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Question 1

Given your experience, what was the best part of Soci 100A this term?

The professor. The material was somewhat interesting to begin with but the prof made it much more exciting.

it's hard to choose a favorite.... all the information was so interesting! a particularly enjoyed the sexualities portion of the course

Edwards talk on his life story

The best part of the course was watching the "Gossip of Sociology" clip. It was very interesting to see how gossip is really a reflection of what we as a society value.

The lecture, they were both educational and fun, only missed one or two classes because I enjoyed the lectures so much. Found all the information taught very interesting.

The lectures

The lecture discussions, and how Bruce is so good at explaining things.

The best part of Soci 100A was when I started to understand the concepts we were introduced to, as well as when I recognized that my perception of the world around us and how I comprehended it was beginning to relate back to the concepts of sociology.

Interesting material
Good professor

The way Bruce taught us the material and made lectures so interesting and fun to come to!

The stories that Ravelli tells. It really helped solidify the concepts and kept the course interesting.

I like the lab assignments and the fact that they all built on one another. it really helped me to improve my writing and bring it to a university level.

Absolutely engaging lecturer who honestly loved what he was teaching. As well, interspaced guest speakers and video clips made discussion of topics easy to grasp.

Lectures were phenomenal! I looked forward to it every morning. Life changing! They made me uncomfortable in a way that lead to introspection.

The way Bruce lectures is extremely interesting. It is very easy to pay attention in class, and class feels like it lasts 15 minutes.

I absolutely loved the lectures. The fact that you made them fun to attend is really great. Implementing stories and relating to our generation, you are an amazing professor, Bruce.

Coming to lecture! They were engaging, intense, and fun.

The lectures, loved going to them and learned lots from bruce. Also really enjoyed his stories those were the best.

Bruce's lectures

Engaging lectures, funny examples. Very insightful and very interesting topics could relate it to my own personal experience.

Ravelli. Every lecture was unique and interesting in it's own way. I enjoyed every single lecture, and was kind of sad when the hour was up. Having a prof that can teach you the course material exceptionally well as well as make it something that connects to students, and making students (me, at least) want to learn... there's nothing better.

The information gained from this course was fantastic.

The best part was how engaging the lectures were. They weren't boring lectures where everyone is falling asleep. You can tell that you enjoy teaching this class and it helps keeps us interested.

How engaging Dr. Ravelli made the lectures.

Bruce, you are an awesome lecturer - one of my favourite profs I've had so far :) I loved that lecture was not just textbook review but you brought real-life stories, videos, etc into class.

I can't say enough good things about this course! Some professors don't appreciate teaching a 100 level course but you are truly passionate about sociology and that shows in every lecture. Your lectures are inspiring and engaging and I am so grateful to have been in your class. The best part of SOCI 100A this term was the discussions around gender and having the opportunity to not only hear from someone like Edwin who has researched masculinity and has a real academic perspective on it but to also hear from someone who has explored masculinity and femininity through their own lived experience (I wish I had said thank you but I was too shy!). It's fascinating how you point out all of the shades of grey in a topic and ultimately society. Although I have much to learn, I feel I have walked away from this course with a better ability to question the world around me and the larger forces that influence in my life. Thanks for everything!

seeing how it relates to our society and opening up our minds

All the test prep. Loved having those mp3s!

Bruce's lectures!

I really appreciated the bit on Marxism.

The lectures

Cannot pick a specific moment. All the lectures held were awesome.

Crime

The enlightening and controversial lectures.

I really enjoyed Bruce as a professor, he has a way of making everything interesting and great examples that make concepts understandable. I also really appreciated Edwards talk about his life and am very grateful he had the courage to share it with us.

The lectures and discussions were really engaging and made me want to come to class

