

# Students' Course Evaluations

## For

Professor Richard Sullivan

Introduction to Sociology (Soc 106)

The following comments are from the final question on the official course evaluations our department requires us to give at the end of every semester. These evaluations are used for annual performance reviews, promotion and tenure cases.

The prompt students are responding to is: "Please provide an overall summary of your experience in this course". I have copy and pasted comments directly from the scanned original documents for the three sections of "Intro" I taught in 2017 (Spring, Summer and Fall).

My intention is to provide prospective students a more valid source of information about the class and my teaching than they can get from unscientific sites like "Ratemyprofessor.com".

## Introduction to Sociology – Spring 2017 (SOC 106.01) Enrollment~300

In the space below, please provide an overall summary of your experiences in this course. THANK

J.

I liked this course and the course material, however, it was definitely more difficult than what a gen. ed requirement should be. This was good and bad though, because it still wasn't overly challenging, but did make you think. Dr. Sullivan is definitely funny and engaging, but comes off as arrogant and that his beliefs are the only correct ones. He also needs to not push his political views onto the students as this is not a politics class and was not appreciated.

In the space below, please provide an overall summary of your experiences in this course. THANK

DU.

He made the course very entertaining but not very easy to take in for tests. Needed to give us reviews for exams because they are very hard and a lot of material to memorize. There's certain things he should watch when saying where it can be to far sometimes.

In the space below, please provide an overall summary of your experiences in this course. THANK

DU.

It was an interesting class & I was always entertained. I wish we had more time on the online quizzes & more extra credit!

In the space below, please provide an overall summary of your experiences in this course. THANK

DU.

I found the content of this course interesting, but how the information was taught to us was difficult. I feel there should have been more tests throughout this course.

U. In the space below, please provide an overall summary of your experiences in this course. THANK

♡'d how you burned people

U. In the space below, please provide an overall summary of your experiences in this course. THANK

Dr. Sullivan did a great job for teaching an introductory sociology course. I learned so much and I have definitely taken away a lot of information. He has really influenced my change in major to sociology. I hope I keep in touch with him.

U. In the space below, please provide an overall summary of your experiences in this course. THANK

Very interesting and mindblowing lectures.  
Really changed my views towards things.  
Enjoy his funny examples.

U. In the space below, please provide an overall summary of your experiences in this course. THANK

I feel that he is a good professor but doesn't teach clearly; too many rants.

U. In the space below, please provide an overall summary of your experiences in this course. THANK

It was interesting how we learned each new topic to fully understand a piece of sociology. The professor did a great job at teaching this huge auditorium, especially with interactions of the crowd. The course was enjoyable.

In the space below, please provide an overall summary of your experiences in this course. THANK

J.

Turned out to be my favorite class.  
Dr. Sullivan makes learning fun + humorous  
yet challenging + eye opening at the  
same time. I enjoyed every class and  
came out knowing alot

In the space below, please provide an overall summary of your experiences in this course. THANK

J.

You said I may learn more than any class but still  
get a shitty grade & you were 100% right.

In the space below, please provide an overall summary of your experiences in this course. THANK

J.

I'm woke!

In the space below, please provide an overall summary of your experiences in this course. THANK

OU.

This course was not easy, by no means. The time and  
effort had to be put in in order to do well in this  
class. The material was interesting and taught well.  
The exams were complicated. Overall, I think more  
sociological.

In the space below, please provide an overall summary of your experiences in this course. THANK

OU.

we need more time on the quizzes. Maybe not so much  
reading I have reading in so many other classes and  
I spend so much time on this one class it just isn't  
fair when you have so ~~much~~ many other things  
going on.

In the space below, please provide an overall summary of your experiences in this course. THANK

J.

It was great, I enjoyed it



In the space below, please provide an overall summary of your experiences in this course. THANK  
OU.

Overall, enjoyed the challenging course  
I learned a lot, and it even opened my eyes  
to some things I didn't even pay attention to.  
loved your enthusiasm and attitude, made me want  
to come to class

In the space below, please provide an overall summary of your experiences in this course. THANK  
OU.

Overall, I enjoyed the course. Tests were challenging  
but the course was well taught.

In the space below, please provide an overall summary of your experiences in this course. THANK  
OU.

The concepts talked about in class really made me  
think about and second guess societal norms  
and how the world works. I wish we talked  
more about the reggie net readings in  
class. This class is very hard to get an  
A in however I enjoyed the material I  
learned

In the space below, please provide an overall summary of your experiences in this course. THANK  
OU.

