be improved.
- Positive experience in this course.
- This course caused me more stress than almost any other course I've taken in college. I think a huge part of it was that the instructors expectations were extremely unclear and the grading standards particularly rigorous. Instead of being able to target what was necessary for learning the optimum amount. If expectations were more clear, it might have been more effective.
- This was a great course and I highly recommend it to any student who is interested in international economics.

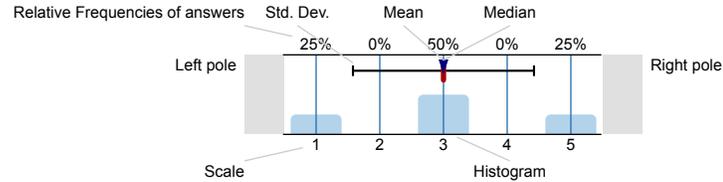
Gina Pieters

Principles of Microeconomics (ECON13111SP14S-)
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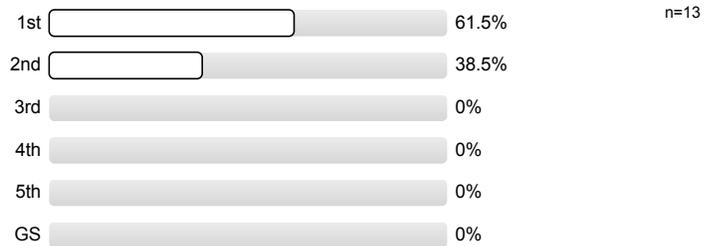
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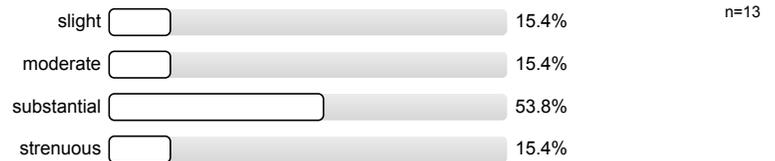
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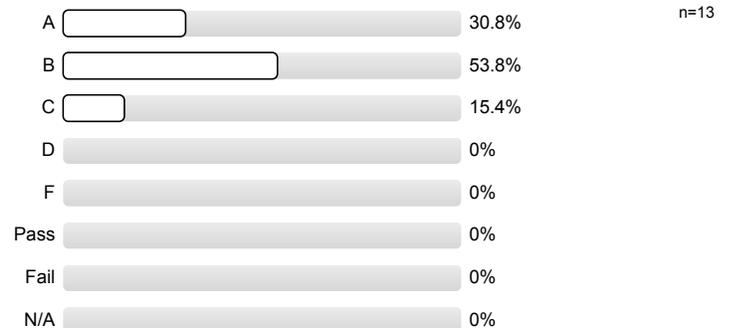
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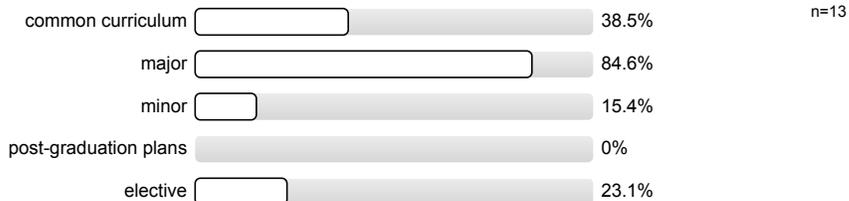
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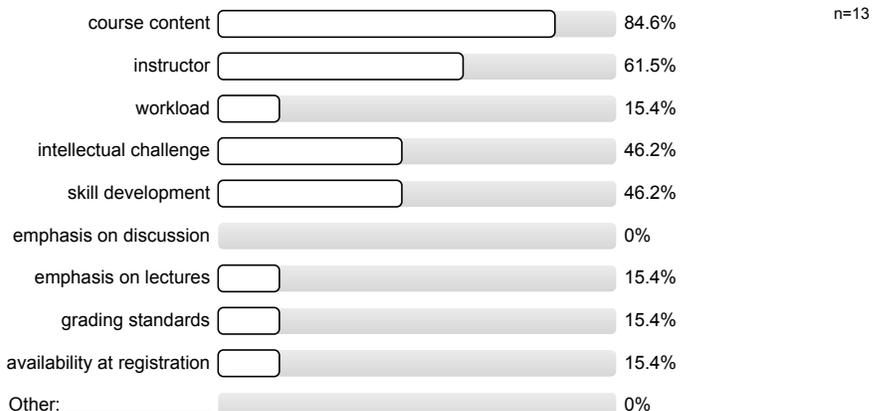
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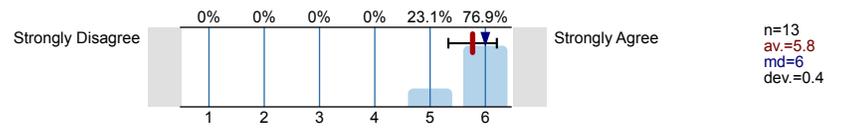
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2. ECONOMICS DEPARTMENT STUDENT COURSE EVALUATION



2.9) Overall, the instructor is an effective teacher.



Profile

Subunit: Economics
 Name of the instructor: Gina Pieters
 Name of the course: Principles of Microeconomics (ECON13111SP14S-)
 (Name of the survey)

Values used in the profile line: Mean

2. ECONOMICS DEPARTMENT STUDENT COURSE EVALUATION

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| 2.1) The instructor is well prepared and organized. | Strongly Disagree | | | | | | | | | Strongly Agree | n=13 | av.=5.5 | md=6.0 | dev.=1.4 |
| 2.2) The evaluation of my work (exams, papers, projects and etc.) is fair and constructive. | Strongly Disagree | | | | | | | | | Strongly Agree | n=13 | av.=5.5 | md=6.0 | dev.=1.4 |
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| 2.5) The course stimulates analytical thinking. | Strongly Disagree | | | | | | | | | Strongly Agree | n=13 | av.=5.8 | md=6.0 | dev.=0.4 |
| 2.6) I am learning a great deal in this course. | Strongly Disagree | | | | | | | | | Strongly Agree | n=13 | av.=5.5 | md=6.0 | dev.=0.7 |
| 2.8) Overall, I would give this course a positive rating. | Strongly Disagree | | | | | | | | | Strongly Agree | n=13 | av.=5.6 | md=6.0 | dev.=0.7 |
| 2.9) Overall, the instructor is an effective teacher. | Strongly Disagree | | | | | | | | | Strongly Agree | n=13 | av.=5.8 | md=6.0 | dev.=0.4 |

Comments Report

1. Background Questions

^{1.7)} Considering your selections above, please comment on your experience in this course.

- Dr. Pieters was excellent, I came to her office hours every week to work on the homework and it helped significantly. It was a lot of time going to office hours for four hours every week but it helped me get good grades on the homeworks and understand everything better. I was expecting to struggle in this course but it's actually turned out to be one of my favorite classes. It's difficult but manageable, I liked how the homework was the only thing we had due every week.
- Economics is something I have recently become interested in. This course has been very difficult for me and requires a lot of studying. However, although I am not doing as well as I would like, I really enjoy the subject and learning about how there is a science behind how things work.
- Enjoy the material. Did not put in enough effort
- I had a pretty good experience in this class. Micro isn't my favorite subject, but Professor Pieters made it as simple as possible and was always willing to help.
- I had a really difficult time with this class. I struggled all through out the semester. I don't really feel like I have learned anything such because of the different nature of this course. I really enjoyed taking this class though. It was a challenge that I liked having. The professor was extremely helpful.
- I had to take economics and I am glad that I took it with Dr. Pieters. She has an extensive knowledge of the subject and is always available to help a student in need. She is a very fair grader and she also offers a 4 different grading standards which really helps the student out.
- I really loved this class, and I learned so much
- This course was challenging but it was rewarding. With the instructor I was more able to manage the work load.
- This course was different for me at first because I was used to a textbook approach. We don't use textbooks and our knowledge of the subject comes purely from attending lectures. I liked this method of teaching, it was less formal and offered a new way of learning.
- This course was difficult but interesting.
- This has been a great micro-economics course. The lectures have been informative, the tests hard but not unreasonable by any means, and the homework helpful for cementing the information we go over in class. Dr. Pieters is a good instructor who makes the lectures interesting - often by developing new ways of presenting the information so that it is clear. I recommended this class to everyone I knew who was interested in micro.
- This has been an informative yet very challenging course. I spent a lot of time doing homework, coming to office hours and studying for test but I still feel really uncertain about my final exam.

2. ECONOMICS DEPARTMENT STUDENT COURSE EVALUATION

^{2.4)} Please comment on your answers to questions 2.1, 2.2, and 2.3.

- Dr. Pieters helped me I understand the concepts more thoroughly in office hours. I made good grades on the homeworks because I attended office hours regularly.
- Dr. Pieters is very organized with the materials, she did a good job providing the outlines and a systems of exercises and theory for us.
- Dr. Pieters not only hand writes all of the notes of class everyday, but she also provides an outline for the class to assist students with different styles of learning. Tests and homework's are graded fairly and she shows you exactly where you lost any points. She has a lot of office hours and even added some in the middle of the semester to be more available for her students.
- Dr. Pieters offered different ways of teaching the material with both graphs and written examples which helped because I'm more of a visual learner. She was always helpful in office hours.
- I did not utilize office hours and so cannot comment.
- Office hours are the best thing ever. I wish I had realized this sooner. Instead of the professor telling us the answers, she forces us to help others and talk it out which helps me out so much!
- She always provided office hours. I felt her responses to homework and tests were fair and they helped me learn from my mistakes.
- She holds office hours, and she actually just added more office hours for people who can't come during her regular times. She also gives extra hours before exams and is very helpful at getting you to find the answer without giving it to you.

- Teacher is always very well prepared and has a great method for teaching. She has us do group work which helps me figure out if I actually know what I am doing or not so that is extremely helpful. She is always available for help and helps us without giving the answer away, just helping us figure it out.
- The instructor was fabulous. My favorite professor at trinity this far.

2.7) Please comment on your answers to questions 2.5 and 2.6.

- As much as I have acquired in this course, it has been really hard for me to catch up since no matter how I tried, I still ended up just about average.
- I am really bad at economics, but I feel that I have learned a great deal more than I ever thought possible.
- I feel as if my knowledge of economics has expanded by taking this course.
- I have learned so much and still think about things I learn in this course outside of class and in the real world. I apply what I have learned to other classes as well.
- I'm learning a lot of things that I never would've known had I not taken this course.
- I've learn a lot though I can't say that I know how to do everything that we have learned. not the instructor's fault.
- Pieters gives us a lot of information, but it is straightforward and easy to understand, which I think is great.
- This course has helped me think critically and analytically and apply my knowledge. I am learning a great deal in this course and it's surprisingly relevant.
- This is a difficult course for me so I am not able to fully learn the content that I don't fully understand.

2.10) Please comment on your answers to questions 2.8 and 2.9.

- Dr. Pieters is one of the best teachers I have had thus far at Trinity. She truly cares about her students and does her best to share her knowledge with them. Even though the course material can be very difficult and we move relatively fast, she will stop at any point to explain something to one student. I have recommended Dr. Pieters to any students that I know that need to take micro because while it may not be the easiest, I would think it is the most beneficial and most educational.
- Dr. Pieters is really effective at teaching and guiding us, especially during office hours. I just wish that the tests would be easier and more straightforward. I know that a lot of theories cannot be put into words easily but it was really hard for us to fathom the questions sometimes.
- Great course, just extremely hard. the tests are very challenging and could be a bit easier
- I think this course may have been too difficult for a common curriculum course, however it may not be difficult for a student who has prior knowledge of microeconomics
- My favorite class all year hands down.
- She knew what she was doing and provided an interesting and engaging environment
- She really does work hard to make sure everyone understands it, which sometimes means she explains things multiple ways. Though she is helpful, her class requires students to work hard for their grades, which I think makes for an effective professor.
- This was a good course, I would say Dr. Pieters is very effective. Her teaching style is very straightforward and I like that. The only thing that was kind of a pain was the pdf format for homework and requiring the graphs to be inserted which always took a while.
- Walking into the classroom, anyone can see that Dr. Pieters knows what she is talking about. If I had to recommend an econ professor I would recommend her. She is extremely helpful and funny at times. She's made me want to come to class.

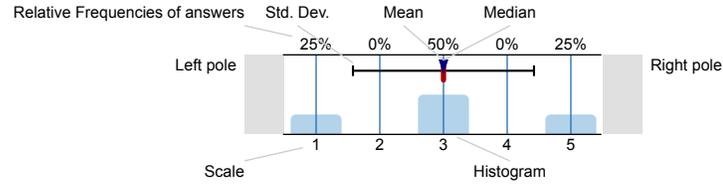
Gina Pieters

Principles of Microeconomics (ECON13112SP14S-)
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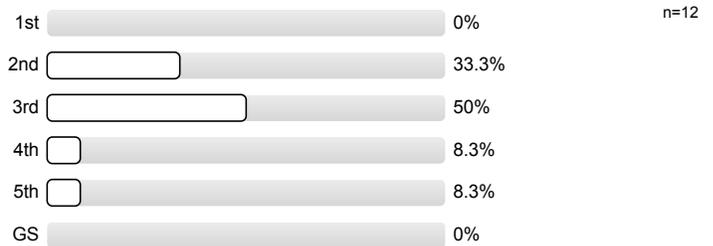
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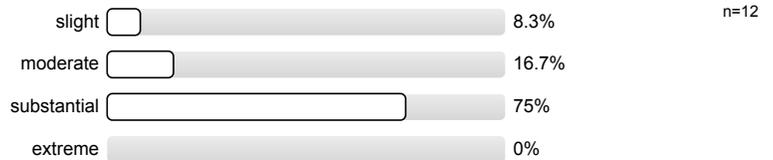
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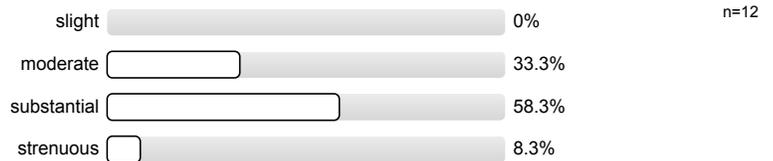
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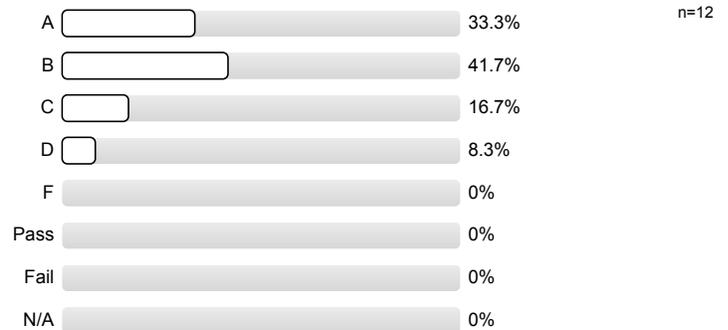
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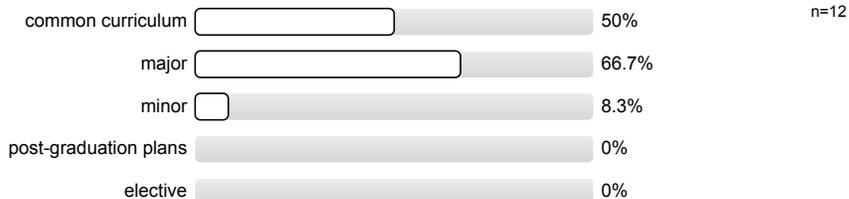
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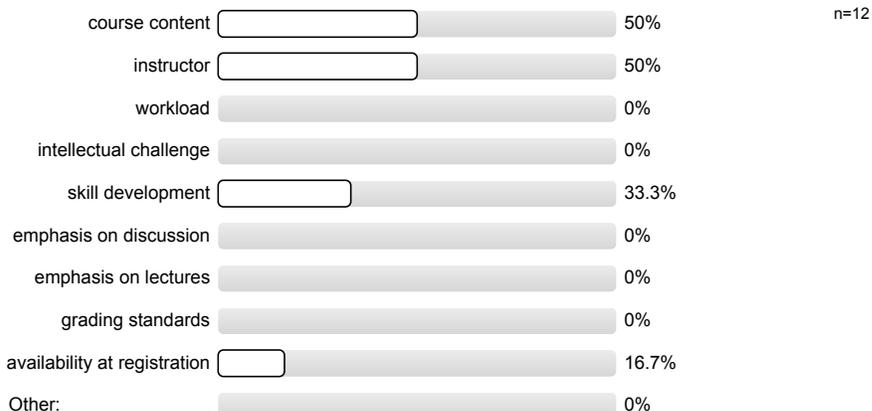
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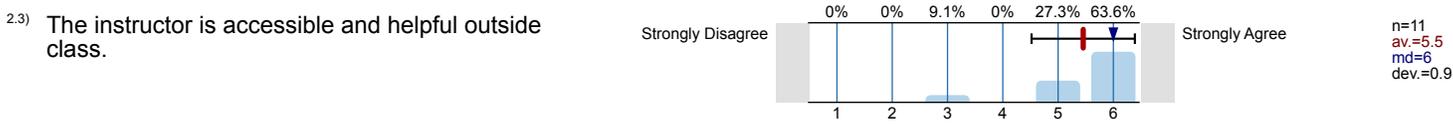
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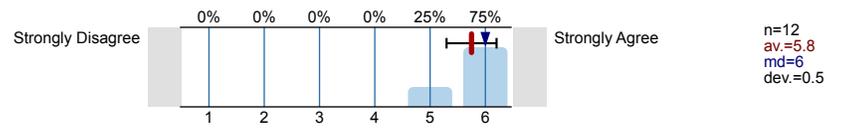
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2. ECONOMICS DEPARTMENT STUDENT COURSE EVALUATION



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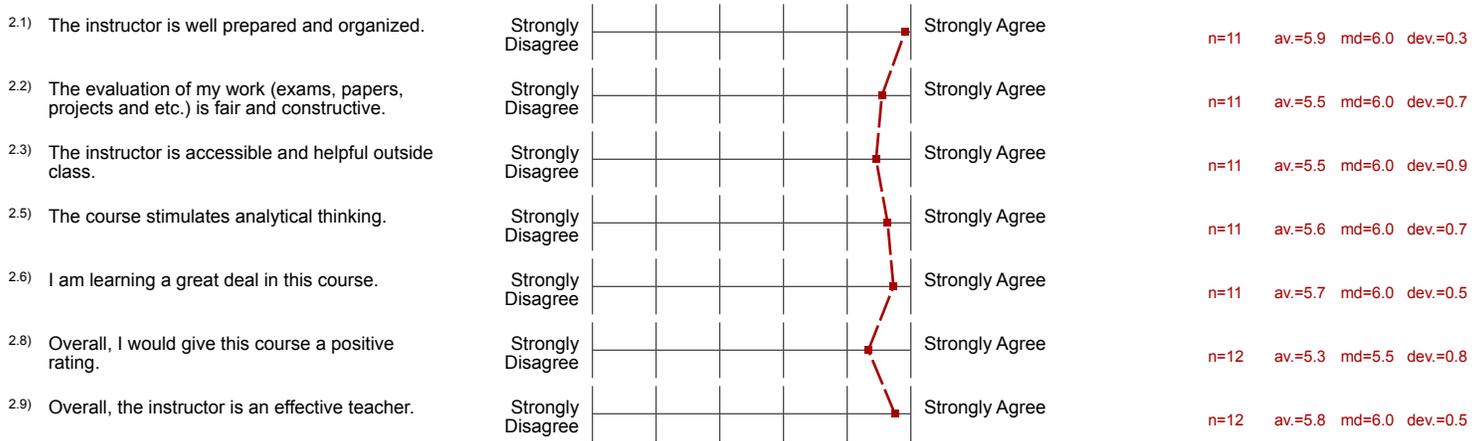


Profile

Subunit: **Economics**
 Name of the instructor: **Gina Pieters**
 Name of the course: **Principles of Microeconomics (ECON13112SP14S-)**
 (Name of the survey)

Values used in the profile line: Mean

2. ECONOMICS DEPARTMENT STUDENT COURSE EVALUATION



Comments Report

1. Background Questions

^{1.7)} Considering your selections above, please comment on your experience in this course.

- I loved it! It was really interesting. It was much harder than I expected, and more difficult than a regular common curriculum course, but I feel like over all I really learned a lot
- I'm glad I took this course. I don't think I would have learned as much had I taken it with another professor. She really makes you think!
- Learned a lot and was a good course
- My experience differed from other microeconomics courses that I have taken. This course is more difficult and places more of a focus on the instructor's preferences for trade economy and this is reflected in the assignments. Overall, lecture material translated well to exams, and the instructor is eager and willing to help clear anything up.
- This course was challenging, but in a good way. I enjoyed it very much and felt I learned a lot.
- This is the most interesting and helpful course I've taken at Trinity. I feel like a much more informed citizen. Dr. Pieters is an awesome professor. She's concise and I appreciate her real world examples.
- Very good class. I found microeconomics difficult, but she was a GREAT teacher that made it as clear as I think is possible. She was very helpful in office hours. Very very challenging class, but great teacher.

2. ECONOMICS DEPARTMENT STUDENT COURSE EVALUATION

^{2.4)} Please comment on your answers to questions 2.1, 2.2, and 2.3.

- Her lectures are well prepared. She gives a review and preview which is nice. I also love how some lectures are taught in a mystery format like "why do you think this is?" Especially the lecture about the wage gap between skilled and non skilled workers when we had to change the theory to match the data- that was so interesting!
- Always willing to help and always provides us with everything we need to know
- Dr. Pieters always grades everything very quickly, which is really nice. She has everything prepared and always starts right on time.
- Greatly available out of class.
- Office hours often weren't as flexible as I had hoped.
- She is great help in office hours
- The instructor is always prepared and really knows the material
- Well organized and clear in her teachings. She had outlines available online if students wanted access to it. Helpful in office hours. Grading is very fair, although tests are difficult.

^{2.7)} Please comment on your answers to questions 2.5 and 2.6.

- Because of this course I see the world in a different way
- Despite its high level of difficulty for an intro level course, I have learned a great deal. Homeworks are almost too difficult given the subject matter presented on exams.
- I like how the thinking in this class isn't necessarily common sense. It really debunks all the stuff you hear on the news.
- I'm actually understanding micro
- Lots of thinking and lots of learning. She really knows her stuff
- Tests forced you to think outside of the box.

^{2.10)} Please comment on your answers to questions 2.8 and 2.9.

- Great class just extremely difficult.

- Hard class but worth it
- I definitely feel like I've learned. Dr. Pieters made a complex subject that I feared something really enjoyable and interesting.
- I liked that Dr. Pieters gave out mid semester evaluation forms, but I wish she had done it closer to the first half of the semester and had been able to implemented the changes sooner. I felt respected she wanted out opinions on the class. I feel like she is a good teacher, but the class was more work than I thought it would be, especially for a 1000 level course
- I would gladly take it again and spend more time really understanding it
- Very effective.

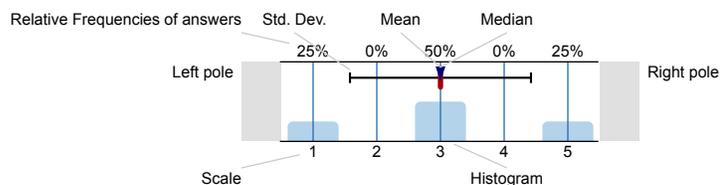
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International Trade (ECON33471SP14S-)
No. of responses = 9

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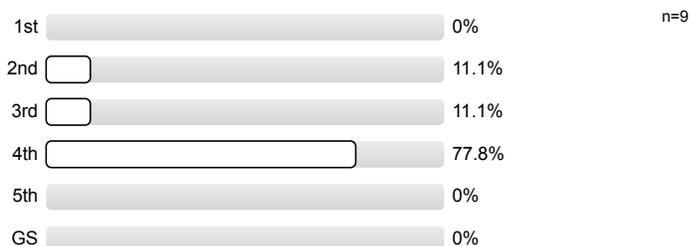
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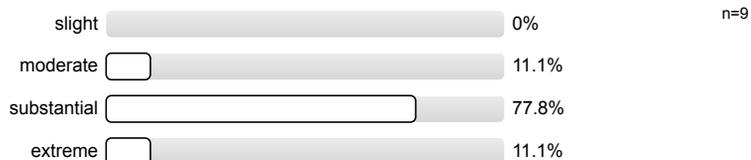
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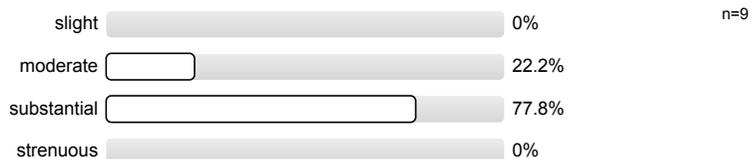
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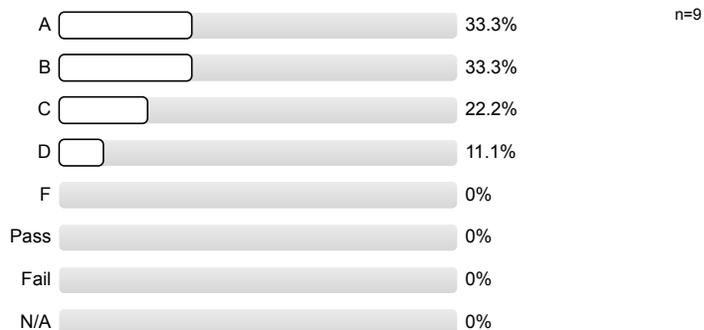
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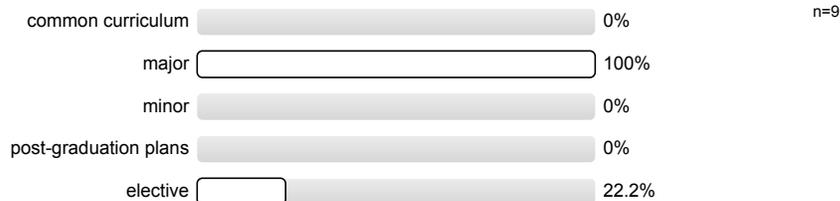
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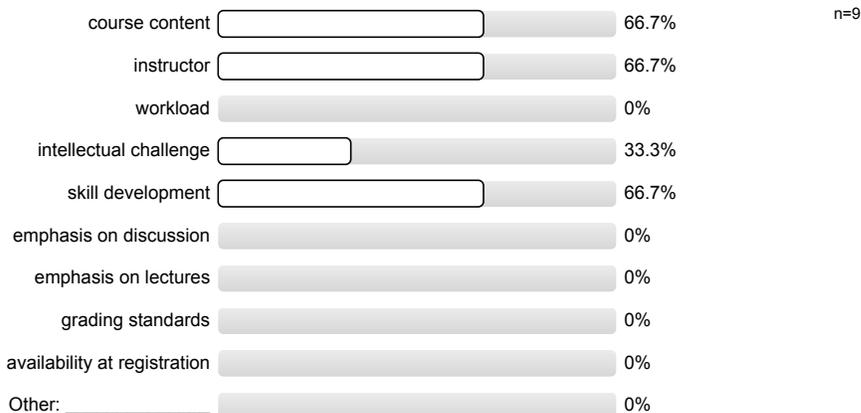
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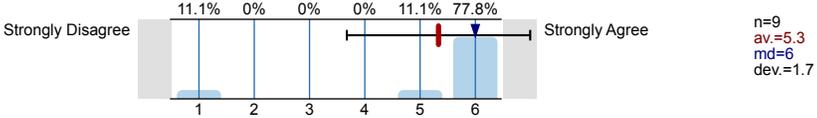
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2. ECONOMICS DEPARTMENT STUDENT COURSE EVALUATION



2.9) Overall, the instructor is an effective teacher.



Profile

Subunit: Economics
 Name of the instructor: Gina Pieters
 Name of the course: International Trade (ECON33471SP14S-)
 (Name of the survey)

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2. ECONOMICS DEPARTMENT STUDENT COURSE EVALUATION

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| 2.3) The instructor is accessible and helpful outside class. | Strongly Disagree | | | | | | | | | Strongly Agree | n=9 | av.=5.4 | md=6.0 | dev.=1.7 |
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| 2.6) I am learning a great deal in this course. | Strongly Disagree | | | | | | | | | Strongly Agree | n=9 | av.=5.2 | md=6.0 | dev.=1.4 |
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Comments Report

1. Background Questions

1.7) Considering your selections above, please comment on your experience in this course.

- As a graduating senior in Economics, I have yet to come across a course that focuses on international issues (specifically trade). I chose this course to learn more about this field, and I certainly have. ALthough I had little to no trade experience coming in, I now feel as though I have a solid foundation to do further study and analysis.
- Dr. Pieters is a very good teacher. I feel like some of the subjects are glossed over and that this later made the test harder. I did not like the practice of having the students write the test questions. I felt that it led to badly worded and off focus questions.
- Dr. Pieters is one of my favorite professors at Trinity University. Her classes are an absolute delight.
- I am interested in getting into international trade some time in my career or get a graduate degree in international trade and development so the course seemed to fit well with my post-graduation plans. Also, I had taken a class with Dr. Pieters before and learned a lot.
- This course was very difficult, but I've learned a lot from it.
It applies economic theory to real-world examples, which I haven't done in previous economics classes.
- This is a very interesting class and the professor is very effective in lectures and helping with students. From this class I learned a lot in terms of applying the model that I learned to actual matters in trade. I enjoyed the learning and practicing processes.
- Very challenging course, which requires a lot of time in order to understand the material. However, the instructor is very well prepared and helpful inside and outside of the classroom.

