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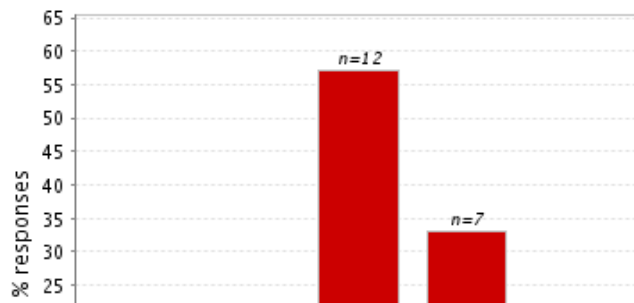
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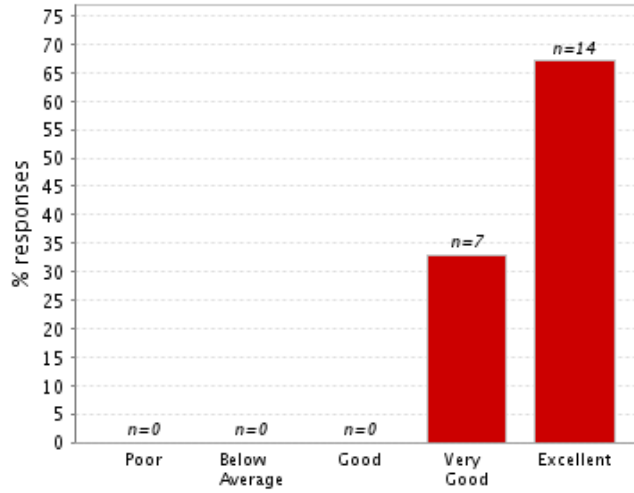
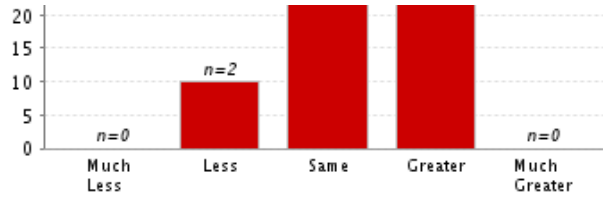
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Total number of students:	23	
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Number of non-respondents:	1	4%

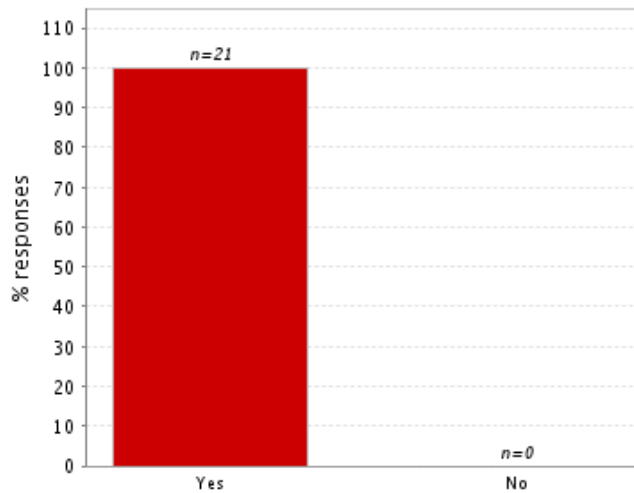
Overall, how would you rate the workload of this course in comparison to other Yale courses you have taken?



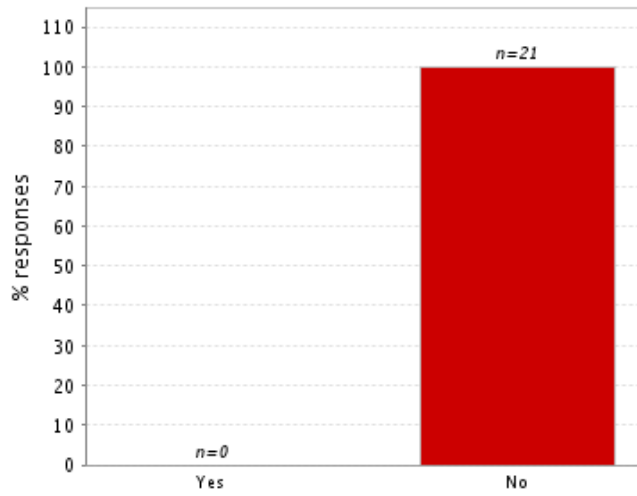
What is your overall assessment of this course?



Do you expect to use this class for credit toward your major, or toward a pre-professional program?



Do you expect to use this class for credit toward the Yale College distribution requirements?