<p>I looked forward to attending lectures, they were always very interesting and thought provoking. Your passion and knowledge for the subject really made the course enjoyable for me.</p> <p>I really appreciated the MP3 lecture files being posted. If I missed a lecture or wanted to re-visit a concept from class, I loved being able to download and play them again.</p>
<p>Lectures, fo sho. Listening to him speak about class material and relating them to understandable examples. His ability to communicate so freely and easily was beneficial for all. Class discussions about controversial topics were great to listen and be apart of. Guest speakers, like Edward, were a great way to grasp a greater sense of lived stories and experiences outside of the text book descriptions.</p>
<p>The video clips that we watched really cemented the concepts and ideas for me.</p>
<p>I would definitely say the lectures. When reviewing the course in my tutorial we all agreed the engaging and funny lectures were one of our favourite parts in this course. Surprisingly, I also enjoyed the projects as I selected a theory that interested me.</p>
<p>Some of the topics covered in class were intriguing, however Bruce could have facilitated a more engaging discussion about them.</p>
<p>The professor, Bruce Ravelli. He has incredibly interesting and engaging stories that do not lose my attention.</p>
<p>The lectures were captivating, all while detailing the necessary information to succeed in the course.</p>
<p>Discussions about sexuality and the multiplicity of identities was by far the most interesting and provocative part of the course.</p>
<p>Lectures, guest speaker CW Mills</p>
<p>Learning about concepts like anomie, outering, and pornography.</p>
<p>stories in the class lectures</p>
<p>I honestly thought everything was so interesting! One of my favourite topics covered was Outering - super interesting! I loved all of the lectures though :) You're an amazing teacher, and this course was by far my favourite out of all my courses this term.</p>

The best part of Soci 100A was my tutorial leader Edward. He was fantastic. Also, Ravelli was a very good proff. He used relevant examples and gave time for everyone to speak in class.

The lectures, they were amazing. I really liked the Bro code movie we watched and the sociology of gossip clip that was shown. You're an amazing teacher and I really enjoyed this class :)

I found the lectures very interesting and captivating. Bruce made the material relate to our lives and that really hit home with me.

Dr. Ravelli's teaching style was great! he was very effecting at getting the point across

The best part of Soc this term would be Ravellis stories he incorporated into the lectures. It made the concepts really easy to remember and put them into terms we as the students could understand.

I would say the lectures were amazing. Every single one of them, I can not complain at all. I learned so much and enjoyed every single moment of this semester. Thank you.

Really great, interesting lectures.

The best part about the course were the lecture discussions in class, I felt that I learnt a lot out of the various topics that were introduced and the videos that we watched. I felt much more involved with my peers if we had not have had the class discussions. Also Bruce was awesome, just saying.

thought-provoking discussions; exploring uncomfortable content; easy-going, candid environment; guest speakers/seminars; Edwin Hodge-tutorial leader; tutorial assignments (research); essay-style exams; website with lots of additional interesting links/info/resources

I was blown away by how much I enjoyed both your course and your teaching methods. You are an incredibly engaging speaker, and your sense of humour helped make the less interesting topics seem fascinating. Actually, I'd probably come to class to listen to you lecture even if it was just about paint drying. Also, having the opportunity to listen to Edward's talk was the highlight of my semester. Thank you for making me look forward (or at least not dread) getting out of bed for a 9:30 a.m. class.

Dr. Ravelli was a great lecturer, he is passionate about Sociology and it showed through out the semester.

<p>The structure of the lectures were organized, easy to follow and very engaging/entertaining</p>
<p>The class discussions were always very open to opinion and I felt like that was an important aspect of the course. I really enjoyed any movies that were shown in class, they helped my understanding of concepts and kept my interest in class.</p>
<p>The lectures are given in a very engaging manner, especially with the use of multimedia.</p>
<p>Listening to the professor's anecdotes every lecture</p>
<p>It was an excellent course taught by an excellent professor! Best part was how you always made every lecture interesting and easy for students to relate to and understand.</p>
<p>Fair grading and stories really stuck and explained a lot of material. Great prof, I'd drag myself out of bed even if socio was my only class of the day. Bussing to school was an hour round-trip and even though I knew I could get notes of friends and download the MP3, I'd rather listen to Bruce in person! The best lecturer I've had so far.</p>
<p>The best part for me would be the lectures. Bruce is very good at making all concepts relatable and understandable.</p>
<p>The lectures!</p>
<p>I really enjoyed all of the lecture material that Bruce talked about. He was so passionate about the material and that made everything so much more interesting. especially when group discussions would happen!</p>
<p>Getting to talk about controversial issues in class, and all of your stories.</p>
<p>I enjoyed the lectures, and found every lecture different and interesting!</p>
<p>The stories we are told in class that still are very relatable to the content of the course.</p>
<p>The best part was the interactiveness, and linking theory with events in contemporary society.</p>
<p>Everything. The course material was extremely interesting and Ravelli did an amazing job teaching it. The best and most effective teacher I have ever had. Kept me on the edge of my seat every class.</p>
<p>Bruce.</p>

I enjoyed having the head T.A come in and share his experiences the most.