2. ECONOMICS DEPARTMENT STUDENT COURSE EVALUATION

2.4) Please comment on your answers to questions 2.1, 2.2, and 2.3.

- Dr. Pieters always made herself available to us in office hours, and she was more than willing to sit and work through a problem with you.
- Dr. Pieters is always on time, prepared to teach, and returns our work in a timely manner. She has frequent office hours at accessible times and is willing to meet outside of those hours whenever possible.
- Dr. Pieters is always very helpful during office hours and helped us develop critical thinking skills in our homework assignments and research.
- Dr. Pieters is very helpful outside of class. She is able to quickly understand our questions.
- i can't think of any criticism for the organization of lectures or evaluation of work. i've always felt able to figure out exactly what i did wrong on a graded assignment and i can't think of the last time i wasn't able to totally follow along with the lecture.

2.7) Please comment on your answers to questions 2.5 and 2.6.

- Although much of the material is difficult for me to comprehend initially, Dr. Pieters manages to break it down in a way that makes it far more accessible.
- International Trade is one of the hardest courses I have ever taken at Trinity and I'm still managing to enjoy myself. Lectures are fast-paced and focused. Dr. Pieters has a great deal to teach us and is able to illustrate the points she is making using both in theoretical models and descriptions of how to apply those models to real-world situations. Dr. Pieters also sets aside time in class for us to apply the models to real-world events and trade disputes in a safe, protected environment (i.e. we have room freely make mistakes so we can be gently corrected and sent into the world with an appropriate understanding of how trade works instead of a self-assured yet incorrect understanding).
- Learned a great deal
- There seems to be an awful lot of material that the class is trying to teach. I enjoyed the in class discussions of news articles and current events, but it feels like the class is always in a hurry and that we are not going as in depth into current events as we could. It would be interesting if Dr. Pieters would slow down and make more time to discuss the current issues in international trade.
- quantitative and logical reasoning with a focus on economic interactions, what could be more analytical? i am honestly surprised at how much i've enjoyed the course, not because i had low expectations going in, but because i had no idea the subject could have so many interesting connections to other subject materials. there are always real-world allegories for whatever we're learning in lectures.

2.10) Please comment on your answers to questions 2.8 and 2.9.

- Dr. Pieters has taught me an incredible amount about international trade. I have taken many professors in economics, and she is one of the most helpful and accessible. I would definitely recommend this, or other classes she teaches to my peers in econ.
- Dr. Pieters is one of the reasons I became a major. I feel challenged by the work I'm given, but I never feel completely out of my depth or unable ask for help.
- Good teacher but I think the amount and importance of information differs greatly on a class by class basis. More consistency would be helpful.
- Her ability to understand where we are having difficulty grasping a concept is uncanny. She really is a very effective teacher.

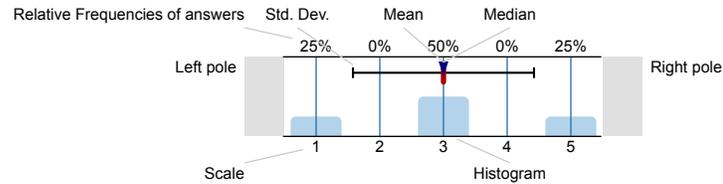
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Principles of Microeconomics (ECON13113FL14S-)
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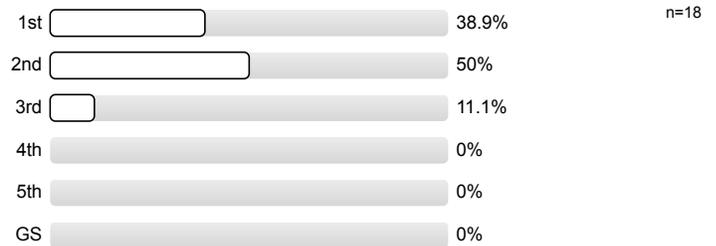
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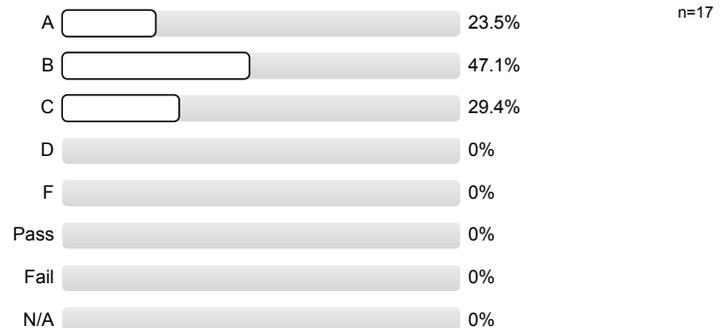
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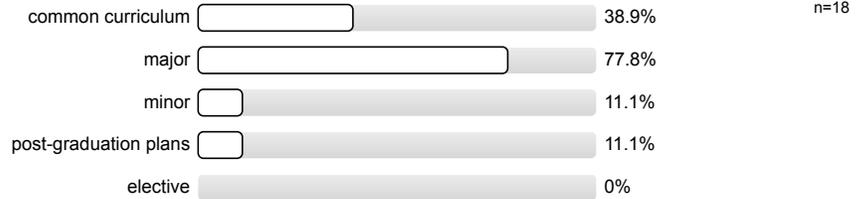
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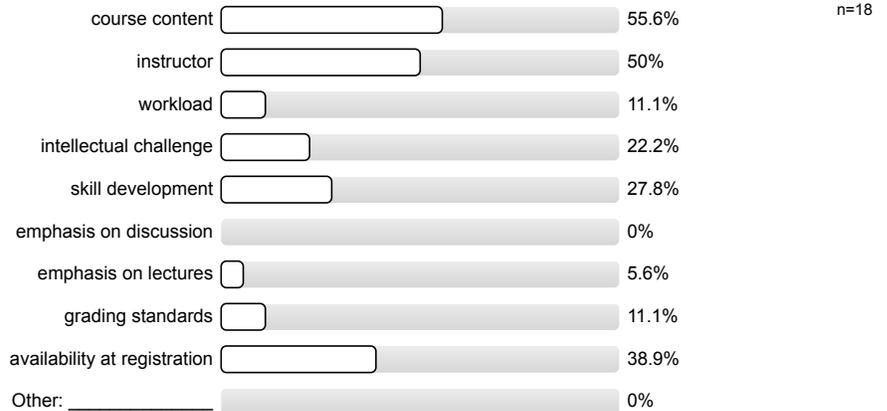
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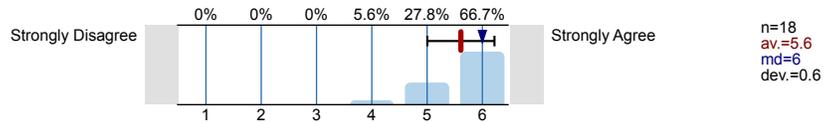


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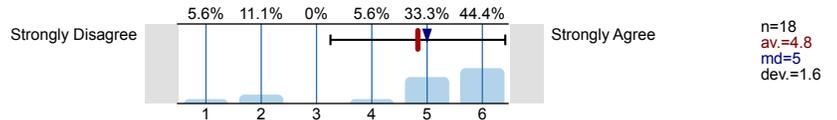


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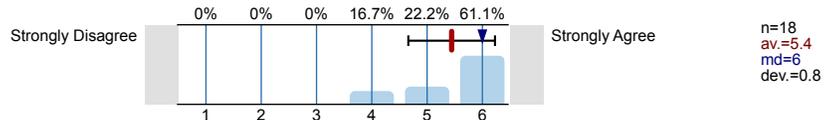
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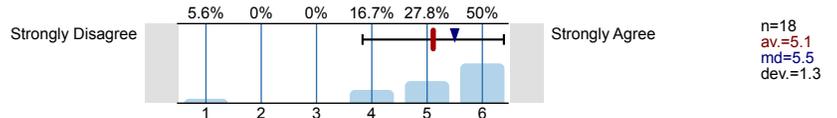
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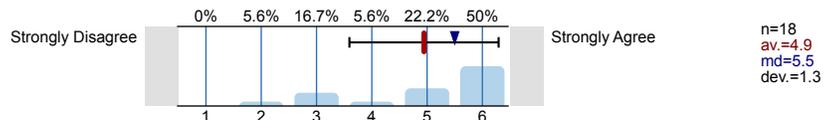
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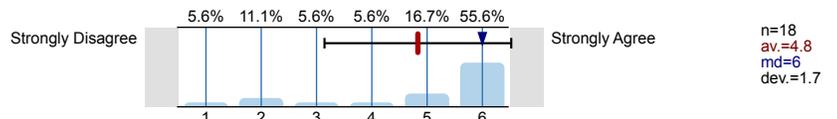
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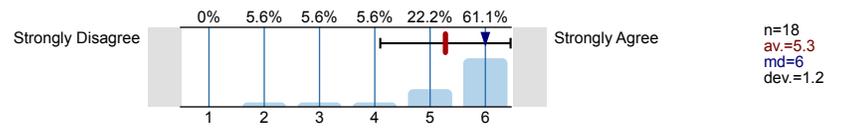
2.6) I am learning a great deal in this course.



2.8) Overall, I would give this course a positive rating.



2.9) Overall, the instructor is an effective teacher.



Profile

Subunit: Economics
 Name of the instructor: Gina Pieters
 Name of the course: Principles of Microeconomics (ECON13113FL14S-)
 (Name of the survey)

Values used in the profile line: Mean

2. ECONOMICS DEPARTMENT STUDENT COURSE EVALUATION

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| 2.6) I am learning a great deal in this course. | Strongly Disagree | | | | | | | | | Strongly Agree | n=18 | av.=4.9 | md=5.5 | dev.=1.3 |
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Comments Report

1. Background Questions

1.7) Considering your selections above, please comment on your experience in this course.

- Challenging but well taught class.
- Great class, most of class spent lecturing, assignments aren't too hard, material is taught well and professor has good office hours. Grading is fair
- Great course. Very interesting, Professor Pieters is also very efficient and professional.
- Great instructor. Met my desire to learn more about econ.
- I had a very hard time in this class. I would say that lectures generally seemed easy to follow, but when I would go back to review my notes, I could not make sense of them. I think you often skim over what you assume we know instead of explaining everything in its entirety. It is almost like this course was designed as a review for students who have taken microeconomics before. When I spoke to other students who have taken micro, they could not even make sense of my homework or out class lectures. I think the homework should have more questions that test our very basic knowledge of the concepts instead of applying these concepts in ways which were extremely difficult without your help. Our homework would have been more helpful if it quizzed us on lectures and notes directly, I feel like I would have gotten concepts more easily.
- I was not used to the teaching style as the instructor did not go in depth to explain many concepts during lectures. A lack of explanation resulted in much confusion during class periods. She assumes that we should know about new materials and should be able to understand it right away. Positive reinforcement is never employed during or outside of class. Very disappointed that I chose this professor. The class is mildly interesting.
- It was a very well run course. Very efficient I was able to learn a lot in each 50 min class.
- Material was taught in a very organized, methodical, and in a way that made it easy to understand.
- Microeconomics is a difficult course in general, but I learned a great amount this semester through Dr. Pieter's effective teaching methods. She knows the material like the back of her hand and teaches you exactly what you need to know.
- Obviously economics isn't for everyone, however, I found this course to be relatively easy. Everything was thoroughly explained. Personally, I love math so I know certain aspects of this course came easy to me where as others struggled.
- The course was more difficult than I had originally expected. In spite of that fact I recognize that it was due to a lack of preparedness on my part, and when I decided to focus more on the course and become more prepared the teacher was readily available. I believe that the instructor herself is a good enough reason to take this course, which by no means indicates that the course is easy, though in my first year of college having this class was a good experience in the way of studying and being able to learn from a professor who is knowledgeable.
- The things that were taught in class and the way we were taught how to solve problems, proved to be irrelevant on the exams due to the curve ball style questions that were given to us to insure that "not everybody gets and A". Homework assignments did not help with understanding material for exams either.
- This class was relatively challenging for an microeconomics class and I noticed it was a lot more difficult than my peers' similar sections, however, unlike my peers I have a true understanding of the economic principles. Professor Pieters did a good job of making the class difficult, but as long as you went to office hours and sought help it was a lot easier.
- This course is a bit challenging for some and not at all for others.
- Truly enjoy Professor Pieters' 50 minute classes on MWF. Seems to go by faster than any other class I have. Knew I liked economics, but she definitely makes me like it more. Having homework due once a week at the same time allows for consistency in going to office hours and getting it done. Always very helpful and friendly in office hours. Addresses anyone's questions at anytime. Always prepared for that day of class and executes all of the material she wants to cover in a perfect timely manner. End of each class, she allows us to work through a problem on our own and see if we understand everything and then gives us the answer. Occasionally gives us group work on certain problems or incorporates the class in participating by asking different questions for us to think and solve. Excited to take Macro with her next semester.
- While this is a somewhat difficult course, the instructor makes it comprehensive and flows through the material in a highly organized and structured way that makes learning and retaining information much easier.

2. ECONOMICS DEPARTMENT STUDENT COURSE EVALUATION

2.4) Please comment on your answers to questions 2.1, 2.2, and 2.3.

- As listed above, the prof does not seem to care much about how we do and is just doing whatever she can to discourage us. Tone of

lecturing is sour and bitter, without involving student participation.

- Awesome at all 3.
- Dr. Pieter's was always available for office hours and very helpful whenever we had questions or needed help with the homework of before exams.
- Dr. Pieters is always available outside of class, very helpful
- I found that whenever needed I could contact the teacher and she would always be available to put extra time into the students who wanted to put the effort into her class. Her teaching style is very straightforward and she promotes participation.
- If you need help she is always available and more than willing to do her part for your growth in the class.
- One of the greatest assets about this professor is her abundant office hours, she is highly accessible to her students, and personally, that has helped me a great deal.
- Professor Pieters is very prepared, she goes through her lectures quickly and thoroughly. Also, she is very accessible outside of class. I go to office hours a lot which are really helpful and when I cannot make them she has a peer tutor or will schedule a meeting with me.
- Professor Pieters was always accessible during office Hrs, she had pre Weirton notes of each lecture and was always cognizant of time, making sure we weren't mid topic at the end of the class.
- Professor Pieters was very professional. She was willing to help all the time, specially during office hours.
- Several instances my homework grades were low when I was sure I accomplished them correctly. Sometimes it seems the questions on the homework are a bit ambiguous.
- She was readily available two days a week to go over homework with us.
- The course was extremely well designed. Everything flowed together and seemed connected. Dr. Pieters always returned work promptly and helped explain material to confused students. I went to her office hours on several occasions and received helpful comments each time.
- The professor is almost always available and is very helpful during office hours.
- The professor was particularly good at giving constructive feedback in office hours. Many students would show up. This vastly improved my grades.
- You are VERY VERY VERY helpful as far as providing office hours and being available to students. THANK YOU so much for that.

2.7) Please comment on your answers to questions 2.5 and 2.6.

- I believe that the content in this course is a great introduction to microeconomics and I was pushed to think, not only about the content in the course, but about how to approach the content in itself.
- I came in knowing very little about economics, so everything we learned was new to me. Despite my lack of background, the professor made the material very accessible.
- I have learned a great deal in a short amount of time.
- I think much differently about the economy and its components after taking this course. I learned a great deal of information.
- Lot of material to learn and know.
- While not a business or economics major, I have found myself enjoying this class and even I have has situations in which I applied it to my own personal life.
- Yes! I learned so much in this course. Just having a basic understanding of why firms trade and how they decide prices has permanently changed my view on the world. And Game Theory is just so cool!
- a lot of new information was learned.

2.10) Please comment on your answers to questions 2.8 and 2.9.

- Best teacher of my first semester in college.
- Dr. Pieters has become one of my favorite professors, for her skill as a professor as well as her humor, I would gladly recommend this course.
- Dr. Pieters is great at explaining things. I would definitely recommend her class to others.

- Even though professor Pieters is a great professor, what was taught in class was not comparable in difficulty to what was on the test.
- Great professor.
- I liked Dr. Pieter's teaching methods, she had the perfect examples to help understand the concepts and the homeworks were a lot of help (the knowledge assessment ones for sure, the data analysis sometimes took too long and were not as helpful).
- I would gladly take another course taught by this professor. Plus the accent is great.
- I would try to take any other course with this professor again, and I appreciated her knowledge on the topics she taught as well as her clear attempt to connect with the students and help them when reached out to her.
- Pieters is an effective teacher. I did learn the material. I talked to other students in other sections and they don't know their material as well as we do.
- Professor Pieters is a difficult teacher, but effective. I would recommend this class to anyone.
- Professor Pieters style was very efficient, using many math examples and applying them to real life situations.
- She is a very difficult teacher and expects a lot from her students, but she is very effective in her work.
- The professor quite obviously has put in a lot of thought into how the material is presented and not just what will be presented. I think the professor has done very well with both.

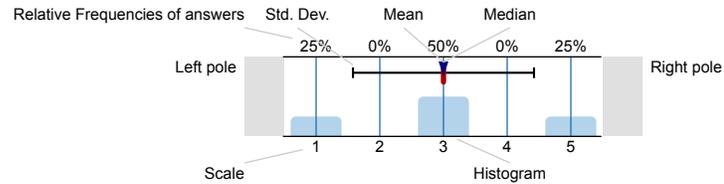
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Survey Results

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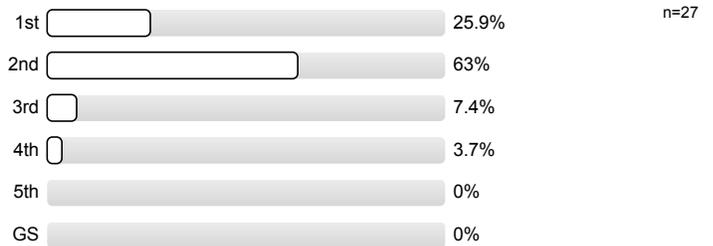
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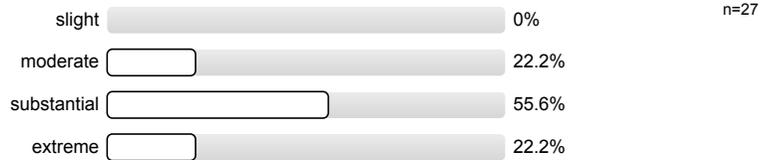
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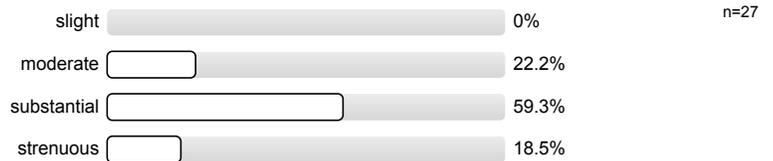
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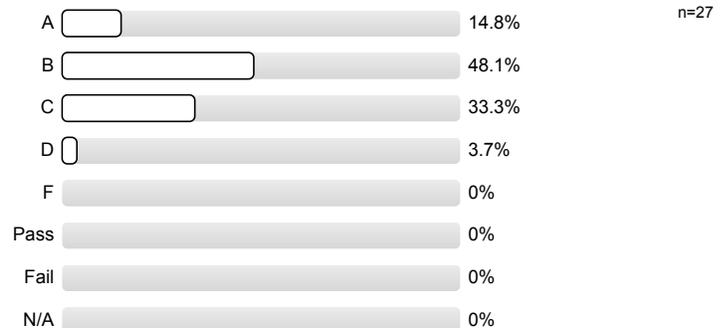
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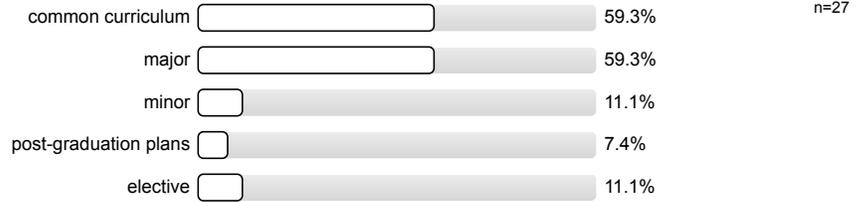
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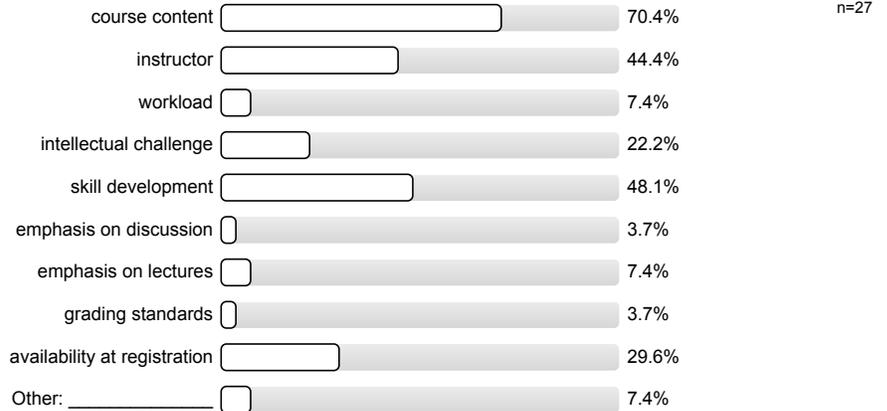
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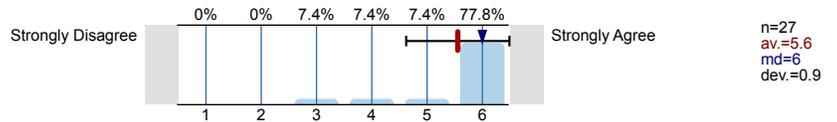


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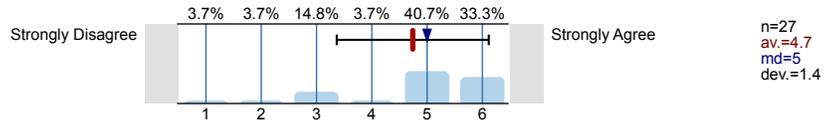


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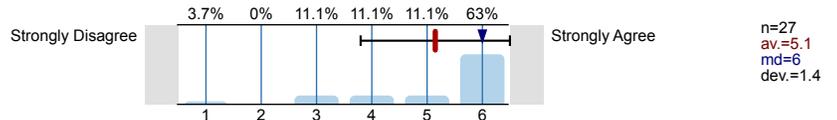
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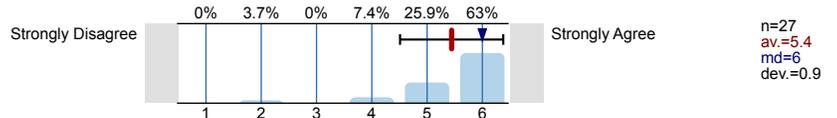
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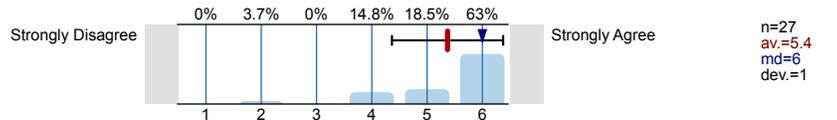
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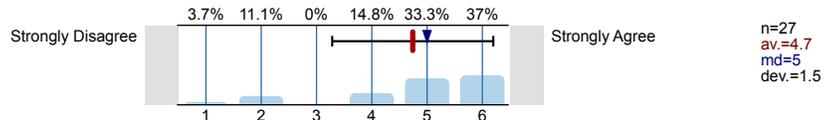
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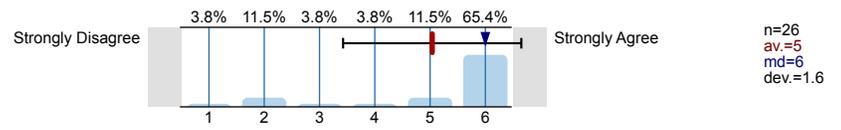
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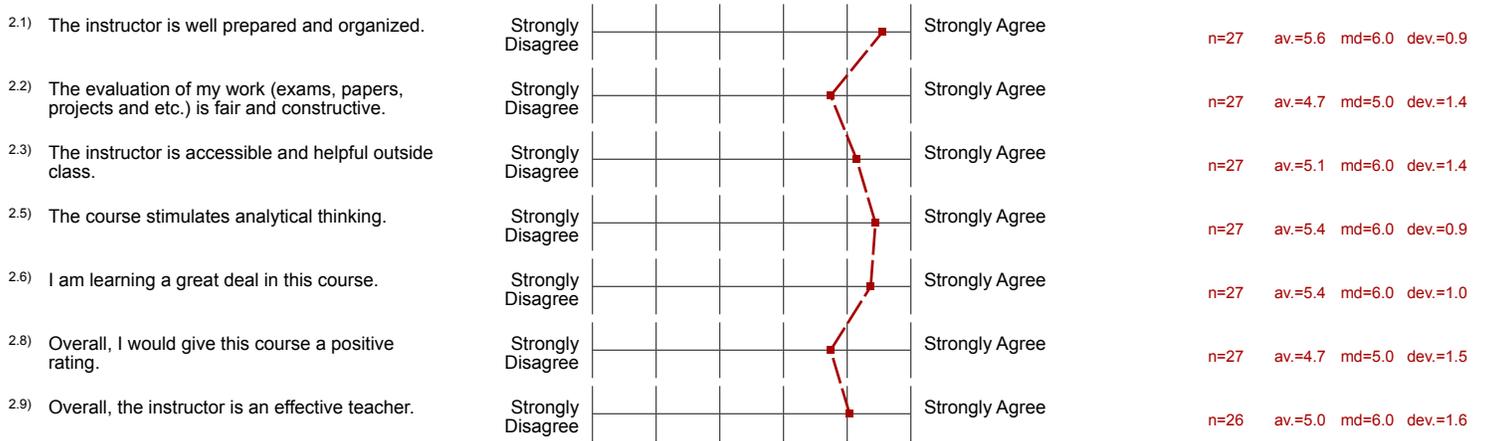


Profile

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 Name of the instructor: **Gina Pieters**
 Name of the course: **Principles of Microeconomics (ECON13114FL14S-)**
 (Name of the survey)

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2. ECONOMICS DEPARTMENT STUDENT COURSE EVALUATION



Comments Report

1. Background Questions

1.7) Considering your selections above, please comment on your experience in this course.

- Everything ties together, course has a natural flow to the material
- Excellent course and fantastic professor
- I absolutely loved the class. Dr. Pieters is perfect.
- I found it to be a difficult course overall. Some problems I encountered involved the lack of any use of the textbook.
- I learned a lot about economics during this course, however I felt that the course was harder than it should have been.
- I learned a substantial amount of information in this class, and while I did not receive the best grade I still enjoyed the class.
- I really enjoyed this course. I was not expecting to enjoy economics but Professor Pieters got me interested. The course was quite difficult and took a lot of time but I also feel that this course gave me a very good and well rounded economics background
- I took micro economics to learn some of the principles for my future path to law school.
- It has been good but also difficult.
- Magical
- My overall experience in this course was not a positive one. I have never been good at math and this made the concepts very difficult and challenging for me. I did not like Dr. Pieters style of teaching and was often very lost. Going to office hours helped me gain a better understanding but I often had to rely on fellow students and hope that they would understand the homework problems. It was helpful that she allowed us to have group homework assignments and drop our lowest grade. I was often intimidated by the professor and felt that she was often somewhat condescending, something that I feel a professor should never be. In total, I am very glad to be done with this class and hope that my experience will not be repeated by others.
- Overall, I had a very good experience in this course. I really enjoyed the professor and the lectures were very similar to my lectures in economics in high school so it was an easy transition moving into this course. I have requested to take macroeconomics with the same professor because of how well she teaches the material and talking to the professor, I have now decided to major in economics, on top of my existing major in international business.
- Super hard course. Its almost all math- which is not what I expected from economics.
- The class was difficult, more difficult than I can expected. I did not expect Economics to be this complex, but I learned quite a bit.
- The course has deepened my understanding of economic processes and has been an interesting experience overall. While the homework and exams have been challenging, the course has been enjoyable. Dr. Pieters is a great instructor, as she explains the concepts very concisely.
- The course was somewhat challenging but the instructor was very effective and organized.
- The instructor herself was very well versed in the material. She was a good professor in my book.
- This course is hard. Pietera is a good professor but her tests are hard. I did well on them, but she is still pretty difficult.
- This course was appropriately difficult, and the instructor was prepared and helpful every day. The topics taught were varied.
- This course was the most difficult I have taken in my 3 semesters at Trinity, but I have appreciated it nonetheless. The homeworks were very helpful, and the only thing I might change is the that some of the Data Analyses had seemingly less derived influence from the course content and seemed to be less helpful when studying for the tests. My major complaint would be the length of the tests. I know 2 of the smartest people in the class, and the 50 minutes we receive for taking the 2 exams was really tough on them as well. Either make the tests take-home, have them occur over 2 classes, or shorten them.
- This was a difficult course, but it was possible to get a good grade in the course, you just have to put in the work. It is fair, just hard.
- This was a hard class. I took to fill common curriculum so I wish I would of taken an easy course to fulfill my requirement. I did learn a lot though.
- Was very pleased with this course and feel like I have a good grounding in the necessary skills.
- it was extremely difficult.

