St. Lawrence University
Fall 2021 Course Evaluations with Comments
# CS-332-01: Web Programming
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11 out of 13 students responded to this evaluation. University data consists of 6,923 evaluations from Fall 2021.

Student Backgrounds

Your primary reason(s) for enrolling in this course

		Course	Univ.
Major	9	82%	42%
Minor	2	18%	11%
Distribution/Diversity	-	-	15%
Interest in subject	2	18%	32%
Instructor	-	-	4%
Ability to take course from off campus (hybrid/online)	-	-	-
Ability to work on course on my own schedule (hybrid/online)	-	-	-
Other	-	-	9%
Unduplicated Count	**11**	**100%**	**100%**
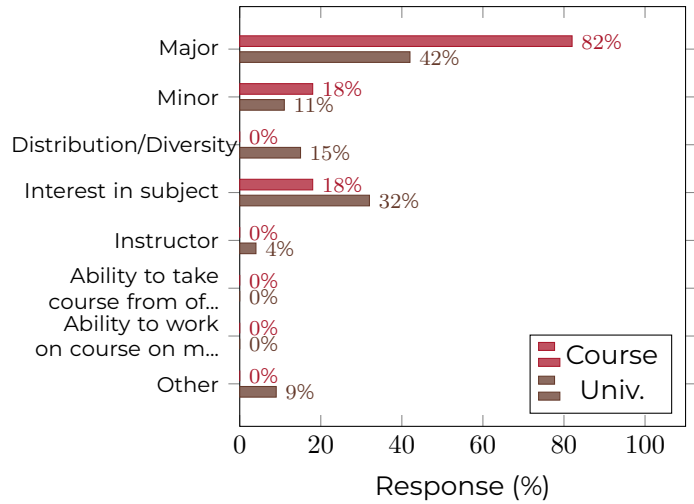
Gender

		Course	Univ.
Male	8	80%	43%
Female	2	20%	54%
Other	-	-	1%
Prefer not to disclose	-	-	1%
Total	**10**	**100%**	**100%**
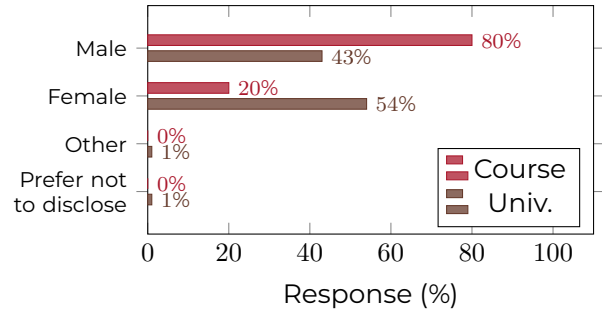
Class Year

		Course	Univ.
First Year	-	-	32%
Sophomore	1	10%	24%
Junior	5	50%	24%
Senior	4	40%	21%
Graduate Student	-	-	-
Other	-	-	-
Total	**10**	**100%**	**100%**
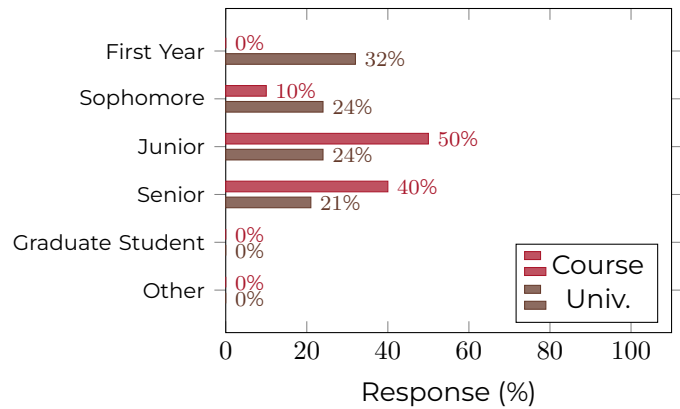
Course Evaluation

