Fall 2020 – CHEM 5440 – Bioorganic Chemistry

In the Fall 2020 semester, I taught a graduate-level class on bioorganic chemistry. Two evaluation reports were generated:

Report [#]1: Instructor Evaluation

Report [#]2: Course Evaluation

These reports appear redundant, and the rationale for the generation of two similar reports has never been explained to faculty. I am including both files for the sake of completeness and transparency, even though the redundancy might be confusing.

The worldwide COVID-19 pandemic had a significant impact on this course. The course was taught at night, in person, with a simulcast available on Zoom. Students could choose how to attend class every week. Quizzes and midterm exams could be taken in person or remotely. The final exam was administered predominantly remotely, as students were dismissed from campus following Thanksgiving Break to minimize the impact of travel on spread of the virus. Office hours were conducted exclusively as Zoom teleconferences.

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Instructor Evaluation Report for Paul Bracher - Fall 2020

Project Title: **Fall 2020 Course Evaluations**

Instructor Audience: **12**
Responses Received: **5**
Response Rate: **41.67%**

Creation Date: **Sunday, December 27, 2020**

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I took this course (check all that apply)...

Name	to meet a requirement of an undergraduate academic major or minor	to meet a requirement of a graduate/professional program or minor	to meet an undergraduate core/general education requirement	as an elective (not part of any major/minor/program or core/general education requirement)	Other (please explain)
FL2020 CHEM-5440-01-Bioorganic Chemistry	0	3	0	2	0

Questions about the Student

I believe my academic background was sufficient to succeed in this course.

Course Name	Strongly Agree	Agree	Disagree	Strongly Disagree	Mean	Median	Total Responses
Overall	4	1	0	0	3.80	4.00	5
FL2020 CHEM-5440-01-Bioorganic Chemistry	4	1	0	0	3.80	4.00	5

The subject matter of this course was of interest to me before the course began.

Course Name	Strongly Agree	Agree	Disagree	Strongly Disagree	Mean	Median	Total Responses
Overall	5	0	0	0	4.00	4.00	5
FL2020 CHEM-5440-01-Bioorganic Chemistry	5	0	0	0	4.00	4.00	5

Questions about the Student

I came to each class session prepared.

Course Name	Always	Often	Sometimes	Never	Mean	Median	Total Responses
Overall	1	4	0	0	3.20	3.00	5
FL2020 CHEM-5440-01-Bioorganic Chemistry	1	4	0	0	3.20	3.00	5

I invested enough time and energy to meet the course requirements.

Course Name	Always	Often	Sometimes	Never	Mean	Median	Total Responses
Overall	4	1	0	0	3.80	4.00	5
FL2020 CHEM-5440-01-Bioorganic Chemistry	4	1	0	0	3.80	4.00	5

I asked the instructor for help when I needed it.

Course Name	Always	Often	Sometimes	Never	Mean	Median	Total Responses
Overall	4	1	0	0	3.80	4.00	5
FL2020 CHEM-5440-01-Bioorganic Chemistry	4	1	0	0	3.80	4.00	5

Questions about the Course

Expected learning outcomes for the course were clearly communicated.

Course Name	Strongly Agree	Agree	Disagree	Strongly Disagree	N/A	Mean	Median	Total Responses
Overall	5	0	0	0	0	4.00	4.00	5
FL2020 CHEM-5440-01-Bioorganic Chemistry	5	0	0	0	0	4.00	4.00	5

The required textbook(s)/readings supported my learning in the course.

Course Name	Strongly Agree	Agree	Disagree	Strongly Disagree	N/A	Mean	Median	Total Responses
Overall	4	1	0	0	0	3.80	4.00	5
FL2020 CHEM-5440-01-Bioorganic Chemistry	4	1	0	0	0	3.80	4.00	5

Class discussions/activities supported my learning in the course.

Course Name	Strongly Agree	Agree	Disagree	Strongly Disagree	N/A	Mean	Median	Total Responses
Overall	5	0	0	0	0	4.00	4.00	5
FL2020 CHEM-5440-01-Bioorganic Chemistry	5	0	0	0	0	4.00	4.00	5

Assignments/homework supported my learning in the course.

Course Name	Strongly Agree	Agree	Disagree	Strongly Disagree	N/A	Mean	Median	Total Responses
Overall	5	0	0	0	0	4.00	4.00	5
FL2020 CHEM-5440-01-Bioorganic Chemistry	5	0	0	0	0	4.00	4.00	5

Exams/quizzes supported my learning in the course.