2. ECONOMICS DEPARTMENT STUDENT COURSE EVALUATION

2.4) Please comment on your answers to questions 2.1, 2.2, and 2.3.

- DR. PIETERS IS THE QUEEN OF ECONOMICS.
- Doesn't go by the outline she provides very much, doesn't explain how do do a lot of the problems. Office hours are helpful sometimes, other times they seem to be a waste of time.
- Dr. Peiters is always prepared for class and lectures are well organized. She evaluates my work fairly and attempts to grade students exactly the same, something that is not always fair and leads to problems. Sometimes I feel that she does not really care if we succeed and holds office hours because she is forced to do so rather than genuinely wanting to help. That being said, her office hours are helpful if utilized and do help gain a better understanding on the material.
- Dr. Pieters always comes to class prepared to give a perfect lecture. Her office hours are at a decent time; however, having fewer contiguous office hours across more days would be useful. The comments given on homework electronically are always useful in studying for exams and further homework.
- Dr. Pieters is wonderful. She's very structured which for me works well because you always know what to expect from her and the course. Super helpful in office hours and a good lecturer.
- Dr. Pieters really likes students to come to her office hours, which I think were very helpful. I thought she was a little too picky at times with what she wanted for answers.
- Dr. Pieters was very helo during office hours and during class when we asked questions. She used real world examples to better explain the information, which helped so much.
- MVP Thank you for your help and patience
- Office hours are extremely helpful
- She is always available for help. She is freakishly smart and can be intimidating though.
- She was always well organized and helpful outside of class. But her grading was a little unfair for it only being an entry level course. Her grading has caused me to constantly worry about what I might get instead of focusing on if I understand the material.
- She was helpful outside of class, it is just hard to get a hold of her outside of office hours. Wish she had more office hours, or just allow students to join in her office while she is working on other things.
- She's helpful but I've experienced some lack of reply when it comes to excuse emails
- She's very fair and extremely helpful during office hours.
- The course is very well prepared. Each lecture has a purpose and notes prepared and printed outlines were available which I found very useful. Partial credit is given on tests which is nice. Professor Pieters was ALWAYS accessible for hours and very willing to help all of the time.
- The instructor is excellent in terms of preparation, organization, and accessibility. However, the grading on exams seems unnecessarily harsh at times.
- The instructor was definitely very organized and could handle the flow of the class well. The evaluation of the work was clear but sometimes overly harsh. Homework grades especially were graded very strictly and this seemed to only create anxiety as opposed to learning from mistakes. Doing homework without going to office hours or choosing to work in teams almost always resulted in an unreasonably low score for silly mistakes that were hard to anticipate based on lectures. Office hours were helpful but with everyone studying together in the office, it felt like i was imposing if I ever asked to speak to the professor during this time.
- The lectures are well sorted out and easy to follow when being taught in class. With all assignments, grades are fair and constructive criticism on what you did wrong is helpful and positive. She is very helpful during her office hours and is always willing to schedule private meetings if anyone needs assistance.
- she was always well prepared for all lectures
- suggested office hours, open office hours
- the course is very organized and the homework schedule is very convenient. Office hours are extremely helpful in this section.

2.7) Please comment on your answers to questions 2.5 and 2.6.

- I learned a lot about economics in this course and the tests really make you think and understand the information rather than just memorizing it.
- I learned a lot and was constantly forced to think analytically all the time.

- It is very analytical and I am encouraged to think about a lot of ideas I normally wouldn't.
- No other choice but to learn with everything in the course building on the last part! I feel like I know a lot more now and feel comfortable referencing micro in other classes.
- The course did teach me a lot about basic economic theory. This being said, I do not feel that I really understood a majority of these theories even with extra assistance from the professor and other students. Although the course presents a lot of material it did not click for me.
- The group work is great, because it allows you to digest the material.
- The homework is both mathematically heavy and critical-thinking heavy, so my knowledge of both the theory and practice behind economic concepts is greatly enhanced.
- The stringent grading makes sense to some degree, but I would have learned more in this principles class if I could have focused more on learning and less on the anxiety of the harsh grading standards. An introduction class shouldn't be this difficult. It's not far off the mark, but I know that I'm not the only one who found the anxiety to be too high to have a pleasant learning experience.
- The way lectures coincide with homework and the fluidity of curriculum made it very easy to effectively learn the content.
- This course is hard. The tests take a lot of studying, but you can get an A.
- This course is making me think critically and looking at problems from different perspectives.
- This course is not an easy course and it requires a lot of studying and time put into your notes. It requires the individual to think about the material in an analytical way when it comes to solving equations and applying the material taught to real life situations. Having a passion for economics, I enjoy everything that we learn and yes, I am learning a great deal in this course. It is a lot of information but it is all relative.
- This course requires that students think in an analytical manner. I knew very little of the information presented in this course prior to taking it, and I find that I now have a much more complete understanding of it.
- Very hard. Requires thinking in a different way
- it is a challenging course that implies real world situations
- learned a lot during the course
- to be able to answer questions in Microeconomics there is a great deal of information you must understand first. this class forces the student to think before answering any question.

2.10) Please comment on your answers to questions 2.8 and 2.9.

- Again, Dr. Pieters is excellent. She is interactive and explains things well. Good course, great teacher.
- Dr. Pieters is amazing. Would definitely recommend.
- Dr. Pieters makes it possible to understand the information if you are willing to put in the effort, however I found it hard to do well in the class.
- For me this course was not a positive experience. It was very frustrating and had many difficult concepts for an introductory level course. I am not a fan of lecturing and this course was heavily lecture based. I did not understand a majority of the material and felt that I was always having to catch up. Although the professor did help us in some ways, such as dropping our lowest daily grade, I still did not feel that she was as helpful as she could have been. She presents the material at an, in my opinion, advanced and confusing level. She knows what she is talking about and is prepared to teach the material, but I still did not like her method of teaching. I hope that my comments are taken into account.
- In all seriousness, Dr. Pieters is one of the best professors I've had at Trinity. I will be recommending this class to several people.
- Its obvious you are very intelligent, but if you have poor math skills you're basically screwed. "Dumb down" the content more
- Only thing is, make the tests shorter or give us more time on them.
- Professor Pieters is a great and caring teacher. She comes prepared and is very willing to help her students. The tests were very difficult and sometimes I found the homework to be a little bit unrelated to test questions but overall I really enjoyed the class. If given the opportunity I would definitely take a course with professor Pieters again.
- She is a great teacher, and is willing to answer any question
- She knows what she's talking about and she is very clear in explaining the material
- The instructor is excellent, and while the course is substantially difficult, it is well organized and efficient.

- The instructor is one of the most intelligent and capable that I've met at Trinity so far. The course is good for learning the principles of micro. The instructor does an excellent job with class structure and teaching, but the grading standards just seemed a little too high for an intro level class. Everything else was excellent and this is truly a valuable professor for Trinity and the economics department.
- The instructor's lectures are very organized and helpful, and the class was enjoyable.
- The professor was good at what she does, but I just did not enjoy the course.
- The teacher was not clear sometimes, I did not like her teaching tactics, and since she did not have a text book it was difficult to catch up on points I did not understand.
- This course has been very interesting; however, as Dr. Pieters does not follow the book, it was kind of a waste of money to purchase the book listed as a "requirement."
- This course was very enjoyable for me and the teacher was one of the best teachers I have had this semester. Would definitely recommend her to all students wanting to take microeconomics or macroeconomics.
- had notes ready every class, straight forward teacher

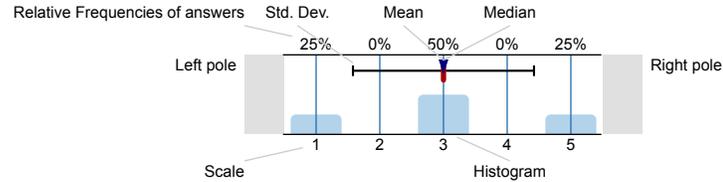
Gina Pieters

International Monetary Systems (ECON33481FL14S-)
No. of responses = 11

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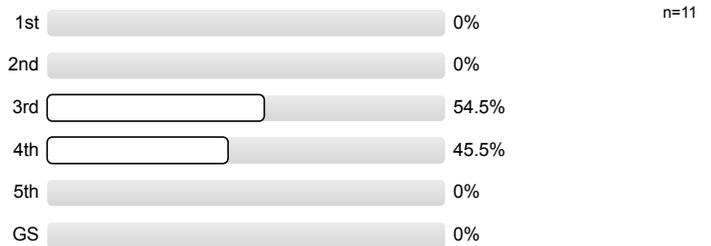
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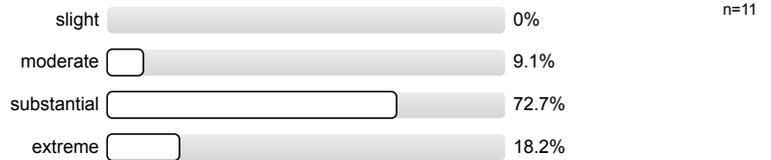
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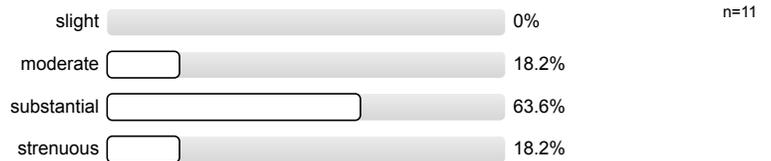
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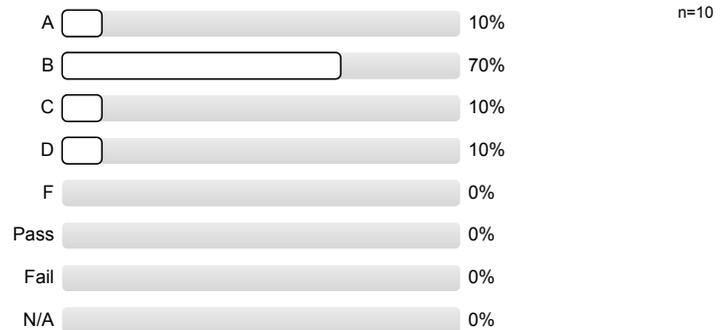
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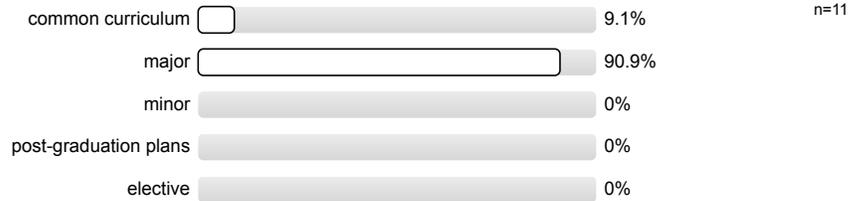
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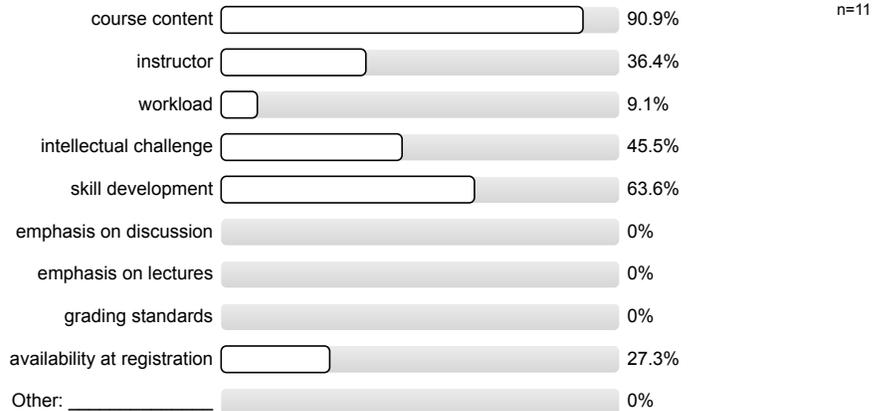
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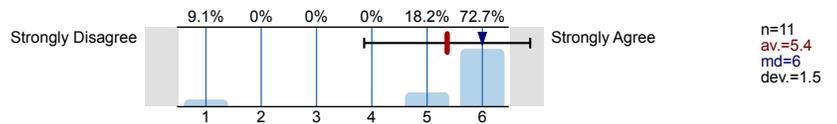


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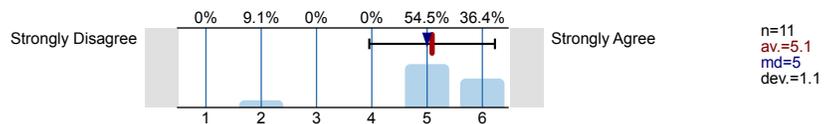


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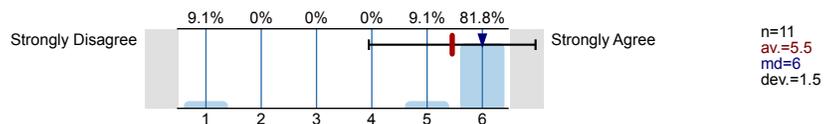
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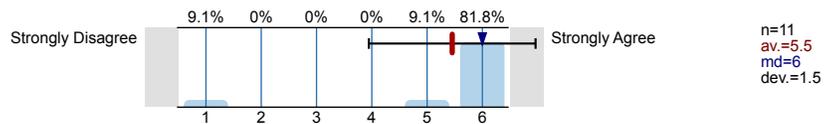
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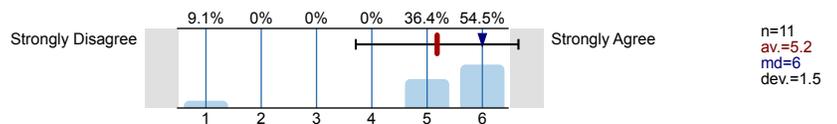
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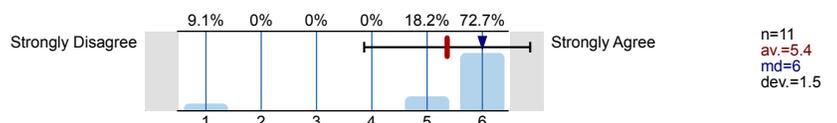
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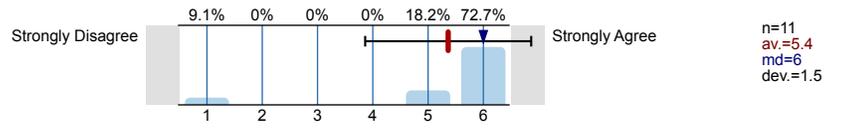
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Profile

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 Name of the instructor: Gina Pieters
 Name of the course: International Monetary Systems (ECON33481FL14S-)
 (Name of the survey)

Values used in the profile line: Mean

2. ECONOMICS DEPARTMENT STUDENT COURSE EVALUATION

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Comments Report

1. Background Questions

1.7) Considering your selections above, please comment on your experience in this course.

- I did not expect to enjoy this course, but it defied my expectations. It was extremely interesting, related to what I am interested in, challenging but not too hard. Dr. Pieters is great at explaining things, she's easy to approach and super helpful during office hours. Would definitely recommend.
- I had a really great time. challenging but in a good way. really motivating and the class came together in a way I haven't experienced in any other class at trinity.
working in small groups and writing on the board every day really immersed you in the topic.
Prof was helpful and inquisitive. work was challenging and made you think. Also questions werent necessarily black or white, so you can see how multiple people come up with multiple solutions, it helps you think differently.
I feel more comfortable with everyone in this class than i've ever felt in any other class. it really brings good discussion and honest work
- I like the openness of the class and how it's not entirely lecture-based. The group work was the most helpful part of the class for me. I was never bored during class and I like the real world questions and applications that it brought up.
- I really enjoyed the class. Of all of the Econ classes I've taken so far, this was the first one that not only taught my the theory behind the subject, but also how to apply what we are learning. I think this was really beneficial because it forced me to use more critical thinking instead of just memorizing models.
- It was fun, informative and challenging
- On the first and second days of class, this class scared the Crap out of me. It was to a point where I was going to drop it right away, but I realized I would have to take more hours next semester. By keeping with it, I have found it very rewarding. I actually enjoy this class a lot, the people in it, and the class size keeps it intimate. Economics is not my strong point, but through office hours and such I have been doing well.
- Professor Pieters is really good. She delivers the information appropriately and teaches enthusiastically her subject.
- Quite a lot of work. Well-structured.
- This course has taught me a lot and i have enjoyed it thoroughly. The only thing i regret is not doing great in the midterm.
- good professor, engaging class and interesting topics, but very constant difficult homeworks with strict deadlines should take into account we have a lot of other exams and homework.

2. ECONOMICS DEPARTMENT STUDENT COURSE EVALUATION

2.4) Please comment on your answers to questions 2.1, 2.2, and 2.3.

- Grading is well explained on homework and professor pieters is always willing to help during office hours
- Helpful instructor. Well evaluated work. Organized
- Her lectures are easy to follow. She gives good feedback, but on the homework, she won't write what you did wrong, so you need to go to her and ask or figure it out on your own. Her office hours are awesomely helpful.
- I had no problem with the quality and availability of the professor
- Yes.
- always ready at office hours and actually really helpful

2.7) Please comment on your answers to questions 2.5 and 2.6.

- Course is challenging, the group work on the boards helps look at stuff from different angles and help you think analytically about various problems
- I feel like I have a greater understanding about why states decide to take certain monetary or fiscal actions.
- Learned an insane amount of economics information.

- Like I said earlier, the class forced me to think critically.
- This is probably the class where the material is the most difficult to grasp, but once done so, I have learned a lot.
- honestly favorite class ever taken at trinity. it was stimulating and made you want to learn more, the difficulty was justified and the content was fun to learn

^{2.10)} Please comment on your answers to questions 2.8 and 2.9.

- I wish this was a common curric cause i'd tell everyone to take it. although it is a focused subject I learned more and wanted to learn about this subject more than any other course.

2 thumbs up. best course i've had at trintiy. no joke it was difficult in the best way and made me want to goto class

- She understands the content is difficult and she is very helpful on assignments and availability. Not only that, but she is very fair at evaluating and is straight up. She definitely is not out to get you and tries to help.
- This class has been one of my favorite Econ classes I've taken so far.
- While the subject matter is not super exciting, the course exceeded my expectations in terms of how much I learned. I would like a more math heavy course though with more models if possible
- none needed.

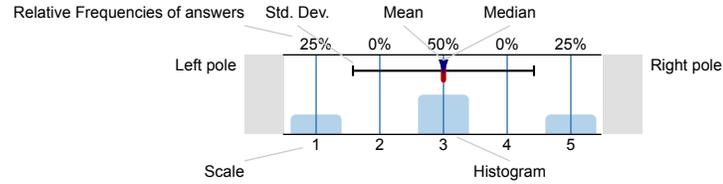
Gina Pieters

Principles of Macroeconomics (ECON13123SP15S-)
No. of responses = 16

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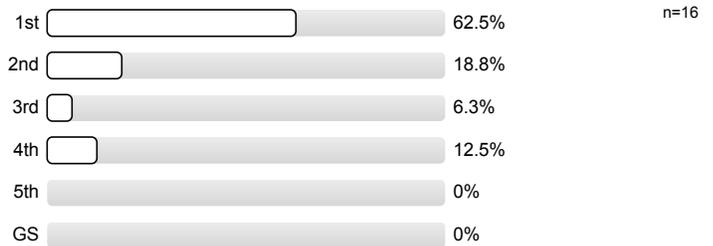
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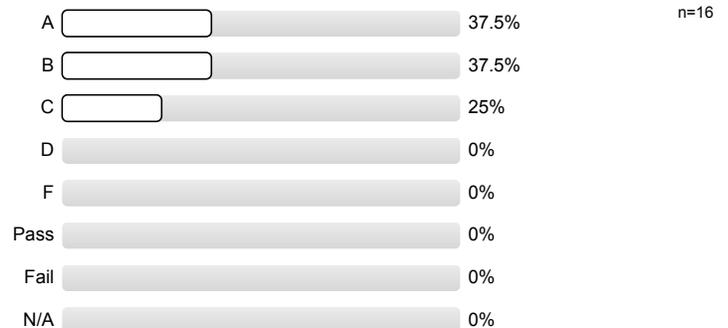
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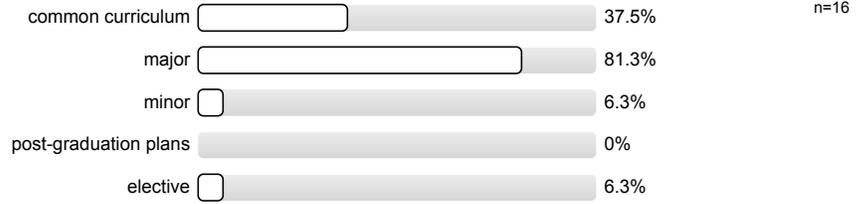
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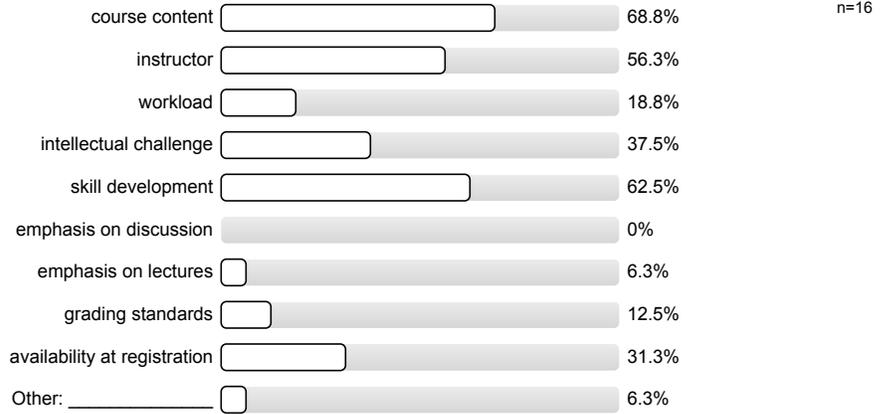
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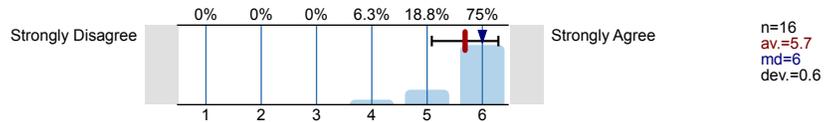


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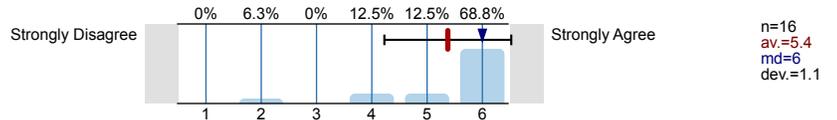


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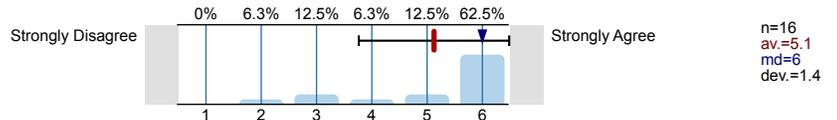
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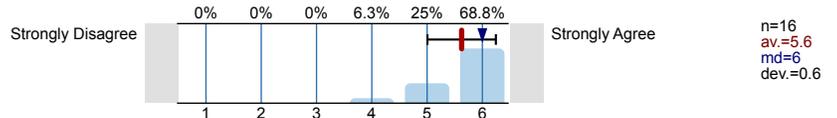
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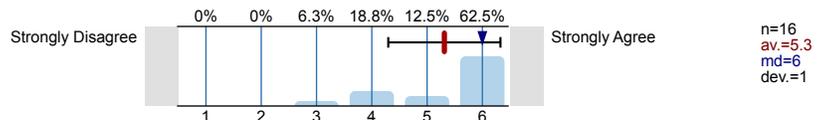
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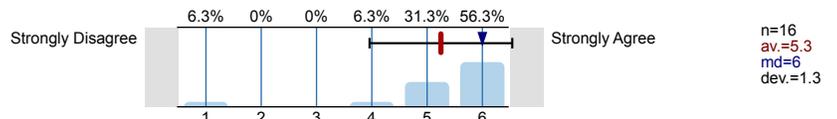
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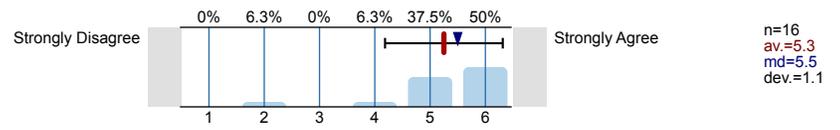
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Profile

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 Name of the instructor: Gina Pieters
 Name of the course: Principles of Macroeconomics (ECON13123SP15S-)
 (Name of the survey)

Values used in the profile line: Mean

2. ECONOMICS DEPARTMENT STUDENT COURSE EVALUATION

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| 2.8) Overall, I would give this course a positive rating. | Strongly Disagree | | | | | | | | | Strongly Agree | n=16 | av.=5.3 | md=6.0 | dev.=1.3 |
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Comments Report

1. Background Questions

^{1.7)} Considering your selections above, please comment on your experience in this course.

- Awesome class. Awesome professor. Knows what she's talking about and is very easy to talk to in general. Wish there wasn't graded homework but that's just me complaining about doing work. 10/10 would take another one of Dr. Pieter's classes again.
- DR. PIETERS IS A GREAT PROFESSOR. STUDENTS LOOKING FOR A FAIR, WELL TAUGHT, WELL STRUCTURED ECON CLASS SHOULD TAKE IT WITH DR. PIETERS.
- Dr. Pieters makes class very enjoyable. The amount of time and effort you put into the class definitely reflects what you get out of it.
- Good course, Challenging, but not too difficult
- I came in knowing, to some degree, what to expect from Dr. Pieters, and got it.
- I enjoy the way you have your grading system set up. It really helps us track our grades
- I enjoyed this course a lot. I thought that the lectures were clear and concise and I really enjoyed how that was the material we were tested on. It encouraged you to come to class and pay attention. It also made the tests easier because there was nothing on the tests that wasn't discussed in lecture.
- I have had an overall positive experience with this course. Dr. Pieters is a phenomenal teacher and I went into this class knowing how rigorous it may be. Honestly, Dr. Pieters has made macroeconomics a class I look forward to going to every week because of how interesting she makes the lectures.
Very well taught, I enjoyed this class thoroughly.
- I heard you learn a lot from her.
- I like how the professor uses real world examples and always stops for questions. She shows absolute mastery of the material. Never have I learned so much from a class
- I really enjoyed the straight forwardness of Dr. Pieters teaching style. You learn what she wants you to learn, and that is the principles of Macro economics.
- I think this is one of the most useful classes I have taken. I have a much deeper understanding of how the economy works
- It was aight
- It was very difficult but I also learned a lot
- Very difficult class that I would not recommend to anyone. Teacher was very difficult and hard to work with, not so much the material but the class requirements made this class more difficult than it should be. Teacher does not seem to care about students passing or failing regardless of effort.

2. ECONOMICS DEPARTMENT STUDENT COURSE EVALUATION

^{2.4)} Please comment on your answers to questions 2.1, 2.2, and 2.3.

- DR. PIETERS IS A GREAT PROFESSOR. STUDENTS LOOKING FOR A FAIR, WELL TAUGHT, WELL STRUCTURED ECON CLASS SHOULD TAKE IT WITH DR. PIETERS.
- Dr. Pieters has office hours almost every day of the week and is very flexible. There is no excuse for somebody to not feel as though she is very accessible and helpful.
- Dr. Pieters has some of the most helpful office hours.
- Dr. Pieters is well organized and shes available at reasonable times where you can go to her office and ask her questions about homework or exams.
- Dr. Pieters was always very accessible during office hour and always very helpful. She explained the material well and gave time to students who were confused.
- For the most part Dr. Pieters is very organized. A few days did not line up with her syllabus.
Can be slightly rude outside of class, and a couple of the grading policies are over the top. One week to challenge grades of an exam? why?

- Pieters is very smart, and willing to put in as much work with you as you are
- See overall class experience answer.
- She always has office hours and she always has a plan for class that transfers well to notes
- The homework was unclear whether she wanted us to turn in our work or just the answers
- The instructor was definitely well prepared and the lectures were very organized and easy to follow. Exams and homework grades did not feel constructive. Requirements for homework and exams were far reaching and my effort or knowledge in the class did not show.
- Very organized, and always prepared.
- Yes

2.7) Please comment on your answers to questions 2.5 and 2.6.

