

**COURSE SUMMARY**

**DEPARTMENT: PHYS**

**TERM: Fall 2018**

**RESPONSES: 27 OUT OF 46 - 58.7%**

**INSTRUCTOR: Schwartz, Peter**

**COURSE: PSC-391 70 Approp Tech World's Ppl: Develop**

**QUESTIONNAIRE: PHYS168ALL**

**QUESTION GROUP STATISTICS**

INDICATOR	AVERAGE	MEDIAN	S.DEV
Summary Evaluation Average (2.1 & 2.2)	4.31	4	0.61

**SUMMARY EVALUATION**

NUM	QUESTION	AVERAGE	MEDIAN	S.DEV	RESPONSES					
					N =	(5)	(4)	(3)	(2)	(1)
2.1)	Overall, this instructor was educationally effective.	4.3	4	0.72	27	11	14	1	1	0
2.2)	Overall, this course was educationally effective.	4.33	4	0.48	27	9	18	0	0	0

**COMMENTS**

1.1) Write any comments below that might help your instructor evaluate his/her teaching performance. What did you particularly like? What improvements could you suggest?

- I love Pete's willingness to hear all sides of a story. It is particularly beneficial in this course. My major improvements I would recommend would be for him to increase feedback and check-ins. If he could give slightly more instruction it would also be helpful.

- The class was very interesting and covered a lot of different development models and strategies for development. Overall, I enjoyed the readings and the information we covered, however I was definitely thrown off by the lack of class structure and sometimes the expectations were unclear. I would suggest thoroughly going over the expectations and syllabus on the very first class and also not hosting a speaker the first class too so its easier for students to get their bearings.

- Everything was great, except for the final. I like how everything taught in this class can be applied to the real world. Something that might have made the final better would have been if for every person/speaker the professor was referring to, maybe he could have a picture of the person with their name. Also, if we would have had a little more time that would have been awesome. Aside from that, great teacher, awesome class.

- I enjoyed the low guidance in the class it helped me work when I had the time to do it correctly instead of rushing through it like with other classes.

- Great class! I loved having so many speakers from such a diverse background. It could be a heavy reading load at times but the information was really interesting. I wish there was more structure to the projects but they were fun nonetheless.

- At first, I thought the lack of structure would lead me to not learn as much, but what I actually found was that the freedom allowed me to learn more. I retained more of the information, and I feel as if I learned things that aren't traditionally taught in a classroom like empathy and awareness. The only improvement I think could be made is more time in class to work on projects and maybe scheduling meetings every 2 or 3 weeks with groups to talk about the project. With my topic specifically, I feel a little overwhelmed because there is just so much.

- It was incredibly unstructured which was hard to get used to, emphasizing this in the course description would have been nice. If we had spent a week at the beginning of the class only going over the different development models and seeing examples of them I think we all would have had a better understanding of them and been able to identify other examples of these models more easily. I thoroughly enjoyed all the presenters (postpartum hemorrhaging was incredible), but it would have been constructive to have some class periods dedicating on working with our groups and having you available to ask questions

- Maybe give more "day of" critiques after each group presents each stage of their project

- I think the group project took up too much of the class time, and the lack of structured learning was detrimental to my experience.

- For the topics of this class, I thought that the design of the class fit well. I think the speakers were interesting, and that we learnt a lot about real life examples and see how the world is actually changing. We got to really see different types of development models and whether or not they were effective. Very lenient class structure was a positive yet also negative. Motivation to come was hard because of no participation points but when I did

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come I always left feeling like I had learnt something. Overall, I think that I learnt a lot about development and Pete is a wonderful guy with big dreams and real expectations. I think we all learnt a lot, the loose structure fit this class specifically.

- Dr. Schwartz is incredibly passionate about the topics of this class but structured the class very poorly. I honestly wish he gave weekly quizzes on the reading or something. He would assign it and do absolutely nothing to make sure you read it. The first time I put a pen to paper in this class was yesterday for the final exam.

- I liked and disliked the lack of structure in the class. I genuinely came out of the class with a new, vast knowledge about the world, which in part came from the lack of structure and open discussion in class. However, there were way too many lengthy readings, that a lot of the time were never discussed. It would be beneficial to focus the reading assignments and talk about them in class, also so that we know what to expect on the final. I really liked all of the guest speakers that were brought in as well.

- I learned a lot from the assigned reading and class discussions, but the schedule was not well organized and I did the wrong readings more than twice because Pete would change the website last minute. I think it would be better to have an empty schedule until the real readings are decided instead of having an out of date schedule until a random time at which when he chooses to update it.

I understand the need for a lack of organization as far as the projects, because each is different. However, I think it would be helpful to have guidelines of Pete's expectations as far as grading goes. Or to assign each group to lay out a set of expectations for themselves by the end of week two, and for Pete to give feedback on if their expectations are enough.

- Pete was such a unique teacher. I have never had a teacher so open and willing to share not only their successes, but also their failures. Pete was the perfect instructor for this course, he was happy to discuss and help us reach our own opinions about the beliefs presented in the material. Although the grading system and what was expected of us could have been made more clear. But all in all, this was a great course, thanks Pete!

- I like how the class had a lot of presentations about problems in the world. I really enjoyed this class. One thing improvement I would recommend will be more organized.

- I really liked the flexible structure of this course. And Pete really loves this subject which makes the classes not bored at all. Also, the class discussions are valuable to me. I did not expect I would learn that much about development through this class. Overall, this class is great

- I enjoyed this course and gained some valuable perspectives.

- The problem with the class wasn't the lack of structure, as you have tried to combat. The issue I had with the course was that the amount of reading/videos assigned made the preparatory activities feel optional, but the final exam really highlighted the fact that they were not optional. Interesting material and content though.

- Pete, I loved your class and even more, I loved the energy and attitude that you approached everyday with. I feel that the material that we cover are some of the most important issues that I have learned in college, actually opening me up to the world. I completely understand the lack of structure, in these areas, the most productive work will happen without supervision or prompts, however there were times that I felt we should have to do something graded, just to keep me honest with the work. I would often find myself reading selectively and hoping around only the articles I found interesting. All in all, I had a great quarter and I appreciate you.

- This class gave me the opportunity to hear from people of various opinions of what it means to "help" people. I appreciated having a teacher that implements the materials that are taught in this class to the level that Pete does. I wish that I would have been able to hear Pete lecture a little bit more, subbing out some of the guest speakers, but overall I was pleased with the opportunity to hear so many views. My views of the world were widened in this class.

- More clear expectations of what is going to be expected of us in the class.

- To emphasize the readings more, the links posted each week, because they are really interesting and relatable text to today.

- I enjoyed how the class was very open ended. Pete really wanted to encourage learning and personal growth.