Q1: Taking this course has been a valuable educational experience

		Course	Univ.
Agree strongly	8	73%	42%
Agree	2	18%	37%
Agree somewhat	1	9%	12%
Neutral	-	-	5%
Disagree somewhat	-	-	2%
Disagree	-	-	2%
Disagree strongly	-	-	1%
Total	**11**	**100%**	**100%**
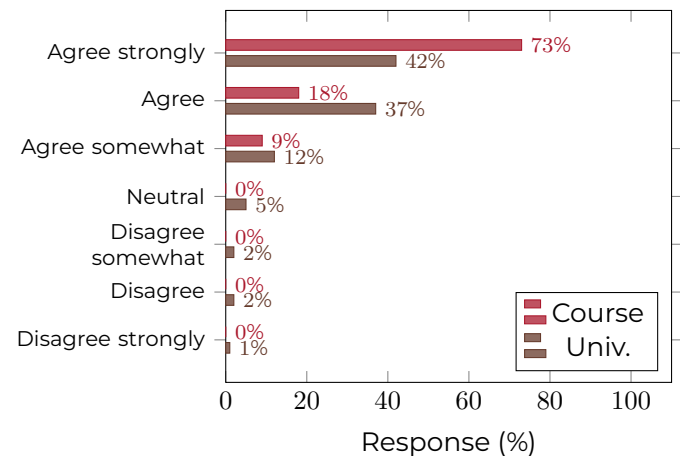
Q2: The course was effectively organized

		Course	Univ.
Agree strongly	6	55%	41%
Agree	5	45%	37%
Agree somewhat	-	-	11%
Neutral	-	-	5%
Disagree somewhat	-	-	3%
Disagree	-	-	2%
Disagree strongly	-	-	1%
Total	**11**	**100%**	**100%**
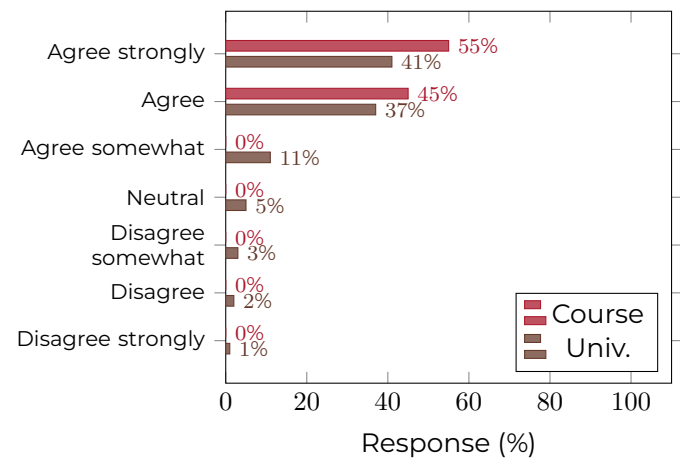
Q3: The instructor created an environment conducive to learning

		Course	Univ.
Agree Strongly	7	64%	48%
Agree	4	36%	32%
Agree Somewhat	-	-	11%
Neutral	-	-	5%
Disagree Somewhat	-	-	2%
Disagree	-	-	1%
Disagree Strongly	-	-	1%
Total	**11**	**100%**	**100%**
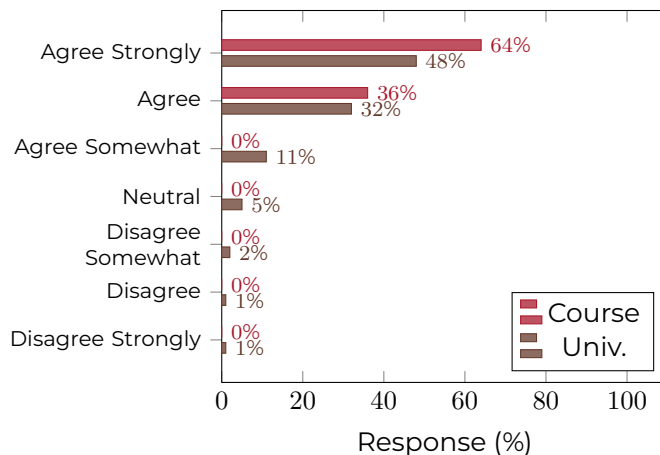
Q4a: In this course, the workload was

		Course	Univ.
Too High	-	-	4%
Somewhat High	4	36%	15%
Appropriate	7	64%	80%
Somewhat Low	-	-	2%
Too Low	-	-	-
Total	**11**	**100%**	**100%**
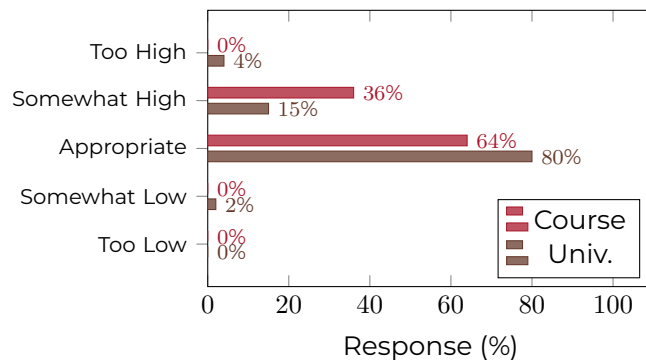
Q4b: In this course, the grading standards were