- DR. PIETERS IS A GREAT PROFESSOR. STUDENTS LOOKING FOR A FAIR, WELL TAUGHT, WELL STRUCTURED ECON CLASS SHOULD TAKE IT WITH DR. PIETERS.
- Economics is my major. Of course I feel like I've learned a lot. This is what I think about at night.
- Her test involved critical thinking. Her sample exams with posted answers online are my favorite, because I see how the professor would answer it, which helps me have a better process of thinking and learning.
- I am extremely pleased by the amount of information I have learned this semester. I feel like I've learned more in this class than all of my other classes combined.
- I did learn a lot.
- I feel I am not grasping the knowledge as highly as I did in micro
- Very tough course, but very well taught.
- you will always learn a lot from this professor

2.10) Please comment on your answers to questions 2.8 and 2.9.

- DR. PIETERS IS A GREAT PROFESSOR. STUDENTS LOOKING FOR A FAIR, WELL TAUGHT, WELL STRUCTURED ECON CLASS SHOULD TAKE IT WITH DR. PIETERS.
- Dr. Pieters is awesome.
- Dr. Pieters is who made me enjoy this class and appreciate the material we learned.
- For the most part, the class is good, there were only a few times when I was unsure why we were doing something.
- I would recommend this economics class. The only thing I would say to watch out for is who you choose your partner to be in group hw assignments. I wish I could be evaluated on my work alone and not the failure of my partner. He hurt my grade when I need the best grades I can get. Pieters is not tender towards partner failure, so one should choose wisely.
- Learning the material was difficult, but attainable. The way the course is set up, with certain requirements it is hard to do well in the class. Unless you are naturally good at economics, it will be very hard for you to exceed. The teacher is very blunt and makes you work to try and please her.
- See overall experience answer.
- knows what she is talking about and teaches it very well
- the tests are extremely hard so my grade is lower than what I wish it was

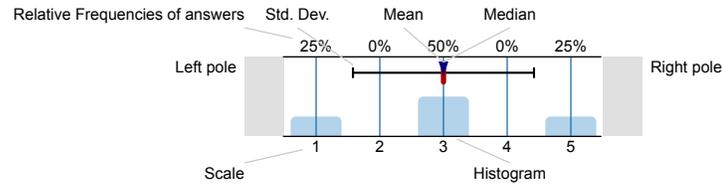
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Principles of Macroeconomics (ECON13124SP15S-)
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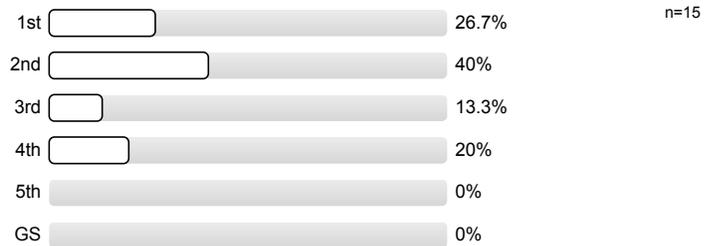
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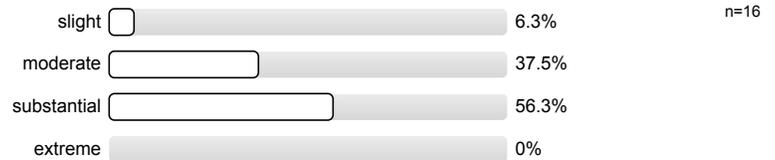
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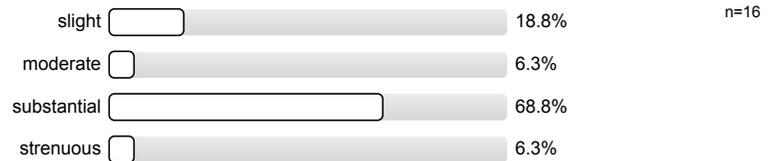
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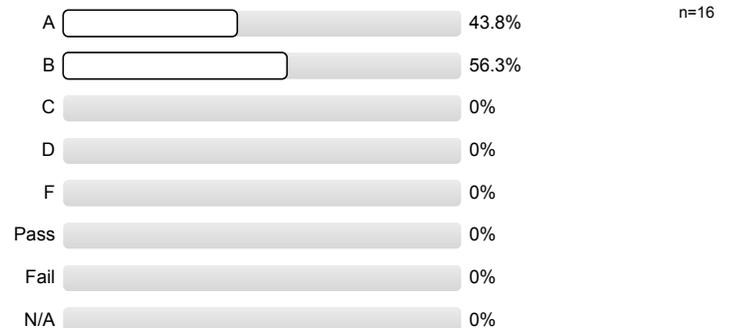
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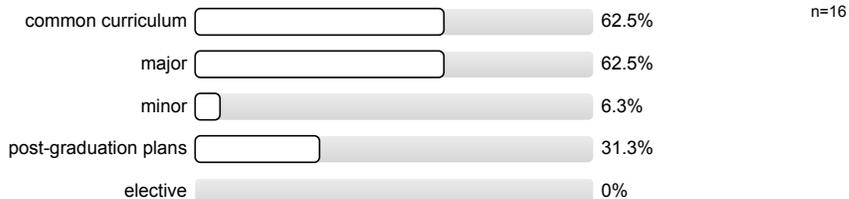
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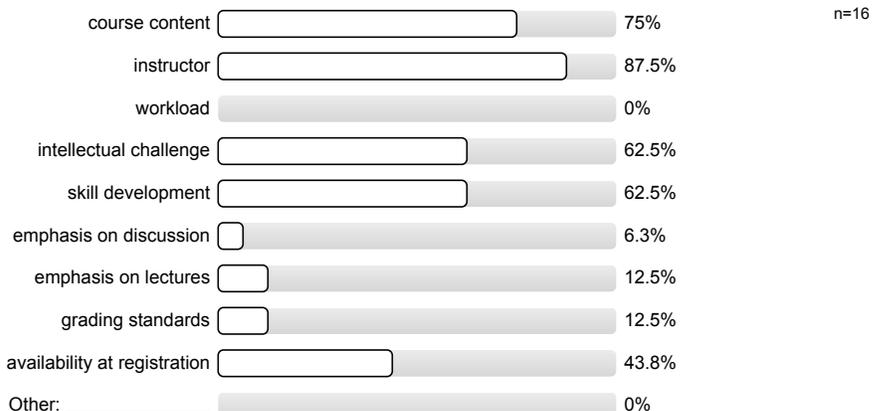
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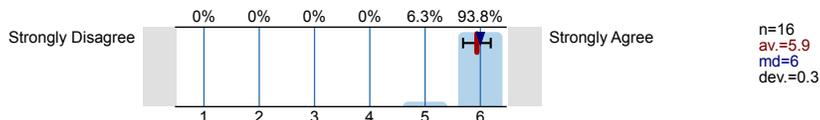


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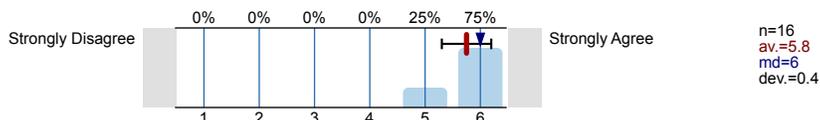


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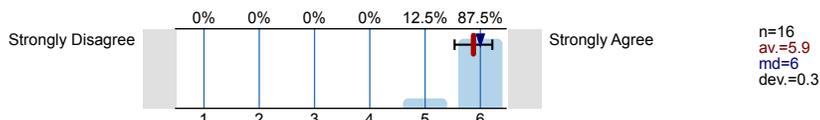
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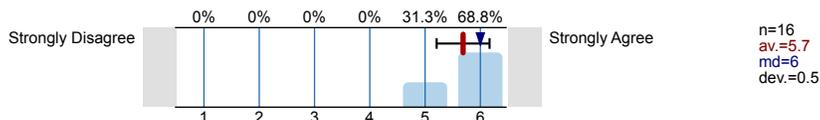
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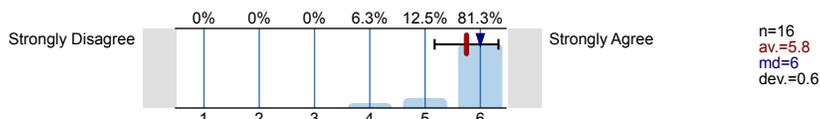
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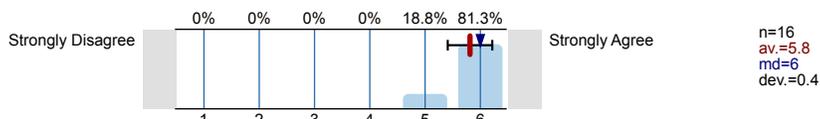
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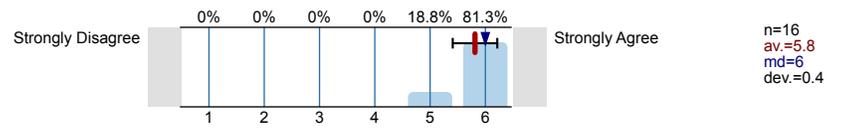
2.6) I am learning a great deal in this course.



2.8) Overall, I would give this course a positive rating.



2.9) Overall, the instructor is an effective teacher.



Profile

Subunit: **Economics**
 Name of the instructor: **Gina Pieters**
 Name of the course: **Principles of Macroeconomics (ECON13124SP15S-)**
 (Name of the survey)

Values used in the profile line: Mean

2. ECONOMICS DEPARTMENT STUDENT COURSE EVALUATION

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| 2.1) The instructor is well prepared and organized. | Strongly Disagree | | Strongly Agree | n=16 | av.=5.9 | md=6.0 | dev.=0.3 |
| 2.2) The evaluation of my work (exams, papers, projects and etc.) is fair and constructive. | Strongly Disagree | | Strongly Agree | n=16 | av.=5.8 | md=6.0 | dev.=0.4 |
| 2.3) The instructor is accessible and helpful outside class. | Strongly Disagree | | Strongly Agree | n=16 | av.=5.9 | md=6.0 | dev.=0.3 |
| 2.5) The course stimulates analytical thinking. | Strongly Disagree | | Strongly Agree | n=16 | av.=5.7 | md=6.0 | dev.=0.5 |
| 2.6) I am learning a great deal in this course. | Strongly Disagree | | Strongly Agree | n=16 | av.=5.8 | md=6.0 | dev.=0.6 |
| 2.8) Overall, I would give this course a positive rating. | Strongly Disagree | | Strongly Agree | n=16 | av.=5.8 | md=6.0 | dev.=0.4 |
| 2.9) Overall, the instructor is an effective teacher. | Strongly Disagree | | Strongly Agree | n=16 | av.=5.8 | md=6.0 | dev.=0.4 |

Comments Report

1. Background Questions

1.7) Considering your selections above, please comment on your experience in this course.

- Although this course has been one of the most challenging thus far in my student career, it has been the most academically fulfilling and I really love Dr. Pieters
- Both Micro and Macro with Dr. Pieters have been the two classes in which I have learned the most. She is an amazing teacher and a great person. (Even though she may look scary, she's awesome)
- Great class, Learned much more than i expected to.
- I chose this class because I had Professor Peiters last semester and I absolutely LOVE how she teaches!! She is so helpful and crazy SMART! She is so available and easy to talk to. She goes out of her way to help you understand the material and provide useful and applicable real-world examples.
- I have enjoyed this course. Dr. Pieters is straightforward and I appreciate how she is always willing to work with me if I am confused on a certain concept or problem.
- I have had Dr. Pieters in the past and really appreciated her teaching method. In taking this course, I have learned to appreciate her even more. Definitely one of the best professors that I have ever had at Trinity.
- I have loved this class with Professor Pieters. If it was any other teacher I would have thought that it was completely boring but her notes were organized nicely keeping me engaged and she connected the information to interesting real world examples.
- I have really enjoyed this course and learned more than I ever thought I would.
- I loved this course. Although it was hard I really enjoyed the content and Dr. Pieters was amazing!
- I really thought I did not like Economics at all and my advisor basically forced me to take this class, but Dr. Pieters made me see the light. After taking this class, I actually think Economics is an interesting subject and I would take other classes with Dr. Pieters. She includes Math concepts which makes the class very approachable for me and she is a really nice and chill person which makes me want to go to Office hours. I can tell she really makes sure she accommodates everybody in the way she teaches since it is a lower level course and people want different things. I had a great experience.
- I took this class for common curriculum but also for my interest. Now I know that I like Econ and I learned a lot for this class.
- I took this course because Dr. Pieters was recommended to me. I am not an economics major, but I would like to lean the material. I have definitely learned a lot in this class.
- It was great!! So practical. I is not easy, you have to put in effort, but it is completely doable. She is very open to questions and is a great teacher.
- Nice class. It was interesting.
- The reason for choosing this course was mainly because of the instructor. I had this instructor for microeconomics and enjoyed her style of teaching and wanted to continue with her in macroeconomics. She is very clear and straight forward with her lectures and the course content, though she is a tough teacher.
- dr pieters is great. her way of teaching is excellent and she is trully helpful when you dont understand something.

2. ECONOMICS DEPARTMENT STUDENT COURSE EVALUATION

2.4) Please comment on your answers to questions 2.1, 2.2, and 2.3.

- Again, she is the best Professor ever :)
- Dr. Pieters comes to class prepared, grades fairly, and has several options for office hours throughout the week.
- Dr. Pieters is always very helpful in office hours and is in close coordination with her student peer tutor, which is extremely helpful.
- Dr. Pieters is always willing to help us on anything. I have come into office hours and literally said "I don't understand;" however, instead of giving me the answer, she will help me work through it. After working through the problem I am able to fully understand it.
- Dr. Pieters is definitely my favorite professor in Trinity. Didn't get to take her for Micro because she didn't take any more students, but I get to take Macro with her now. Her class material is very interesting and she is extremely helpful outside of class.

- Dr. Pieters was always willing to help during office hours and frequently helped me solve problems I didn't understand.
- I really appreciate that her office hours are at accessible times.
- I strongly agree with those answers.
- Office hours are super helpful
- She keeps very regular office hours and is always willing to help. Class time is always used very effectively due to her immense amount of preparedness.
- So helpful, she was always willing to answer questions.
- The instructor is very accessible and answers emails on the online question forum relatively quickly!
- There is always a set lesson plan for the discussion of that day and comments and the evaluation of my work is constructive. With anything that I am struggling with, she is always available in office hours and/or by scheduled appointments.
- her office hours are extremely helpful as well as the t.a. office hours

2.7) Please comment on your answers to questions 2.5 and 2.6.

- Bloop
- I am hoping that the material I have learned will help me understand information politicians are talking about in the upcoming election cycle
- I believe Economics in general stimulates analytical thinking; however, Macro has proved to be more in line with the way I think. I have found this course enjoyable because I enjoy the way of thinking and have learned a lot. I am able to think in an Economic manner outside of class.
- I hated Mirco and learned absolutely nothing and didn't do well in this course and macro has been the complete opposite.
- I knew very little about economics before taking this class, so I definitely learned many new things.
- I learned many things in this course and it is a tough course that involves much thinking and work.
- I really enjoyed taking Micro. Despite people were saying that how Macro is really different and harder, I still chose this course. Absolutely loved it! If I am not graduating in two weeks, I may change my major to Econ. lol
- I've learned so many things that I can actually relate to life beyond economics. So fulfilling as a person who loves to learn.
- The homework and test aspect of this class actually require you to learn and not regurgitate.
- This course is very very stimulating! Critical thinking is not just encouraged, it is required. Concepts are connected clearly and cohesively. Everything we learned can be modeled throughout history.
- Very practical
- economics teaches you to analyze data and figure out trends.

2.10) Please comment on your answers to questions 2.8 and 2.9.

- 10 out of 10
- Best. Professor. Ever. The end.
- Dr. Pieters is da bomb!
- Dr. Pieters is very effective and her teaching style is very straightforward, which I appreciate because it makes it clear to understand. I would love to take more of her classes.
- Gina rocks
- Great professor especially compared to Dr. Vaughan who I took for Micro! Much easier to learn with you.
- Great teacher! fair and is willing to answer questions
- Loved the course and the professor. Difficult but high pay-off
- Perfect teacher and perfect course:)

- She gives many different examples and is willing to clarify information. If you are still confused she holds very regular office hours during which she is very helpful.
- She is one of my favorite professors I have had at Trinity.
- This class was fair.
- This is by far one of my favorite courses, despite the amount of work involved. The instructor is one of my favorite professors and her positive attitude in the classroom is encouraging.
- Though I may end up with a B in this class, I really think I have learned a substantial amount of information that I will use in the future.
- the course was great I would definitely take another class with her.

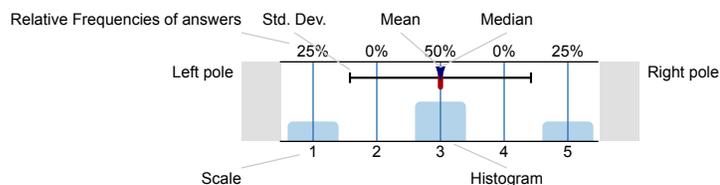
Gina Pieters

International Trade (ECON33471SP15S-)
No. of responses = 7

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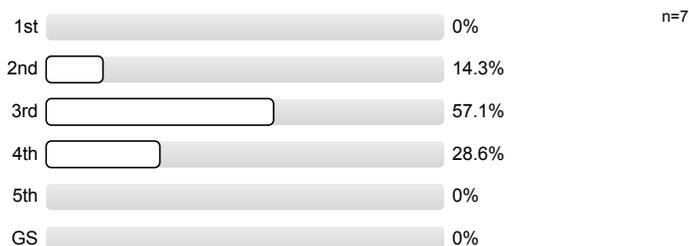
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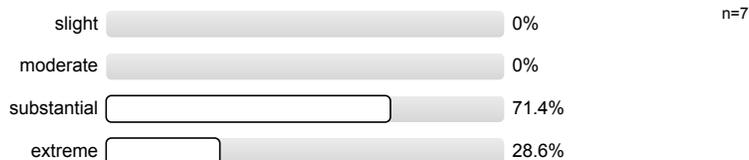
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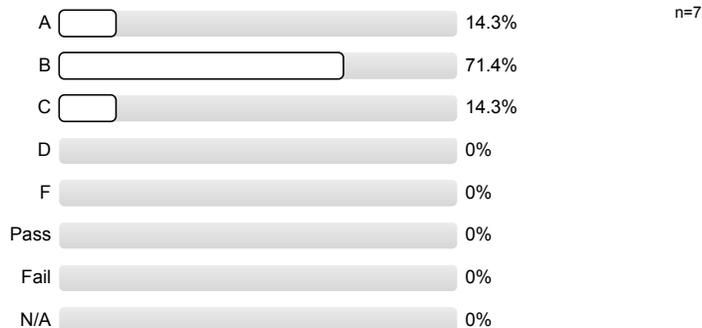
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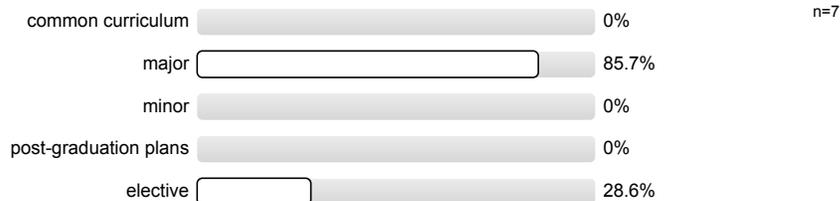
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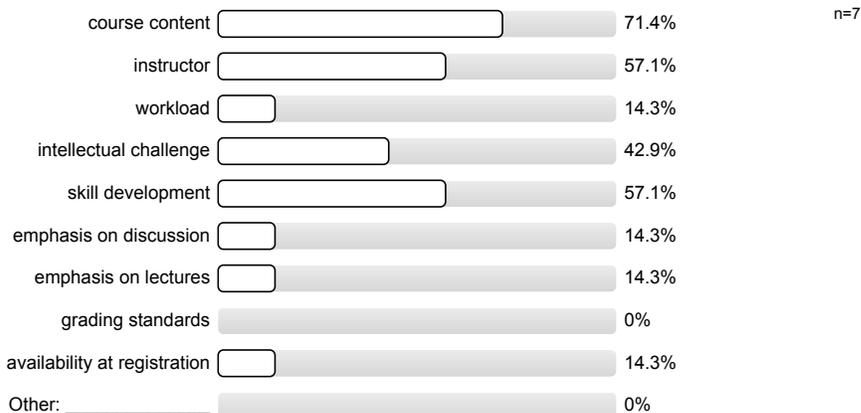
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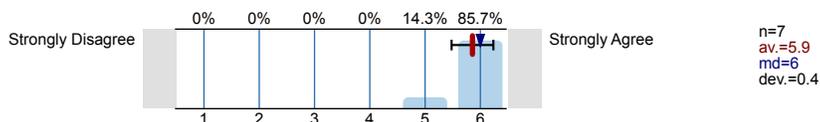


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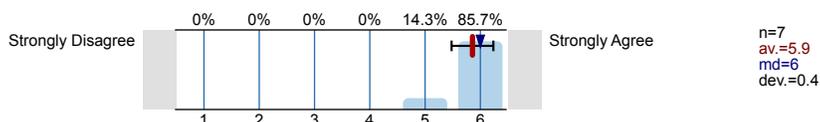


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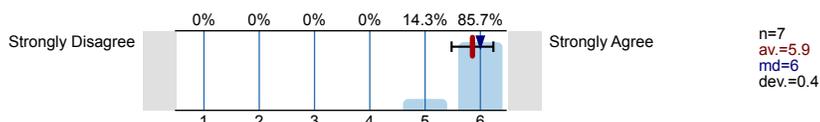
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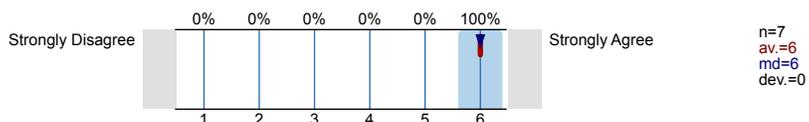
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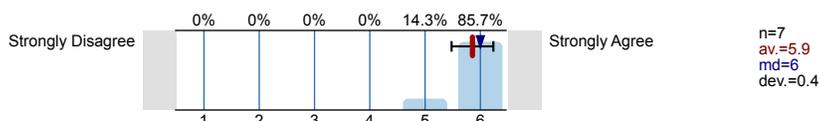
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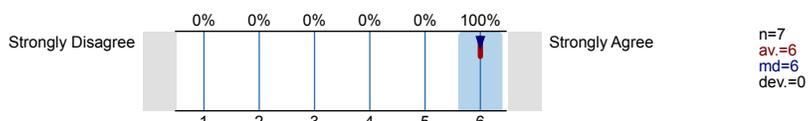
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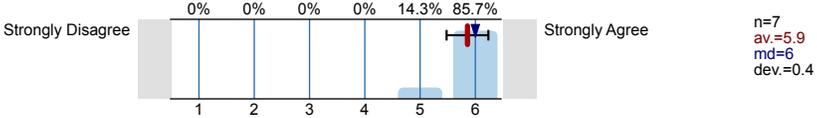
2.6) I am learning a great deal in this course.



2.8) Overall, I would give this course a positive rating.



2.9) Overall, the instructor is an effective teacher.



Profile

Subunit: Economics
 Name of the instructor: Gina Pieters
 Name of the course: International Trade (ECON33471SP15S-)
 (Name of the survey)

Values used in the profile line: Mean

2. ECONOMICS DEPARTMENT STUDENT COURSE EVALUATION

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| 2.1) The instructor is well prepared and organized. | Strongly Disagree | | | | | | | | | Strongly Agree | n=7 | av.=5.9 | md=6.0 | dev.=0.4 |
| 2.2) The evaluation of my work (exams, papers, projects and etc.) is fair and constructive. | Strongly Disagree | | | | | | | | | Strongly Agree | n=7 | av.=5.9 | md=6.0 | dev.=0.4 |
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| 2.9) Overall, the instructor is an effective teacher. | Strongly Disagree | | | | | | | | | Strongly Agree | n=7 | av.=5.9 | md=6.0 | dev.=0.4 |

Comments Report

1. Background Questions

^{1.7)} Considering your selections above, please comment on your experience in this course.

- I got exposed to various Trade models I haven't seen before which was exactly what I wanted out of it
- I love Dr. Pieters!!!! She is an excellent instructor and organizes her lectures very logically. She is very easy to follow and extremely helpful in class in office hours. I like that she pushes us to make critical analysis during class times instead of just taking lecture notes.
- I really enjoyed this course. It was one of the hardest courses I've taken at Trinity, but it was such a great learning experience.
- Nice course, interesting but hard material. Either way I did like it.
- This course was amazing. I loved it. It was challenging but I learned so much, and the paper was super fun and made me want to continue economics in a research capacity in later life.
- a lot more difficult then other pieters classes, but teaching method is on point

2. ECONOMICS DEPARTMENT STUDENT COURSE EVALUATION

^{2.4)} Please comment on your answers to questions 2.1, 2.2, and 2.3.

- Always at office hours and gives great feedback in papers
- Best professor in all three of these areas. She's always available to help and her feedback is straightforward. You always know what she expects from you.
- I don't think I've ever had such useful commentary on my work. I also went to Dr. Pieters' office hours more than I've ever gone to any professors, and she was endlessly helpful and patient.
- Pieters always came in with a plan on what to cover and set forth well what was expected on assignments
- helpful

^{2.7)} Please comment on your answers to questions 2.5 and 2.6.

- The concepts were very difficult, but I learned a lot.
- The course made me think in a way I haven't before and I did learn a great thing going through it

^{2.10)} Please comment on your answers to questions 2.8 and 2.9.

- Best econ professor I've had at Trinity. It is a very difficult and labor-intensive course, but it's definitely worth the effort.
- Great course. Great professor.
- I would give this class a positive rating and say that Dr. Pieters was effective in teaching the material.

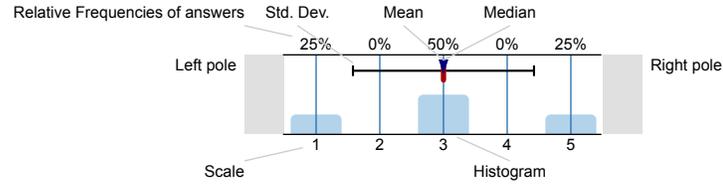
Gina Pieters

Principles of Macroeconomics (ECON13123FL15S-)
No. of responses = 6

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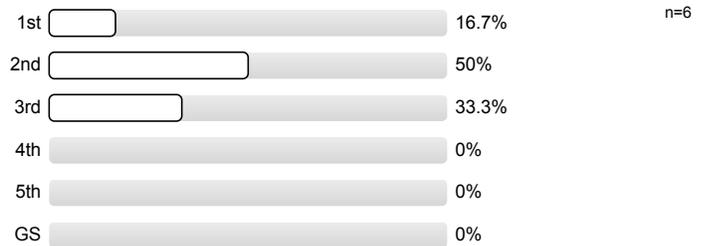
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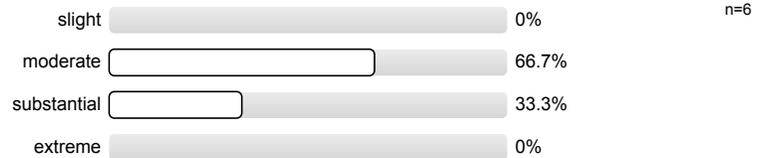
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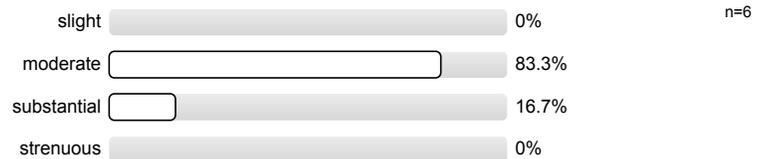
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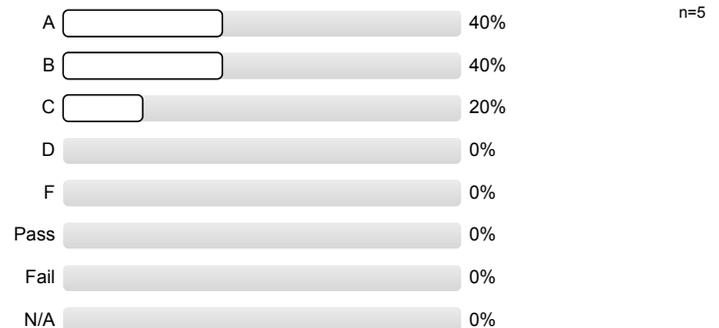
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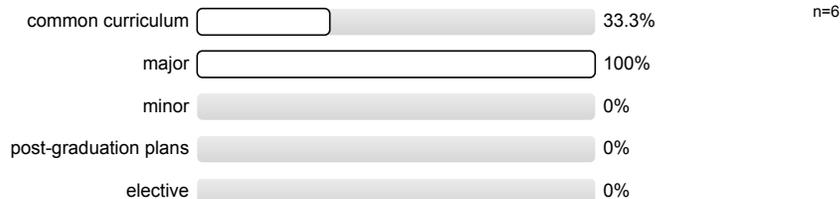
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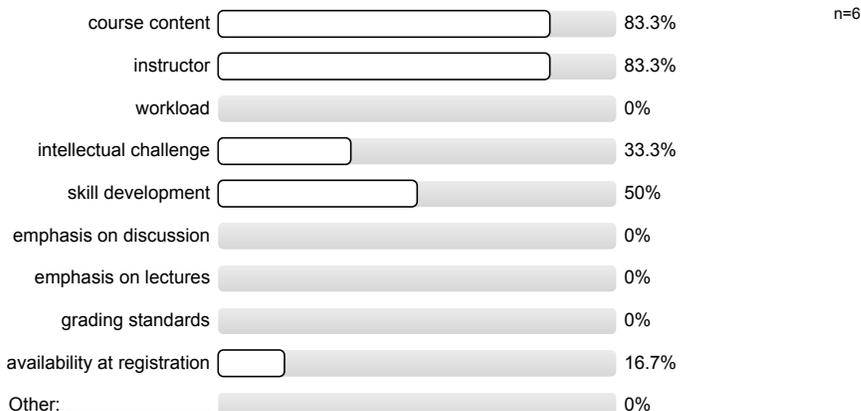
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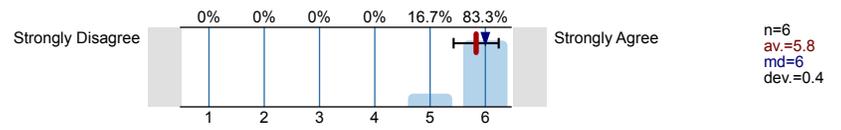
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2. ECONOMICS DEPARTMENT STUDENT COURSE EVALUATION



2.9) Overall, the instructor is an effective teacher.