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Looking back on Latin American Studies 410 01 / Global Affairs 316 01 / Ethics, Politics, & Economics 228 01 / Economics 462 01, what is your overall assessment of the course? What are its strengths and weaknesses, and in what ways might it be improved?

**Response 1**

Read a lot of econ papers and learn how to interpret methods and results. In addition you'll learn a lot about Latin American countries and their social programs. Professor McKee is by far the biggest strength of the class. Great professor. Sitting through presentations can be tedious at times if you know you can coast through the class.

**Response 2**

Great course, could not recommend it more!! Very heavy on econometrics, but you learn a ton. You will leave the class feeling you actually learned something useful, and understanding why econometrics and rigorous political science can actually inform concrete public policy.

**Response 3**

This was a great course for learning about economic research methods and gaining an understanding of econ papers. It really trains you well to think in an economic mindset when addressing research questions and provides powerful tools for analysis. Only wish there could have been more sessions of the class.

**Response 4**

Interesting course that touches on a lot of the big issues facing international development. Learn a lot about economics and academic papers.

**Response 5**

I really enjoyed the course as it covered a lot of material that I was interested in. The readings were informative and pretty dense, but not unmanageable. The weekly worksheets were really useful in that regard. I also found the whole process of working on a research proposal from start to finish extremely rewarding and even enjoyable.

**Response 6**

This was a great class. The biggest strength is Professor McKee, who has chosen great readings and good course structure.

**Response 7**

One of the best classes given at Yale and enormously helpful to all econ or social studies major looking to write a senior paper next year. Teaches research methods and basically by the end of the term, you will have all the econometrics tools you need to design, write, and implement a research study analyzing a hypothesis. The topics we go over in the class are very interesting also and you'll learn all about the policy experimentation of Latin America countries.

**Response 8**

This seminar was very well taught and provided helpful skills / methods of analysis in economics. We analyzed 2 academic papers and discussed their empirical approach, economic model and evaluated their methodology. Definitely a helpful course for economic majors.

**Response 9**

Econ 462 was a great course! It's blend of developmental economics and econometrics offers something for everyone - whether they're interested in the qualitative side of economics or the quantitative side. The class format (presentations followed by class discussion) was effective and encouraged me to engage in the material. The readings were doable, albeit very technical. They provided many opportunities to learn and master understanding empirical economic papers.

**Response 10**

This was a great course not necessarily because of the material, but because of the professor and his teaching methods.

**Response 11**

The course is great! Perfect for those interested in developmental economics. The assignments are also a great introduction to writing a thesis.

**Response 12**

Best Econ class I've ever taken at Yale. Challenging, but undeniably interesting. You'll get as much as you decide to put into the course; in the end, extremely rewarding.

**Response 13**

Great class. Doug is an awesome professor.

**Response 14**

great course! it will really helpful understand economic papers, and then be able to write your own! i wish the student

presentations could somehow be shorter, so that we had more time to have class discussions or group activities.. those were very enjoyable and they really got you thinking about what we were discussing in class and applying it to other situations

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**Question 2**

Please evaluate each instructor of Latin American Studies 410 01 / Global Affairs 316 01 / Ethics, Politics, & Economics 228 01 / Economics 462 01. What are the instructor's strengths and weaknesses, and in what ways might his/her teaching be improved?

**Response 1**

Douglas McKee

Professor McKee is one of the most approachable, dedicated, and helpful teachers. Never makes students feel dumb for asking questions and is always ready to provide help. He is funny and always facilitates a great discussions. Always wished class was longer when he started discussions.

**Response 2**

Douglas McKee

Amazing professor, one of the best I've had at Yale. He clearly is genuinely concerned with teaching, and does it very well. A pleasure to be taught by him.

**Response 3**

Douglas McKee

Professor McKee is awesome. He genuinely cares a lot about his students and the material and it shows. He goes out of his way to make himself available outside of class and really works with all the students to design their research proposals and presentations.

**Response 4**

Douglas McKee

Great! Cares a lot about his students and is very accessible

**Response 5**

Douglas McKee

Great Professor.

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**Response 6**

Douglas McKee

McKee was absolutely fantastic. Such a dedicated and fabulous teacher. I learned SO much, much more than I've learned in ANY econ class at Yale. Keep him around forever!

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**Response 7**

Douglas McKee

Professor McKee is one of the best professors I have had at Yale. He's really great at explaining the material and, what's more, he's a really nice guy too. I had no qualms approaching him with questions or for guidance at any point.

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**Response 8**

Douglas McKee

He is extremely engaging. He did a wonderful job of helping us understand the difficult parts of some of the papers he assigned and really gave me some good insight into a region of interest to me.

