

Virginia Tech
Fall 2018 VT Student Perceptions of Teaching (SPOT)

Course: ENGL_1105_83911_201809: First-Year Writing-ENGL_1105_83911_201809
 Instructor: Derek Mueller *
 Response Rate: 16/20 (80.00 %)

1 - Please indicate the extent to which you agree or disagree with each of the following statements:

1A - The instructor was well prepared.

Derek Mueller

Response Option	Weight	Frequency	Percent	Percent Responses	Means							
Strongly disagree	(1)	0	0.00%		5.81	5.46	5.44					
Disagree	(2)	0	0.00%		Question	College	Department					
Somewhat disagree	(3)	0	0.00%		Mean	STD	Median	Department	Mean	STD	Median	
Somewhat agree	(4)	0	0.00%		16/20 (80.00%)	5.81	0.40	6.00	26283	5.46	0.89	6.00
Agree	(5)	3	18.75%		6.00	4545	5.44	0.94	6.00			
Strongly agree	(6)	13	81.25%									

1 - Please indicate the extent to which you agree or disagree with each of the following statements:

1B - The instructor presented the subject matter clearly.

Derek Mueller

Response Option	Weight	Frequency	Percent	Percent Responses	Means							
Strongly disagree	(1)	0	0.00%		5.69	5.31	5.35					
Disagree	(2)	0	0.00%		Question	College	Department					
Somewhat disagree	(3)	0	0.00%		Mean	STD	Median	Department	Mean	STD	Median	
Somewhat agree	(4)	1	6.25%		16/20 (80.00%)	5.69	0.60	6.00	26155	5.31	1.04	6.00
Agree	(5)	3	18.75%		6.00	4524	5.35	1.04	6.00			
Strongly agree	(6)	12	75.00%									

1 - Please indicate the extent to which you agree or disagree with each of the following statements:

1C - The instructor provided feedback intended to improve my course performance.

Derek Mueller

Response Option	Weight	Frequency	Percent	Percent Responses	Means							
Strongly disagree	(1)	0	0.00%		5.88	5.25	5.43					
Disagree	(2)	0	0.00%		Question	College	Department					
Somewhat disagree	(3)	0	0.00%		Mean	STD	Median	Department	Mean	STD	Median	
Somewhat agree	(4)	0	0.00%		16/20 (80.00%)	5.88	0.34	6.00	26185	5.25	1.12	6.00
Agree	(5)	2	12.50%		6.00	4527	5.43	1.00	6.00			
Strongly agree	(6)	14	87.50%									

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1 - Please indicate the extent to which you agree or disagree with each of the following statements:

1D - The instructor fostered an atmosphere of mutual respect.

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Response Option	Weight	Frequency	Percent	Percent Responses	Means											
Strongly disagree	(1)	0	0.00%		5.88	5.53	5.59									
Disagree	(2)	0	0.00%		Question	College	Department									
Somewhat disagree	(3)	0	0.00%		Mean	STD	Median	Department	Mean	STD	Median					
Somewhat agree	(4)	0	0.00%		16/20 (80.00%)	5.88	0.34	6.00	26145	5.53	0.89	6.00	4522	5.59	0.84	6.00
Agree	(5)	2	12.50%													
Strongly agree	(6)	14	87.50%													

1 - Please indicate the extent to which you agree or disagree with each of the following statements:

1E - Overall, the instructor's teaching was effective.

Derek Mueller

Response Option	Weight	Frequency	Percent	Percent Responses	Means											
Strongly disagree	(1)	0	0.00%		5.75	5.30	5.36									
Disagree	(2)	0	0.00%		Question	College	Department									
Somewhat disagree	(3)	0	0.00%		Mean	STD	Median	Department	Mean	STD	Median					
Somewhat agree	(4)	0	0.00%		16/20 (80.00%)	5.75	0.45	6.00	25954	5.30	1.07	6.00	4486	5.36	1.06	6.00
Agree	(5)	4	25.00%													
Strongly agree	(6)	12	75.00%													

2 - 2A - What did the instructor do that most helped in your learning?