Your lectures, as well as the guest speakers', were the number one reason I loved this course. The subject matter is definitely interesting when it stands alone, but you just knows how to get the class hanging on every word you say.

Engaging lectures.

-Lectures
-In-class discussion

Lectures, always interesting

Looking forward to class - learning the material was more enjoyable when taught by a prof who is passionate about the material, told memorable stories, and challenges us to make our education more than what we learn in the classroom. My TA, Mike Lang, was also great!

your lectures

Bruce's lectures

Besides Bruce himself being an awesome lecturer, the MP3's were a great way for students to make sure they had key components of a concept to answer the midterms/final exam. Also, the notes provided were super easy to follow along with , and Bruce provided insight to the concepts. The weekly online quizzes are also helpful to test yourself and make sure you are understanding the textbook.

Hearing Edward's story.

Bruce's lectures.

Question 2

Given your experience, what could have been better about Soci 100A this term?

Possibly a field trip or two. More stories during lecture.

not a whole lot.... it was my favorite course!

I thought the course was great how it was.

The tutorials, they weren't based on the course, I found them not to be helpful what so ever, and found myself missing them frequently.

Everything was efficient and easy to understand, I personally cannot think of anything that could have been better.

I can't think of anything off the top of my head.

I believe the lecture material was great, however I felt that the tutorials could have been more effective in supporting us through course material.

Reduce the difficulty of exams

I'm scrambling for an idea here but possibly not having a tutorial. I found it was nice having a tutorial to help explain the assignments, but that's a ten minute process. other than that, I didn't take much for the tutorials.

Introduce gory things a little better. I found the in depth discussion on torture to be quite disturbing and there was no previous warning.

I wish that the lecture slides were posted prior to the class, so that I could just add to them and then we wouldn't have to spend time waiting for everyone to copy down from the slides.

I'm not 100% to be honest, nothing springs to mind!

I found written work (exams and tutorial assignments) frustrating. There was often no clear expectations for the assignments. I often got a different interpretation/explanation from my TA, and the Head TA. The expectations were often changed at each tutorial. Exams were frustrating, in my opinion, because your mark largely hinged on the TA you got to mark your paper.

The exams didn't really show knowledge of material; they showed how well you can memorize something and spit it out on paper. I enjoyed class, but I didn't really learn anything because I only had to study the essay questions on the exam.

The thing I really hated were the exams. Perhaps a different setup, instead of giving a few questions and then picking from the few to write on, would be better. This is an introductory course, I feel like we shouldn't have to go so in depth on all these topics. Isn't that meant for the higher level courses? No matter what I did, it was never enough. I know many people were in the same boat. That's just my opinion.

My tutorial leader for this course was not very "good." I think tutorials could have been more engaging like workshops to help work on the assignments given.

I really liked the tutorials, I think if anything there should be more. And maybe more clarification for the assignments.

More review for midterms and finals. More discussions in class/tutorials

My only complaint would be not hearing the question a student asked sometimes. Always repeating the question before answering would have been nice.

I found the examples to be very long and drawn out at times. Although examples are good for learning I do not need a 30 minute story. Also, the testing style made the workload extremely heavy for the week before each exam. Having another testing style would help make the workload more balanced throughout the entire course.

Tutorials. The lecture class itself was honestly perfect. However, the tutorial just seemed kind of pointless. We rarely did anything except hand in our assignments. We would just be put in groups to talk about something and half the time it didn't even relate to anything we learnt or ever heard of in the lecture. It was confusing.

If tutorials could have been a bit more structured.

Maybe warning people about talking earlier in the semester - I feel that the class environment improved immensely after you made it clear that talking in lecture was not cool.

As an intro sociology course, and a first year student I found it very difficult to understand what was expected during the research paper. It was the first time I had conducted any sort of research and I know we covered the process in class and our TAs instructed us with the paper part, but it would have been really helpful to me to have spent 10 or 15 minutes discussing what that looked like, and what that was. I realize that all TA's have different marking criteria but to have had a quick overview in class about the writing aspect of the research process it might have filled in a lot of gaps that I had. I made sure to make use of office hours in regards to the questions that I had but I feel this still would have been helpful to have seen an example, as Sociology and ASA differ from APA and MLA.