Instructor made the class very engaging & very interesting. I loved  
the class & the way the instructor taught it.

In the space below, please provide an overall summary of your experiences in this course. THANK  
OU.

I didn't learn shit.

Thanks for making lose my 4.0  
asshole.

In the space below, please provide an overall summary of your experiences in this course. THANK

OU.

Best / most interesting course I've taken in college.

In the space below, please provide an overall summary of your experiences in this course. THANK

OU.

To much focus of points  
on tests. Doesn't seem  
fair.

In the space below, please provide an overall summary of your experiences in this course. THANK

U.

I enjoyed this course. I liked his teaching  
style and how he expressed ideas against the  
norm. ?

In the space below, please provide an overall summary of your experiences in this course. THANK

OU.

Seems like he doesn't care about his  
students.

In the space below, please provide an overall summary of your experiences in this course. THANK

OU.

The course was super fun, the instructor did an amazing  
job at engaging students and making the class  
interesting. If I'd change anything, it would be  
having more work/projects/exams, so that each  
one wasn't weighed so heavily.

In the space below, please provide an overall summary of your experiences in this course. THANK

OU.

This course was a lot of fun to take!  
The material was challenging but fun to  
learn

In the space below, please provide an overall summary of your experiences in this course. THANK

OU.

I will never recommend this teacher to anyone. He is ignorant person and doesn't let the students speak freely. It was terrifying, people were constantly fscared to talk in my class.

In the space below, please provide an overall summary of your experiences in this course. THANK

OU.

I learned a lot of very valuable information that will help me in my life. Loved Mr. Sullivan! He was hilarious & made learning enjoyable. He also gave good examples that made it easier to learn.

In the space below, please provide an overall summary of your experiences in this course. THANK

U.

I thought the teacher was funny and intelligent. He did what he said he was going to. He was very passionate about what he was teaching.

In the space below, please provide an overall summary of your experiences in this course. THANK

J.

Communism doesn't work so stop preaching your shitty opinion. Awful Jackass

In the space below, please provide an overall summary of your experiences in this course. THANK

J.

I love this class. I would recommend to everyone. Dr. Sullivan is a great instructor who makes the class even better. I never missed a day because I wanted to learn the new lecture.

In the space below, please provide an overall summary of your experiences in this course. THANK  
U.

I Fucking loved this class and Dr. Sullivan

In the space below, please provide an overall summary of your experiences in this course. THANK  
OU.

I would honestly say this is my favorite class I've taken here. It was super interesting and I was actually excited to go to class; I didn't miss a single one. I also thought Dr. Sullivan was a great instructor, and I really learned a lot from him!

In the space below, please provide an overall summary of your experiences in this course. THANK  
OU.

I personally thank you for teaching this class and WAKING US UP!!

In the space below, please provide an overall summary of your experiences in this course. THANK  
OU.

I loved this class so much, GREAT  
FUCKING CLASS and Dr. Sullivan  
is the MAN!! Thank you for  
teaching me the most.

In the space below, please provide an overall summary of your experiences in this course. THANK  
OU.

The course is a great window into  
the workings of our society,

In the space below, please provide an overall summary of your experiences in this course. THANK  
OU.

Everyone at ISU should be required to take  
this class. Thank you Dr. S.

In the space below, please provide an overall summary of your experiences in this course. THANK

OU.

I loved everything about this course. How he presented and explained material was the best I've ever seen in any class.

In the space below, please provide an overall summary of your experiences in this course. THANK

OU.

He was an amazing teacher. Knew what he was talking about. Torgents helped and didn't sometimes. I didn't do the greatest but that's because I am not used to it all (all the info). I'm one of the people that got a C, but learned more than most. Thanks..

In the space below, please provide an overall summary of your experiences in this course. THANK

OU.

Dr. Sullivan is truly the single greatest educator I have ever had. Throughout the entire course, he challenged the way I see the way we interact and society as a whole. He also took time outside of his office hours to help me understand key concepts and apply them to my own life. I fear that I will never have an educator quite as great as Dr. Sullivan.

In the space below, please provide an overall summary of your experiences in this course. THANK

OU.

I had to get use to Sullivan. He cursed a bit too much. I wasn't comfortable at first because nobody needs to wear that much. If you do the readings you should be okay. There's just a lot of terms. I would not take this class again if I got the chance. # least not with him.

In the space below, please provide an overall summary of your experiences in this course. THANK

OU.

