

Comments Report for Fall 2011, COMM 3640 Writing for New Media Section 1

Instructor: GEHL, ROBERT (Primary)

Instructor	Student disposition	Text Responses
		Question: List two things about the course content, materials or design that were effective for your learning, or make constructive suggestions for improvement.
GEHL	V. satisfied	Do more blog assignments, it didn't really start coming together for me until we started working on the blog. And maybe cover what good writing is, just a little more. Overall good course though.
GEHL	V. satisfied	I wish there would have been more feedback on our writing, we got one or two comments in our webct box, but nothing that really helped me improve as a writer.
GEHL	V. satisfied	I enjoyed that our topics were current and the knowledge that an outdated textbook could not provide us with the recent information we needed. It would have been nice to get feedback from the group writing assignments or at least get some credit for it.
GEHL	V. satisfied	Dr. Gehl knows his stuff. Comes prepared. Fairly grades but is doesn't allow for crap work. Good instructor.
GEHL	V. satisfied	Very good course content and assignments. Appreciated the use of academic materials and online content instead of textbooks.
GEHL	V. satisfied	Assignments reflected what we had covered in the course. Some of the reading material was extremely deep, I would have liked a little more that reflected current events.
GEHL	V. satisfied	-It was helpful to have a lot of material on WebCT. -I liked working in groups for the writing assignments.
GEHL	V. satisfied	All the readings were advanced, informative and thought provoking. Gehl also incorporated some great tutorials that were hands on and helpful.
GEHL	V. satisfied	Group discussions were very helpful, but group writing assignments did not work well in my opinion. It is one thing to bring many heads together to form ideas, but there still needs to be just one person writing them in an organized way.
GEHL		There was a lot of group paper work time and not enough of building skills then after we had time to write looking at how we used those skills and could have used them better I felt like a lot of the readings were effective but there weren't a lot of opportunities to use those skills and get feedback on progress
GEHL	V. satisfied	in class discussions and assignments
GEHL	V. satisfied	I have never had a class that has had so many classes canceled throughout the semester; it limits a LOT of the learning when we have that many classes dismissed. As for the content, the things that we did learn were definitely relevant to our day in age.
		Question: List two things about this instructor that were effective for your learning, or make constructive suggestions for improvement.
GEHL	V. satisfied	When class is that early, don't mark down for tardiness. But, other than that, all professors should learn from you, I really appreciated the way you went about teaching. Relaxed, understanding, and forgiving. A mentor not a dictator.
GEHL	V. satisfied	I think his concepts were good, some of the assignments, especially the social media assignment needs some tweaking. I would have preferred to interact more with the entire class on the project and tweeted to each other instead of made up characters.
GEHL	V. satisfied	Rob is very knowledgeable and a talented writer. I lack the ability to come up with new, unique, fresh ideas. It was challenging for me to meet that expectation.
GEHL	V. satisfied	Dr. Gehl promoted an environment of participation. Was on time and prepared to each class. No issues
GEHL	V. satisfied	Rob is an amazing professor!! He is very hands on which is very helpful! I couldn't ask for a better professor! He is always trying to help us students become better students and he is helpful!

GEHL	V. satisfied	Was very helpful. Insisted on being a coach rather than a grading machine. Seemed to care a lot that we learned something by requiring us to go hands on with our projects.
GEHL	V. satisfied	-He opened up for class discussion and allowed a lot of dialogue. -He was easy to communicate with and emailed me back anytime I had a question.
GEHL	V. satisfied	Robert was an extremely interesting and knowledgeable professor. I appreciated his readiness to answer any question and help in any way he could.
GEHL	V. satisfied	Gehl was knowledgeable about blogging platforms and website building. This was great for people trying to publish content online. He a high functioning, intelligent teacher.
GEHL	V. satisfied	Rob was very knowledgeable and helpful
GEHL		There were a lot of canceled classes Durring group writing time it would have been nice if the instructor would come around and give suggestions to become better writers. Instead our papers we wrote were trashed or if they were read we never go feedback on wether we were progressing or not.
GEHL	V. satisfied	easy to talk to and able to email him with questions
GEHL	V. satisfied	Appreciated that all of our readings were online, although I felt a lot of the readings were a little irrelevant and too lengthy. Appreciated that I was always able to get ahold of the instructor.