## Description of Your Report

Your Course Evaluation Report contains up to four sets of items, represented in up to four sections in your report, described below.

## Sets of Items

## Institutional Items

These eight items are consistent across the University of Toronto. They are comprised of:

- Five rating-scale items which represent institution-wide teaching and learning priorities.
- The institutional composite mean, a mathematical average of these first five items.
- One rating-scale item on the overall quality of a student's learning experience.
- Two qualitative comment items.


## Divisional Items

These items are consistent across your division. They represent division-wide priorities for teaching and learning.

## Departmental/Program/Course-Type Items

These items (when applicable) represent further levels of granularity and specificity for teaching and learning priorities within your division (e.g., department, program, course type).

## Instructor-Selected Items

These items are optional items which may be selected from the item bank by instructors during the question personalization period.

- Note that the results from these items are only reported to instructors, as they are primarily intended to function as personal formative feedback.


## Report Sections

The following provide different statistical summaries and representations for your institutional, divisional, and departmental/programmatic items (where appropriate).

## Section 1: Course Evaluation Overview

Provides all course evaluation data except instructor-selected items.

## Section 2: Response Distributions and Additional Statistics

Provides detailed response distributions.

- The number and relative percentage of respondents providing a given answer is provided, along with a graphical representation.
- This section also reports further statistics for each set of items relative to Section 1.


## Section 3: Comparative Data

Provides comparative means for your course as compared to the relevant means across all other evaluated courses at a particular level of comparison (e.g. division, program) for each set of items.

## Section 4: Instructor-Selected Items

Provides data for optional items that instructors can select from the item bank during the question personalization period. This section is formatted identically to Section 2.

## Statistical Terms Used in this Report

Mean: The mathematical average. This measure is the most sensitive, and can be greatly affected by extreme and/or divergent scores.

Median: The middle value when all responses are ordered. This measure is less affected by extreme and/or divergent scores.

Mode: The most frequently occurring score.
Standard deviation: A measure of the "spread" of the data.

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| Course Name: EXPERIMENTAL DESIGN DATA SCI INF2178H-S-LEC0101 (SYNC) | Instructor: Rohan Alexander |
| Section: LEC0101 |  |
| Division: SGS | Delivery Mode: SYNC |
| Session: S |  |
| Session Codes: F = First/Fall, S = Second/Winter | Report Generation Date: April 16, 2021 |
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| Raters | Students |
| Responded | 13 |
| Invited | 28 |

## Section 1: Course Evaluation Overview

## Part A. Core Institutional Items

Scale: 1-Not At All 2-Somewhat 3-Moderately 4-Mostly 5-A Great Deal

| Question | Summary |
| :--- | ---: |
|  | Mean |
| I found the course intellectually stimulating. | 4.2 |
| The course provided me with a deeper understanding of the subject matter. | 5.0 |
| The instructor (Rohan Alexander) created an atmosphere that was conducive to my learning. | 4.2 |
| Course projects, assignments, tests, and/or exams improved my understanding of the course material. | 5.0 |
| Course projects, assignments, tests and/or exams provided opportunity for me to demonstrate an understanding <br> of the course material. | 4.7 |
| Institutional Composite Mean | 4.0 |

Scale: 1-Poor 2-Fair 3-Good 4-Very Good 5-Excellent

| Question | Summary |
| :--- | ---: |
|  |  |
| 6. Overall, the quality of my learning experience in this course was.... | 3.6 |

## 7. Please comment on the overall quality of the instruction in this course.

## Comments

Very good. I wish the workload can be little less
The workload of this course is EXTREMELY heavy. Even though I could learn a lot from this course, I spend more than 15 hours per week for the course materials.
I believe Rohan needs to use emotional intelligence to 1) control his own (sometimes biased) thoughts and body language, and 2) understand students' needs with positive approach and provide them with clear answers instead of raising new questions in his answers. He's very knowledgeable, but I think it takes more than knowledge to master the art of instruction.
I really loved this course. It was challenging and there were many readings each week, but all entirely relevant and interesting.
The professor cares so much about the material, and I really appreciate that. Being challenged made me produce some of my best work so far. He always prepared lots of material for lectures, but still kept classes flexible, adapting to what we wanted to cover.
Professor Rohan stimulates our initiatives to self study data science and research paper writing in a professional way. He expects a lot from us and has a high standard in paper writing. He cares about student's development.
Fantastic use of technology to enhance online learning. Learning from a professor who is clearly passionate about a topic is the best

Fantastic course that I learned a TON in. Rohan should be given free reign to impose his teaching style and philosophy throughout the entire iSchool as I feel I learned so much about data in such a short amount of time. Thanks Rohan :) from a big DAG guy