		Course	Univ.
Too High	-	-	7%
Somewhat High	1	9%	15%
Appropriate	9	82%	76%
Somewhat Low	1	9%	1%
Too Low	-	-	-
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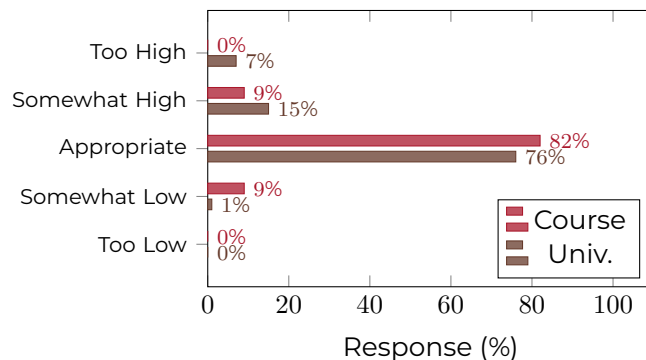
Q4c: In this course, the level of intellectual and/or creative sophistication required was

		Course	Univ.
Too High	-	-	3%
Somewhat High	3	27%	15%
Appropriate	8	73%	78%
Somewhat Low	-	-	3%
Too Low	-	-	1%
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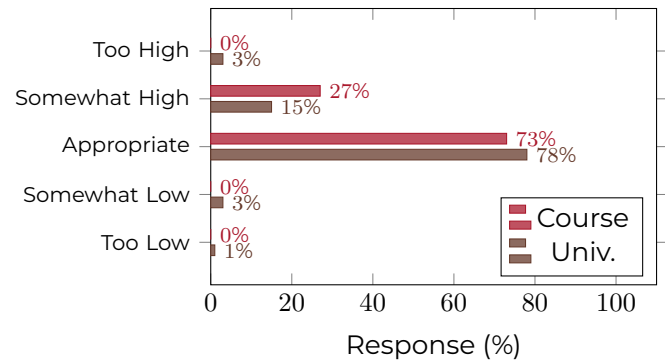
Q5a: The instructor's assessments of student work were fair

		Course	Univ.
Agree Strongly	8	73%	33%
Agree	3	27%	43%
Agree Somewhat	-	-	9%
Neutral	-	-	8%
Disagree Somewhat	-	-	4%
Disagree	-	-	2%
Disagree Strongly	-	-	1%
Total	**11**	**100%**	**100%**
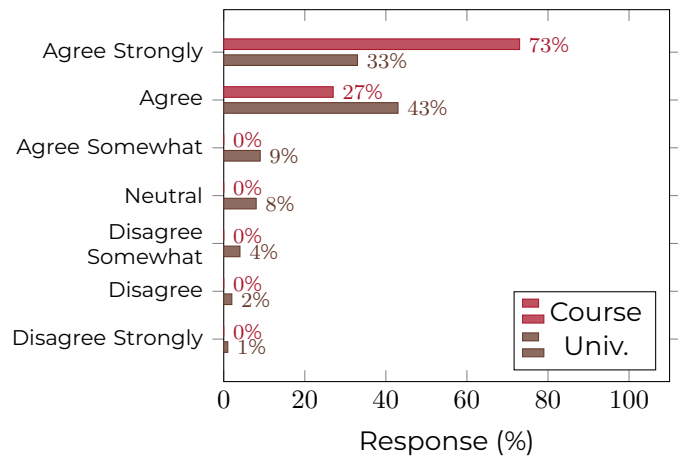
Q5b: The instructor's assessments of student work were timely