Profile

Subunit: **Economics**
 Name of the instructor: **Gina Pieters**
 Name of the course: **Principles of Macroeconomics (ECON13123FL15S-)**
 (Name of the survey)

Values used in the profile line: Mean

2. ECONOMICS DEPARTMENT STUDENT COURSE EVALUATION

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| 2.1) The instructor is well prepared and organized. | Strongly Disagree |  | Strongly Agree | n=6 | av.=5.7 | md=6.0 | dev.=0.5 |
| 2.2) The evaluation of my work (exams, papers, projects and etc.) is fair and constructive. | Strongly Disagree |  | Strongly Agree | n=6 | av.=5.7 | md=6.0 | dev.=0.5 |
| 2.3) The instructor is accessible and helpful outside class. | Strongly Disagree |  | Strongly Agree | n=6 | av.=5.7 | md=6.0 | dev.=0.8 |
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| 2.8) Overall, I would give this course a positive rating. | Strongly Disagree |  | Strongly Agree | n=6 | av.=5.5 | md=6.0 | dev.=0.8 |
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Comments Report

1. Background Questions

1.7) Considering your selections above, please comment on your experience in this course.

- Dr. Peiters has been the best professor I have had a Trinity. she sparked my interest in economics so much that I have added an economics major to my Business major. She is very clear and thorough with her information and can explain any topic well. All of her lectures are not only informative but thought provoking. She gives many study materials to help students succeed and is incredibly organized and timely.
- Prior to taking this course I had heard that Dr. Pieters was the hardest Macroeconomics professor, but the best teacher. I have found that to be very true. I took Macroeconomics last year with different professor, and my experience with Dr. Pieters this semester has been extremely positive. She has a very effective teaching style that really resonates with my myself and with my class of no more than 8 people (a few people come like three times a month, so it's generally 5 or 6 of us). Her way of conveying the material is extremely effective, and I feel like I have learned much more about macroeconomics this semester than I did when I took it last semester. She is very knowledgeable about her subject and has a really positive attitude that definitely shows and translates into how she teaches. Additionally, I think that her use of outside sources, and the way she explains them to the class, is important to seeing how the information we learn is class is applicable to the real world. I have a much deeper understanding of the way the economy functions on a macro-scale after taking this course. Dr. Pieters is one of the best professors I have had at Trinity, and I have told everyone looking to take macroeconomics next semester that she can be difficult, but she teaches the subject extremely well. Even though I am intending to major in accounting, I am considering taking her for an additional economics course because of how interesting she is and how much I learn throughout her courses. Even when I am tired and struggling to stay awake in other courses during periods of high work, her class never fails to be interesting and fun and get me engaged with the material.
- The course was great. I took a Macro class in high school, but there was a lot more critical thinking and application in this course. I learned a lot more than I expected coming into this class and I am glad to have gotten a great professor.
- Very constructive lectures with nice tie ins to real world scenarios and statistics at the end of every segment. This helps to make every concept more tangible within the context of national and global economies. Dr. Pieters is knowledgable, enthusiastic, and well-prepared for every lecture. The primarily problem with the course is that all the knowledge we are tested on is contained within the lectures. I haven't had the need to go in for office hours, but that is really the only option if you miss a lesson. The information presented is an amalgamation of different textbooks so trying to find answers online rarely leads to anything relevant to the course, and this can make things difficult if you missed office hours or didn't take crystal clear notes. It definitely engages your attention during class, but the lack of alternatives was a little bit scary at times.
- What I find most interesting is that in this course, students can always relate what they have learned in class to what is happening in reality. It makes my learning in class very effective. Using the data base of FRED is a very helpful approach that helps me understand how the macroeconomic principles work in the real world. I think the relationship between our practice portfolios on Kapitall with our course materials is not very close... I thought we would learn something about the stock market, but we didn't. However, the disappointing performance of my stocks do reveal how economy fluctuated as a whole.

2. ECONOMICS DEPARTMENT STUDENT COURSE EVALUATION

2.4) Please comment on your answers to questions 2.1, 2.2, and 2.3.

- Homework assignment submissions are always graded and returned in a timely fashion. I've made fairly good grades on the homework and have kept up with the notes, so I haven't had the need to attend office hours. I only had to contact Dr. Pieters once outside of class about an issue and was able to resolve it by the end of the day via email.
- I go to Dr. Pieter's office hours almost every week to ask questions about the homework. She is always very helpful and gives me the tools and knowledge to figure out the answer on my own. She never makes me feel stupid for asking a question.
- She is available for office a good portion of the week, and she is very helpful when visited. Her grading is very precise and my mistakes have been my own doing, while being accurately graded by her. She is also very organized. Her Tlearn is formatted in an understandable way that is easy to use, and she is very organized in class with her use of outside sources on the internet.
- The handouts provided on T-learn help me have a better understanding of the structure of every topic. The knowledge assignments and data analyses are closely related to what we have just learned in class. Besides, the interactions between students and Dr. Pieters on T-learn are very effective.
- The lectures were pretty straightforward and the professor was quick to answer questions via office hours or through the forum.
- When you go to her for help on a homework problem, she doesn't tell you the answer, she makes you think about it so that you make sense of it yourself.

2.7) Please comment on your answers to questions 2.5 and 2.6.

- Her tests are very challenging. They have forced me to really know the materials and spend many days studying. You cannot know just an

overview of the topics and do well on her tests.
She also grades the homework in a timely manner and provides an answer key.

- The course is a very well taught intro level course. Like the course I took in microeconomics, it isn't very difficult or engaging material. But Dr. Pieters has done a nice job of tying much of the material to real-world political happenings, and frequently uses publicly available economic information and tools (such as FRED) in order to make the concepts relevant. I actually do feel much more understanding of the nuances of the global economy and my place in the world as an economically active citizen, something I didn't expect from an intro level economics course.

It doesn't demand much analytical thinking, however, as most of the material is referencing just referencing notes and plugging numbers into concepts and equations. The handful of problems that have been more involved always have great payoffs and I feel accomplished in completing them.

- The way that Dr. Pieters structures her course puts a huge emphasis on analytical thinking, especially through her homework assignments and tests. Her assignments require the application of what was learned in class, but on a deeper level that requires analytical thinking and a thorough understanding of the material in order to perform successfully on those assignments and tests. I like that her homework isn't simple and cookie-cutter multiple choice, which actually lead to learning of the material in class. I have learned a great deal in this course and have recommended it to everyone if one wants a challenge, but a really good professor.
- There's a great deal of thinking in this class and the professor really challenges you to develop your skills.
- This course is very thought provoking, because we will always face different situations of the economy in the future. The various topics in this class provide a rational way for us to view it.

^{2.10)} Please comment on your answers to questions 2.8 and 2.9.

- Dr. Pieters is a great educator and lecturer who provides valuable in class information. Sometimes I feel as if she is the only resource we have available for any information, with no textbook to consult. While it's good that our only resource is knowledgeable and helpful, it feels a bit constricting at times. I've always been able to sort problems out either with or without her, but I can't help but feel sometimes it would be easier to be able to consult a textbook or online resource that represents the course material.
- Dr. Pieters is a very effective teacher, and I have learned so much about the economics on macro-scale that I never knew before. She loves economics, has a very positive attitude, and it is immediately visible how much she loves the subject. She teaches the subject matter in a very effective manner, utilizing outside sources that show how what we just learned in class applies to the economy and to our individual lives. Additionally, her way of explaining is very clear and whenever someone doesn't understand something, she breaks it down in a way that makes sense. One of best teachers I have had at Trinity, and I think I will always remember her and this class.
- I think this course is effective, and the instructor is also effective. Dr. Pieters always wants to share us more interesting facts, but time never permits.
- One of the best professors on Trinity. The class was interesting, yet also difficult but not too difficult. I think for any Econ or Business major which requires Macro, this professor really lays out a strong foundation.
- The teacher definitely demonstrates a love for teaching and what she does. It is fun when the teachers get excited about what they are talking about because it makes you excited.

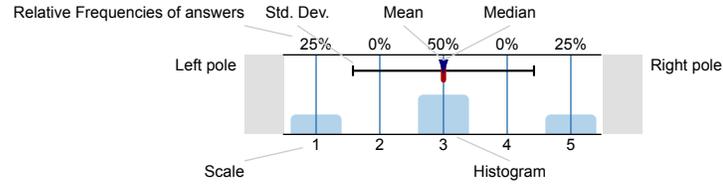
Gina Pieters

Principles of Macroeconomics (ECON13124FL15S-)
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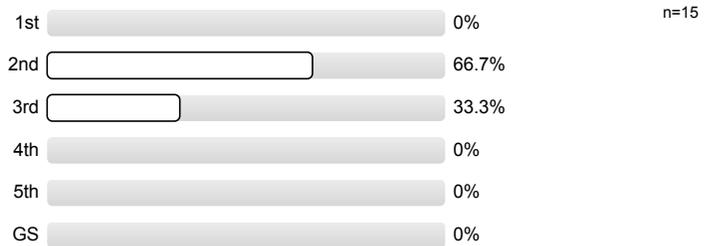
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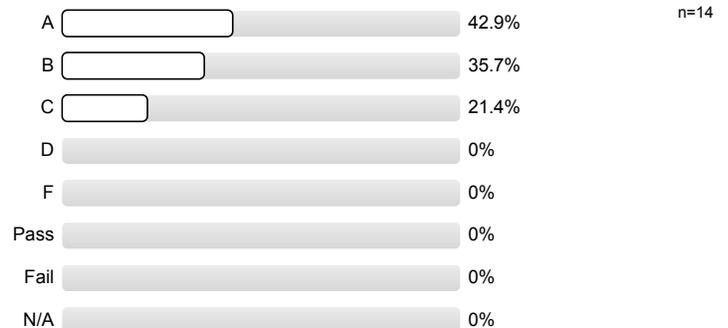
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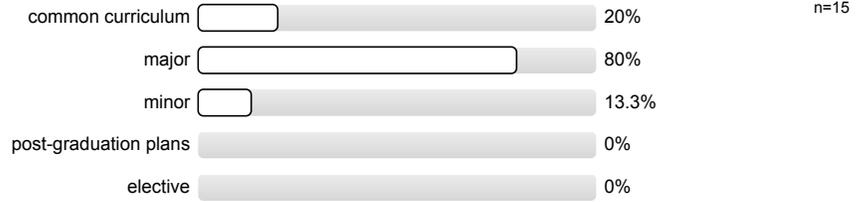
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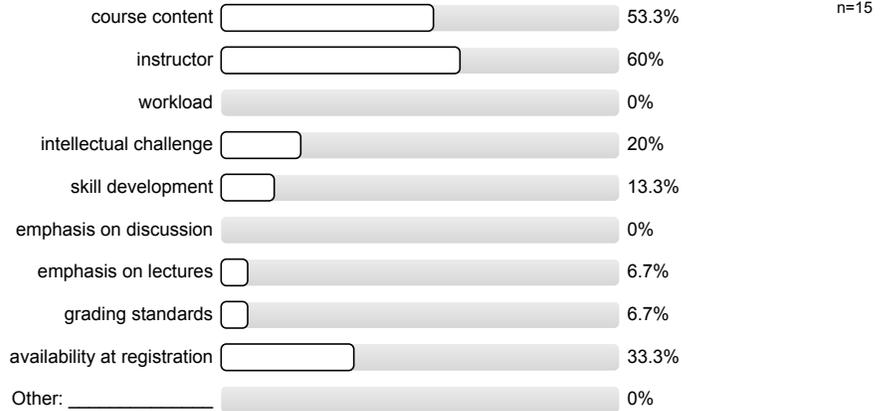
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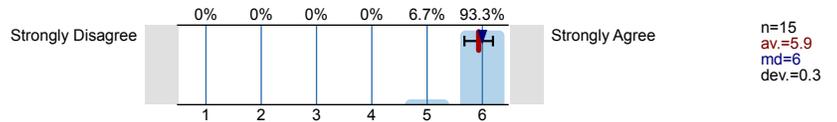


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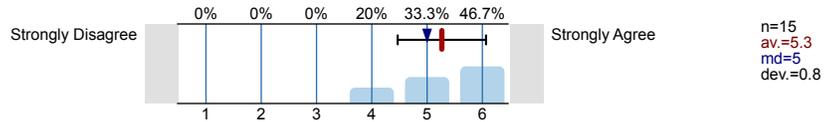


2. ECONOMICS DEPARTMENT STUDENT COURSE EVALUATION

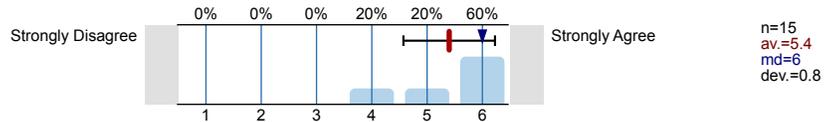
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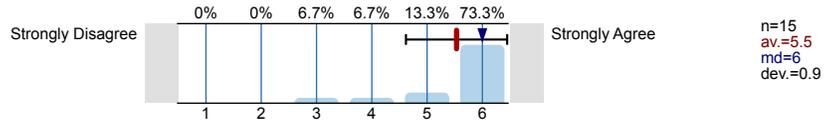
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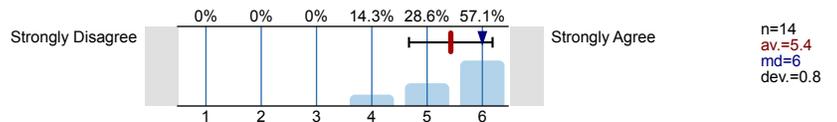
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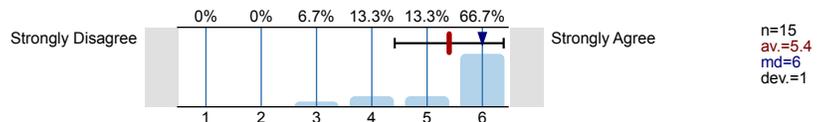
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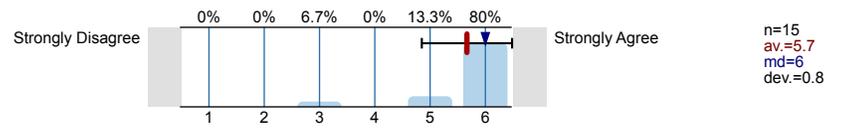
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2.8) Overall, I would give this course a positive rating.



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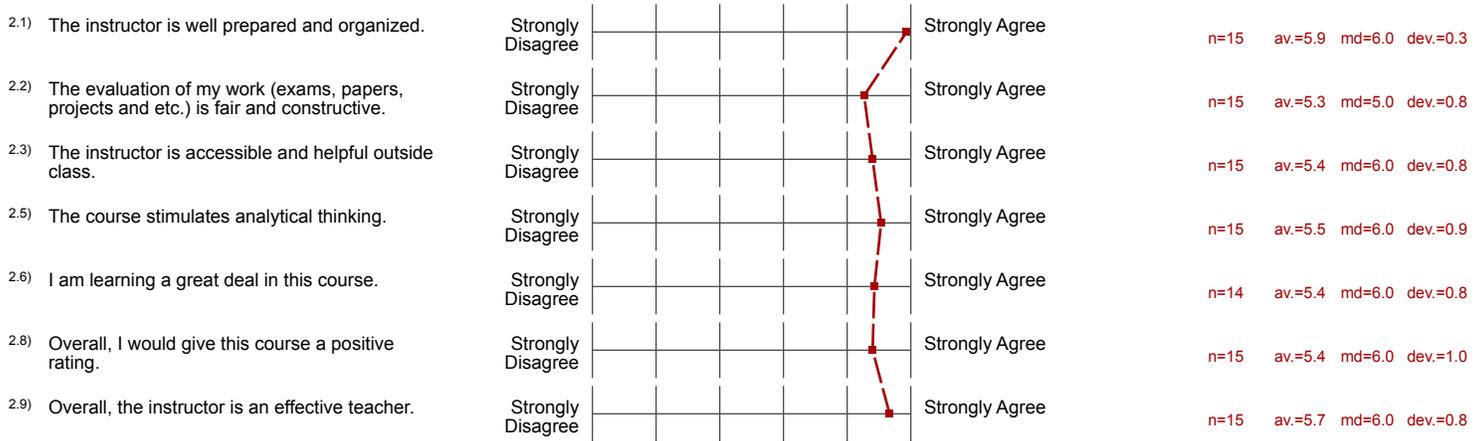


Profile

Subunit: **Economics**
 Name of the instructor: **Gina Pieters**
 Name of the course: **Principles of Macroeconomics (ECON13124FL15S-)**
 (Name of the survey)

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2. ECONOMICS DEPARTMENT STUDENT COURSE EVALUATION



Comments Report

1. Background Questions

^{1.7)} Considering your selections above, please comment on your experience in this course.

- Difficult
- Difficult course that is very lecture dependent. Any missed days are nearly impossible to make up. Practice tests are given before exams and are very helpful in studying.
- Dr. Pieters is really engaging, and the vigor with which she teaches the class and her enthusiasm for economics both increased my enjoyment of the class and motivated me.
- Dr. Pieters is very good at explaining material for the class. People say that she is one of the harder professors for Macro, but i feel that she is much more straightforward with teaching material and doesnt really beat around the bush with concepts.
- I felt like this class was taught at an upper division level. She is an amazing lecturer and a good conveyor of knowledge, but Dr. Pieters was unforgiving with the exams. I knew the material well and studied all of the recommended material and still performed below average on the exams. This class is great if you are going to be an Econ major, but it's a bit demanding for someone that has different course priorities.
- I found this course to be challenging yet rewarding. The instructor challenges you to know the material and apply it to real world situations. I struggles with the material and application, but all the material I needed to help me was made available. My advisor told me take this class with Dr. Pieters even though I am not good with economics and heard this class was challenging. Even if I do poorly in this class I can say that I learned a substantial amount of macroeconomics compared to my microeconomics class.
- I have really enjoyed this course. Although the tests are very difficult, the layout of the class and how Dr. Pieters teaches made it one of my favorite classes here at Trinity. Her lectures are very easy to follow and understand and if I did not understand a topic I felt very comfortable going to her office hours to ask for help/
- I took this class because I had Dr. Pieters for Micro last fall and I thought she was a fantastic teacher. She teaches very passionately but very informatively and does a great job of breaking down complex topics. When my advisor said I needed to take Macro, I immediately signed up for her class.
- I'm really glad that I chose to take this course with Dr. Pieters. She made all of the material very easy to comprehend and taught at a great pace.
- I've really enjoyed Macroeconomics with Dr. Pieters. She is always extremely thorough and places rigorous but realistic demands on students. I also that the theoretical material was frequently connected back to current events.
- Interesting content but classes feel long.
- The course does not take to much time outside of class, a couple hours a week for assignments and 4 to 7 hours before tests, the course is well put together, the teacher is organized and great and expectations are both clear and straightforward. The class is also interesting and stimulating.

2. ECONOMICS DEPARTMENT STUDENT COURSE EVALUATION

^{2.4)} Please comment on your answers to questions 2.1, 2.2, and 2.3.

- Dr. Pieters has been a great professor. The class is rigorous but not unfair, and she is there to support students every step of the way. She always has a clear direction in class and works to ensure that students understand the material.
- Dr. Pieters is always prepared for class and keeps the class moving at a good pace. She is thorough when grading the exams and reviewing them and she is always available during her office hours, which I used a lot this semester.
- Dr. Pieters is very strict in her grading policies, but also very fair. She is always ready for class and follows her own notes to ensure that she covers everything she intends to. She is also very helpful in her office hours, though I do not go often.
- Everything in this class is straightforward and organized, expectations are clear, the grading rubric is fair and straightforward, the professor lectures very well and is helpful in office hours.
- I went to office hours whenever I could. Dr. Pieters was always available and helpful when I came in for help. I found that I understood the material better when I worked with her. I did much better on the homework when I went to go see her which also helped me when it came to the exams.
- Lectures are well structured and informative. The instructor does a very good job of teaching the material and of meeting with students who need extra help. Exam comments can be vague but going over the exams in class covers any questions i have had.

- She is organized
- The course is great, the prof is great, and I've got no complaints except that I wish she was a bit more helpful during office hours. Sometimes if I didn't understand something, she wouldn't explain it to me because she said it should have been in my notes. That being said, going to her office hours were still worth my time.
- The professor always had a clear outline of what was going to be taught in each class. She was also very helpful in office hours.
- There usually aren't many comments on homework, but I do like the way that she grades for process and will give you points if you do the right thing but get the wrong answer. That has helped me understand where the mistakes are in my work for this class.

2.7) Please comment on your answers to questions 2.5 and 2.6.

- A lot of material I have learned in high school econ classes, so not all of it is new.
- Dr. Pieters is tops when it comes to presenting material clearly and effectively. She's very seldom boring. I'm also a minor, so I'm a bit biased because I'm predisposed to the material.
- I definitely learned a lot from this course but I feel that the material was fairly straight forward, not requiring a lot of analytical thinking.
- I have learned a lot in this class because of layout and how each class is taught.
- I have to analyze reasonably often
- I was never a fan of economics. I still struggle with the material and will probably always struggle with it, but I did find the class very interesting. It was most definitely challenging since the work was all application. I grew to like the class near the end even when I struggled with the material.
- Lots of information is presented to us and we are given real world examples that make it easier to understand and apply.
- Macroeconomics is a tricky subject. While it requires a background in Microeconomics, Macro is quite different and more complex. But with Dr. Pieters, it makes sense and is easy to learn.
- The data analysis homeworks are really useful for applying concepts that we learn from lecture into situations that are happening in the real world.
- This course requires a lot of critical thinking and applying the concepts learned in class to homework and exam problems has been very difficult.
- This course teaches another economic lens through which to view the world, and I am enjoying it. Dr. Pieters also provides frequent examples of how the material relates to real-world events, which I really enjoy.

2.10) Please comment on your answers to questions 2.8 and 2.9.

- "Effective" is an understatement. Dr. Pieters is one of the best, if not the best, that I've had at this university. If you care about economics, her course is great, and if you want to care about economics but don't, her course is still great. I don't know what you're paying her, but it's probably not enough.
- Dr. Pieters has an awesome teaching style that really works well in my opinion. I was worried coming into this class, but it has turned out to be one of my favorites and I have learned a ton of new information.
- GINA IS GREAT!
- I wish Dr. Pieters taught all of my classes.
- I would most definitely recommend this class to other students. Most hear negative thoughts only because it is a difficult class. I find the challenge rewarding even though I struggle with the material and subject. Dr. Pieters is an excellent professor because she challenges you to think.
- I would recommend Dr. Pieters to any of my friends taking Principles and have already done so. Dr. Pieters has made this course a positive experience.
- Often, concepts aren't expressed in terms that are easily understandable
- She is great. Much better than my micro professor last semester.
- This class is very difficult in both material and expectations but the professor does an excellent job in teaching the material and helping students think critically about the concepts learned. There is room for improvement, however, in providing access to some form of notes for students who must miss a class for whatever reasons. As of now it is very difficult to make up any missed class and as each topic builds upon earlier material, you can be left behind very easily.

- This course is extremely well put together and taught, no complaints.

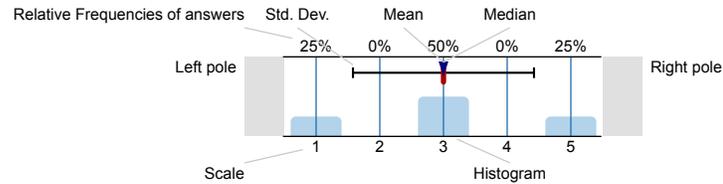
Gina Pieters

International Monetary Systems (ECON33481FL15S-)
No. of responses = 11

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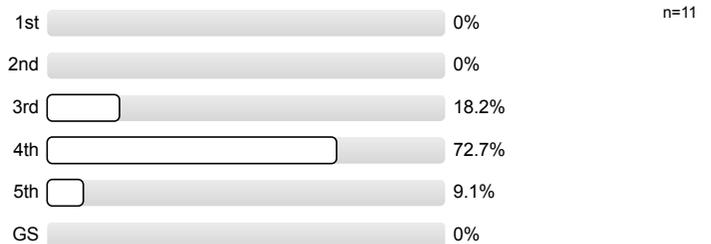
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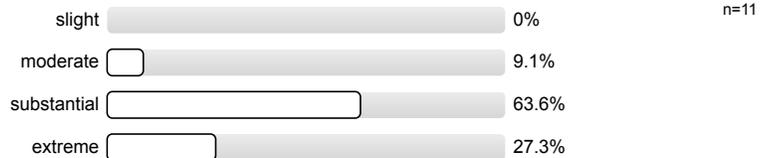
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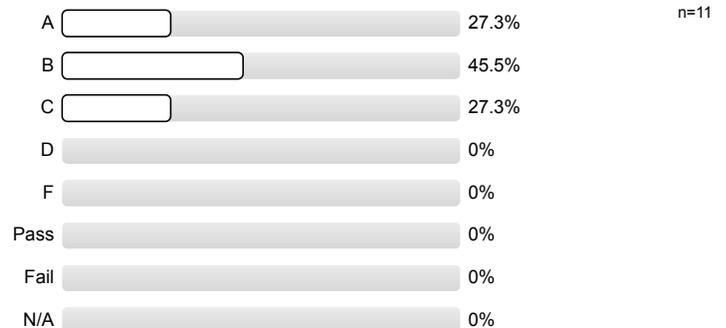
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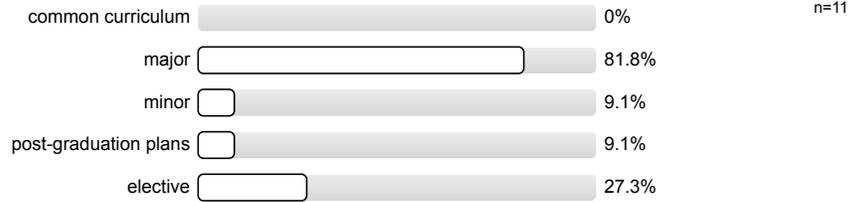
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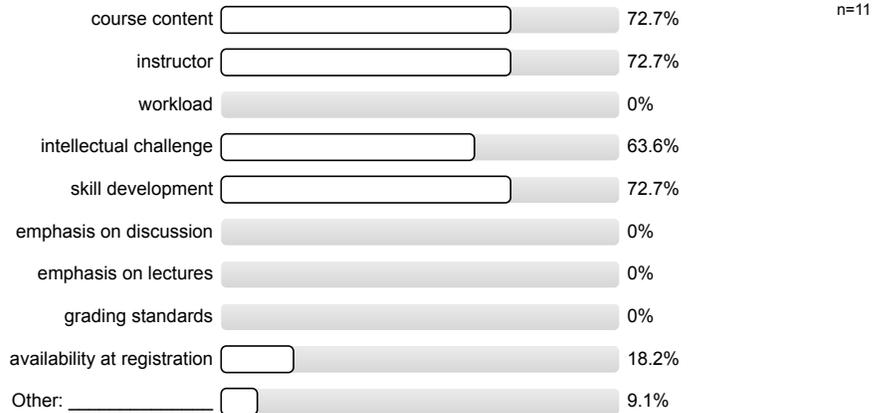
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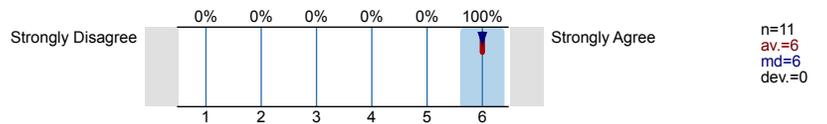


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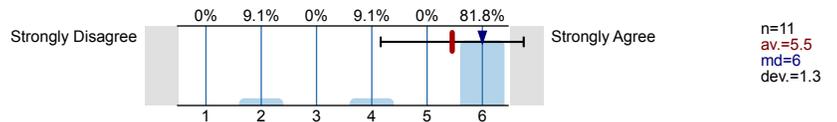


2. ECONOMICS DEPARTMENT STUDENT COURSE EVALUATION

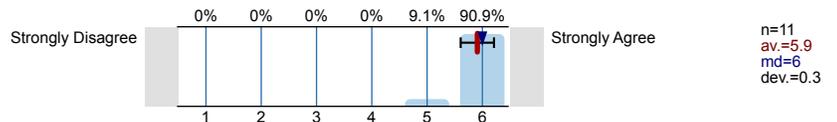
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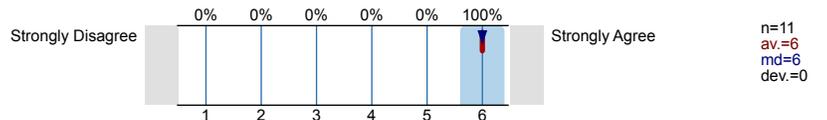
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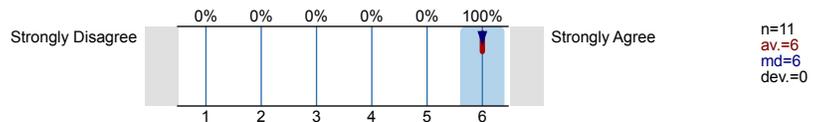
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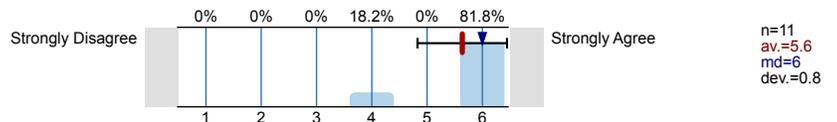
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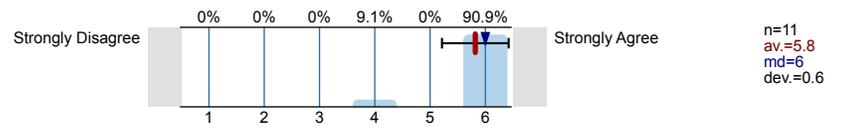
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2.9) Overall, the instructor is an effective teacher.