## 8. Please comment on any assistance that was available to support your learning in this course.

## Comments

Rohan is responsive to student questions.
There was a good Slack group for students that served as a venue to ask questions. The TA was available, but he had to check every single matter with Rohan which was inefficient and cumbersome. The Lab Instructions were not well articulated or clear. A significant amount of time was wasted on process rather than being spent on learning.
Professor was one of the most easily accessible professors l've had. From the slack channel to weekly office hours, he made time to make sure we had the necessary support.
Professor was available through office hours and the slack channel. He was very open to questions in class.
The TA was very nice but not very useful. I'm not sure he knew much more about stats and $R$ than some of the people in my class.
Office hour, tutorial, slack channel, email communication
He was available at all times to answer direct and group questions and facilitated very engaging lectures

## Part B. Divisional Items

Scale: 1-Not At All 2-Somewhat 3-Moderately 4-Mostly 5-A Great Deal

| Question | Summary |  |
| :--- | :---: | :---: |
|  | Mean | Median |
| 9. The course instructor (Rohan Alexander) <br> perspectives. | 4.2 | 5.0 |
| 10. The course instructor (Rohan Alexander) <br> solving. | 4.2 | 5.0 |
| 11. The course drew attention to ethical and social issues related to the field of study. | 4.5 | 5.0 |
| 12. The course instructor (Rohan Alexander) $) ~ e n c o u r a g e d ~ s t u d e n t s ~ t o ~ r e f l e c t ~ c r i t i c a l l y ~ o n ~ t h e ~ c o u r s e ~ m a t e r i a l . ~$ |  |  |
| 13. The course instructor (Rohan Alexander) <br> of the field. | 4.2 | 5.0 |

## Section 2: Response Distributions and Additional Statistics

This section provides detailed response distributions.
Mean: The mathematical average. This measure is the most sensitive, and can be greatly affected by extreme and/or divergent scores.

Median: The middle value when all responses are ordered. This measure is less affected by extreme and/or divergent scores.

Mode: The most frequently occurring score.
Standard deviation: A measure of the "spread" of the data.

## Part A: Core Institutional Items

1. I found the course intellectually stimulating.

2. The course provided me with a deeper understanding of the subject matter.

| $\begin{array}{r} 1 \text { Not At All (1) } \\ 2 \text { Somewhat (1) } \\ 3 \text { Moderately (1) } \\ 4 \text { Mostly (2) } \\ 5 \text { A Great Deal (8) } \\ \text { [ Total (13) ] } \end{array}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 8 \% \\ & 8 \% \\ & 8 \% \end{aligned}$ | 15\% | 50\% | 62\% | 100\% |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Statistics |  |  |  |  | Value |
| Mean |  |  |  |  | 4.2 |
| Median |  |  |  |  | 5.0 |
| Mode |  |  |  |  | 5 |
| Standard Deviation |  |  |  |  | 1.3 |

3. The instructor (Rohan Alexander) created a course atmosphere that was conducive to my learning.

4. Course projects, assignments, tests and/or exams improved my understanding of the course material.

| 1 Not At All (1) <br> 2 Somewhat (0) <br> 3 Moderately (1) 4 Mostly (5) <br> 5 A Great Deal (6) [ Total (13) ] | 0\% | $8 \%$ $8 \%$ | 38\% 46\% |  | 100\% |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Statistics |  |  |  |  | Value |
| Mean |  |  |  |  | 4.2 |
| Median |  |  |  |  | 4.0 |
| Mode |  |  |  |  | 5 |
| Standard Deviation |  |  |  |  | 1.1 |

5. Course projects, assignments, tests and/or exams provided opportunity for me to demonstrate an understanding of the course material.

| 1 Not At All (1) <br> 2 Somewhat (1) <br> 3 Moderately (1) 4 Mostly (2) <br> 5 A Great Deal (8) [ Total (13) ] | $\begin{aligned} & 8 \% \\ & 8 \% \\ & 8 \% \end{aligned}$ | 15\% | 50\% | 62\% | 100\% |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Statistics |  |  |  |  | Value |
| Mean |  |  |  |  | 4.2 |
| Median |  |  |  |  | 5.0 |
| Mode |  |  |  |  | 5 |
| Standard Deviation |  |  |  |  | 1.3 |

6. Overall, the quality of my learning experience in this course was....

| 1 Poor (1) | 8\% |  | 31\% | 46\% | 100\% |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 2 Fair (4) |  |  |  |  |  |
| 3 Good (0) | 0\% | 15\% |  |  |  |
| 4 Very Good (2) |  |  |  |  |  |
| 5 Excellent (6) |  |  |  |  |  |
| [ Total (13)] |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  | 50\% |  |
| Statistics |  |  |  |  | Value |
| Mean |  |  |  |  | 3.6 |
| Median |  |  |  |  | 4.0 |
| Mode |  |  |  |  | 5 |
| Standard Deviation |  |  |  |  | 1.6 |

## Part B. Divisional Items

9. The course instructor (Rohan Alexander) encouraged students to think about the subject matter from multiple perspectives.

