

Interview with Respondent 1

1. Before you came for the class, what are your expectations of the module in terms of:

· Content

I took this class because i am very interested in films and wanted to learn the "insides" to a film - technical and narrative aspects and how they add to the film. I came in with very high expectations - expecting to learn alot and to (at the end of the semester) amass much knowledge in critiquing film. I also expected the module to take on films from a wide perspective. the old and the new. the popular and the more obscure.

· Quality of Lecturer

i expected a young lecturer, filled with enthusiasm and not looking very dorky. having heard from my friends about him, i know he does have that enthusiasm and is willing to listen to his students.

· Use of Visual and Audio Elements (i.e. slide shows, films)

i expected it to be adventurous and also creative in it's use of visual and audio elements. this being a film (fun) class and since i've also expected my lecturer to be young, creative, fun and less book-ish.

2. After attending the lecture, how satisfied are you with the module in terms of:

- Content

i have learnt alot from the module. i was pleasantly surprised that there was so much to learn from films! every week, i go in with a clear mind, expecting to be surprised by fresh perspectives on what i think.

· Quality of Lecturer

the lecturer is not physically what i expect him to be. but he is very knowledgeable and is indeed open to opinions. he is very well-versed in films and has a wide range of knowledge. very satisfied.

· Use of Visual and Audio Elements (i.e. slide shows, films)

i had expected more. but his slides were a little boring and full of information, with a lack of pictures.

3. How does the showing of films in class affect your learning experience?

the showing of films in class has largely enriched my learning experience. all my other modules just have the lecturers go on and on ad nauseam. by showing the films, it engages the students and have the students' attention. the films also help in my understanding of what i learn and allows me to apply what i learnt.

4. What are the pros and cons of showing films in class?

Pros - Helps in my understanding and applicability of what i learnt. it is also a new way of presenting a lesson, making it less boring.

Cons - Maybe... it makes students take the course lightly? since it makes the module seem frivolous.

5. In your opinion, what can be done to further improve this lecture? (i.e. in terms of environment, lighting, temperature etc.)

definitely temperature. the LT is perpetually freezing. i also think more breaks should be given especially since the film screening takes place immediately after a 2 hour lecture. all in all, the students spend at least 4 hours in the LT. the seats are no comfortable enough to accomodate the 4 hours. possibly, the film screening should be done at a viewing room (NM Playroom?) with students sitting comfortably on the floor.

6. Overall, how do you feel about the lecture?'

I am having a lot of fun in the lecture. It is not a normal course in the sense that i'm studying something that is considered fun and not boring at all.