The tutorial assignment was at little unclear from the start.

That all the tutorial leaders work off the same page.

I would have appreciated more highlighting on Marxism...

The tutorials were not very informative on what was wanted for tests.

People may not need to participate in the discussion, but also doesn't mean they don't need to be quite. Please, develop a better way to make people quiet without telling them to be quiet.

Use sociological imagination

More time to prepare for second mid-term and final. Especially final, 8 questions was too many.

More guest speakers if possible.

The tutorial could've been a bit more time efficient and had more group discussions and planned activities, less small talk.

I felt the tutorials to be ineffective most of the time. My leader was often unorganized and unprepared to answer questions from lectures. I didn't always feel comfortable asking questions about the course material and would more often just explore concepts better from the text, mysoclab, or ask Bruce. In other first year courses the tutorial material is sent out ahead of time to review in advance. Even if there were questions to think about and discuss for the tutorial, I would have felt I gained more from attending.

Not being able to hear other people speaking. It would be rad if he summarized the questions of the quiet people before answering. Fill the rest of us in.

Some of the discussion in lecture got a little off topic when there was student input involved.

I wish there was a bit more consideration on who was selected as TA's for the course as some of them did not seem very interested in what they were doing. I also wish we'd spent a bit more time on Critical Race Theory and some of the other theories we went over a bit too quickly.

-tutorials sucked

-Bruce emphasizes the importance of examples on his tests. In order to succeed, you must use tons of examples about the (relatively abstract) concepts learned in the course. So given his fascination with examples, why does he refuse to give us to them in class????? Whenever someone asks for clarification, Bruce reverts to whatever is written in the textbook about said topic. He never elaborates with different examples that will help us understand the content. Its frustrating, and I found that he often dodged questions with off-topic responses. These sociological concepts would be much cleaerer to us if Bruce used better, and more frequent, examples of his own in class. I finished the course, and I CANNOT give an example of quality of mind. fail

The assignments in the tutorials could have been a bit more clear. I have a feeling it was due to my T.A., as most of my classmates seemed to have understand exactly what was asked of them.

More instructions for the written assignments.

I couldn't have asked for a better course, let alone such a wonderful professor.

I did not particularly enjoy the tutorials

It was a great class. Intriguing lectures and interesting topics. However, I felt that questioning the classes quality of mind due to not considering themselves feminists was unnecessary. I wasn't offended, and agree with what feminism promotes, but I feel it is more important to learn about the topics themselves rather than be 'brainwashed' so to speak (which you said the material is doing, in a good way). What feminism promotes is fantastic, but i feel there is some hypocrisy regarding the name of the perspective itself. For instance, if the word 'women' should be changed to 'womyn,' isn't it hypocritical that Feminism, which promotes equality, is favouring one sex in its title alone. We need to think critically before simply accepting what is presented in front of us etc. But that's just my opinion, and I don't think anything could have been done better in the course. Great teaching, intriguing lectures, and fair system. Thanks

the marking consistency

I don't think anything could have been better... I really enjoyed everything!

I thought it was a very fair course.

Sometimes my tutorial leader was not very helpful and she sometimes did not give us accurate answers, so it would have been nice if all the tutorial leaders were given the same information

I found that the marking system for the exams varied between TAs too much, making the marks unfair.

The tutorials were a waste of time.. except to hand in assignments. Maybe a better structure for all TAs to follow would be best

The assignments in the tutorials were kind of boring, however, it made some of the concepts talked about in class more clear and made me study more.

I think that it could be better if there was an example question and answer so there is more understanding of what is wanted when it comes to exams.

Tutorials were not great, could be more interesting.

I think the organization with the TA's and the Tutorials could have been better. There were some inconsistencies with what was expected and what was given and this made things confusing sometimes.

my soc labs - didn't get any real benefit/knowledge; give broader range of perspectives on given subjects; tutorials unnecessary and redundant; exam marking is too inconsistent and unfocused (received comments/grading on things unrelated to content/grammar/structure of essays) - grading outline/expectations should be clearer or fewer markers (different structure needed), make grading expectations clear to students;

I wish the tutorials discussed lecture material more often and a little more thoroughly. It also seemed like the TA's were never on the same page with one another regarding assignments and exams.