10. The course instructor (Rohan Alexander) encouraged me to explore alternative approaches when problem-solving.

11. The course drew attention to ethical and social issues related to the field of study.

12. The course instructor (Rohan Alexander) encouraged students to reflect critically on the course material.

13. The course instructor (Rohan Alexander) explained how course topics contributed to an overall understanding of the field.


## Section 3. Comparative Data

This section provides overall means for given comparators (e.g., division, department) alongside the mean values for a given course. Note that the comparators are calculated by pooling together all individual student survey responses (e.g., student responses for all of the courses in a department are pooled together and the departmental mean responses calculated from that). The provided comparators are thus a measure of the 'average' student experience for a unit or division; they are not a measure of the 'average' course in a unit or division. This calculation has the effect of giving large courses more 'weight' in the calculation of the comparator means. The effect of this on the calculated comparator varies depending on the relative proportion of large or small courses within a unit or division. As such, the departmental and divisional comparative mean values provided on course evaluations should not be regarded as an absolute and definitive benchmark.

For example, if a department offered only two courses, one with 1000 students who all answered 3.5 and the other with 10 students who all answered 4.5 (so that the means would be 3.5 and 4.5 respectively), then the departmental mean provided on the course evaluations would be 3.51 since the calculation would be $[(3.5 \times 1000)+(4.5 \times 10)] / 1010]=3.51$ and not $(3.5+4.5) / 2=4$.

Part A. Core Institutional Items
Scale: 1-Not At All 2-Somewhat 3-Moderately 4-Mostly 5-A Great Deal
Institutional Composite Mean


1. I found the course intellectually stimulating.

2. The course provided me with a deeper understanding of the subject matter.



Part A. Core Institutional Items
Scale: 1-Not At All 2-Somewhat 3-Moderately 4-Mostly 5-A Great Deal (continued)
4. Course projects, assignments, tests, and/or exams improved my understanding of the course material.

5. Course projects, assignments, tests and/or exams provided opportunity for me to demonstrate an understanding of the course material.


Scale: 1-Poor 2-Fair 3-Good 4-Very Good 5-Excellent
6. Overall, the quality of my learning experience in this course was:


## Part B. Divisional Items

Scale: 1-Not At All 2-Somewhat 3-Moderately 4-Mostly 5-A Great Deal
9. The course instructor (Rohan Alexander) encouraged students to think about the subject matter from multiple perspectives.


Scale: 1-Not At All 2-Somewhat 3-Moderately 4-Mostly 5-A Great Deal
10. The course instructor (Rohan Alexander) encouraged me to explore alternative approaches when problem-solving.


Scale: 1-Not At All 2-Somewhat 3-Moderately 4-Mostly 5-A Great Deal
11. The course drew attention to ethical and social issues related to the field of study.


Scale: 1-Not At All 2-Somewhat 3-Moderately 4-Mostly 5-A Great Deal
12. The course instructor (Rohan Alexander) encouraged students to reflect critically on the course material.


Scale: 1-Not At All 2-Somewhat 3-Moderately 4-Mostly 5-A Great Deal
13. The course instructor (Rohan Alexander) explained how course topics contributed to an overall understanding of the field.


## Section 4: Formative Data

These items are optional items which you selected from the item bank during the question personalization period. Note that the results from these items are only reported to you as they are primarily intended to function as personal formative feedback.

P-4. The course drew attention to ethical and social issues related to the field of study.


W-1. Compared to other courses, the workload for this course was: (very light, light, average, heavy, very heavy)


W-4. I would recommend this course to others:

| $\begin{array}{r} 1 \text { Not At All (2) } \\ 2 \text { Somewhat (3) } \\ 3 \text { Moderately (1) } \\ 4 \text { Mostly (1) } \\ 5 \text { Strongly (6) } \\ \text { [ Total (13) ] } \end{array}$ |  $15 \%$ <br> $8 \%$  <br> $8 \%$  | 23\% | 46\% | 100\% |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Statistics |  |  |  | Value |
| Mean |  |  |  | 3.5 |
| Median |  |  |  | 4.0 |
| Mode |  |  |  | 5 |
| Standard Deviation |  |  |  | 1.7 |