I just want to thank you for a great semester. You are such an interesting and hilarious person. It always brightened my day coming here.

In the space below, please provide an overall summary of your experiences in this course. THANK

OU.

Best class ever, too many quizzes.

maybe 5 questions would be sufficient?

In the space below, please provide an overall summary of your experiences in this course. THANK

OU.

Good, interesting, some-what life changing, but please give us college students a break every once in a while we are under a lot of stress.

In the space below, please provide an overall summary of your experiences in this course. THANK

OU.

I enjoyed this course, the professor is very passionate and makes lectures easier/interesting.

In the space below, please provide an overall summary of your experiences in this course. THANK

OU.

I think you are a great professor and I love learning from professor's when they're passionate about what they do. I do think that there are some things you say that are inconsiderate and aren't appropriate in any situations.

You may not have realized you were going to say this before you did - but suicide isn't a laughing matter. Making jokes about slitting your wrists isn't okay to do - so please be aware of what you say.

In the space below, please provide an overall summary of your experiences in this course. THANK

OU.

Learned a lot in class, but  
as a queer student, rarely felt  
welcome. The only reading about gender  
was 20 years and the lecture  
on gender inequality didn't talk  
about LGBT people, and gender inequality  
is a big part of that oppression.  
Need to do better to include US.

In the space below, please provide an overall summary of your experiences in this course. THANK

OU.

This was a very well taught course. I had to take this class  
as a Medschool prereq. + I am so glad I did. The  
material was presented very clearly and in  
such an interesting way. The professor was  
hilarious and made the 1 hr 15 mins go by  
so quickly. I have learned so much in this  
class!

In the space below, please provide an overall summary of your experiences in this course. THANK

OU.

- first day = came in w/ a negative attitude  
about the course & professor
- during = started falling in love w/ the  
material & valuable life lessons
- end = love this course, rate it overall,  
very positively :)

In the space below, please provide an overall summary of your experiences in this course. THANK

OU.

I truly enjoyed coming to class it  
was always fun and interesting.  
He knew so much and loved his  
job.

In the space below, please provide an overall summary of your experiences in this course. THANK

OU.

I think the subject matter of this course is interesting  
and fun to learn about. The respect for students could be  
better and the judgement of students could be  
better as well.

In the space below, please provide an overall summary of your experiences in this course. THANK

OU.

Very engaging course/instructor made it  
easy to want to be in class  
and learn.

Thank you!

challenged in what we learned were just  
In the space below, please provide an overall summary of your experiences in this course. THANK

OU.

This was one of my favorite classes to go to. The  
material was difficult at times, but that's what  
made it interesting. This is a course that I believe  
everyone should take because it makes people think  
beyond what they already know and accept to be  
the truth.

In the space below, please provide an overall summary of your experiences in this course. THANK

U.

I liked the way he taught, he was very interesting.  
He is one of the best professors I've had.



In the space below, please provide an overall summary of your experiences in this course. THANK YOU.

Came to class every day to sit through debate and ranting. never covered the material for that class day. takes questions but makes a fool of the asking student. grants extra credit and says he might split it with others even if they weren't present for class. would rather spend class debating extra credit than teach us material week before final.

In the space below, please provide an overall summary of your experiences in this course. THANK YOU.

Overall, I enjoyed the course. Discussions were interesting, and material covered was useful in every day life. However, I wish the professor actually went over quizzes and exams, because how is a student supposed to learn from his/her mistakes when he/she doesn't even know what went wrong???

In the space below, please provide an overall summary of your experiences in this course. THANK YOU.

Challenging course with new information that hasn't been brought up to think about. makes someone kind of want to change the name. That's scary. Dr. Sullivan was a great teacher.

In the space below, please provide an overall summary of your experiences in this course. THANK YOU.

Overall happy to take this class. Best professor so far. A lot of reading but I learn the most I've ever had in a class.

In the space below, please provide an overall summary of your experiences in this course. THANK

DU.

I learned a lot in this class, some of which I already knew based on being observant in life. However, I feel as though the exams were too large for a gen ed class, but it made me study, which is rare.

In the space below, please provide an overall summary of your experiences in this course. THANK

J.

I enjoyed this class quite a bit, but I already knew some of the information. I liked hearing everybody's opinion about what we're learning because if I didn't agree it was interesting.

In the space below, please provide an overall summary of your experiences in this course. THANK

DU. I felt like I didn't learn much, the instructor also taught like three things per day. I leased my learning off of readings we were assigned to do.