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 Name of the course: **International Monetary Systems (ECON33481FL15S-)**
 (Name of the survey)

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2. ECONOMICS DEPARTMENT STUDENT COURSE EVALUATION

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| 2.9) Overall, the instructor is an effective teacher. | Strongly Disagree | | | | | | | | | Strongly Agree | n=11 | av.=5.8 | md=6.0 | dev.=0.6 |

Comments Report

1. Background Questions

^{1.7)} Considering your selections above, please comment on your experience in this course.

- Dr. Pieters is an excellent professor. I feel that too often my Econ classes have been theory-based with little connection to the real world. She effectively merges the theory and real world by challenging her students to think critically about real examples. I really enjoyed how she encouraged group work in the homework and student-created midterm. The research paper at the end was time-consuming, but allowed me to explore my interests and gain real analytical skills.
- I also chose this course because I wanted to test myself in an upper-division Economics class. If I did well, I'd definitely consider pursuing graduate school. If not, I'd reevaluate my plans after university.

However, my findings at the present moment aren't as black and white. Although this is a tougher course (by others' standards, one of the most difficult), I think more reflection is necessary for my intentions in pursuing graduate school.

Enough about me. I've taken Dr. Pieters before, and I knew that I'd have a very different experience in this course when compared to other courses at Trinity (especially those dealing with quantitative applications). I thoroughly enjoyed my time in class; learned a lot. I did, at times, cry tears of learning, but that was simply because I did not heed the warning about homeworks taking at least 6 hours to complete. I should have remembered.

Other than that, Dr. Pieters takes a very different approach to teaching that I enjoy. Sometimes I didn't want to participate, but I still had to anyway; which was good, because I learned.

This class has shown me that I can compete with other students; that I'm worthy of being here; and, that I can excel in environments not thought of before.

Thank you!

- I thought the class was interesting and easy to follow.
- I took your class because I didn't want to take SMF and got it to count towards finance. So thank you for offering the course so I could avoid that class. :)
- Professor Pieters
- This class is very difficult. The workload initially is not very bad, but the term paper is something that you cannot take lightly. Dr. Pieters does well in building up your theoretical base and providing you with models to understand the movement of money around the world, but the course material is not entirely intuitive. The term paper requires a dedication to work on it for the long-term. You cannot finish it in one night, or even one week. That said, the class is super interesting and well-taught. I am very grateful for having been pushed to write my term paper as it has given me research skills, experience with Excel, and writing abilities that I would not have cultivated without this class. I recommend it to anyone who is willing to put in the effort.
- This course has taught me a lot of information in the short amount of time that is one semester. I was very impressed with the intellectual challenge of this course, the things I was forced to learn and adapt to in order to be successful (Excel), and the amount of real-world information learned in this course. The fact that this course was not taught out of a textbook (literally) gave me the sense that it was more real-world applicable. It's hard to explain, but I have had Econ courses that were clearly taught in an order outlined by a textbook. This course taught SO much material that kept on building from the very first day of class all the way to the end.

For the first five weeks, homework was a little more intense than I expected and I was forced to be in office hours every Tuesday for at least an hour. And then continue to spend hours on Excel solving the complicated problems posed in the homework. I think there was a lot of assumed knowledge that was expected of the students, and I think most of my classmates would agree to that. I learned more in Excel in this semester that everything I had ever known about Excel before this class. I learned more about foreign economics, exchange rates, investing, economic laws and theories, etc. than I thought possible in this amount of time.

However, this class has been very frustrating for me at times. The grading seems to be a bit extreme and unforgiving and unsympathetic. Dr. Pieters was SUPER helpful in office, and thank goodness for that, or I would be miserable failing. The term paper at the end of the semester is easily the most mentally demanding, time consuming, tough, and strenuous papers I have ever written. The research, the data, the excel data analysis, the comprehension of those components, and then writing about them is probably the toughest thing I have ever had to do in college. Having said that, some comments made by the professor on the assignments were very blunt and almost rude. (Four students dropped the course on the first day of class because of the intimidation that Dr. Pieteres brought on the first day... I guarantee that is the reason.)

Overall, a very interesting and intellectual course. I was surrounded by very knowledgeable students that taught me in addition to what Dr. Pieters taught. However, for a course that was not required for ANYTHING for me to be as hard and degrading and time consuming as this course was, I was a little annoyed and frustrated to say the least. It is upsetting to know that I may get a low B or C in a course that is not required at all.

- This has been my favorite Economics class. It was hard, and sometimes I couldn't really commit to it, which I regret. I wish I had taken it a semester that I wasn't as busy as this one. I am an Econ major but I am also Marketing. I don't like Econ, to be honest, but I loved this class. It is the only class (besides principles of micro with Dr Paganelli and Intermediate Micro with Dr Huston) that I have enjoyed, and it is

the one I have enjoyed the most. As an international student, it was very interesting to learn about what is to me a day to day thing: exchange rates and monetary policies around the world. I learned A LOT despite the difficulty of the class, and lectures were always very very interesting. Favourite Econ class by far. The female teachers in the Econ department are the best Econ teachers. Not being biased, just stating a fact.

- she is the best professor ever in my life, she teach me so many useful tools and knowledge in this course, helped me a lot for the paper and homework
the way that she teaches the class is very clear.

2. ECONOMICS DEPARTMENT STUDENT COURSE EVALUATION

2.4) Please comment on your answers to questions 2.1, 2.2, and 2.3.

- Dr. Pieters always has a smooth plan in place for every lecture and is able to pivot back and forth between topics at ease if necessary. She also promotes a less-strict classroom environment that allows students to feel comfortable in asking any questions they need or want to.
- Dr. Pieters answers emails within minutes. She is available to answer questions and really dedicates her time to make sure that you completely understood the concept. She is very understanding and kind, and I really like her sense of humor. As a student, you feel that you can trust her and that is key to feel engaged in the course. When a teacher actually CARES about the students and whether they're learning or not, the class is much better.
- Dr. Pieters is extremely accessible outside of class. She goes above and beyond to help her students in office hours. She demands a lot from her students, but she makes sure to give us the support we need to meet her expectations.
- Dr. Pieters is very straight forward with her feedback on assignments which is helpful. It can come off a bit blunt at times, but it's constructive to have specific comments that point out errors and how to go about fixing them in the future.
- Going into office hours was always very helpful. Dr. Pieters would have all the students work through the problems which allowed us to learn it ourselves but still figure out the potential issues we had.
- I've always admired Dr. Pieters's patience when it comes to explaining things. She's never once said that she wouldn't answer a question in class, or that something was too dumb to acknowledge, etc. Every question mark in a student's face seems to be an opportunity to make a lecture that much more interesting.

Some of us practically lived in her office hours. But that's what we pay for when coming to a university like this one, no?

- Professor Pieters makes time for her students, she went above and beyond in her office hours. That being said the level of work professor Pieters expected from her students is very high and in order to get through the class spending one on one time with her in necessary.

Dispite the life shortening difficulty of the class i think Gina Pieters is the best professor i have ever had, she pushes her students, and though i wish her grading was more lenient i think the extreme work load in her courses pushes students to grow.

- Thank you for putting up with me in office hours.
- every class is well organised and the structure of the whole semester is very clear

2.7) Please comment on your answers to questions 2.5 and 2.6.

- A lot of group work during class involves application of the models we learn during the lecture. I especially enjoyed ad learned from application of the models with current events.
- As mentioned before, I learned a lot in this class. I actually think that it's the Econ class that I have learned the most. I don't know what's her secret, but doing the homeworks and taking the test and writing the term paper (and even talking on the phone with my Dad about Colombia's economy and exchange rate situations) made me realize that I not only learned what Dr. Pieters taught us, but that I was able to apply it to daily situations.
- I am now an expert in all things excel !
- I liked the group work each period, it made us thinking critically about what we had just learned and how to apply it. Working through problems helped me figure out things which I didn't always understand at first (even if I thought I did) in a timely manner
- If there was ever a course that did, it'd be this one. Sometimes too much analytical thinking. But that's good for the brain. Keeps one sharp.
- The structure and challenging nature of Dr. Pieter's homework demands critical thinking. I really liked that we used real-world data. My excel skills and statistical analysis abilities have improved exponentially.
- This one of the hardest courses I've taken at Trinity. (my last semester here) It was hard in the way that your class requires you to absolutely understand the concept throughly and the paper is different way of logical thinking. I'm accounting and finance so taking this upper level econ class was a new experience for me.

- many useful tools that can be used unreal life.
even I might get a low score, but I do learn many things that are really useful

2.10) Please comment on your answers to questions 2.8 and 2.9.

- As i said above Gina Pieters is an amazing professor, i will say there were times when i was cursing her name but everything she does has a reason. A very motivational and helpful professor. The course itself was excellent but honestly the amount of work is overwhelming especially for a 3 credit class.
- Double yup. I know some people complain about the work assigned or about how hard the homeworks are. But I don't think they fully appreciate the opportunities that they're given to break the mold of the monotonous teaching we might have been exposed to before. As someone who came from an under-represented, poorly performing school district in one of the poorest counties in Texas, I'm grateful. Especially for this paper component.
- Easy to understand and follow.
- GIVE HER TENURE PLZ.
- I hope you continue to offer this course in the future. I took international finance before and that's what got me interested in taking your class.
- I loved this class! The lectures were interesting and helped make tough theories and information manageable to learn
- I wish more professors (in general and in the Economics department) connected course material to current events like Dr. Pieters does. That is one of the reasons I continue taking her classes. She is very efficient with teaching the models/heavy content of the course, and leaves a lot of time in the semester to explore ways to apply it. The application is not only the most interesting element of the course, but also the most important in terms of fully understanding the concepts taught and learning how to analyze situations we see in the news. I would recommend Dr. Pieters and this course to all Econ majors.
- I would definitely recommend this class to my motivated friends. Dr. Pieters' class was filled with like-minded individuals who were willing to undertake a good challenge. Although her class was difficult, she gave us every opportunity to do well and was very reasonable.
- Taking this class and meeting Dr. Pieters was an amazing experience. I had a lot of fun and I learned a lot. I had never enjoyed an Economics class so much and I am thankful to have such a smart person as a teacher. I admire Dr. Pieters a lot and I think she is by far the best Econ professor in the department. BY FAR.
- she is able to make students want to study and willing to pay attention in class.
she made me want to study more in this area

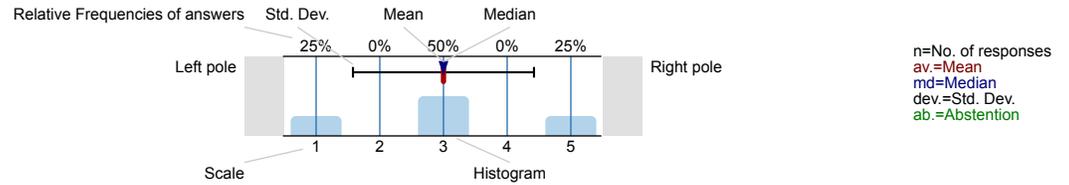
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Principles of Microeconomics (ECON13111SP16S-)
No. of responses = 14

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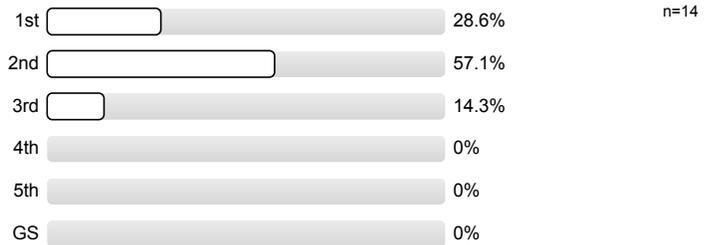
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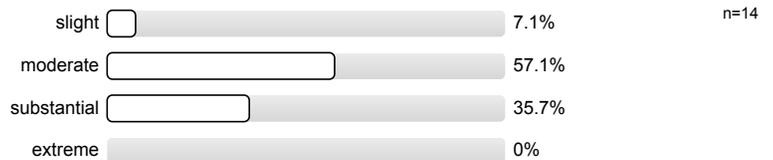


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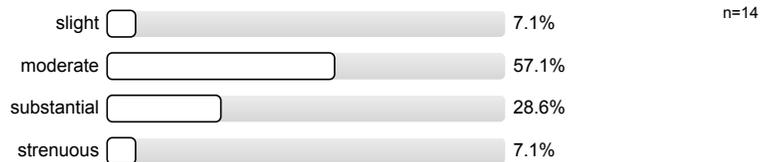
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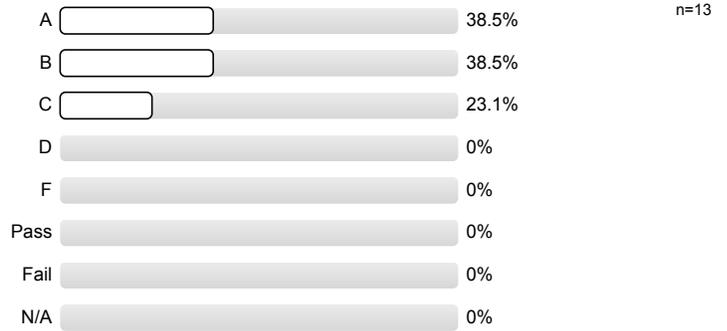
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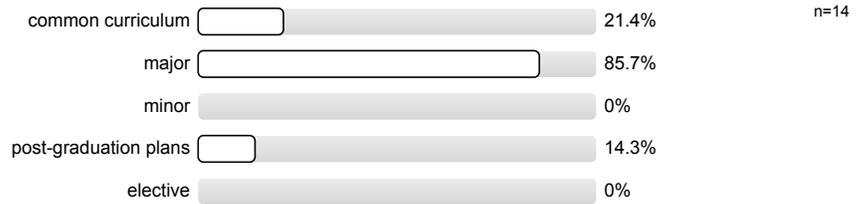
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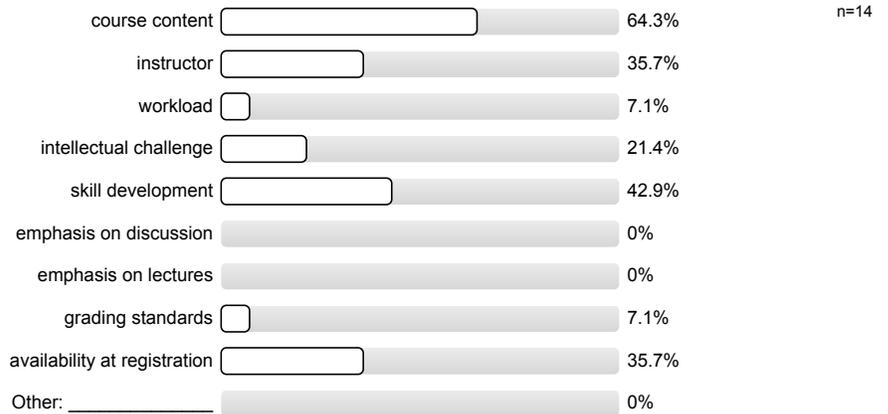
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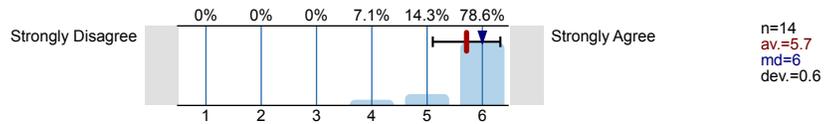


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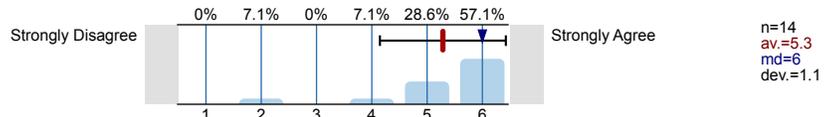


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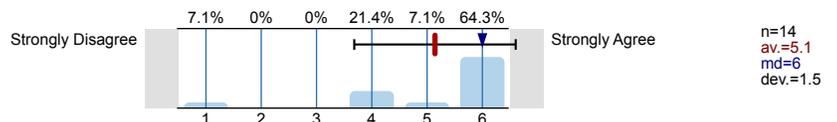
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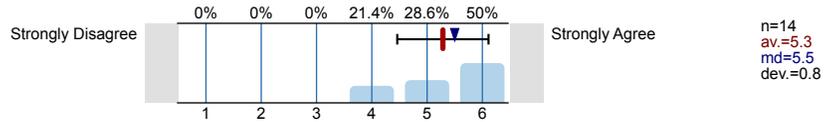
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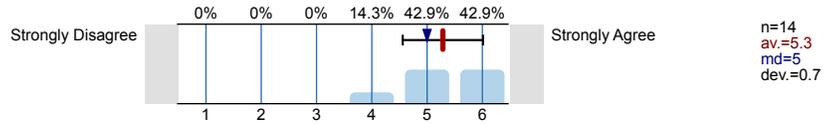
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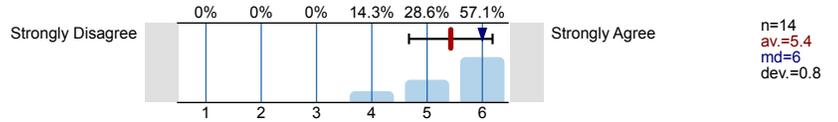
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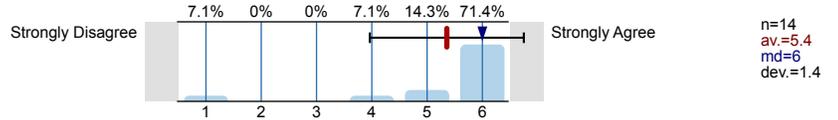
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2.8) Overall, I would give this course a positive rating.



2.9) Overall, the instructor is an effective teacher.



Profile

Subunit: Economics
 Name of the instructor: Gina Pieters
 Name of the course: Principles of Microeconomics (ECON13111SP16S-)
 (Name of the survey)

Values used in the profile line: Mean

2. ECONOMICS DEPARTMENT STUDENT COURSE EVALUATION

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| 2.1) The instructor is well prepared and organized. | Strongly Disagree | | | | | | | | Strongly Agree | n=14 | av.=5.7 | md=6.0 | dev.=0.6 |
| 2.2) The evaluation of my work (exams, papers, projects and etc.) is fair and constructive. | Strongly Disagree | | | | | | | | Strongly Agree | n=14 | av.=5.3 | md=6.0 | dev.=1.1 |
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| 2.8) Overall, I would give this course a positive rating. | Strongly Disagree | | | | | | | | Strongly Agree | n=14 | av.=5.4 | md=6.0 | dev.=0.8 |
| 2.9) Overall, the instructor is an effective teacher. | Strongly Disagree | | | | | | | | Strongly Agree | n=14 | av.=5.4 | md=6.0 | dev.=1.4 |

Comments Report

1. Background Questions

1.7) Considering your selections above, please comment on your experience in this course.

- Good course. As much as I didn't like to do the homework, it really helped emphasize the new material and forced me to review it after classes.
- Having changed majors prior to this class I was a bit unfamiliar with economics in general. However, I feel I've learned quite a lot in this class and I have found the topics and concepts to be very interesting and engaging.
- I had a great experience in this class and really appreciated Dr. Pieters careful explanations
- I had an ok experience. The course moved a lot faster than I expected it to but the professor was very helpful if we misunderstood material. The homework was difficult at times because of having to upload photos of our work and I didn't really like that the book was listed as required in the bookstore but we didn't really need it. Overall the professor was very nice and I would probably take another course with her.
- Interesting and effective, I enjoyed it more than other common curriculum courses
- Learned a lot and at a well pace
- This classes was really good as an introduction to economics. Shows difficulty but it is still quite enjoyable.
- This course is extremely interesting and class is never boring. Dr. Peters is a great teacher. I still enjoy this class even though it is difficult. You know everything on the exam but the time constraint is stressful.
- This course itself does not hard. However, the instructor just makes it harder and more complicated
- This course was ok though it got exponentially more difficult when we stopped doing group work.
- Very well taught, must go to class to understand what is going on since we do not really use the book. Study guides are very helpful and in class activities are fun. Tests are what we go over and everything is usually a good level of difficulty, other than some of the homeworks which are a little confusing at times.

2. ECONOMICS DEPARTMENT STUDENT COURSE EVALUATION

2.4) Please comment on your answers to questions 2.1, 2.2, and 2.3.

- Always prepared. Thought for most part grading was fine and always timely but for one test my grade and another students did not really add up. Very easy to access outside of class and very helpful.
- Dr. Peiters was awesome and she really helped me understand concepts by guiding me through the questions I was asking myself
- Instructor is very helpful
- Office hours are wonderful. She doesn't just tell you the answers, though this can be frustrating, it helps you learn the material.
- Pieters was always prepared and had a game plan for the day, the grading system was clear, fair, and unambiguous. I did not ever seek help outside class so N/A for 2.3
- She has handouts posted in advance and follows the handouts, only one topic was switched during the semester and that was only by pushing it back a day. The tests were always given back the following class with an approximation of what our current grade is too and I found that helpful. The tests were also reviewed in class so the students could know what they did wrong. Dr. Pieters also always responds to emails sent it her in a timely manner and always hosts office hours for all students.
- Since the homework is online, the credit given is all or nothing which is harsh in my opinion because everything could be right in your work, but a miscalculation can cause you to get the entire problem wrong.
- The instructor has always showed up to class on time and prepared with an eagerness to teach this course. I really enjoyed the positive vibe she gave off as it made the class much more enjoyable. I found the evaluation of my work to be fair and constructive when it needed to be. I never had a great need to meet her outside of class but from the forums on Tlearn, she showed that she was able to provide feedback and help in a timely manner.
- The instructor is very hard to approach. However she is approachable
- The professor is always available to go over topics and help with questions

2.7) Please comment on your answers to questions 2.5 and 2.6.

- Great class
- Having not known a whole lot about economics I found many of the topics covered to be very engaging and I feel at times I was challenged a great deal to think through problems. That being said, I feel I've learned a great deal in this course.
- I have found a new appreciation for micro and can't wait for macro
- I have learned so much more about economics compared to students from other sections that I've talked with.
- If not for their major, I think most people should still take this class just for the basic knowledge of systems that this course gives.
- It's an intro course, there is some analytical thinking necessary but overall the analysis is simple
- Learning new concepts that I have never seen before

2.10) Please comment on your answers to questions 2.8 and 2.9.

- I think Pieters is a great professor that teaches this course well in a straightforward and effective manner
- I think the instructor is a very strong teacher and I feel I've had a positive experience in this class.
- I wish we had a better classroom.
- I would recommend this course to anyone who wanted to take micro
- It was a good class and she is a good professor, I just believe economics is not my forte and that is why I struggled in this course. I would recommend the professor on to a friend.
- Pieters is a very good teacher, personable and extremely knowledgeable. This was one of the best courses I've taken here.
- Yes

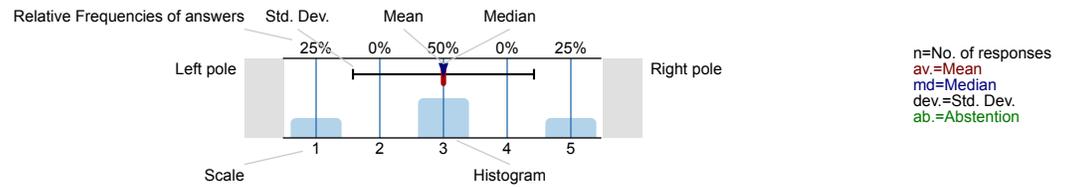
Gina Pieters

Principles of Microeconomics (ECON13112SP16S-)
No. of responses = 13

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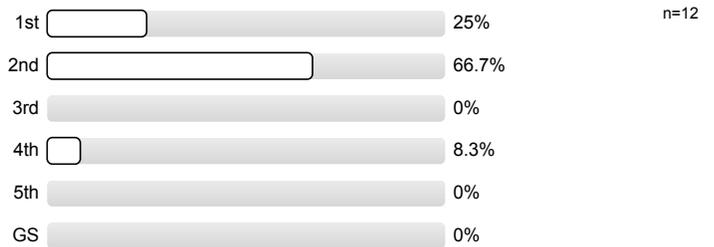
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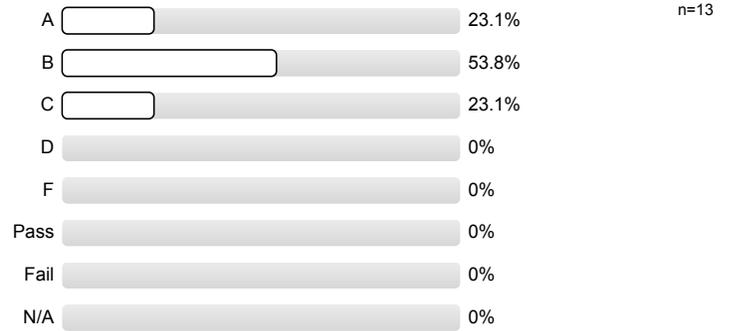
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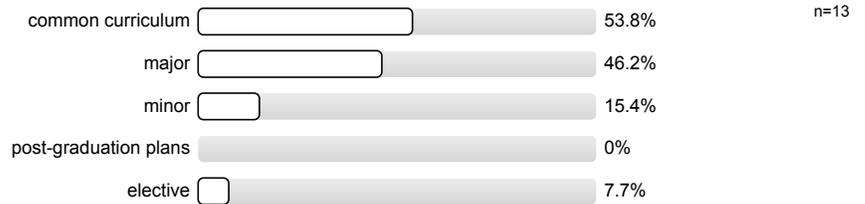
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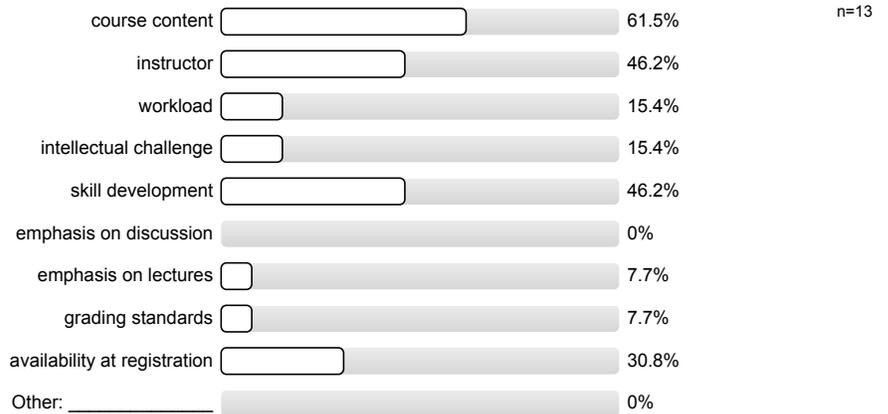
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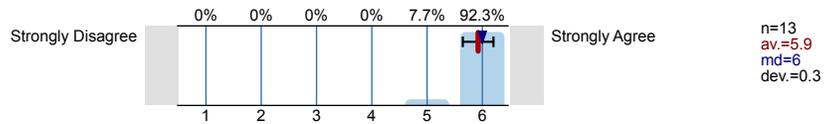


