

Spring 2010 SLN: 24834 Course ID: STS 330 Course Name: Info Tech and Globalization

Instructor: Foster,William Abbott N Responses: 36

Are you taking this course as a required course or an elective course? Required 10 (27.8) Elective 25 (69.4) No Response 1 (2.8)

Is this course within your major? Yes 18 (50) No 18 (50) No Response 0 (0)

How many online courses have you taken at ASU, including this one? None 0 1-2 0 3-5 10 6-10 18 11-20 4 21-30 4 >30 0 No Response 0

How would you rate ...	Very Poor	Poor	Average	Good	Very Good	Good + Very Good	No Response
The course as a whole?	1 (2.8)	0 (0)	3 (8.3)	12 (33.3)	20 (55.6)	32 (88.9)	0 (0)
Course content?	0 (0)	0 (0)	3 (8.3)	13 (36.1)	20 (55.6)	33 (91.7)	0 (0)
The overall effectiveness of the instructor?	1 (2.8)	0 (0)	1 (2.8)	9 (25)	24 (66.7)	33 (91.7)	1 (2.8)
The clarity of course expectations?	1 (2.8)	0 (0)	0 (0)	12 (33.3)	23 (63.9)	35 (97.2)	0 (0)
The extent to which teaching methods stimulated your interests?	1 (2.8)	0 (0)	4 (11.1)	11 (30.6)	20 (55.6)	31 (86.2)	0 (0)
Degree to which the instructor encouraged you to interact with other students?	0 (0)	0 (0)	5 (13.9)	4 (11.1)	27 (75)	31 (86.1)	0 (0)
Accessibility of the instructor?	1 (2.8)	0 (0)	1 (2.8)	7 (19.4)	26 (72.2)	33 (91.6)	1 (2.8)
Timeliness of instructor response to questions, assignments and tests?	1 (2.8)	0 (0)	0 (0)	8 (22.2)	26 (72.2)	34 (94.4)	1 (2.8)
Instructor's ability to explain the material?	1 (2.8)	0 (0)	0 (0)	13 (36.1)	22 (61.1)	35 (97.2)	0 (0)
Helpfulness of instructor feedback?	1 (2.8)	0 (0)	2 (5.6)	11 (30.6)	22 (61.1)	33 (91.7)	0 (0)
Fairness of the grading process?	1 (2.8)	0 (0)	0 (0)	11 (30.6)	24 (66.7)	35 (97.3)	0 (0)
Relevance of required readings?	0 (0)	1 (2.8)	1 (2.8)	11 (30.6)	20 (55.6)	31 (86.2)	3 (8.3)
Relevance of activities and assignments?	0 (0)	0 (0)	4 (11.1)	9 (25)	22 (61.1)	31 (86.1)	1 (2.8)
The degree to which communication components of the course (chat, discussion board, e-mail, announcements, etc.) added to the interaction between students and instructor?	0 (0)	0 (0)	2 (5.6)	9 (25)	25 (69.4)	34 (94.4)	0 (0)
The ease of course navigation?	1 (2.8)	0 (0)	0 (0)	14 (38.9)	21 (58.3)	35 (97.2)	0 (0)
The quality of your experience with the technical interface?	2 (5.6)	0 (0)	2 (5.6)	14 (38.9)	18 (50)	32 (88.9)	0 (0)

If this class has a lab component, how would you rate...	Very Poor	Poor	Average	Good	Very Good	Good + Very Good	No Response
The degree to which skills learned in the lab helped you with your coursework?	0 (0)	0 (0)	4 (11.1)	9 (25)	7 (19.4)	16 (44.4)	16 (44.4)
Your preparedness for the lab experience?	0 (0)	0 (0)	5 (13.9)	10 (27.8)	5 (13.9)	15 (41.7)	16 (44.4)

Relative to other courses you've taken...	Much Lower	Lower	About the Same	Higher	Much Higher	Higher + Much Higher	No Response
Do you expect your grade in this course to be...	1 (2.8)	1 (2.8)	12 (33.3)	16 (44.4)	4 (11.1)	20 (55.5)	2 (5.6)
The intellectual challenge presented in this course was...	0 (0)	2 (5.6)	13 (36.1)	17 (47.2)	2 (5.6)	19 (52.8)	2 (5.6)
The amount of effort you put into this course was...	0 (0)	2 (5.6)	13 (36.1)	16 (44.4)	3 (8.3)	19 (52.7)	2 (5.6)
The amount of effort required to succeed in this course was...	0 (0)	2 (5.6)	16 (44.4)	12 (33.3)	4 (11.1)	16 (44.4)	2 (5.6)

