

**Instructor: What are your general comments about the instructor(s) in this course?**

Excellent. Always answered e-mail quickly. Encouraged participation, even from distance students. Very engaging. Very knowledgeable and enjoyed teaching this subject matter.

I enjoyed Dr. Lynne's enthusiasm for the topic. He has deep and broad knowledge of the topic. I appreciated his willingness to consider the viewpoints of students from different disciplines in the class.

I'm sure Dr. Lynne knows his stuff very well, but the course material was just poor. There also seemed to be a little too much pointing out things the instructor had done, such as papers written or "concepts" devised. I've never really thought much of professors that use their own textbooks as most of the time it's just patting themselves on the back for the entire course, and this was just shy of that.

*Response: Hmm... intriguing comment, in that it has always been my philosophy that the goal was to bring the latest understanding in science into a course, including one's own. Also, in terms of bringing one's own science into the course, this gives the students the context for what is being presented, how it is being framed, organized. We were a long ways from using "the instructors textbook" ...using only bits and pieces from my own research program, introduced at key times. Also, the idea here is to test the theory/the ideas in the classroom realm as well. So, this part of the course is essential.*

The instructor is extremely intelligent and passionate about his field of study. I enjoyed his teaching method and gained a great deal from his class.

He knows this materiel very well. He could have been more stringent in grading or requiring more work/effort from students. The materiel is so broad, the synthesis is difficult.

He was a good instructor, was enthused about the issues.

Very knowledgeable about all aspects of the course.

This course was great from a distance learning standpoint. I felt the instructors made every effort to give distance learners every option to participate. Although I was unable to listen to live lectures, the podcasts and powerpoints were very helpful. Additionally the instructor's enthusiasm, expert knowledge, and real life examples made this more of an experience than simple a course.

Very knowledgable and seemed to dedicate an awful lot of time to the course.

Instructor is very knowledgeable and seems to be very enthused about conveying the concepts and lectures. His comments on exams and homework material are very helpful. However, things can get extremely boring when he would kept on lecturing for long hours without much time allocated for discussion. I felt that he's trying to finish the lectures or meet the deadline to finish up certain amount of lectures and thus leaving us little time to really digest and discuss. In

general, professor leaves a lot of work to be done outside of class -discussion, exams, etc. Even during exam period, he'd cover new material and hard for us to keep up. He uses up the whole lecture time trying to be able to finish the material and at times even flipping through the slides. 6 chapters in one week seems a bit too demanding in my opinion.

I think Dr. Lynne has a real passion for the information. I think that sometimes his amazing amount of knowledge may hinder the learning process for the students. Though I'm not sure if other students will explain this or not, in discussion, I have heard comments that there was too much material and it was gone through so quickly that there was not enough time for the processing and learning of the information. However, it was difficult to pause the course, because Dr. Lynne did have so much interesting information to provide. I think a slower pace and more group interaction outside of technological would be very useful.

Professor Lynne seems very knowledgeable about the subject matter. Although I am grateful for the chance to take the class, I wish I could have taken in person.

Competent.

The instructor knows this material VERY well and is very knowledgeable on current events. He provided excellent resources needed for personal learning. At times I felt he knew the material TOO well and covered things TOO quickly but this encourage self-reliant learning and exploration of the issues. The course was PACKED with information and resources. I felt the timeline would benefit from being expanded by a week or two.

He is a well-prepared scholar in this field. I think he forgets that not everyone is an economist with a strong mathematics background.

*Response, on math: We used very little mathematics in this course. Yet, we are faced with interpreting journal papers, drawing ideas, from the field of economics, which in many cases is entirely presented in mathematical language. We work hard in this class to being sensitive to the wide range in mathematical (another language) skills.*