		Course	Univ.
Agree strongly	6	55%	35%
Agree	5	45%	38%
Agree somewhat	-	-	9%
Neutral	-	-	10%
Disagree somewhat	-	-	4%
Disagree	-	-	3%
Disagree strongly	-	-	1%
Total	**11**	**100%**	**100%**
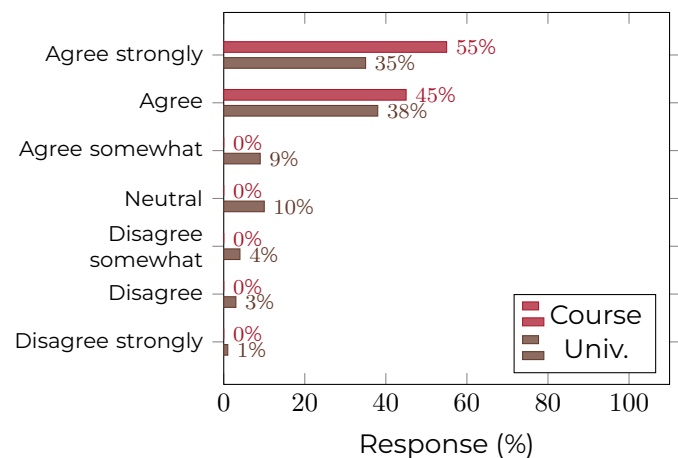
Q5c: The instructor's assessments of student work were constructive

		Course	Univ.
Agree strongly	8	73%	38%
Agree	2	18%	39%
Agree somewhat	1	9%	10%
Neutral	-	-	8%
Disagree somewhat	-	-	3%
Disagree	-	-	2%
Disagree strongly	-	-	1%
Total	**11**	**100%**	**100%**
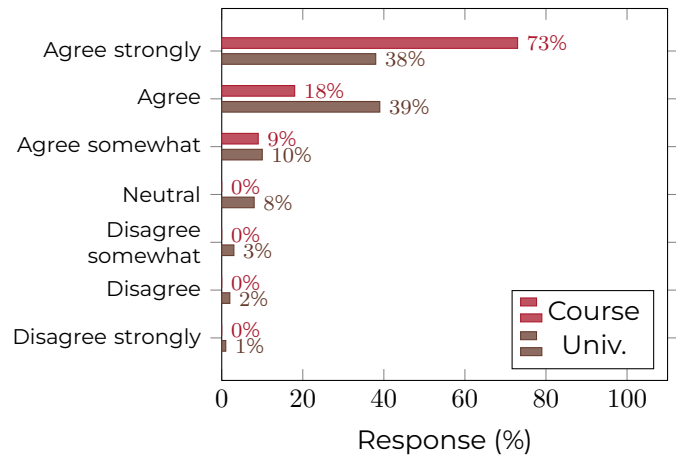
Q6a: I would recommend this instructor to another student

		Course	Univ.
Agree strongly	10	91%	52%
Agree	1	9%	26%
Agree somewhat	-	-	8%
Neutral	-	-	6%
Disagree somewhat	-	-	3%
Disagree	-	-	3%
Disagree strongly	-	-	2%
Total	**11**	**100%**	**100%**
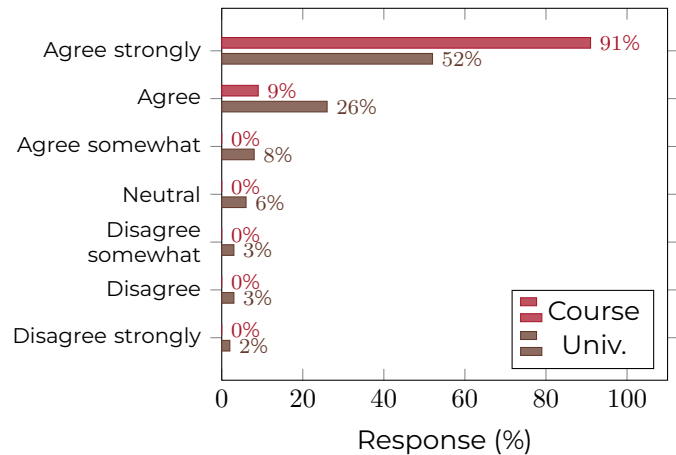
Q6b: I would recommend this course to another student

		Course	Univ.
Agree strongly	9	82%	43%
Agree	1	9%	29%
Agree somewhat	1	9%	12%
Neutral	-	-	8%
Disagree somewhat	-	-	3%
Disagree	-	-	3%
Disagree strongly	-	-	2%
Total	**12**	**100%**	**100%**