It felt as though there was a bit of miss-communication between the Prof and TA, especially when it came to mid-terms. The actually classes were really great but with all the marking done by TAs, as a student I want full confidence that they understand the profs expectations and are on the same page.

I think the grading from TA's could have been more similar. I know it's so hard to do that, but it just didn't seem fair for midterms. Also the tutorial leaders disagreed on stuff and it should've been clear.

The tutorial sessions could have been more structured and informative.

Tutorial leaders should be on the same page for marking
Assignments should be handed back in time for us to see feedback

N/A

Though I really like my tutorial leader as a person, and found my tutorial leader to have a very good and unique perspective, my tutorial leader was new. This meant that our classes felt lackluster.

I am not sure, the class was pretty great.

The tutorial set ups. I felt they were unclear and unorganized

Not really anything!

I thought it was good the way it was!

If there were more guest speakers like Edward, it's nice to have someone with hands on experience with things we learn, it makes it easier to grasp.

More practise in tutorials on methods and strategies for writing the midterms and final. As a first year student, I would have benefited from some extra guidance for writing in exams.

Absolutely nothing, it exceeded expectations

Bruce.

I found that the marking was way too harsh and the manner of testing was not reflective of a person's overall learning. Test expectations should be more realistic and I think the class would benefit from more guest speakers.

I really loved Edward's talk and when Edwin showed the bro code. Maybe some more guest speakers?

It's on the difficult side for an intro-level course, but I like that it made me think, and I feel like I'm a better person for it.

Maybe including iClickers

Tutorial leaders could have been given clear facts about the exam. There was many confusions as we were being told two different things some of the time.

I don't generally mind the exam format of this class, considering how it makes us really learn the material. I would, however, prefer to have the alternative marking method (where we propose a project of sorts to you) explained more thoroughly at the beginning of the semester. I did not attempt it because I wanted to attempt the essays, and wasn't sure I could handle it with the unknown content. I may try it next semester, however; it is a great option for those who have any complaints about the alternative!!

no mysoclab. I learnt nothing from it. your textbook is interesting enough on its own but mysoclab ruins the fun

The tutorial's could've given us more information or built more on information that we learned in class; they were often random and unhelpful.

IClicker's would be something to consider to add to participation, other than that the class was awesome!!

It would be helpful if the midterms were placed on the tables before class. That way there would be less time wasted passing them out and more time to write (this was particularly a problem for the 2nd midterm).

my tutorial instructor.

Question 3

Given your experience this term, are you more or less likely to take more courses in sociology? Why?

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Long Answers

Because the prof made the class exciting and enjoyable

I loved the course and am planning on pursuing a sociology major

All the topics covered were very interesting. Sociology is easily applicable to our daily lives and it was great to learn in depth about some of the welds social issues.

I really found the information interesting, it changes how I look at social situations now, I am very excited for Soci 100B next semester.

Interesting course material, I greatly appreciate the integration of feminist and queer theory in the textbook and in lectures, along with the great energy in the lecture hall

I really enjoyed this class, it was one of my favourites.

I plan on taking more sociology courses to see if I really am as interested in the subject as Soci 100A led me to believe. The class even helped me look at sociology as an option for my major.

Sociology opened my eyes to a lot of different things around me which I found myself blind to. I feel like a very much more critical with social forces around me and learnt to question the normal. I now feel like a much more intellectual person. However, I do not feel like this would have been the case if I had a different professor. Thank god for Bruce Ravelli!!! He set the bar extremely high for all other professors in the future.

The concepts are so relatable to real life events and Ravelli really makes them relatable to contemporary society. I like that it makes me think about the world differently and see things in shades of grey.

Before taking this class I didn't really know what sociology was and now I find myself thinking about things from my everyday life and seeing them from a sociological perspective. I am excited to take soci 100B bday semester and will hopefully take more next year as well.

I never realized how interconnected the world was until I took this course, and its something I find fascinating. As well, the professor made a switch to his 100B Class next term a No Brainer! :) Very good job Bruce!

I have made the switch to this faculty for the good. I love the material. It is really applicable to life. The concepts are meaty and you can get your teeth into them on your own perspective. This course definitely opened my mind to some challenging topics! Thank you Bruce!

The material and concepts are very interesting and I would like to learn more.

interesting content, passionate insrtuctors

The topics were very interesting, inspired me to take more sociology courses

A good teacher can make or break a course. I didn't think sociology would be a class I liked, but after a semester with Ravelli, I'm really fascinated, and am taking two soci classes this upcoming semester.