Derek Mueller

Response Rate 15/20 (75%)

- Great feedback from projects.
- He engaged with us students in a way that I have never experienced before and it works very well.
- Interacted with students well
- Feedback on drafts and final projects.
- Office hours
- Was open to conversation
- Allowed students to explore writing on their own with thinner guidelines.
- great feedback on my writings and assignments
- He seemed passionate about the subject matter and he always tried to engage the students in the lessons.
- Was engaging, learned all of our names, and prompted us all for input.
- Our instructor thoroughly explained any answer to our questions.
- very thorough with the content and expectations
- He helped me in everything overall. He is a great person and a excellent teacher. I've been not doing well this semester but because of his generosity and my realization that its end time now I have to work, I am now doing well and am ready to face my grades.
- He helped me cultivated my confidence in English writing and rebuild my interest in writing.
- He was very passionate about what he was teaching. He gave me feedback on the different minors to pursue in the future

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3 - Please indicate the extent to which you agree or disagree with each of the following statements:

3A - I have a deeper understanding of the subject matter as a result of this course.

Response Option	Weight	Frequency	Percent	Percent Responses	Means							
Strongly disagree	(1)	0	0.00%			5.63	5.28	5.20				
Disagree	(2)	0	0.00%									
Somewhat disagree	(3)	0	0.00%									
Somewhat agree	(4)	1	6.25%	█								
Agree	(5)	4	25.00%	███								
Strongly agree	(6)	11	68.75%	██████████								
					0	25	50	100	Question	College	Department	
Response Rate	Mean	STD	Median	College	Mean	STD	Median	Department	Mean	STD	Median	
16/20 (80.00%)	5.63	0.62	6.00	23254	5.28	1.01	6.00	4338	5.20	1.05	5.00	

3 - Please indicate the extent to which you agree or disagree with each of the following statements:

3B - My interest in the subject matter was stimulated by this course.

Response Option	Weight	Frequency	Percent	Percent Responses	Means							
Strongly disagree	(1)	0	0.00%			5.44	5.03	4.87				
Disagree	(2)	0	0.00%									
Somewhat disagree	(3)	1	6.25%	█								
Somewhat agree	(4)	1	6.25%	█								
Agree	(5)	4	25.00%	███								
Strongly agree	(6)	10	62.50%	██████████								
					0	25	50	100	Question	College	Department	
Response Rate	Mean	STD	Median	College	Mean	STD	Median	Department	Mean	STD	Median	
16/20 (80.00%)	5.44	0.89	6.00	23163	5.03	1.25	5.00	4307	4.87	1.33	5.00	

4 - 4A - What could you have done to be a better learner?

Response Rate	13/20 (65%)
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • I'm not sure • Slightly less lecturing • I could have spent more time on proofreading. • Read more • I could have payed more attention during lecture, I just was not interested in the material. • not been distracted with my laptop • paid more attention when he explained things • I think that I could have tried to participate more, but I was always paying attention during class. • Nothing • I could have taken more time to review feedback on my papers. • not procrastinate • I am supposed to prepare better for up coming classes, and refine my working with better details. • Take more time on certain assignments 	

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5 - 5A - Please add any additional comments regarding the course and/or instructor here:

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Response Rate 9/20 (45%)

- Really great professor. Easy to listen and communicate with. Nice guy
- Dr. Mueller is a very well prepared instructors who's techniques have improved my writing significantly over the course of this class.
- Professor Mueller is an excellent and very understanding professor
- sometimes your instructions for assignments dragged on
- I thoroughly enjoyed this course and I think that the professor always tried to engage students in the lessons.
- Awesome instructor, would highly recommend, learned all of our names and made the class an enjoyable experience.
- received a lot of help from him, shows a genuine interest in his role as a teacher, thank you??
- He is a very nice instructor with great patient both in the class and for the homework.
- It was a pleasure to have him as a teacher.

6 - 6A - How would you rate the physical environment in which you took this class based upon your ability to see, hear, concentrate, and participate?

Response Option	Weight	Frequency	Percent	Percent Responses	Means							
Very Bad	(1)	0	0.00%									
Bad	(2)	0	0.00%									
Poor	(3)	0	0.00%									
Fair	(4)	1	6.25%	█								
Good	(5)	5	31.25%	███								
Very Good	(6)	10	62.50%	██████								
					0	25	50	100	Question	College	Department	
Response Rate	Mean	STD	Median	College	Mean	STD	Median	Department	Mean	STD	Median	
16/20 (80.00%)	5.56	0.63	6.00	23087	5.25	0.93	5.00	4324	5.27	0.99	6.00	

7 - 7A - Please add any comments about the physical environment here:

Response Rate 8/20 (40%)

- It is a little dark
- small classroom is very good
- The environment was good and the professor always encouraged learning and hard work and he was always there to help.
- None.
- I liked the physical environment.
- really fun class, learned a lot
- The classroom overall looks very nice. And the chair and desk are quite comfortable. Just keep it like this.
- The environment was friendly