* Percentages may not add up to 100% due to rounding. "Univ" refers to undergrad (units >= 0.5) / grad (credits > 0)-level semester   5
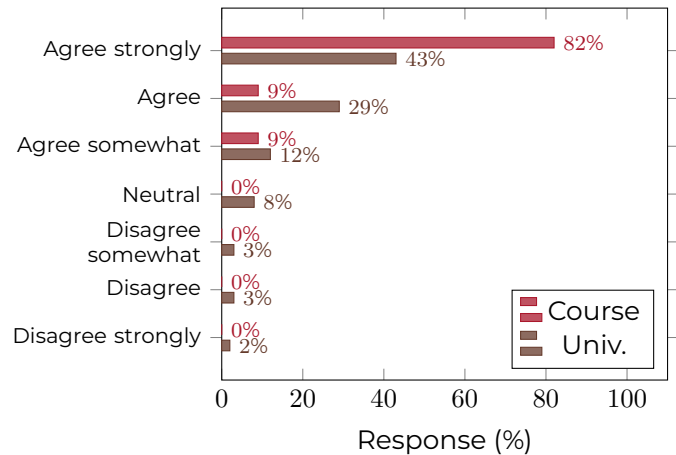
Q6c: The instructor was an effective teacher

		Course	Univ.
Agree strongly	8	73%	51%
Agree	3	27%	28%
Agree somewhat	-	-	9%
Neutral	-	-	5%
Disagree somewhat	-	-	2%
Disagree	-	-	2%
Disagree strongly	-	-	1%
Total	**11**	**100%**	**100%**
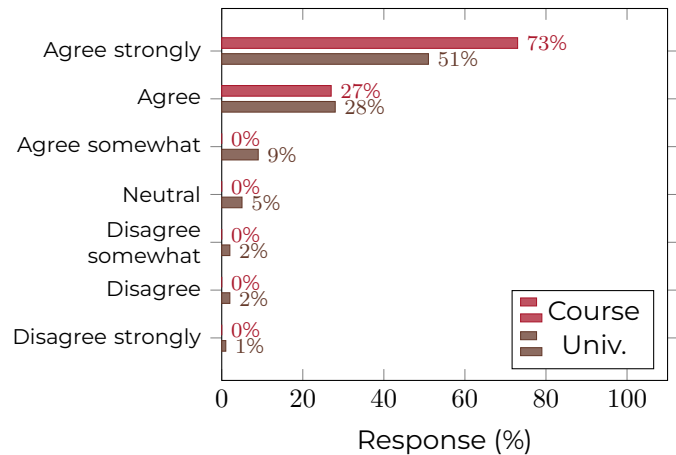
Summary of Means

	Course	Univ.
Q1: Taking this course has been a valuable educational experience	-	6.6	6
Q2: The course was effectively organized	-	6.5	6
Q3: The instructor created an environment conducive to learning	-	6.6	6.1
Q5a: The instructor's assessments of student work were fair	-	6.7	5.9
Q5b: The instructor's assessments of student work were timely	-	6.5	5.8
Q5c: The instructor's assessments of student work were constructive	-	6.6	5.9
Q6a: I would recommend this instructor to another student	-	6.9	6
Q6b: I would recommend this course to another student	-	6.7	5.8
Q6c: The instructor was an effective teacher	-	6.7	6.1

Scale:
7 = Agree Strongly, 6 = Agree, 5 = Agree Somewhat, 4 = Neutral, 3 = Disagree Somewhat, 2 = Disagree, 1 = Disagree Strongly

Written Comments

Comment on ways in which this course has or has not helped your learning.

Comments
- Learning the basics of web development is a useful skill as the market becomes even more popular
I enjoyed this class because it's a great and interesting course. Some topics are still confusing to me because I never got to "catch up" when falling behind in class. I still learned a great deal when I didn't fall behind in class.
* I feel so disgustingly confident in my web dev skills/JS abilities after this course. The opportunities to learn experientially through group work and projects (and exams somehow) make me feel like I just KNOW my stuff. Mastery of material, not just to crush exams + projects but to use JS etc. beyond this course
I've been briefly exposed to HTML in the past, however CSS, JS, and how the internet works are concepts I was ignorant on before. I got a lot out of this class.
This course has helped my learning by teaching me about web development, a skill I will likely need in my coding future.
I now have the skills to create my own web application.
Web development is a great skill to have
Most applicable CS course I have taken at SLU so far. Combines a lot of courses I have taken and uses them to make websites. Allowed me to apply to many internship positions.

List positive and/or negative aspects of the structure and format of this course.