In the space below, please provide an overall summary of your experiences in this course. THANK

DU.

There were many insightful things I learned in this class that change the way I think about society/every day life. Dr. Sullivan did a great job making lecture entertaining as well as informative. Overall, a great experience for me.

In the space below, please provide an overall summary of your experiences in this course. THANK

DU.

I was very surprised by how much I got out of this course. It really altered the way I look at society and how it functions. On a personal level I am someone who likes to learn and be challenged in my thinking because it pushes me to be more knowledgeable. Sometimes the reading was overwhelming not because I didn't enjoy it but just because my other classes require heavy work load. Overall, I feel very grateful I got the chance to take this course and learn all I did. Thank you for putting in all the work you have!

In the space below, please provide an overall summary of your experiences in this course. THANK

OU.

this was a nice class he kept us engaged and laughing throughout the semester. I enjoyed it but he should be more specific with the material we need to know in the class

In the space below, please provide an overall summary of your experiences in this course. THANK

OU.

This was one of the best classes I have taken. Dr. Sullivan taught the information in a great way that made me learn easily and make me want to come to class! The tests were hard but coming to class helps a lot. I am going to miss this class!

In the space below, please provide an overall summary of your experiences in this course. THANK

OU.

Very eye opening and ended by was as crazy and diverse as the last. will remember.

In the space below, please provide an overall summary of your experiences in this course. THANK

U.

would test 10 year weekly and be hard to students, always talk down about republican, cops, Donald Trump. Should leave political opinion out of lecture material.

In the space below, please provide an overall summary of your experiences in this course. THANK

OU.

He was a good professor. The quizzes helped a lot w/ the grading. The exams were a little difficult. The required readings were too long and confusing to understand.

In the space below, please provide an overall summary of your experiences in this course. THANK  
OU.

Dr. Sullivan challenged me and  
enriched and informed my  
life. I would take this  
class a million times over

In the space below, please provide an overall summary of your experiences in this course. THANK  
OU.

Really enjoyed the class; wish the slides  
were available online.

In the space below, please provide an overall summary of your experiences in this course. THANK  
OU.

This class was a lot of fun and different than any class I have  
taken. It was a very open environment so people felt free to  
ask any questions they wanted. Even though it was fun it was  
also challenging and kept me interested. I hate having a class that  
is extremely easy because I feel like I'm learning nothing and  
this was definitely not one of those classes.

In the space below, please provide an overall summary of your experiences in this course. THANK  
U.

It really challenged me in the sense that it was so Real!

In the space below, please provide an overall summary of your experiences in this course. THANK  
J.

Very interactive, but hard to voice exactly what I was thinking  
Interesting and thought-provoking  
well led.  
good discussions  
really fun class

In the space below, please provide an overall summary of your experiences in this course. THANK YOU.

I did not have a good experience in this course due to the professor. I think the course would be better with a different teacher. I am an accounting major + I'm going to quote Dr. Sullivan on this "if you're an accounting major have fun with \$80,000 a year and sitting your wrists" He was a big asshole that crosses the line a lot.

In the space below, please provide an overall summary of your experiences in this course. THANK YOU.

I went for help from you and co-teachers and it was a joke/waste of time.

In the space below, please provide an overall summary of your experiences in this course. THANK YOU.

Extremely demanding course but it is organized, thought provoking and overall extremely insightful. I would recommend this to anyone who takes sociology seriously or wants to dedicate themselves to learning new information.

In the space below, please provide an overall summary of your experiences in this course. THANK YOU.

Very interesting professor, challenges regular teaching, classroom, and societal norms which was awesome

tests are very difficult

overall a good class and great professor

In the space below, please provide an overall summary of your experiences in this course. THANK

20.

I came in thinking this to be another dumb  
gen ed. However, Dr. Sullivan kept a room of 300  
thoroughly engaged, and he made things interesting  
and I learned a lot.

In the space below, please provide an overall summary of your experiences in this course.

J.

I went into the class thinking it was just a Gen Ed but  
ended up enjoying the class. I learned more in  
this class than any other course I've taken this  
semester. I would recommend for everyone to  
take this course with you.

In the space below, please provide an overall summary of your experiences in this course. THANK

Too many rants when I would prefer  
to go through the notes for the exams.