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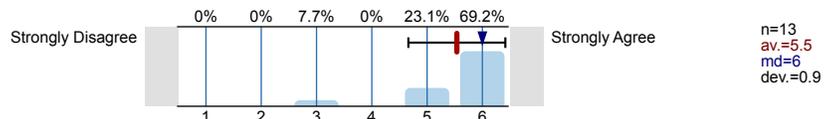


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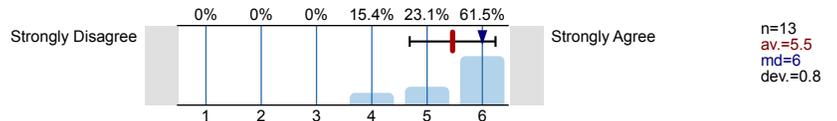
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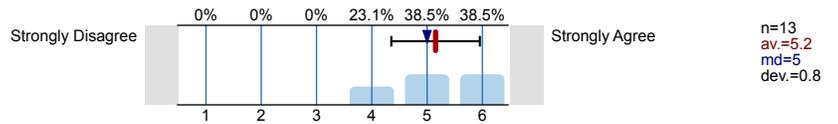
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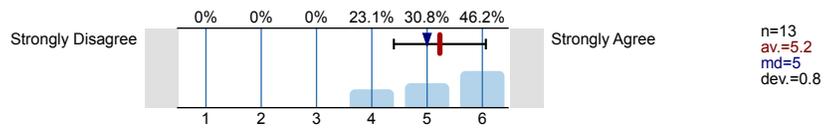
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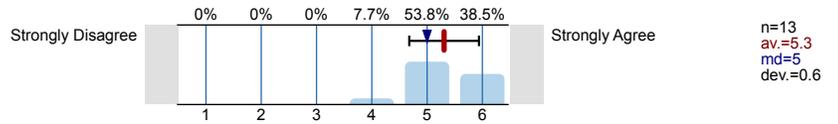
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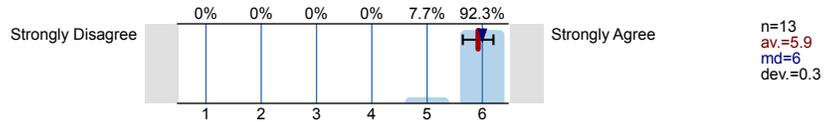
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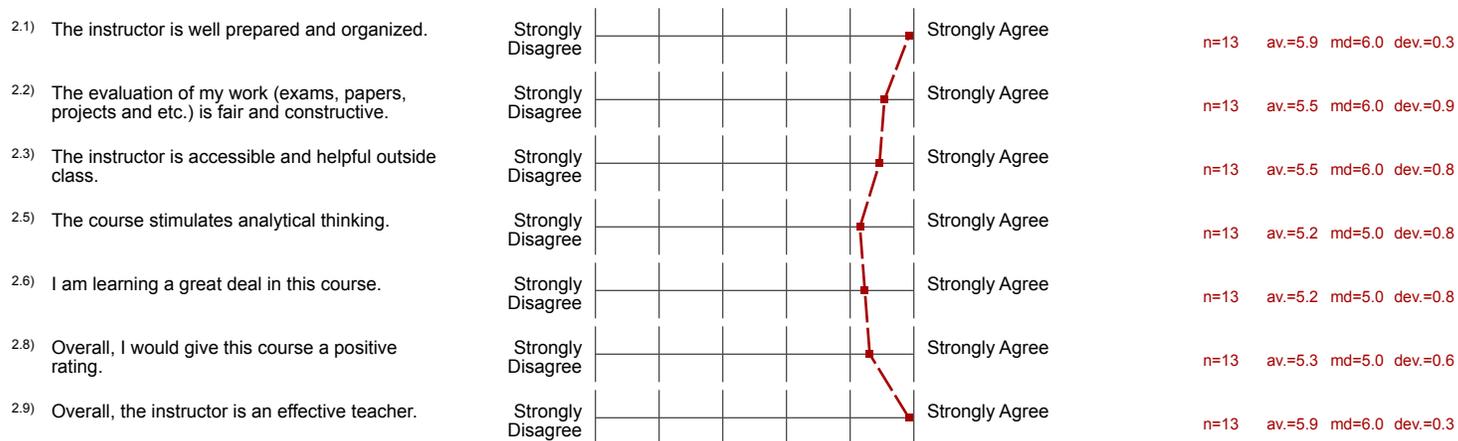


Profile

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 Name of the instructor: **Gina Pieters**
 Name of the course: **Principles of Microeconomics (ECON13112SP16S-)**
 (Name of the survey)

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2. ECONOMICS DEPARTMENT STUDENT COURSE EVALUATION



Comments Report

1. Background Questions

^{1.7)} Considering your selections above, please comment on your experience in this course.

- According to other students there is a large difference in the Econ courses depending on the professor you get
- Bring a poli sci Major, this course was required, but I enjoyed learning about how/why policies are implemented in a economics perspective. I took Pieters because I heard she was a great professor. She's a hoot. Possibly two.
- Class was pretty tough over all. Lot of tricky things were placed on the test that we didn't exactly know how to do. Kind of like throwing curve balls at us.
- Enjoyed the class overall. Well paced and enlightening. I've thought about the things I've learned in micro while walking around in the world outside of class, cause it obviously applies. Provides you with a solid basis of understanding for why markets work the way they do.

It was a little hand-holdy at times though. It's a freshman level principles course, so that's perfectly understandable, but still. Taking a whole week of class to review for, take, and then go over the answers to an exam is a little too much, in my opinion. The reviews were good and helpful, but the going over the test could be cut.
- I enjoyed the course and it made me consider economics as a minor.
- I really liked the organization of the course. very well thought out and taken care of. Tests are quite difficult and require thought, but definitely asses knowledge of the concepts thoroughly.
- Microeconomics was a little more tough than I imagined it would be. It requires the understanding of certain concepts. Without knowing those concepts, it obviously becomes more difficult to keep up with the material following the first test.
- The course was fine. I have no complaints.

2. ECONOMICS DEPARTMENT STUDENT COURSE EVALUATION

^{2.4)} Please comment on your answers to questions 2.1, 2.2, and 2.3.

- 2.1: Dr. Pieters always has notes and the lesson ready
- 2.2: Dr. Pieters grades tests and homeworks fairly and constructively.
- 2.3: I have only visited Dr. Pieters four to five times, all times she has been fairly helpful
- Dr. Pieters is very well organized and very knowledgeable about microeconomics. She has many different office hours that I could attend and she is very helpful.
- Dr. Pieters will literally work for hours with you to understand the material and not all professors make themselves that accessible
- Fantastic professor with regards to office hours
- The instructor did a good job.

^{2.7)} Please comment on your answers to questions 2.5 and 2.6.

- 2.5: It requires the understanding of markets and how firms wants to maximize their costs
- 2.6: I've learned a lot about the mindset of economists
- A lot of the material in the beginning has been about understanding our intuition, and has promoted analytical thinking but I could do that more in this class.
- I feel like I have learned a lot, but it's not that challenging intellectually, it is an intro course though so that's to be expected
- This course is filled with a lot of information. I think we went fairly quickly through the entire class. So with that said, I felt like I learned a lot but I don't know how much of it is going to stick with me long term.
- This course is very different from high school econ and I have learned a great deal about economics and societies

2.10) Please comment on your answers to questions 2.8 and 2.9.

■ 2.8: It is an interesting course.

2.9: Dr. Pieters, while sometimes she does go over some material too quickly, is a pretty good teacher

■ Class is good, she tries to tie things into the real world which makes it more interesting.

■ Dr. Pieters is a fantastic teacher. My only issue with this course was the difficulty, but other than that I had a positive experience in this class.

■ I liked the pace that Dr. Pieters set. I felt that it was easy enough to follow along and she was always available in her office hours and willing to answer any questions that you had.

■ This course is hard but Dr. Pieters does everything she can to help you get a good grade

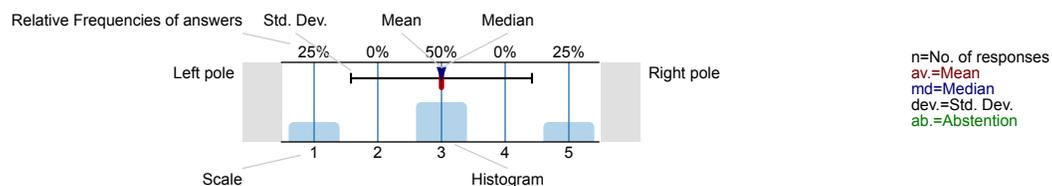
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International Trade (ECON33471SP16S-)
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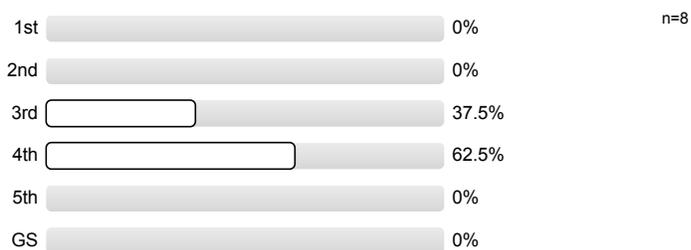
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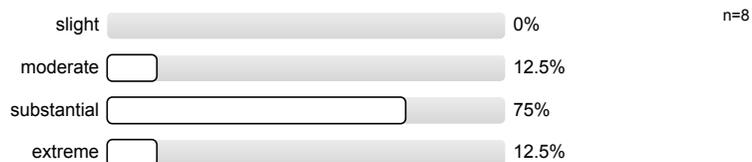


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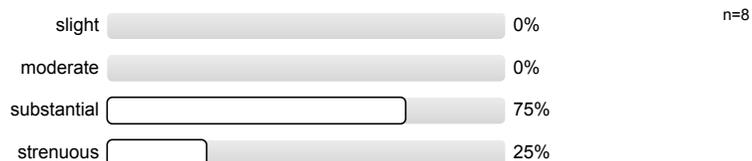
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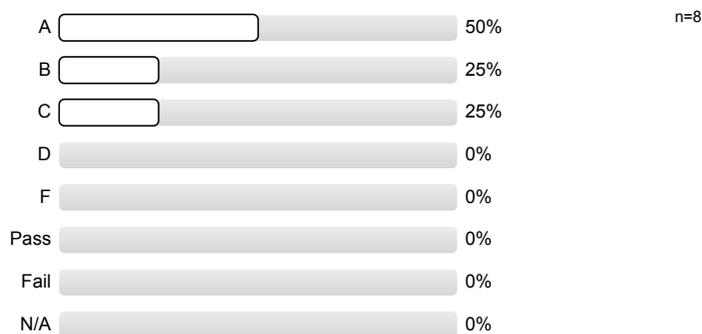
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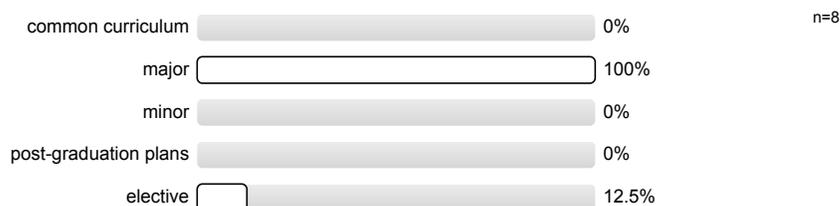
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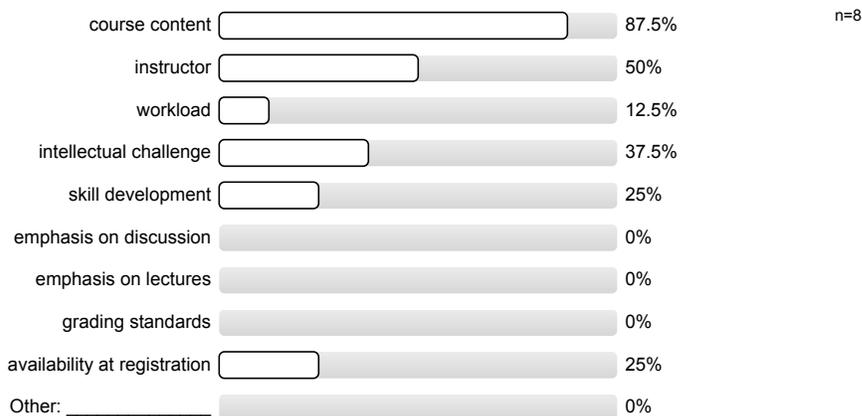
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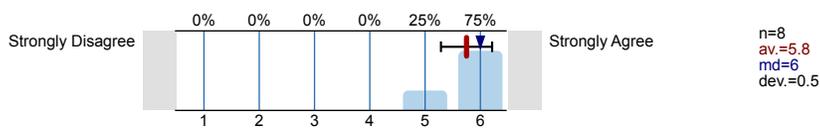


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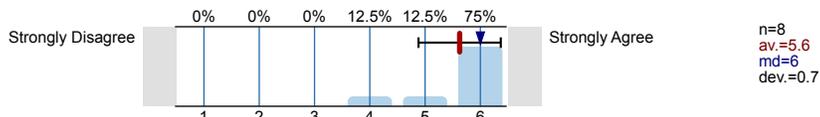


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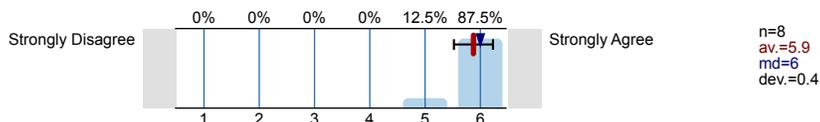
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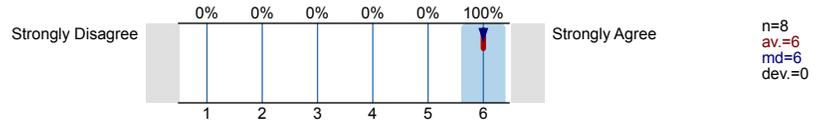
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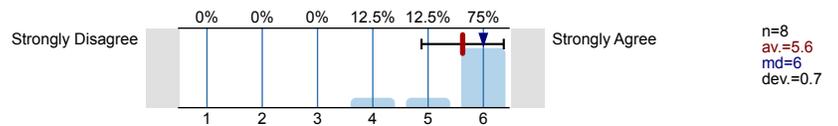
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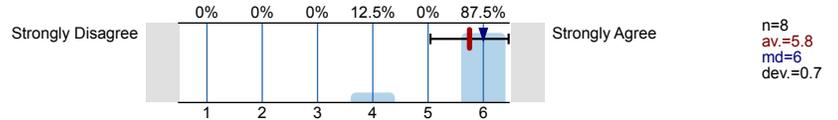
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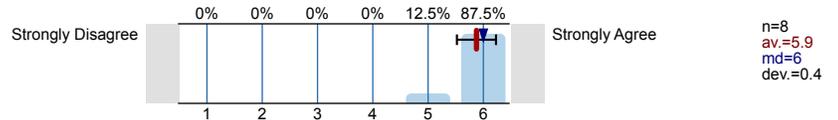
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 Name of the course: International Trade (ECON33471SP16S-)
 (Name of the survey)

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2. ECONOMICS DEPARTMENT STUDENT COURSE EVALUATION

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| 2.3) The instructor is accessible and helpful outside class. | Strongly Disagree | | | | | | | | | Strongly Agree | n=8 | av.=5.9 | md=6.0 | dev.=0.4 |
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Comments Report

1. Background Questions

1.7) Considering your selections above, please comment on your experience in this course.

- Great class, Dr. Pieters is a great professor
- I am very pleased with my experience in this course. I came out of it almost feeling as if I knew less about trade than I did before taking the class, which frankly seems to have been the point.
- I found this class challenging, but interesting. Dr. Pieters is a very engaging professor who goes above and beyond to make sure we understand what we are covering in class. I like the structure of the class and emphasis on collaborative learning.
- I was always intrigued by the class content, given this is something I really like and hopefully plan on doing for part of my life. At the beginning I was a little worried about how hard the class would be as we evolve, but as I started to understand everything better and really put all my effort in the class I enjoyed every lecture and every new topic we learned.
- The class has been one of the best so far at Trinity. Material is clearly laid out and all material is explained in clear detail. The professor never finds an issue with answering questions and each answer is thought about to the best of the professor's ability. Student's are welcome to ask questions and add insight and several times throughout the semester, students worked in groups to solve problems related to the material. Would recommend class to anyone.
- This class was definitely rigorous but worth taking. Dr. Pieters is an excellent professor, she gives up a lot of her time to work with you and she's extremely helpful at office hours. She is a very clear lecturer as well but even if you didn't get it the first time she'll go over it again with you until you get it. The course is intellectually challenging but she helps you succeed and makes the subject interesting. Since the only exam is the midterm it feels like the courseload is heavier at the beginning which is actually very nice. Most classes are the opposite so it reduces students' overall stress and load at the end of the semester.
- This has been the most intellectually challenging course I have taken at Trinity. It's definitely expanded my thinking in an area that I'm not familiar with, and it's been a real challenge accepting that this is one class I won't have a good grasp of after taking.
- This is one of the more fascinating courses that I have taken at Trinity. I thought the class material was very interesting, and is a very relevant class to not take only for Economics majors, but for business majors as well.

2. ECONOMICS DEPARTMENT STUDENT COURSE EVALUATION

2.4) Please comment on your answers to questions 2.1, 2.2, and 2.3.

- All of the lectures were very well planned, as well as the entire course. we knew exactly what was required of us at all times. The grading seemed a bit strict at times for me, but the feedback was always constructive. I never had a problem meeting with the professor outside of class.
- Definitely one of the best professors outside of the classroom. My main problem was the fact I had to go visit so often, I began to wonder if there was a better way to teach it in class so that I wouldn't have to go in.
- Dr. Pieters is readily available via email and is always very helpful in office hours.
- The class operated on a tight schedule. The class never went under time, and yet never felt rushed. Lessons were well structured, and feedback was critical and helpful. Dr. Pieters also makes herself easily accessible outside of class.
- The instructor is not only knowledgeable on the material, but is well-versed in explaining it, making the topic easier to digest. All hw and tests were graded with care, as the professor left valuable commentary wherever a problem was answered incorrectly. Office hours were always helpful.
- The instructor is perfectly prepared, she always arrives to class with a very organized lecture. It is clear this is one of her expertise areas given how much she knew about it. All work was evaluated fast and precise. Mistakes were fairly penalized and feedback was given when requested. Had availability on office hours and outside hours appointments.
- Very helpful in office hours. I could really tell that there was a lot of thought and preparation into the structure of the class. She was also very willing to take in our feedback into the class schedule.

2.7) Please comment on your answers to questions 2.5 and 2.6.

- As I mentioned earlier I'm not sure I can say I've learned a great deal solely because I would not feel confident talking about this subject outside of class.
- By far one of the most informative classes I have taken. I have a far better grasp of what actually happens in trade between nations now,

learning many things that I thought to not be true before, and vice versa

- Group problem solving and in-class discussions were definitely important in solidifying the material and putting it into real-world examples. These interactions are essential for this material and the professor facilitated them well.
- I have learned a great deal about trade, barriers, and the progression of different models. While it is time-consuming, I prefer the paper at the end to a final exam because I feel like it's one of the few opportunities I've had to work with real data and apply models to real life situations.
- I learned a lot, and the pacing of the class was really good too so I felt like I was consistently absorbing the new info, not just cramming before the test (though there was some of that).
- One of the econ courses that have stimulated my thinking the most. At the end when I was able to tie many concepts together and even had the opportunity to chat with someone that works on international trade, I realized how much I had learned.
- The class focuses less on acquisition of knowledge per se, and more on learning how and when to apply theory.

2.10) Please comment on your answers to questions 2.8 and 2.9.

- As stated before, the teacher is excellent, one of the best I have had so far at Trinity. The course is very well designed. At the beginning you might sense no logic but as lecture go you understand why the course has been designed like that. The course is hard, requires time and thinking, but it has been all worth it.
- Dr. Pieters uses a variety of examples to explain models and the group work on the boards is helpful in reinforcing what we've learned.
- I would recommend to anyone
- I would strongly recommend this class to those willing to give it the attention it deserves. Dr. Pieters is a highly effective teacher, and an invaluable resource.
- It's hard to really enjoy a class you struggle in, but I thought that what we learned was unique from any class I've taken before.

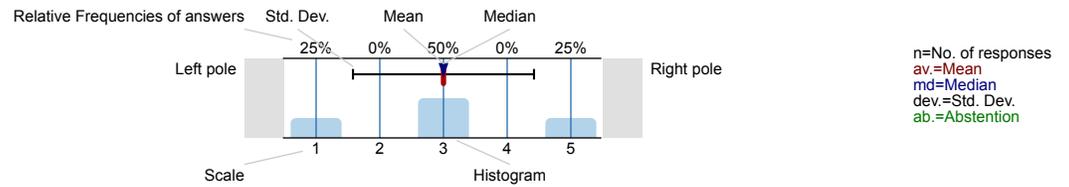
Gina Pieters

Principles of Microeconomics (ECON13114SP17S-)
No. of responses = 16

Survey Results

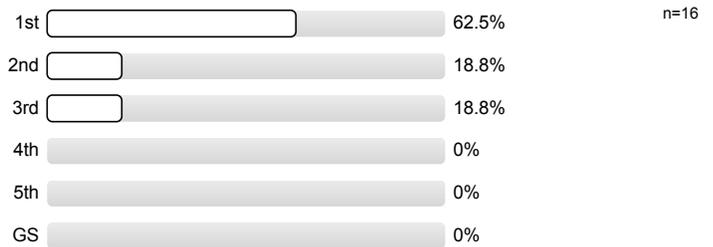
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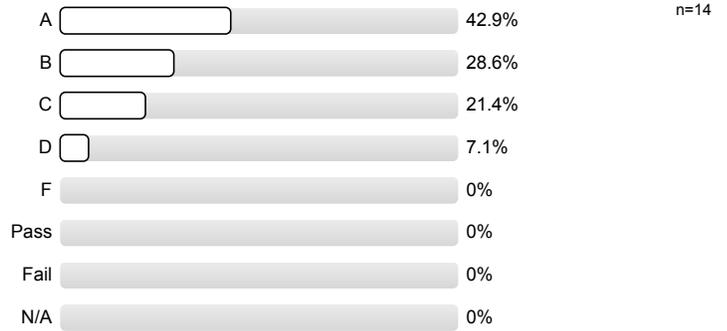
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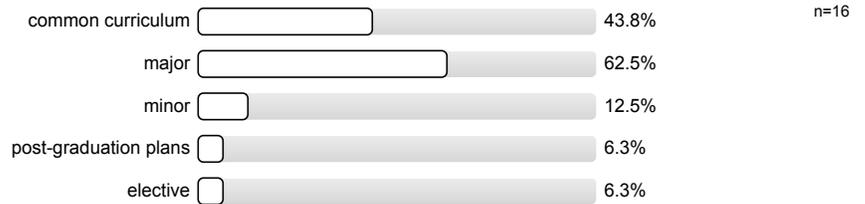
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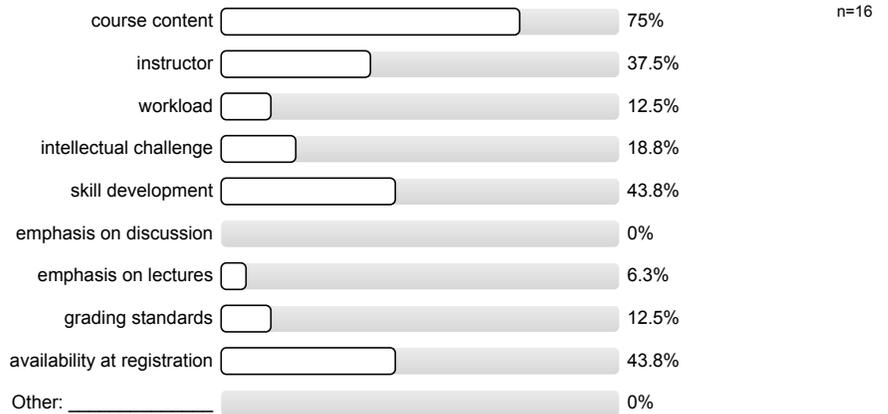
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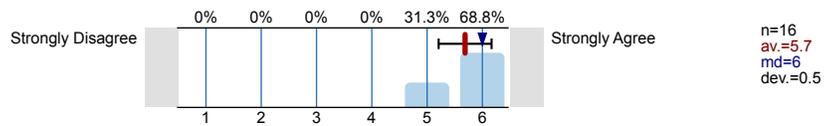


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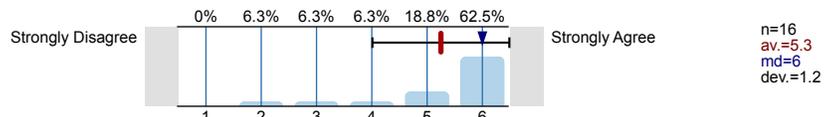


2. ECONOMICS DEPARTMENT STUDENT COURSE EVALUATION

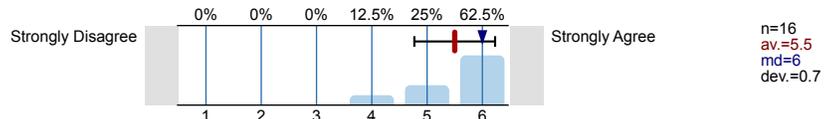
2.1) The instructor is well prepared and organized.



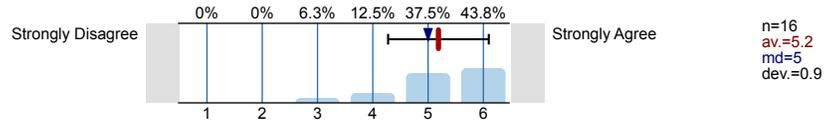
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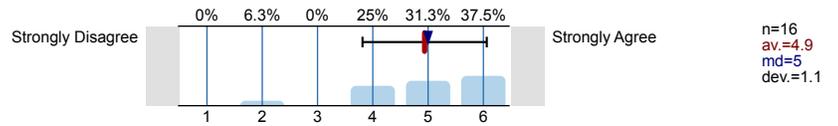
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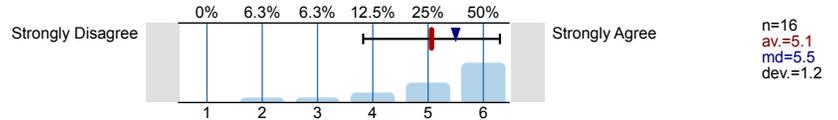
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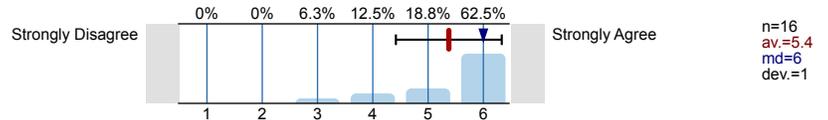
2.6) I am learning a great deal in this course.



2.8) Overall, I would give this course a positive rating.



2.9) Overall, the instructor is an effective teacher.



Profile

Subunit: Economics
 Name of the instructor: Gina Pieters
 Name of the course: Principles of Microeconomics (ECON13114SP17S-)
 (Name of the survey)

Values used in the profile line: Mean

2. ECONOMICS DEPARTMENT STUDENT COURSE EVALUATION

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| 2.1) The instructor is well prepared and organized. | Strongly Disagree | | | | | | | | Strongly Agree | n=16 | av.=5.7 | md=6.0 | dev.=0.5 |
| 2.2) The evaluation of my work (exams, papers, projects and etc.) is fair and constructive. | Strongly Disagree | | | | | | | | Strongly Agree | n=16 | av.=5.3 | md=6.0 | dev.=1.2 |
| 2.3) The instructor is accessible and helpful outside class. | Strongly Disagree | | | | | | | | Strongly Agree | n=16 | av.=5.5 | md=6.0 | dev.=0.7 |
| 2.5) The course stimulates analytical thinking. | Strongly Disagree | | | | | | | | Strongly Agree | n=16 | av.=5.2 | md=5.0 | dev.=0.9 |
| 2.6) I am learning a great deal in this course. | Strongly Disagree | | | | | | | | Strongly Agree | n=16 | av.=4.9 | md=5.0 | dev.=1.1 |
| 2.8) Overall, I would give this course a positive rating. | Strongly Disagree | | | | | | | | Strongly Agree | n=16 | av.=5.1 | md=5.5 | dev.=1.2 |
| 2.9) Overall, the instructor is an effective teacher. | Strongly Disagree | | | | | | | | Strongly Agree | n=16 | av.=5.4 | md=6.0 | dev.=1.0 |

Comments Report

1. Background Questions

1.7) Considering your selections above, please comment on your experience in this course.