Course Name	Strongly Agree	Agree	Disagree	Strongly Disagree	N/A	Mean	Median	Total Responses
Overall	5	0	0	0	0	4.00	4.00	5
FL2020 CHEM-5440-01-Bioorganic Chemistry	5	0	0	0	0	4.00	4.00	5

The multimedia resources supported my learning in the course.

Course Name	Strongly Agree	Agree	Disagree	Strongly Disagree	N/A	Mean	Median	Total Responses
Overall	5	0	0	0	0	4.00	4.00	5
FL2020 CHEM-5440-01-Bioorganic Chemistry	5	0	0	0	0	4.00	4.00	5

The course was taught at a pace that supported my learning.

Course Name	Strongly Agree	Agree	Disagree	Strongly Disagree	N/A	Mean	Median	Total Responses
Overall	5	0	0	0	0	4.00	4.00	5
FL2020 CHEM-5440-01-Bioorganic Chemistry	5	0	0	0	0	4.00	4.00	5

The course required me to apply what I learned in new ways.

Course Name	Strongly Agree	Agree	Disagree	Strongly Disagree	N/A	Mean	Median	Total Responses
Overall	5	0	0	0	0	4.00	4.00	5
FL2020 CHEM-5440-01-Bioorganic Chemistry	5	0	0	0	0	4.00	4.00	5

The course challenged me intellectually.

Course Name	Strongly Agree	Agree	Disagree	Strongly Disagree	N/A	Mean	Median	Total Responses
Overall	5	0	0	0	0	4.00	4.00	5
FL2020 CHEM-5440-01-Bioorganic Chemistry	5	0	0	0	0	4.00	4.00	5

Questions about the Instructor Paul Bracher

The instructor communicated ideas and information clearly.							
Course Name	Always	Often	Sometimes	Never	Mean	Median	Total Responses
Overall	5	0	0	0	4.00	4.00	5
FL2020 CHEM-5440-01-Bioorganic Chemistry	5	0	0	0	4.00	4.00	5

The instructor demonstrated enthusiasm for the subject matter.							
Course Name	Always	Often	Sometimes	Never	Mean	Median	Total Responses
Overall	5	0	0	0	4.00	4.00	5
FL2020 CHEM-5440-01-Bioorganic Chemistry	5	0	0	0	4.00	4.00	5

The instructor provided feedback/critique that helped me with subsequent work in the course.							
Course Name	Always	Often	Sometimes	Never	Mean	Median	Total Responses
Overall	5	0	0	0	4.00	4.00	5
FL2020 CHEM-5440-01-Bioorganic Chemistry	5	0	0	0	4.00	4.00	5

The instructor treated students with respect.							
Course Name	Always	Often	Sometimes	Never	Mean	Median	Total Responses
Overall	5	0	0	0	4.00	4.00	5
FL2020 CHEM-5440-01-Bioorganic Chemistry	5	0	0	0	4.00	4.00	5

The instructor was available for assistance when needed.							
Course Name	Always	Often	Sometimes	Never	Mean	Median	Total Responses
Overall	5	0	0	0	4.00	4.00	5
FL2020 CHEM-5440-01-Bioorganic Chemistry	5	0	0	0	4.00	4.00	5

Please offer any additional comments and/or suggestions you wish to share about the instructor Paul Bracher:

The system does not allow an instructor to connect ANY quantitative responses with an individual student. Unless a student identifies him or herself in the written comments, qualitative responses are similarly assured of confidentiality.

Comments
FL2020 CHEM-5440-01-Bioorganic Chemistry - Paul Bracher: Honestly, Dr. Bracher is an awesome professor. He's the best. Gives every necessary materials and carries the whole class along with the knowledge.
FL2020 CHEM-5440-01-Bioorganic Chemistry - Paul Bracher: An exceptional Lecturer and did his best to help students every time.
FL2020 CHEM-5440-01-Bioorganic Chemistry - Paul Bracher: Dr. Bracher was amazing. He made the class fun and is incredibly knowledgeable about the topic.

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Course Evaluation Report for FL2020 CHEM-5440-01-Bioorganic Chemistry (Paul Bracher) - Fall 2020

Project Title: **Fall 2020 Course Evaluations**

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Interpretation Guidelines

IMPORTANT: Department and college/school comparison data is not final until all course evaluations for the term have been submitted. Please re-run your course reports once the term is over to see final department and college/school data.