	Yes	No
Would you take another course from this instructor?	34	1
Would you take another online class?	29	6

From what location did you access your course MOST OF THE TIME?	
Home	34
Work	0
Campus Lab	0
Residence Hall	0
Library	1
Other	0

For technical assistance with your online course, where did you go for help? (check all that apply)	
ASUonline	6
Software manufacturer (Blackboard, Inc)	0
Instructor	7
Another student	1
UTO Helpdesk	1
Did not need help	20
Other	2

How many hours a week do you spend working for pay?	
Less than 10	5
10 - 20	5
21 - 30	5
31 - 40	2
40+	12
I am not working	4

Please indicate the extent of your agreement or disagreement with the following	Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Neither Disagree or Agree	Agree	Strongly Agree	No Response
This course contributed to my professional development.	1 (2.8)	0 (0)	3 (8.3)	18 (50)	11 (30.6)	3 (8.3)
This course contributed to my educational development.	1 (2.8)	0 (0)	1 (2.8)	17 (47.2)	14 (38.9)	3 (8.3)
This course contributed to my personal development.	1 (2.8)	1 (2.8)	1 (2.8)	16 (44.4)	15 (41.7)	2 (5.6)
This course decreased my time to graduation.	1 (2.8)	3 (8.3)	11 (30.6)	12 (33.3)	5 (13.9)	4 (11.1)

How did you first find out how to access your online course?	
ASUonline (http://asuonline.asu.edu)	17
An ASU publication	0
Instructor	3
Had prior knowledge	11
Other	2
No Response	3

How did you learn about this course?	
ASU Schedule of Classes - online version	23
ASUonline (http://asuonline.asu.edu)	2
Extended Campus catalog - online	1
Alt^I website (http://alti.asu.edu)	0
Instructor	0
Advisor	4
Friend	1
Other	2
No Response	3

Why did you enroll in this course? (check all that apply)	
Commute time/distance to ASU too great	9
Family commitments	12
Work commitments	15
Lack of transportation	3
Physical condition prevents travel to campus	0
Resolve class schedule conflict	10
Required course	7
Only offered online	11
Other	0

What was most valuable to you about this course?

about social networking with mobile technology

Being on a team where I had to research a different country

Clarity of lesson plan, sensability, balance of activities, ease of understanding assignments, consistency of instruction.

communication with others

Concepts and ideas presented. Made you 'think forward'

current events were a prominent element

Discussing topics with other students in the forum.

Ease in sharing information and effectiveness

I liked the ability to see where I went wrong. The online homework really allows me to understand the concepts and each step of the solution.

Information about outside world.

Interaction with Student's thoughts and discussions, Learning unique perspective on interesting subject

It was thought provoking and increase my awareness of globalization and it's effects

Learning about the effect of technology with regards to Globalization

Learning Global Technology and the impact that it affects us all around

Learning more about global technology use

On hands activities - interaction with students out on the web rather than just in the classroom

Relevance to what is happening in the world now - the technology and information will be helpful to me now.

research techniques

The assignments were genuinely interesting and the instructor set up the assignments so I always had enough time to feel like I fully understood the material and did a good job.

The Blackboard discussions were very interesting because most were on current topics and debates sprang up all the time

The content.

The discussion board posting was where a lot of the learning was done, so I would say that.

The enlightenment of education

The links provided by the instructor on real issues happening in relation to what we were talking about.

The material we covered was up to date with the issues of today.

The professor and structure were outstanding.

The syllabus

the use of different internet engines and the global view of the course

The world is Flat

Working in a virtual team to create a virtual project.

If you could make only one change to this course to improve it, what would that change be?

Assignment due date after weekend and not on Saturday

I would have to go with not having a group project. I don't mind group projects, but I work better by myself. Just my opinion, it had nothing to do with how my group project went.

If anything, more class interaction or interaction with students - but not necessary

larger timeframe to take exams in

Make it an in person class.

Make the country project more of a solo deal because communicating with other people was difficult.

more deadlines/clearer expectations for the wiki project.

More group work

more interaction with classmates

Nada.

none

none, keep it the way it is

Nothing

Nothing - this was a great class!

Nothing really..

Nothing! The course, instructor, blackboard site, assignments, reading material... all great! I am recommending this class to other students on a daily basis.

Nothing, great course..

Reminders

The course is good as is.