Comments
- Course units were communicated clearly both in-person & virtually - Most aspects in the field were introduced evenly.
organized and patient
Each day is a new lecture and a new topic or a topic relating to the previous lecture. I only wished we had some more notes to take as we were coding/querying since coding was too fast to really take a moment to jot it down before falling behind.
* I knew where to find stuff, knew what to do.
I think the order of learning topics was effective. Starting w/ HTML & CSS basics and moving on to the more complex concepts is an effective ordering of topics.
Everything we needed to know about upcoming classes, projects and exams was on Sakai and would be constantly updated
Sometimes I felt that we were covering too many topics at the same time. The order that we covered topics was perfect.
Splitting up the class by front-end vs back-end was good.
Lectures are great; notes are organized and clear
Love the way Kevin organizes classes with exams and projects. This was no different. Also very organized website with all our work and what we did in class in one place—better than Sakai

Discuss ways the instructor did or did not create a classroom environment in which students felt engaged, challenged, and comfortable participating and asking questions.

Comments
- friendly, left lectures open to questions - made sure each student understood the material before moving on.
He was very welcoming and humorous
Kevin is a great professor and enables us to ask questions during class and is available for questions outside of class.
* Kevin is really good at encouraging questions + course understanding through his demeanor and his beginning of class period summaries.
By virtue of being a higher level elective, everyone there wanted to be. Kevin was the same. We were all engaged and interested and Kevin is passionate, an effective teacher, and fun.
Kevin would ask frequent questions and would also stop the class frequently to check bugs and/or errors in peoples code and fix them
Throughout lectures we were able to ask questions.
The classroom environment is very comfortable and feels easy to ask questions because class leans on the casual side while still getting through material.
The instructor is extremely friendly and we love participating in his class
Nice, kind, and asked low stakes questions.

Discuss the instructor's expectations for your work in this course:

Comments
- Focusing on multiple projects throughout the semester. - Preparing for time-consuming assignments
Instructor had very appropriate expectations for the course.
I believe it is on par with my expectation of a 300-level course, but it was still quite difficult to juggle with other courses. Kevin balanced everything quite well.
At times this course was "too challenging", but in quotes because without that I don't think I would have learned the material as well as I had. None of the work was "busy work", it always felt like it enhanced my learning.
Particularly as it came to the projects, there was a lot of work to be done. This led to no small degree of struggling. However, I was always pleasantly surprised by my grades. Kevin's more relaxed grading matches the workload well.
The workload was fair, with readings due every class and projects having three weeks until they were due. Kevin also wasn't too harsh or too lenient of a grader.
We were always held to a high standard when submitting work.
The projects are very stressful because they are so large.
We need to understand the materials and put in the work on projects
Lots of work when projects were out, but balanced out by not a lot crazy amount of work during regular times

Discuss ways that the instructor's assessments and feedback did or did not improve your learning.

Comments
- All feedback was detailed
Was very patient and helpful
Kevin explained topics thoroughly during student hours and assisted me with understanding the material better.
It did, I don't know. I learned my mistakes after exams + projects.
Some feedback on projects was a little sparse, but otherwise great.
Kevin would typically return code with a grade around a week after it was submitted with fair criticism and other ways the code could have been done.
The feedback was always fair and detailed.
Very timely assessments.
Great feedback on the online forum (piazza); he is always available to answer questions and eager to help
Got valuable feedback on assignments (projects, exams), quick grading.

List any characteristics or teaching techniques that have enhanced the instructor's effectiveness as a teacher.

Comments
- Outgoing, social, patient
The instructor is ver understanding.
Being available for questions Always trying to find ways to explain in different words if topics were confusing
* Kind, caring, open office hours, willing to meet + help students, relatable, experiential learning (limited lecture droning), fun/quirky jokes, "last time in web programming" summaries at the beginning of class. * Mini projects (Github task, color box generator) were super good for my learning
His very chronological way of teaching topics made sure you had everything you needed Before moving on to the next topic.
Kevin's ability to walk us through the class and explain abstract ideas and thoughts in logical and simple ways really made it easier to learn.
Again, the class room environment enhanced Kevin's effectiveness as a teacher.
Friendliness, technical experience
Kevin is so kind and makes everyone feel comfortable in the classroom.

List any suggestions for how the instructor's effectiveness as a teacher might be improved.

Comments
NA
The speed of coding could slow down a bit to ensure everyone is not missing anything Pauses during coding for note-taking would be great too
* Eloquent Javascript is a garbage text book. I learned infinitely more from random web dev youtube videos.
Slow down your coding. It at times was difficult not only to understand the material but even to get it copied down for my own.
I think Kevin's teaching style is effective as it is currently
Slow down in class when coding. It is easy to get lost or fall behind when working on such complex examples as our web app.
None.

Use this space for any additional comments about this instructor or course.

Comments
NA
Thank you, Kevin!
Thanks for an amazing semester. Eloquent JS is garbage. Thanks again for a great semster.
The instructor is great; we all love him.