I took this course (check all that apply)...

Options	Count
to meet a requirement of an undergraduate academic major or minor	0
to meet a requirement of a graduate/professional program or minor	3
to meet an undergraduate core/general education requirement	0
as an elective (not part of any major/minor/program or core/general education requirement)	2
Please explain	0

Questions about the Student

1. I believe my academic background was sufficient to succeed in this course.				2. The subject matter of this course was of interest to me before the course began.			
Options	Score	Count	Percentage	Options	Score	Count	Percentage
Strongly agree	4	4	80.00%	Strongly agree	4	5	100.00%
Agree	3	1	20.00%	Agree	3	0	0.00%
Disagree	2	0	0.00%	Disagree	2	0	0.00%
Strongly Disagree	1	0	0.00%	Strongly Disagree	1	0	0.00%

I believe my academic background was sufficient to succeed in this course.
Comment
[No Response]

The subject matter of this course was of interest to me before the course began.
Comment
[No Response]

Questions about the Student

Question	Your Score			Department (Chemistry)			College (College of Arts & Sciences)		
	Response Count	Mean	Median	Response Count	Mean	Median	Response Count	Mean	Median
I believe my academic background was sufficient to succeed in this course.	5	3.80	4.00	1559	3.40	4.00	11960	3.55	4.00
The subject matter of this course was of interest to me before the course began.	5	4.00	4.00	1559	3.22	3.00	11960	3.31	4.00

Questions about the Student

1. I came to each class session prepared.			
Options	Score	Count	Percentage
Always	4	1	20.00%
Often	3	4	80.00%
Sometimes	2	0	0.00%
Never	1	0	0.00%

2. I invested enough time and energy to meet the course requirements.			
Options	Score	Count	Percentage
Always	4	4	80.00%
Often	3	1	20.00%
Sometimes	2	0	0.00%
Never	1	0	0.00%

3. I asked the instructor for help when I needed it.			
Options	Score	Count	Percentage
Always	4	4	80.00%
Often	3	1	20.00%
Sometimes	2	0	0.00%
Never	1	0	0.00%

I came to each class session prepared.
Comment
[No Response]

I invested enough time and energy to meet the course requirements.
Comment
[No Response]

I asked the instructor for help when I needed it.
Comment
[No Response]

Questions about the Student

Question	Your Score			Department (Chemistry)			College (College of Arts & Sciences)		
	Response Count	Mean	Median	Response Count	Mean	Median	Response Count	Mean	Median
I came to each class session prepared.	5	3.20	3.00	1559	3.62	4.00	11960	3.54	4.00
I invested enough time and energy to meet the course requirements.	5	3.80	4.00	1559	3.68	4.00	11960	3.64	4.00
I asked the instructor for help when I needed it.	5	3.80	4.00	1559	3.31	4.00	11960	3.42	4.00

Questions about the Course

1. Expected learning outcomes for the course were clearly communicated.			
Options	Score	Count	Percentage
Strongly Agree	4	5	100.00%
Agree	3	0	0.00%
Disagree	2	0	0.00%
Strongly Disagree	1	0	0.00%
Not Applicable	NRP	0	0.00%

2. The required textbook(s)/readings supported my learning in the course.			
Options	Score	Count	Percentage
Strongly Agree	4	4	80.00%
Agree	3	1	20.00%
Disagree	2	0	0.00%
Strongly Disagree	1	0	0.00%
Not Applicable	NRP	0	0.00%

3. Class discussions/activities supported my learning in the course.			
Options	Score	Count	Percentage
Strongly Agree	4	5	100.00%
Agree	3	0	0.00%
Disagree	2	0	0.00%
Strongly Disagree	1	0	0.00%
Not Applicable	NRP	0	0.00%

4. Assignments/homework supported my learning in the course.			
Options	Score	Count	Percentage
Strongly Agree	4	5	100.00%
Agree	3	0	0.00%
Disagree	2	0	0.00%
Strongly Disagree	1	0	0.00%
Not Applicable	NRP	0	0.00%

5. Exams/quizzes supported my learning in the course.			
Options	Score	Count	Percentage
Strongly Agree	4	5	100.00%
Agree	3	0	0.00%
Disagree	2	0	0.00%
Strongly Disagree	1	0	0.00%
Not Applicable	NRP	0	0.00%