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**Response 9**

Douglas McKee

Prof. McKee is one of the best economics professors I had at Yale. He always made time for meetings outside of class, responded very quickly to emailed questions and made a real effort to keep the whole classroom engaged. His teaching approach is good, and I feel like I gained a overall better understanding of economics from his class.

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**Response 10**

Douglas McKee

Professor McKee was one of the best professors I've had at Yale. He continually went out of his way to ensure that his students understood the material. He did this by holding many extra office hours, continually reviewing student work, and providing direction and advice on student papers. It was clearly evident that professor McKee cared about each individual's papers/presentations. The way he structured the paper in the class (research proposal & literature review & empirical methods/final product) allowed him to give feedback on multiple occasions. If you were willing to put in extra work, he was willing to match it by giving additional feedback and advice.

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**Response 11**

Douglas McKee

Doug is hands down the best professor I've had at Yale. He truly cares about his students and their development, which is something that can't be said about a great majority of Yale professors.

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**Response 12**

Douglas McKee

Great! He is extremely approachable and available.

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**Response 13**

Douglas McKee

Doug is a BOSS. Need I say more?

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**Response 14**

Douglas McKee

Prof McKee is one of the best professors I have had!

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**Response 15**

Douglas McKee

Doug is awesome! He makes the class interesting and a joy to attend.

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**Response 16**

Douglas McKee

cares so much about his students.. always willing to help you and meet with you.. always trying to find ways to improve his class.. great professor!



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**Question 4**

How would you summarize Latin American Studies 410 01 / Global Affairs 316 01 / Ethics, Politics, & Economics 228 01 / Economics 462 01 for a fellow student? Would you recommend Latin American Studies 410 01 / Global Affairs 316 01 / Ethics, Politics, & Economics 228 01 / Economics 462 01 to another student? Why or why not?

**Response 1**

Read a lot of econ papers and learn how to interpret methods and results. In addition you'll learn a lot about Latin American countries and their social programs. Professor McKee is by far the biggest strength of the class. Great professor. Sitting through presentations can be tedious at times if you know you can coast through the class. recommend it if you are interested in applying stats or econometrics, if you're interested in development in latin america, or if you're interested in having a great professor

**Response 2**

Definitely would recommend it - the material is fascinating, McKee is energetic and passionate, and it is great training in reading/writing economics papers

**Response 3**

If you have a chance to take this class as an econ major, YOU ABSOLUTELY MUST. It was a fantastic class with a fantastic professor. I didn't know how to read an econ paper going into it and came out with a really strong grasp of how to do that. Learned more in one semester than I did in the rest of my time as an econ major at Yale. Really wish I had taken it as a junior because this class is a great starting point for a senior econ essay. JUNIOR - TAKE THIS CLASS.

**Response 4**

I would definitely recommend this course for anyone who wants to get a better idea of what it's like to read and compose economics research papers. The material can sometimes be a little challenging, but that only adds to the awesomeness of the class.

**Response 5**

This is a great class. Professor McKee does a wonderful job and if you are interested in Latin America at all, then you will enjoy it.

**Response 6**

One of the best classes given at Yale and enormously helpful to all econ or social studies major looking to write a senior paper

next year. Teaches research methods and basically by the end of the term, you will have all the econometrics tools you need to design, write, and implement a research study analyzing a hypothesis. The topics we go over in the class are very interesting also and you'll learn all about the policy experimentation of Latin America countries. Definitely take this class if you're a junior and also worth it if you're a senior. Fun class, not too much work, and totally worth the effort you put into it.

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**Response 7**

This class gives you an overview of economic challenges in Latin America and simultaneously equips students with the necessary tools& understanding to really comprehend what the academic field of economics is all about. It's a course that ties all the loose ends together -- I highly recommend it to all economics majors, even if your primary interest is not in the region of Latin America.

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**Response 8**

Definitely take this class. Professor McKee is awesome and you'll learn about some interesting developmental economic issues in addition to understanding how to read/write an empirical economic paper.

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**Response 9**

I would definitely recommend this class to another student. Without having taken any of Doug's other classes, I would recommend those to you too because he is that good of a professor. This specific course covers all of the important aspects of human capital using case studies from Latin America. DO TAKE!

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**Response 10**

Human capital in Latin America: education, nutrition, immigration...and much more

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**Response 11**

This is an amazing class. try your hardest to take it as a junior so you can have the tools to decide whether to write a senior thesis and make it a great one!

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**Response 12**

I would recommend this class!

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**Response 13**

definitely! if you're interested in in Latin America or even just economic development this is a great class! it will really help you with your other courses.. might be even more useful to take it junior year

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