- I had to take this class because I am a business major. I love Dr. Pieters; she's great. Her sense of humor amuses me so much. The class was interesting. Challenged me enough. I'm taking another class with her next semester if that says anything...she's such a cool person and she gives real world examples. I'll give her a good review on Rate My Professor.
- Difficult but useful course. I've never had a real economics class before, so it was hard to adjust to the rigor that this course entails.
- Had already had AP Macro and some micro, course was trivial.
- Hard at the start, but once I caught on, it wasn't too difficult.
- I am very glad that I chose to take this course. I did not really take it for any reason except that I needed 3 more credit hours this semester. Dr. Pieters was an excellent and professional teacher.
- I believe I have learned a lot from this course but wish there were more people I could go to for help on a homework question or concept. The professor offered office hours but my schedule did not allow me to attend any. The tutor that was provided for this course was not easily/readily available.
- I have learned quite a bit in this course. The instructor is an effective teacher and is skilled at distilling ideas into a simpler, less overwhelming piece of information.
- It was very straightforward.
- My experience of the class was that it was hard at times but was an overall good experience.
- This is a tough class, but well worth it if the student keeps up. The clean structure of the material is easy to follow, and the material is engaging every step of the way. Dr. Pieters is a master of the material and will bring current events/ current policy disputes into the class and discuss, objectively, the point of view of an average economist on these policies. Great class.
- This is one of the courses where a student just may not understand the material and will need a little extra assistance.
- Very challenging and fast paced, but in a good way. Nothing felt impossible, high level of effort was required.
- While I had to take this course for my cluster, I did genuinely want to increase my familiarity with economics. This class has taught me a lot about markets and trade, and has helped me think about the world in a different way.

2. ECONOMICS DEPARTMENT STUDENT COURSE EVALUATION

2.4) Please comment on your answers to questions 2.1, 2.2, and 2.3.

- Always prepared, but the professor graded extremely hard, but was available for office hours.
- Dr. Pieters is always prepared. She's a tough (but fair, and incredibly constructive) grader. I haven't gone, but she seems to always have office hours.
- Dr. Pieters was extremely well organized, exact, and available. She really wanted her students to understand the course material, but wasn't afraid to bump students down for cutting corners.
- Everything in this class is so organized and structured. Grades for tests are returned very quickly and the material accurately reflects the material we learned in class. Dr. Pieters has office hours that were very accessible and friendly.
- Homeworks were pretty confusing, but tests were graded pretty fairly and feedback was helpful.
- I go to her office hours all the time. She's great and always available. I would watch a National Geographic about her life.
- I wish the course was taught similarly by all the micro professors so that people from different classes could help each other out. The difficulty of being in a smaller class is that if your study group does not understand a concept fully there are very few people one could go to for help. The exams are graded fairly to a certain degree but I wish the professor would give some students the opportunity to regain points if they did very poorly on an exam.
- Professor is very organized, everything is posted on Tlearn especially old exams which is really helpful.
- The professor was always prepared for class. She provided helpful comments on my works for the class, as well as helpful outside the

class.

- Very good at her job and never leaves us feeling lost and forgotten. Definitely feel like I'm stupid sometimes, but that's the nature of the course coupled with my ineptness.
- Very well organized lectures, generous office hours, and fair grading.
- Well Gina seemed well prepared, and it was like a math class so grading was quite standard. I felt like it was fair.

2.7) Please comment on your answers to questions 2.5 and 2.6.

- Did not learn a significant amount due to personal economics background.
- I am not learning as much as I thought I would, but the course was extremely hard for a principles course.
- I learned a good deal from this class which will help me in my future studies.
- I was surprised by how much I learned in the course. I thought that the course would be very straightforward and simple. I feel that just from this principles class I am more knowledgeable about the workings of various parts of the economy.
- I'm learning a lot. I wish she would do more examples with us. I need a lot of examples. But that's what homework is for
- I've learned a lot and believe this course has been very informal about our economy.
- I've never been interested in economics, but this course definitely helped me see why it's imperative to understand in today's society.
- Interesting and complex material, I certainly learned a lot.
- It felt like a math class and wasn't super intriguing for me.
- Maybe I don't see it now, but I don't 100% see how these exact equations will carry on in the real world
- The course is structured perfectly--there's a good amount of content, but enough class time to go over every bit in-depth. Dr. Pieters does a fabulous job applying these concepts to everyday life.
- This course challenges initial gut assumptions and challenged me to take more time when answering problems than I have in other courses.
- This course has gotten me thinking about economics in a more informed way. I feel like I genuinely understand more about the world.

2.10) Please comment on your answers to questions 2.8 and 2.9.

- Although this course was certainly difficult, it was still a great experience. It did add some stress, but it was necessary in order for me to grow as an individual.
- Dr. Pieters is brilliant. This class is challenging, rigorous, but equally as enlightening. Everything a lower-level CC class is meant to be.
- Dr. Pieters is great at teaching. It must be difficult teaching these concepts to people who have never taken an economics course before, but she does it very effectively.
- Dr. Pieters is one of my favorite professors so far. Her dark sense of humor gives me life. Can't wait to take macro with her. 10/10 would recommend to other people
- Effect but challenging course and professor, no regrets in taking this course.
- Instructor was good. The course kinda felt like a waste of time if you're not an Econ major. It was very math oriented and it seemed like things that wouldn't become applicable later unless you took more Econ classes.
- One of the best teachers I've had at Trinity in my three years here. I'm so glad that I chose to take this course.
- Pieters is an excellent teacher. She stays on subject...unless you ask something trade related, but even then she gets back on subject relatively quickly.
- Professor Pieters is an effective teacher that does a great job at helping you grasp the basics of microeconomics.
- She teaches but very rarely gives you a realistic problem to solve on your own.
- good class & everything is explained very well

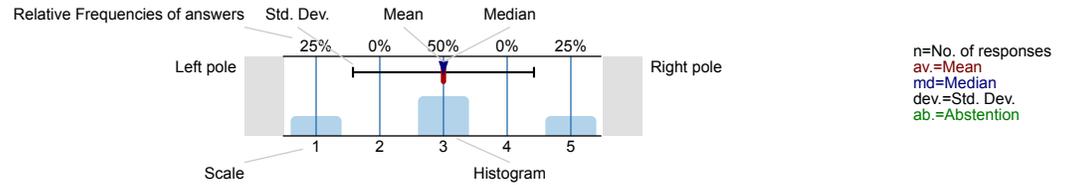
Gina Pieters

Principles of Microeconomics (ECON13115SP17S-)
No. of responses = 14

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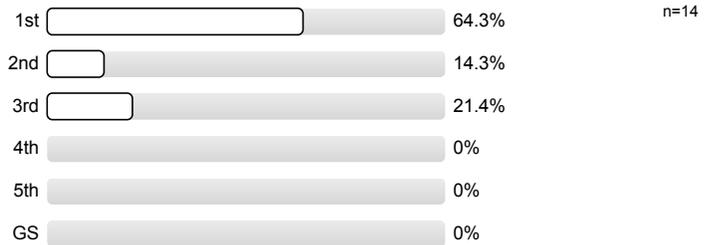
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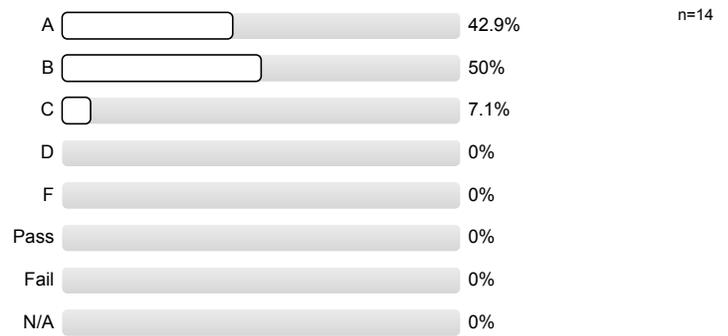
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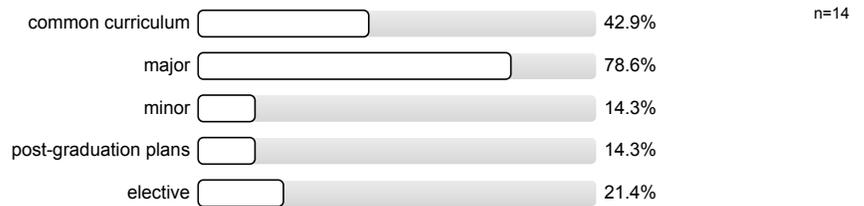
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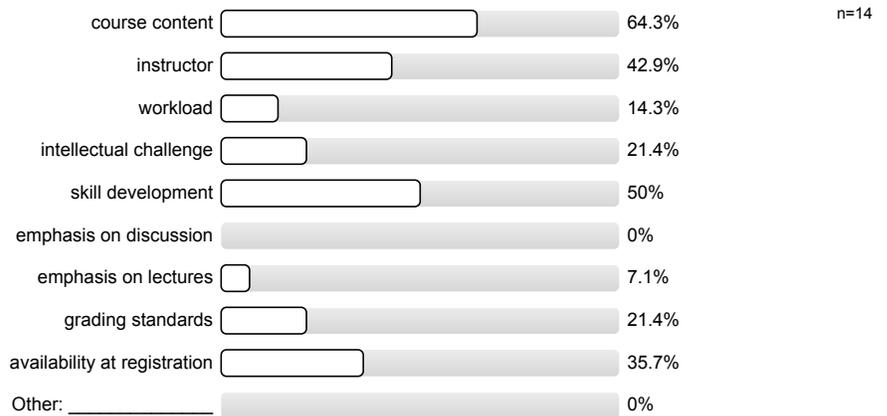
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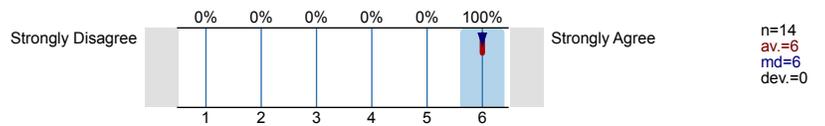


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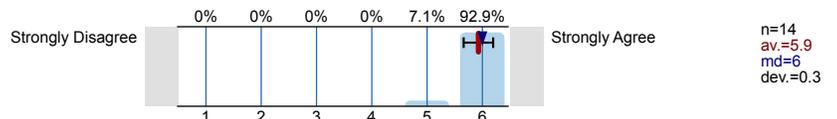


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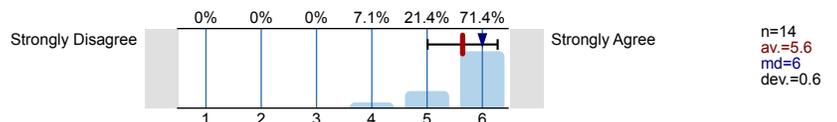
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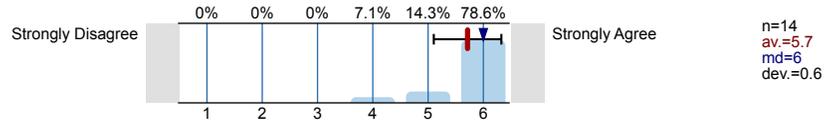
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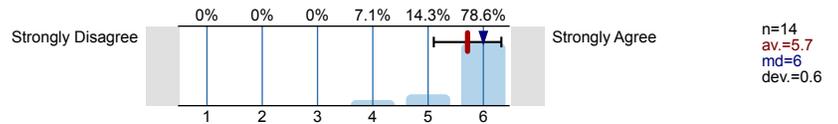
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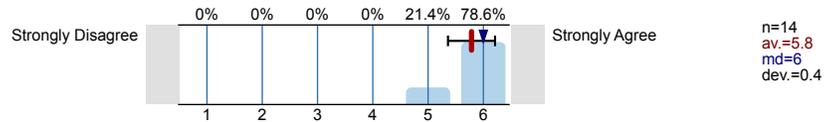
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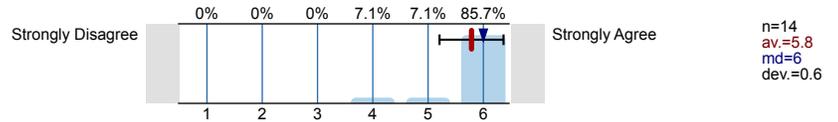
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2. ECONOMICS DEPARTMENT STUDENT COURSE EVALUATION

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| 2.1) The instructor is well prepared and organized. | Strongly Disagree | | | | | | | | Strongly Agree | n=14 | av.=6.0 | md=6.0 | dev.=0.0 |
| 2.2) The evaluation of my work (exams, papers, projects and etc.) is fair and constructive. | Strongly Disagree | | | | | | | | Strongly Agree | n=14 | av.=5.9 | md=6.0 | dev.=0.3 |
| 2.3) The instructor is accessible and helpful outside class. | Strongly Disagree | | | | | | | | Strongly Agree | n=14 | av.=5.6 | md=6.0 | dev.=0.6 |
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| 2.6) I am learning a great deal in this course. | Strongly Disagree | | | | | | | | Strongly Agree | n=14 | av.=5.7 | md=6.0 | dev.=0.6 |
| 2.8) Overall, I would give this course a positive rating. | Strongly Disagree | | | | | | | | Strongly Agree | n=14 | av.=5.8 | md=6.0 | dev.=0.4 |
| 2.9) Overall, the instructor is an effective teacher. | Strongly Disagree | | | | | | | | Strongly Agree | n=14 | av.=5.8 | md=6.0 | dev.=0.6 |

Comments Report

1. Background Questions

1.7) Considering your selections above, please comment on your experience in this course.

- I had a really difficult time for the first half of the semester in this course. I found that I needed to change the way I studied in order to do remotely well on tests. It was very stressful, however I enjoyed the material.
- I have really enjoyed this class. I feel as though I have learned a lot about economics, and I'll be prepared for future business and Econ classes. I love Dr. Pieters as a teacher, as I am a math based learner and this class is very math based, while also requiring a good amount of critical thinking and writing. Overall, great course
- I look up all of my professors on Rate My Professor, and Pieters had a very good review. I also have a friend who works in the econ department and she told me that Pieters was a cool person, so that's why I signed up for this section.
- I think maybe I would have been more successful in a microeconomics class that was more theory based. However, Dr. Pieter's is an amazing professor, all her policies when it comes to grading and classwork are super helpful and organized. Her class is well-structured and easy to follow.
- Interesting! This class made me interested in getting an economics major.
- Really learned a lot and how these basic principles are affecting the real world.
- Taking this class has led me to consider pursuing an econ minor. Lectures are engaging which makes it very recommendable.
- The class has been very helpful. Dr. Pieters is really great at explaining things both in class and during office hours.
- The main reason I took this course is because it fulfills the sbs requirement. I fell in love with this course because I think it is really interesting and it made me want to consider majoring in business. I love the lectures and the homework assignments are easy to do.
- This has been a difficult class, but it is very interesting. I love how organized Dr. Pieter's teaching is and think she is awesome!
- This was a great class! I would highly recommend it to others. It provided a good foundation for microeconomics, and I learned a lot.

2. ECONOMICS DEPARTMENT STUDENT COURSE EVALUATION

2.4) Please comment on your answers to questions 2.1, 2.2, and 2.3.

- Dr. Pieters was always available to help with any problems during her office hours. The classes were organized, and well planned and taught. Work was always graded quickly with feedback.
- Dr. Pieters is always available during office hours and is very helpful. Every time I've gone to office hours, I feel like I understand the material more. She pushes students to think critically.
- I was only available to go to her office hours for one out of the three days. It would have been nice to have more options, but it wasn't a big problem.
- In-class notes and online handouts (as well as the t-learn page) are all structured and organized. Eval is fair, and instructor is always accessible during office hours (sometimes even after).
- One of my favorite things about Dr. Pieters is how organized the class is. This makes it easy to study for the exam! I also like the real world examples she gives. She gives good evaluation of my work and she's always great at answering emails. However, during office hours, she often tries to have students help each other answer questions, but I think it'd be best that she answers questions. I feel that we are there to get help from her, not other students.
- She has office hours on Tuesday and on Monday so she accommodates for a busy MWF schedule and a busy TR schedule, which not a lot of professors do. She answers emails concerning questions very quickly.
- This was the most organized class I've taken during my time at Trinity, aside from HUMA. The flexible grading plans are great as well.

2.7) Please comment on your answers to questions 2.5 and 2.6.

- I have learned a lot about Economics and love it! I might want to major in it now!
- I learned a lot in this course. This course makes me want to continue to study economics.
- Learned a lot and I especially like how Dr. Pieters allied these basic concepts to the real world problems going on now

- The analytical part of the course centers on math. It teaches us easy concepts that we never think about.
- The material for this course requires a lot of critical thinking and common sense. However, there are many facts about running businesses that I had no idea existed.
- This class is set up to make you think about the material in much more than a memorizational way.

2.10) Please comment on your answers to questions 2.8 and 2.9.

- Dr. Pieters is engaging and teaches very clearly. She makes me wish I could take more economics classes.
- Dr. Pieters taught the class so well. It was always planned out and organized. In addition, there were many practice problems provided o aid in understanding of the material.
- Gina Pieters is a really cool person and I've recommended this course to a lot of people. She has a funny sense of humor that was lost on a lot of people in this class but it was refreshing to have a professor of an admittedly boring class with a sense of humor.
- Great teacher who knows what she's talking about very well.
- I like Dr. Pieters. She was very intimidating at the beginning of the semester and I was afraid to ask her questions, but she's an excellent professor in the classroom. After this class, I realize that I like Economics!
- I would recommend taking this course for sbs and with Dr. Pieters. She seemed a bit intimidating at the start of class but is very friendly during office hours.
- Positive rating. Effective and to the point.

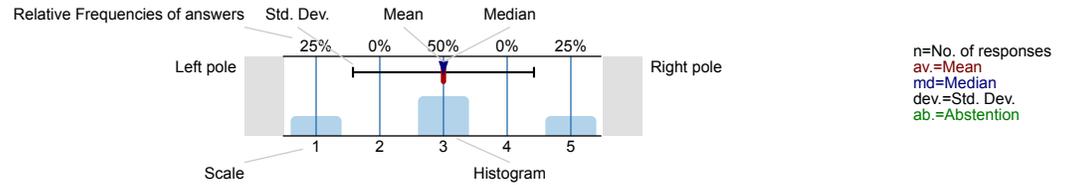
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International Monetary Systems (ECON33481SP17S-)
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Survey Results

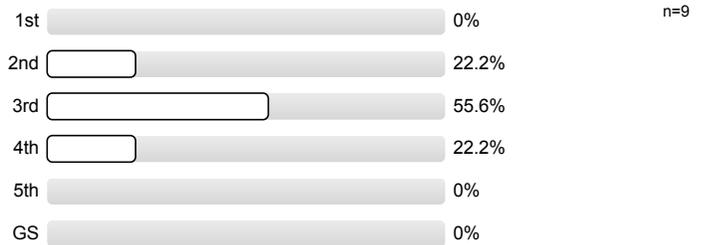
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Question text



1. Background Questions

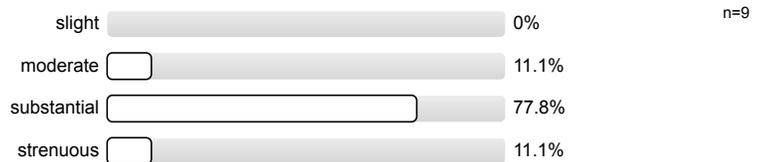
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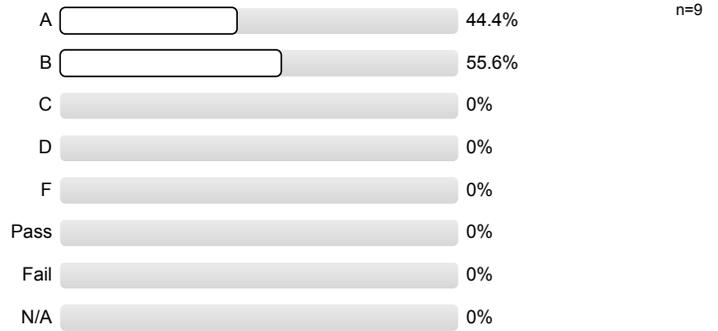
1.2) Difficulty of this course:



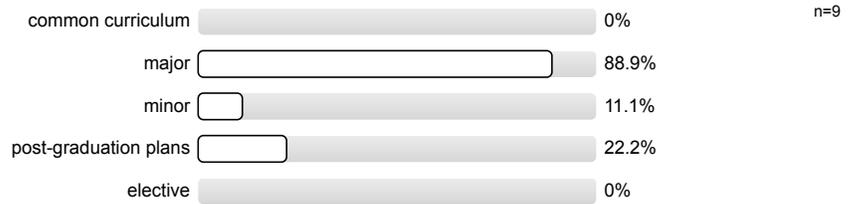
1.3) Degree of effort I expended in the course:



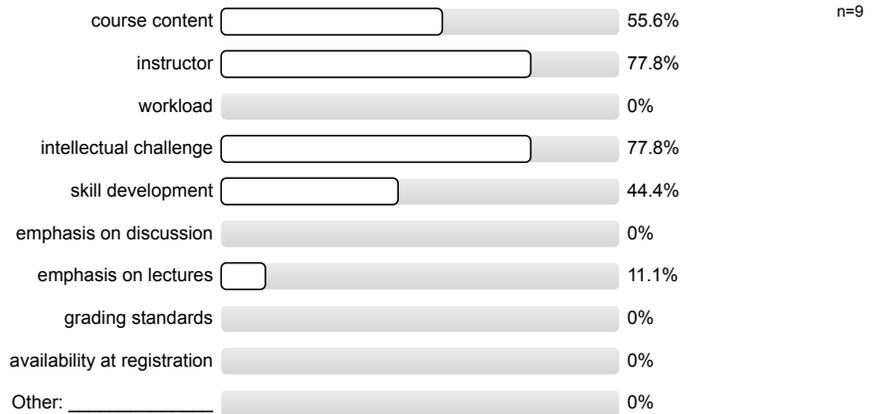
1.4) Based on the grades in this course so far, what final grade do you expect?



1.5) I took this course primarily to fulfill the requirements for:

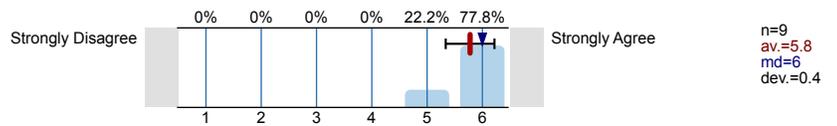


1.6) Listed below are some possible reasons why students choose specific courses to meet curricular requirements. Please check the boxes that represent the main reasons for choosing this course.

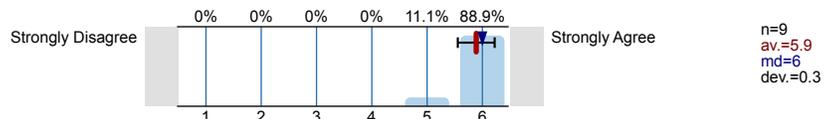


2. ECONOMICS DEPARTMENT STUDENT COURSE EVALUATION

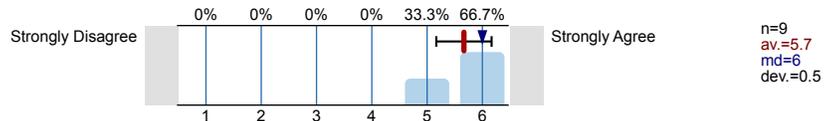
2.1) The instructor is well prepared and organized.



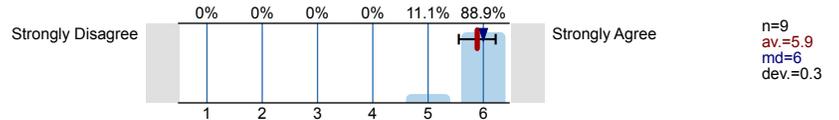
2.2) The evaluation of my work (exams, papers, projects and etc.) is fair and constructive.



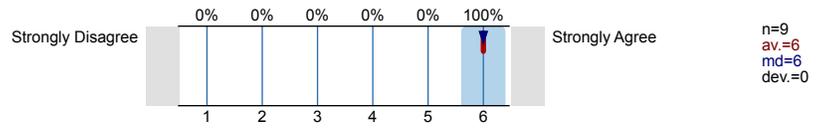
2.3) The instructor is accessible and helpful outside class.



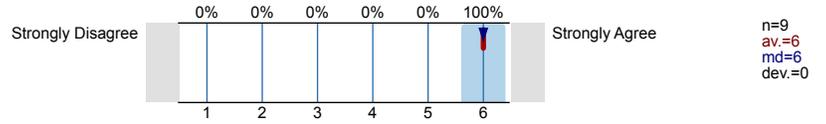
2.5) The course stimulates analytical thinking.



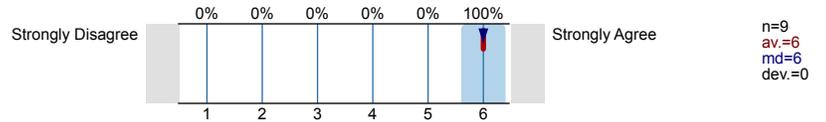
2.6) I am learning a great deal in this course.



2.8) Overall, I would give this course a positive rating.



2.9) Overall, the instructor is an effective teacher.



Profile

Subunit: Economics
 Name of the instructor: Gina Pieters
 Name of the course: International Monetary Systems (ECON33481SP17S-)
 (Name of the survey)

Values used in the profile line: Mean

2. ECONOMICS DEPARTMENT STUDENT COURSE EVALUATION

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| 2.1) The instructor is well prepared and organized. | Strongly Disagree | | | | | | | | | Strongly Agree | n=9 | av.=5.8 | md=6.0 | dev.=0.4 |
| 2.2) The evaluation of my work (exams, papers, projects and etc.) is fair and constructive. | Strongly Disagree | | | | | | | | | Strongly Agree | n=9 | av.=5.9 | md=6.0 | dev.=0.3 |
| 2.3) The instructor is accessible and helpful outside class. | Strongly Disagree | | | | | | | | | Strongly Agree | n=9 | av.=5.7 | md=6.0 | dev.=0.5 |
| 2.5) The course stimulates analytical thinking. | Strongly Disagree | | | | | | | | | Strongly Agree | n=9 | av.=5.9 | md=6.0 | dev.=0.3 |
| 2.6) I am learning a great deal in this course. | Strongly Disagree | | | | | | | | | Strongly Agree | n=9 | av.=6.0 | md=6.0 | dev.=0.0 |
| 2.8) Overall, I would give this course a positive rating. | Strongly Disagree | | | | | | | | | Strongly Agree | n=9 | av.=6.0 | md=6.0 | dev.=0.0 |
| 2.9) Overall, the instructor is an effective teacher. | Strongly Disagree | | | | | | | | | Strongly Agree | n=9 | av.=6.0 | md=6.0 | dev.=0.0 |

Comments Report

1. Background Questions

^{1.7)} Considering your selections above, please comment on your experience in this course.

- Content was very interesting, but complex. I enjoyed it though.
- Dr. Pieters is an awesome professor. She challenges everyone.
- Dr. Pieters is in my opinion the best economics professor at Trinity. She balances the class so well, making you work and learn but not to the point where you are overloaded.
- I enjoyed this class a lot. The content was very interesting and I really learned a lot. I always had an idea of what monetary systems were but this class clarified a lot of concepts that I will need in future economics classes.
- I took this class because I really enjoyed Dr. Pieter's macroeconomics class and wanted to take another course with her.
- I was highly satisfied by the class. The content was challenging as expected, but was presented well.
- This course has been a great experience, especially with Professor Pieters teaching the class. I got to really understand how exchange rates work in an international scale and just my interest in economic grew. The professor make it so easy to understand the material and is always their to help if i had questions.

2. ECONOMICS DEPARTMENT STUDENT COURSE EVALUATION

^{2.4)} Please comment on your answers to questions 2.1, 2.2, and 2.3.

- Dr. Pieters is super helpful in office hours. She responds to emails very quickly. She also grades all homework very fairly and gives a lot of feedback.
- Dr. Pieters's lectures are consistently well-structured and accompanied by helpful visual aids. She is readily available outside of class, and provides excellent feedback.
- If she could have longer office hours, that would be great. She is a great teacher
- Professor Pieters was always prepared to each class. She was straight up with her grading standards from the beginning of the semester. She was also very responsive when emails were sent.
- She was always well prepared for lectures but sometimes she got them a bit mixed up. However, she made an effort to correct them in the following class. She responds to emails super fast
- She's always happy to help in her office hours!

^{2.7)} Please comment on your answers to questions 2.5 and 2.6.

- I have learned a lot in this class.
- I learned a lot from this class. I had an idea of the monetary systems in place but not a lot of detail.
- The paper in this course is a lot of work but I have learned a lot of new excel and research skills from it.
- This has been a challenging course, but I've gotten a lot out of it.
- With the homework's, you are forced to comprehend and handle the material learned in class. Also activities in class keeps the class engaged

^{2.10)} Please comment on your answers to questions 2.8 and 2.9.

- Great Professor
- I've taken a class with Dr. Pieters before, knew what to expect, and was not disappointed.
- Professor Pieters was straight forward from the beginning and laid out what she expected of us.
- She's great.

- The professor always shows her interest in what she is teaching which really engages the audience and makes me want to learn more about the subject.