

Hi everyone.

Thanks for the feedback you all provided during class Wednesday. The intention of collecting your feelings was just to see what your experience is like in the class. I do it for all my classes.

Experience so far in class:

Good

- *Interesting Class Discussions*
- *Pete's humble/unbiased approach to teaching (brings in guest speakers, values student's opinion)*

Bad

- *Unorganized/unclear in terms of what is due when*
- *Unequal attention to each group during class*

Hey Pete,

I've been really loving the class so far. These are such important topics worth the time & effort. My only concern is for the realistic/actual progress that my group can make in 8 weeks on [our project]. I'm sure it will come with time, but I hope our efforts won't go completely down the drain. I guess that would be a learning experience all by itself...

Not sure how to prepare for the final?

Thanks [student]

First two weeks have been super eye opening. The readings have changed the way I think about development and my perceptions of this class. The lack of structure made me nervous at first but I appreciate the freedom of discussion and collaboration. I hope to get a little more feedback about project expectations.

Pete Schwartz,

As scatted as the class has been when it comes to structure, I enjoy the amount of engaging conversation and the versatility that this allows.

[student]

So far I find this class pretty interesting and am gaining a better understanding about development and the technology that goes with it. I do think it would be more helpful to have more structure during lectures b/c I try to take notes but when I go back and read them, it's a little confusing. I do appreciate the teacher student communication b/c it keeps things clear and concise.

It felt misdirected at first, but I really appreciate how many questions you ask & how much you express your concern for our perspectives and opinion, and how you are learning too.

**Yes to the guest speakers more more.*

**It's still pretty unclear as to what we're actually doing for the project. I know there's a website and a presentation. And maybe some solutions to a problem? I'm still kind of confused about whether what we come up with for our projects is hypothetical/theoretical, or if it will actually*

be applied. Not at all to say that 'I know stuff already.' But I took a political economy class with Ryan Alaniz last year and learned about development, poverty, neocolonialism, theories, etc. and want to actually apply it all! I realize that's what we're doing, but want to know if it's going to be realistically used.

I am in two classes relating to development this quarter. So far, I have learned that top/down is not the best approach if the top is not willing to learn what the bottom actually needs. The top needs to learn the culture & their needs not do what the top thinks is right.

I come into this class not knowing what to expect the course work to be like. [deleted]. I like the online readings and wikispaces format and appreciate your openness to students' needs, [deleted]

Very dynamic structure to the class! I like the amount of class participation there is, and the presentations are all relevant. I appreciate the world experiences already shared and I'm excited to see where the project takes us!!!

Pete,

Your energy and enthusiasm brighten my day. I personally perform better with more structure as I am naturally very cluttered but I am up to the challenge. Keep being you!

I have genuinely enjoyed the first 2 weeks in this class. I look forward to the intriguing talks we have each session and the guest speakers.

I really enjoy all the guest speakers that come and spare their experience with us.

All over the place with assignment organization but in the end all comes together and understood. Confused on the book assignment

I've really enjoyed the first 2 weeks of class. I chose the class originally solely because I needed a D5. But I've found I've learned a ton about development already, and have found it very interesting!