I am now interested about sociology

Because this course confirmed that sociology is what I want to learn about. Sociology isn't just studying, its enjoying what you're studying and especially when the you can tell the prof enjoys what he/she is doing. I hope the rest of the sociology profs are just as passionate as you.

I had already planned to major in sociology, and through taking this course with Dr. Ravelli, my expectations for sociology at UVic have been surpassed. Therefore, I definitely want to continue.

You brought the material to life in class so much that I considered switching my major. I have decided my major is right for me, however, I am excited to take more sociology classes because they are so applicable to real life and have made me think more critically about the world. I will particularly be looking out for classes taught by you because you are so engaging and I found the marking very fair.

Bruce you are an amazing professor and I hope to be in your 100B class next in the new year. Thanks for everything and enjoy your holidays!

Bruce made the lectures and learning material engaging and current. I actually chatted to co-workers, friends, and family about lecture material haha so into it obviously.

Because Bruce is an amazing professor, very engaging lectures and it is evident that he has a passion for what he teaches. Plus he remembered my name!

I've always been interested, and this class has perpetuated that interest in some areas; however j could not take another general sociology class again.

I found the concepts interesting

MY MAJOR!

Such an interesting topic

It was interesting, I learned a lot and wanted to learn more.

The second half of the textbook looks even more interesting than the first and because of the engaging lectures I'm twice as excited for 100B.

Yes! I've really felt a connection to Sociology and changed my schedule for next semester so I could attend Soc100B with Bruce. If the UVic Sociology department is looking to gain more interest, keep Bruce around. Speaking with other students from the class, many got more excited about the subject because this class. Although difficult at times (especially tests), the enthusiasm, humour and knowledge gave students a new perspective; no more cheerful robots in this group!

Bruce, you made the subject fascinating. Before the course I had no idea what sociology was and now I am hooked.

I'd definitely take more sociology courses as I had a great time in the course! Interesting course material, great professor, and thought provoking assignments. It's definitely a subject I'll be looking into taking more classes in as I go through University. Thanks for a great time Mr. Ravelli!

Absolutely!

The course allowed me to better see the importance of even the smallest interactions and events in our society.

Strong lecturing skills, interesting course material

What we learned in this course was a fabulous intro, but there seems to be so much more to learn! This material was so interesting and I loved learning to see in shades of grey. My eyes were opened! I really enjoyed this course, so I would definitely try to take more sociology courses in the future.

Ravelli was able to explain to me what my 100A prof last year was not. He made my interest rise because I now understand the concepts.

Because your lectures and you made this material really interesting and it made me want to learn more about sociology.

I had no idea what sociology was about when I signed up for this course but after learning the material, I realized that sociology is so interesting and eye opening. It has the ability to change someone's perspective of the world in a positive way and I love that.

I initially took this class for an elective, but the teacher is so effective I will not think twice about taking the second half!

Ravelli is such a captivating speaker that he made the material come alive in the lectures, and made it seem interesting. I had a great experience in this lecture!

This was the only class that I was actually always excited to go to. Although the tests were hard, I felt like I learned so much in class and was amazed by the ideas presented.

When I started this course I barely knew what sociology was, and now I plan on making it my major!

It got me interested in the subject more.

Its a fascinating study which has changed how I view myself and society, which I want to explore further

I changed my major to sociology after taking this class. I looooved it and enjoy it as a subject.

Ravelli makes it very interesting and fun

You definitely introduced sociology in a positive way that has made me decide my minor is going to be sociology. Considering I only chose this course because it fit into my timetable I am very pleased with the outcome! I enrolled into SOCI 100B for next semester after the first few lectures.

Really helped me apply sociology to my life right now. Bruce used examples I could relate to which made it easier. One of my favourite courses throughout my two years in university.

I found all the concepts and theories very interesting. As well, I found the content to be extremely applicable to everyday life, and the world around us.

i didn't know how interesting Sociology was and how fun and mind stretching it could be, taking the class was an eye opener.

I really enjoyed some of the topics in the course and even though we were only given the tip of the ice berg of them, it would be really interesting to explore them into more detail

I enjoyed it! People are interesting.

I didn't know what sociology was before I took the course, and now I am very interested in it, and find what we learn very interesting.