In the space below, please provide an overall summary of your experiences in this course. THANK

I. I would describe my soc 106 experience as a good one. However I feel as  
if my grade doesn't reflect what I learned.

In the space below, please provide an overall summary of your experiences in this course. THANK

I feel that from this course I was overall given the  
opportunity to take a step further and further each class  
period. Eventually, lightbulbs kept going off as each  
topic tied into each other.

In the space below, please provide an overall summary of your experiences in this course. THANK

U.

I enjoyed the material in the course and all I learned. It did seem a little  
challenging, but overall it was course worth my money.

In the space below, please provide an overall summary of your experiences in this course. THANK

U.

overall the class was interesting and challenging  
in class sometimes it was hard to  
follow mine his main point was  
needed

In the space below, please provide an overall summary of your experiences in this course. THANK

J.

I was not a huge fan of this course. I feel like there was  
too much information for an introductory class. I think we  
definitely had the resources to do well, but too much was  
expected out of us taking just a 200 level class.

In the space below, please provide an overall summary of your experiences in this course. THANK

U.

Personally, for me this course was difficult because Dr. Sullivan  
took a very liberal way of teaching and taught us liberal  
things and as a conservative it was hard to wrap my head  
around it. Also it would help if you actually reviewed just  
a tiny bit on review days.

In the space below, please provide an overall summary of your experiences in this course. THANK

U.

This professor was the  
absolute shit. Best professor ever.  
Learned more in his class  
than I have ever did

In the space below, please provide an overall summary of your experiences in this course. THANK U.

This class was challenging, but I learned A LOT from it. I think about things in a more sociological way. I learned about things and think about things differently.

In the space below, please provide an overall summary of your experiences in this course. THANK U.

It was an amazing, interesting class.

The only problem I had were the exams, maybe because they were hard, but because the study guide wasn't really a study guide. The exams were really screwed my grade.

In the space below, please provide an overall summary of your experiences in this course. THANK J.

This class taught me so much valuable information that I will forever be thankful for. Thanks to the instructor, I changed my major to sociology. I was unsure about what passion actually was until I heard him talk about what the field of sociology is. The professor did an amazing job.

In the space below, please provide an overall summary of your experiences in this course. THANK U.

Readings were so long!

Exams = very hard, didn't seem like an intro course.

Too much small detail that needed to be remembered.

I feel like I learned to think more sociologically, but that doesn't reflect my grade - which I feel should,



In the space below, please provide an overall summary of your experiences in this course. THANK  
U.

Should be required for everyone.

Dr. Sullivan pisses people off and  
can be a dick, but is for a  
good reason. The truth hurts sometimes.

In the space below, please provide an overall summary of your experiences in this course. THANK  
DU.

In this course, I found a newfound interest for my minor.  
I found Dr. Sullivan to be the perfect fit for this course.  
However, I disagree with the amount of course reading  
in an introductory class with a course full of freshman.  
This should be a 200/300 level course at best.

Sullivan is a very blunt professor, and I like that.  
Also, change your bereavement policy. I experienced  
a lot of anxiety with my sick grandfather this  
semester due to your inability to accommodate with  
tragedy.

In the space below, please provide an overall summary of your experiences in this course. THANK  
U.

Should be a required class for  
everyone, due to the important  
subject matter.

In the space below, please provide an overall summary of your experiences in this course. THANK  
J.

Prof Sullivan was very funny and pretty interesting. I thought that  
the tests were pretty hard though. Overall pretty decent class.

In the space below, please provide an overall summary of your experiences in this course. THANK

U. This class has been one of the hardest classes I have ever taken, but I have learned so much from it. I would highly recommend everyone to take! Very eye opening!

In the space below, please provide an overall summary of your experiences in this course. THANK

OU. I thought the information provided with the course was interesting. It opened my eyes up to the many problems + social constructions of our world today.

In the space below, please provide an overall summary of your experiences in this course. THANK

U. One of the best class I've not the best I ever took. One of the best teachers I ever have. This class influence a lot on how I choose to handle this world. P.S. you need to make a snapchat.

In the space below, please provide an overall summary of your experiences in this course. THANK

OU. Dr. Sullivan was the best teacher I've had in my life. He teaches the shit that we need to know about society and our life. Not everyone appreciates realness. Many people prefer to be sheltered. He pulled no punches. This was the best class experience I ever had. Thanks.

In the space below, please provide an overall summary of your experiences in this course. THANK

U.

Overall being in this class was a great experience. I actually learned many new things & made me open to new perspectives.

In the space below, please provide an overall summary of your experiences in this course. THANK

OU.