There is never a guarantee for group members in a project to be helpful, but if there was some way to streamline it...

There is nothing to improve. This course makes the other three ASU online courses I have taken look like shambles. If you could, you should have Dr. Foster be the quality control auditor for all ASU courses.

To have a follow up class to further explore the technology advances and social networks

to have more interaction with other classmates through a live discussion lecture at least once

workload is slightly high

Would you take another class from this instructor? Why or why not?

Awesome Professor, awesome course.

Because he planned the class perfect and followed the syllabus

Dr. Foster is very good teacher and got a lot of knowledge.

Enjoyed the way we can have flexibility to interact with other students on line and work at our own pace

Great communication and personality.

great feedback, excellent choice of course content

He did a really great job. You can tell he puts so much effort into this course. There are too many professors that just start it and let it run.

He is awesome! Provides good feedback to writings and chooses interesting articles and topics of discussion that really intrigue interest and add value to the subject at hand.

He is very good about getting graded material back in a timely fashion

he was a good instructor and actually cared about his students.

he was passionate about the subject

I could tell he was passionate and knowledgeable about the subjects and he was very good at facilitating discussion between classmates. I have never been in an online class where I was so involved with other students. He is a great teacher.

I enjoyed the format and how the course was designed.

I found Dr. Foster accessible and helpful. He *wants* you to learn. What more could you ask from an instructor?!

I like his teaching methods

I wouldnt mind the challenge again

Interesting and encouraging

It was interesting, I learned a lot, and he was helpful

no access to instructor, no reason why exams could only be taken on monday

One of the best online instructors I have had, and the course materials was relevant to both his expertise, and my interests.

Previously stated.

Seems like a good guy and he was always available when I had questions.

The class was designed efficiently and stimulated active learning.

The course was interesting and the format was predictable and easy to follow, although the content was not necessarily.

The experience is more depth to acknowledge and understand why technology is so important to us.

The instructor was very willing to help beyond the scope of the course.

Very interesting and informative

William Foster is an excellent professor and he stimulates learning with his questions and topics.

Would you take another class online? Why or why not?

All my classes are online, convenient and time flexible

allows the flexibility to work around my schedule

Because he followed the syllabus 100%

Convenience

easier to manage time with an online class.

Flexible

Good experience, relatively manageable work load and allows me to work around my schedule

Helps me plan my time more productively.

I enjoyed having the ability to work on the homework whenever

I have a busy schedule and it allows me to do work when I have time

I personally enjoy the flexibility. I wish there were more classes available.

I will go into this in evaluations of my other online courses.

I'm about to graduate! Otherwise, I would.

i'm graduating.

It saves on gas, parking pass and time driving to the campus.

It was convenient and took just as much time as a regular class with the same amount of learning.

Its complicated mostly

No scheduling conflicts

Not commuting 20 miles one way is a great alternative for higher education.

Online classes are like a 24/7 lecture that I can attend when easiest for me.

online student. no choice.

Saves a lot of time.

sometimes, I loose movtation as well I get sidetrack real easy

The effectiveness of online classes is significantly lower, while the cost and the weight of the grade are the same. Not only would I never take another online class, I would look suspiciously on job candidates that have degrees from online-only programs.

They can be done more on my own time

They work very well with my schedule. I work odd hours and online classes help me keep up with my school work by fitting to my schedule.

This is my last semester and graduating in May.

Time and ease of access

Time management

Additional Comments

Appreciate the thought-provoking assignments and material. Thanks!

Dr Foster has taken the effort, pro-actively, to provide the students with a clear picture of how things should work in his class, and these goals are attainable.

Dr. Foster is an awesome professor and I enjoyed the discussions I had with the students and also enjoyed writing about the topics he chose.

Great course!

He was very friendly and accessible

Nothing specific. Happy that I did this course. Enjoyed it.

she yelled at me for not emailing her from inside blackboard when i did email her from inside blackboard. when i asked her for help, her response was why don't you just drop the class

The instructor did an excellent job of structuring the course. My group project in this class (even though I never met them in person) was the best group experience I have had at ASU to date. Wonderful class, will be recommending it to others!

Very knowledgeable professor and liked the structure of the class. The textbook was excellent and the course opened my mind to a lot of new concepts, and I learned a great deal of information.

Will Foster is great with students and very knowledgeable

Will Foster was a personable instructor who really cares about the subject, is very knowledgeable, and willing to share his experience and insights.

Wonderful instructor, very open minded

Would like to participate in additional classes taught by this instructor.