6. The multimedia resources supported my learning in the course.			
Options	Score	Count	Percentage
Strongly Agree	4	5	100.00%
Agree	3	0	0.00%
Disagree	2	0	0.00%
Strongly Disagree	1	0	0.00%
Not Applicable	NRP	0	0.00%

7. The course was taught at a pace that supported my learning.			
Options	Score	Count	Percentage
Strongly Agree	4	5	100.00%
Agree	3	0	0.00%
Disagree	2	0	0.00%
Strongly Disagree	1	0	0.00%
Not Applicable	NRP	0	0.00%

8. The course required me to apply what I learned in new ways.			
Options	Score	Count	Percentage
Strongly Agree	4	5	100.00%
Agree	3	0	0.00%
Disagree	2	0	0.00%
Strongly Disagree	1	0	0.00%
Not Applicable	NRP	0	0.00%

Questions about the Course (continued)

9. The course challenged me intellectually.			
Options	Score	Count	Percentage
Strongly Agree	4	5	100.00%
Agree	3	0	0.00%
Disagree	2	0	0.00%
Strongly Disagree	1	0	0.00%
Not Applicable	NRP	0	0.00%

Questions about the Course

Question	Your Score			Department (Chemistry)			College (College of Arts & Sciences)		
	Response Count	Mean	Median	Response Count	Mean	Median	Response Count	Mean	Median
Expected learning outcomes for the course were clearly communicated.	5	4.00	4.00	1554	3.65	4.00	11926	3.62	4.00
The required textbook(s)/readings supported my learning in the course.	5	3.80	4.00	1401	3.42	4.00	11088	3.48	4.00
Class discussions/activities supported my learning in the course.	5	4.00	4.00	1489	3.56	4.00	11553	3.55	4.00
Assignments/homework supported my learning in the course.	5	4.00	4.00	1502	3.52	4.00	11607	3.55	4.00
Exams/quizzes supported my learning in the course.	5	4.00	4.00	1412	3.47	4.00	10249	3.52	4.00
The multimedia resources supported my learning in the course.	5	4.00	4.00	1394	3.57	4.00	10859	3.57	4.00
The course was taught at a pace that supported my learning.	5	4.00	4.00	1550	3.41	4.00	11876	3.52	4.00
The course required me to apply what I learned in new ways.	5	4.00	4.00	1552	3.58	4.00	11871	3.58	4.00
The course challenged me intellectually.	5	4.00	4.00	1555	3.71	4.00	11895	3.58	4.00

Questions about the Instructor Paul Bracher

1. The instructor communicated ideas and information clearly.

Options	Score	Count	Percentage
Always	4	5	100.00%
Often	3	0	0.00%
Sometimes	2	0	0.00%
Never	1	0	0.00%

2. The instructor demonstrated enthusiasm for the subject matter.

Options	Score	Count	Percentage
Always	4	5	100.00%
Often	3	0	0.00%
Sometimes	2	0	0.00%
Never	1	0	0.00%

3. The instructor provided feedback/critique that helped me with subsequent work in the course.

Options	Score	Count	Percentage
Always	4	5	100.00%
Often	3	0	0.00%
Sometimes	2	0	0.00%
Never	1	0	0.00%

4. The instructor treated students with respect.

Options	Score	Count	Percentage
Always	4	5	100.00%
Often	3	0	0.00%
Sometimes	2	0	0.00%
Never	1	0	0.00%

5. The instructor was available for assistance when needed.

Options	Score	Count	Percentage
Always	4	5	100.00%
Often	3	0	0.00%
Sometimes	2	0	0.00%
Never	1	0	0.00%

Questions about the Instructor Paul Bracher

Question	Your Score			Department (Chemistry)			College (College of Arts & Sciences)		
	Response Count	Mean	Median	Response Count	Mean	Median	Response Count	Mean	Median
The instructor communicated ideas and information clearly.	5	4.00	4.00	2768	3.56	4.00	15316	3.58	4.00
The instructor demonstrated enthusiasm for the subject matter.	5	4.00	4.00	2768	3.61	4.00	15316	3.71	4.00
The instructor provided feedback/critique that helped me with subsequent work in the course.	5	4.00	4.00	2768	3.42	4.00	15316	3.51	4.00
The instructor treated students with respect.	5	4.00	4.00	2768	3.69	4.00	15316	3.78	4.00
The instructor was available for assistance when needed.	5	4.00	4.00	2768	3.59	4.00	15316	3.67	4.00

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An exceptional Lecturer and did his best to help students every time.