This class was my favorite class I've taken this year. It inspired me to pick up sociology as a minor.

In the space below, please provide an overall summary of your experiences in this course. THANK

OU.

This is an incredible class! Sullivan really makes you apply what you've learned in the class to everyday life. When asking, I recommended this class w/ him to all of my friends! Give this man a raise!

In the space below, please provide an overall summary of your experiences in this course. THANK

U.

It feels like the information on the test was only a little bit related to class and we never talked about the reading in class which I feel like would help a lot more to understand the material.

In the space below, please provide an overall summary of your experiences in this course. THANK

OU.

Very interesting class actually enjoyed coming to it. Liked the way my beliefs and thoughts were challenged.

In the space below, please provide an overall summary of your experiences in this course. THANK YOU.

I love the course content because I am always having existential crises so I'm glad others think of things like how our reality is socially constructed. Challenging exams & loved that the only homework was quizzes.

In the space below, please provide an overall summary of your experiences in this course. THANK YOU.

This course was very interesting & lectures were engaging. I personally prefer to take notes on my laptop so I did not like that I was not allowed to. In addition, I wish that lectures were more directly related to the tests.

In the space below, please provide an overall summary of your experiences in this course. THANK YOU.

The tests were really hard going off the RN Reading and trying to pick out what's important to know within the 5-10 pages in each reading.

In the space below, please provide an overall summary of your experiences in this course. THANK YOU.

It was okay, he a little crazy, but a good teacher.

In the space below, please provide an overall summary of your experiences in this course. THANK YOU.

I felt as if Dr. Sullivan didn't care for anyone's opinions unless they were just like his.

In the space below, please provide an overall summary of your experiences in this course. THANK

OU.

- very Sarcastic teacher

Funny person, FERRIDLE  
TEACHER

- Gives quizzes on 50 qqs of readings  
for only 10 min

- Doesn't reveal what you got  
wrong on quizzes, so basically doesn't help

9. All in all, how much did you learn in this course?

Very Little 1 2 3 4 (5) A Great Deal

Please elaborate:

I feel I've changed the way I think & act after taking this course.

In the space below, please provide an overall summary of your experiences in this course. THANK

OU.

This course was one of the most enjoyable and challenging courses I've taken in college so far. I enjoyed it so much that I ended up picking up a minor in sociology, because Dr. Sullivan really sparked my interest and curiosity for the world around me.

In the space below, please provide an overall summary of your experiences in this course. THANK

It was a class I truly looked forward to coming to.

It was honestly a challenging class, but worth coming to. Sullivan is an amazing, free spirited teacher.

In the space below, please provide an overall summary of your experiences in this course. THANK

I loved this course and thought he was very entertaining and funny.

## Introduction to Sociology – Summer 2017 – (SOC 106) Enrollment~13

In the space below, please provide an overall summary of your experiences in this course. THANK

U.

I am so thankful that I took this course with Dr. Sullivan. He is an amazing professor who changed my outlook on life. He also, during the course of this 3 weeks, reassured me that sociology is indeed the path for me! ☺

In the space below, please provide an overall summary of your experiences in this course. THANK

DU.

I loved this class! Dr. Sullivan made the three hours entertaining yet taught us a lot! 10/10 for the way he teaches.

In the space below, please provide an overall summary of your experiences in this course. THANK

DU.

I enjoyed the class because I actually learned something. Dr. Sullivan truly knows all the material he is teaching so it comes off as casual conversation instead of just reading off a slide.

In the space below, please provide an overall summary of your experiences in this course. THANK

YOU.

This is an amazing course mostly because Sullivan is a great teacher. He teaches the course not because he has to but because he wants to open our minds to the reality of things.

In the space below, please provide an overall summary of your experiences in this course. THANK

U. The course was great. I felt like I really learned to question things around me. It really opened my eyes to how society is the way it is and how easily we are influenced by outside forces.

In the space below, please provide an overall summary of your experiences in this course. THANK

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It sounds super lame but this course honestly changed me as a person entirely. I was weird because I viewed rate my prof. & the reviews weren't the best but I realize now that site is total bs & those students clearly just didn't get it. This class has driven me insane & is the only thing my family has heard about for weeks, but all in the best way possible. I feel like a knowledgeable, engaging citizen now & Dr. Sullivan was the best. #1 class I've taken at ISU so far & I'm already a senior.

in my future endeavors.