I have more interest in sociological related things now.

I have always had an interest in sociology and the workings of society. Now that I have taken an into course on the subject, it fascinates me. I hope to take more sociology courses- especially with Bruce being such an engaging professor.

Since I loved it so much, its made me rethink my major.

Bruce.

Taking sociology changed my perspective on a lot of things. Before taking the course, I didn't consider myself a feminist, simply because I didn't really think it was a relevant role in society today. However, socio 100a has really opened my eyes and I will be taking as many sociology courses I can in the future. It made me realize that I really have a passion for it.

I loved this class. Hands down my favourite class at UVic so far.

I really liked how the class delves into social interactions of humans and makes you think about things that you normally don't take the time to think about.

Interesting concepts and your a great speaker.

I am more likely because it wasn't just a class for me! In addition to learning the content, class discussion, tutorial assignments, and even studying specific answers for exams allowed us to apply sociology to our own lives. I look forward to taking higher level courses to challenge the way I perceive and act in the world. Thank you for this course, Bruce!!	
you made sociology interesting. good contemporary examples. see what I did there?	
Sociology 100A has given me insight into how we work as a society and I'd be interested in learning more	
Before the course I was just taking sociology as a random course to fill my timetable, but now I will be taking more in the future! The course exposed me to so much stuff I wouldn't normally see or pay attention too.	
After taking this course, I believe sociology may be more along my interests than psychology. It also helps that Bruce and my tutorial leader (Edwin) made the lectures and tutorials entertaining. :)	
I really enjoyed it, Bruce was great.	
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I thoroughly enjoyed my first experience in sociology. It was good for me to see things from a variety of perspectives, and begin to question things that I took for granted. I did, however, realize over the course of the semester that my interests were in different areas of the Social Sciences.	
The TA's mark differently, and at least one of them was extremely rude to students when marking their exams...Also, the exams do not do a good job of assessing knowledge.	
I was planning on taking the second part of this course, but after doing fairly bad in this first half, and just really hating how the exams are done, I won't be. It kinda sucks because I'll miss the lectures, and I've thought about auditing but I don't think I'll have the time. Anyways, the only critique I have are the exams, I enjoyed the course for sure. Thanks Bruce, and happy holidays!	
I did not like Bruce's teaching style. He takes himself too seriously, and treats the students in his 100-level course as if they were avid and budding sociologists. We are not; we are looking for electives to take in our first couple years. Sociology is fascinating, but the course content needn't be tested in the manner they were (8 written questions to know in detail for the final is steep).	

While my introductory education in Sociology was thought-provoking and informative, I have decided that it is not an avenue of study that I wish to pursue, mainly because:

- I am afraid of a lack of career prospects to be gained from a Sociology degree
- I do not enjoy applying the concepts taught on paper, however I embrace them and utilize them in my daily life.

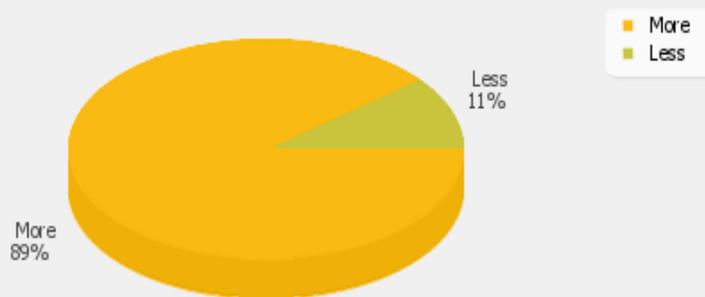
I don't need them for my major

I was initially interested in taking Sociology 100B, following 100A, because I enjoy the content and am genuinely interested in Sociology; however, I dropped the course because of the marking system that's currently in place. I'm not willing to jeopardize my overall GPA, the TAs really were not qualified to grade the midterms and absolutely should not be marking the finals. In my opinion, that is the professor's responsibility (for consistency and accuracy)... At the very least there should have been just one TA marking the midterms in order to ensure some academic integrity was maintained. Further, it's unfair to the TAs as well because they take all the heat from students regarding grading, while Dr. Ravelli's reputation remains sparkling.

I am a business major and I took this sociology major for exposure only.

While the subject is interesting and probably gets more specific as you take more courses, we talked about what people or groups of people are like in general, which was a little too macro for my taste.

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