In the space below, please provide an overall summary of your experiences in this course. THANK

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While Dr. Sullivan is vulgar in speech and not one to mince words to make you feel comfortable, he provides knowledge that can be hard to digest but important for learning and going through life. I appreciate Dr. Sullivan's teaching and style of teaching.

9. All in all, how much did you learn in this course?

Very Little 1 2 3 4 5 A Great Deal

Please elaborate:

I learned a lot. Sometimes I wish I didn't learn because I have no idea what to do about them.

In the space below, please provide an overall summary of your experiences in this course. THANK U.

On the first day of class I just wanted to study hard and get a better grade than the last time. Now I am considering changing my career path and ~~going in~~ a direction I'm not even sure yet. Overall, the best experience in school so far.

5. How intellectually challenging was this course?

Not Challenging 1 2 3 4 5 Very Challenging

Please elaborate:

It fucks with your head and everything you think you know.

In the space below, please provide an overall summary of your experiences in this course. THANK U.

I ended up really enjoying this class I was originally just taking for the credits. I learned a lot and am actually really interested in the subject. Dr. Sullivan is a great professor, and does a great job at teaching and encouraging students to think sociologically.



## Introduction to Sociology – Fall 2017 (SOC 106) Enrollment ~300

In the space below, please provide an overall summary of your experiences in this course. THANK YOU.

This course showed me how to rethink the world as we know it, so thank you.

Add subtitles to videos shown in class sometimes they were difficult to understand/hear. :)

In the space below, please provide an overall summary of your experiences in this course. THANK YOU.

I loved the course, exceeded my expectations, office hours helped a ton!

In the space below, please provide an overall summary of your experiences in this course. THANK YOU.

I enjoyed this class. It was fun to come to because of his personality. However, the chicks that sat behind me thought he was an asshole, but that's only because they refused to think sociologically. Some of the information was hard to grasp, but it was an overall good + informative class.

In the space below, please provide an overall summary of your experiences in this course. THANK YOU.

I enjoyed the course. I learned a lot and the professor made it fun to learn.

The amount of reading for the class was a bit much.

In the space below, please provide an overall summary of your experiences in this course. THANK YOU.

The professor was very rude, insensitive, not patient, kind of scary. I do not feel he is a good fit to teach this class. I don't think he likes students or people in general very much. He also made fun of Christianity multiple times and I was offended.

9. All in all, how much did you learn in this course?

Very Little

1 2 3 4 5

A Great Deal

Please elaborate:

Alot! I feel like everyone should have to take this class to better understand society.

In the space below, please provide an overall summary of your experiences in this course. THANK YOU.

Dr. Sullivan did a very good job of teaching the material for this course but he did an even better job of keeping the class interesting and making students want to learn the material.

In the space below, please provide an overall summary of your experiences in this course. THANK YOU.

This man is a God.  
#Sullivan4Pres 2024  
(Trump 2020)

In the space below, please provide an overall summary of your experiences in this course. THANK YOU.

Course was interesting and full of useful information. Opened my mind.

In the space below, please provide an overall summary of your experiences in this course. THANK YOU.

This course was pretty challenging and the reggienet readings sometimes were hard to connect with what we learned in lecture. I wish we had gone over the readings the following week.

9. All in all, how much did you learn in this course?

Very Little

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A Great Deal

Please elaborate:

I've honestly never learned more than I have in this class

In the space below, please provide an overall summary of your experiences in this course. THANK YOU.

I enjoyed learning new things + looking at society through a new lense.

In the space below, please provide an overall summary of your experiences in this course. THANK YOU.

I thought this course was great. It made me want to explore sociology more.

In the space below, please provide an overall summary of your experiences in this course. THANK YOU.

I really enjoyed this class, it was the one I looked forward to the most. the material was intweling & Dr Sullivan is entertaining + engaging.

In the space below, please provide an overall summary of your experiences in this course. THANK YOU.

I regret taking this class. No one should have 18+ page readings for each lecture in a gen-ed class that has nothing to do with my major.

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In the space below, please provide an overall summary of your experiences in this course. THANK YOU.

You have been, BY FAR, the worst instructor I have ever had. Sociology is suppose to maintain an open thought process and open your mind to new ideas - BUT you choose to go on rants, over explain gender social institutions and CLEARLY think that there is nothing wrong with your teaching. Well, thank you you uncultured asshole I learned absolutely nothing :)

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In the space below, please provide an overall summary of your experiences in this course. THANK YOU.

Favorite teacher I've ever had

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In the space below, please provide an overall summary of your experiences in this course. THANK

Intriguing and engaging lectures/rants, funny and blunt teacher, one of my most enjoyable classes of my college career.

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In the space below, please provide an overall summary of your experiences in this course. THANK YOU.

It is a well-rounded course. Dr. Sullivan is an excellent professor.

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In the space below, please provide an overall summary of your experiences in this course. THANK

YOU. Dr. Sullivan taught me much more than I expected to learn. I had taken psychology assuming the field would be very similar just to be shocked at the sheer scope of the subject. Dr. Sullivan did an amazing job at showing the overall inequalities and now I am a much better and more prepared person knowing what I know.

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In the space below, please provide an overall summary of your experiences in this course. THANK

YOU. I really enjoyed the style of teaching Dr. Sullivan had, however I felt the way the quizzes were set up didn't help with learning & that we can't use the quizzes to study. I didn't enjoy. Overall though a very fun class to be a part of

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In the space below, please provide an overall summary of your experiences in this course. THANK

YOU. Loved teacher, lectures, Attitude. Hardest exams/quizzes I have ever taken. Made me want to Drop despite loving the class.

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5. How intellectually challenging was this course?

Not  
Challenging

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Very  
Challenging

Please elaborate:

This course easily could have been like any other general ed class, but Dr. S. really made you think/work for it.

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In the space below, please provide an overall summary of your experiences in this course. THANK YOU.

- He obviously knows his stuff. I would, however, appreciate some more current readings than what he uses. Also, I used 3rd edition book instead of 5<sup>th</sup> & it worked perfectly just like you said. Appreciate the \$\$ saved.

In the space below, please provide an overall summary of your experiences in this course. THANK YOU.

- Overall, Dr. Sullivan was a great teacher, and was able to explain the challenging topics of this course well. I would say he made this course worth taking.

In the space below, please provide an overall summary of your experiences in this course. THANK YOU.

- This class was fantastic. I learned a lot about how to think for myself and see from a sociological perspective. This class was the best class I have taken in college to date (as a second-semester junior). Dr. Sullivan is brilliant + passionate.

In the space below, please provide an overall summary of your experiences in this course. THANK YOU.

Course had a lot of material that at times was challenging, however class lectures were insightful, enthusiastic, and relatable.

Great Professor ☺

In the space below, please provide an overall summary of your experiences in this course. THANK YOU.

This course is good. However, I felt afraid to talk to him or ask him any questions because I did once and he made me feel like I was asking a stupid question. Also when we were in lecture, no one could answer his question so he got mad and was about to leave and swore at us a little bit. I am here to learn, not leave the classroom because we did not to answer a question. Unprofessional Overall

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In the space below, please provide an overall summary of your experiences in this course. THANK YOU.

Even though it was very challenging, I learned a lot and I became very excited to attend lectures and learn more about sociology. The readings were very interesting.

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In the space below, please provide an overall summary of your experiences in this course. THANK YOU.

I am defiantly one of those students that doesn't have the best grade but learned a lot in this class.

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In the space below, please provide an overall summary of your experiences in this course. THANK YOU.

It wasn't my favorite class ever. I wish there was more study tools. Because I was someone who showed up everyday and am barely passing.

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In the space below, please provide an overall summary of your experiences in this course. THANK

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This course was one of my favorites by far this semester. I've learned to think critically and not just memorize information.

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In the space below, please provide an overall summary of your experiences in this course. THANK

YOU.

This class was quite challenging, but it got to make me see the world differently. Dr. Sullivan keeps it real, & always says what has to be said, even if it makes him sound like an ass, but that's how great teachers send a message. Great teacher & fun content.

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In the space below, please provide an overall summary of your experiences in this course. THANK

YOU.

I am very glad I took this course. It is the only class this year that actually made me think. I appreciate the way you taught this class and it opened my eyes so much. There was a lot of reading but for the most part, it was relevant to the lectures and exams. This class is the reason I am adding a Sociology minor. Thank you for this class.

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In the space below, please provide an overall summary of your experiences in this course. THANK

YOU.

For me personally, sociology isn't really a course that I am good at but the instructor did a good job with the course.

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should more clearly state course objectives.

would say to make the course smaller

In the space below, please provide an overall summary of your experiences in this course. THANK YOU.

I LOVED IT! LEARNED A LOT.

In the space below, please provide an overall summary of your experiences in this course. THANK YOU.

This class was very political & I did not enjoy it. He was good at teaching but was kind of mean.

In the space below, please provide an overall summary of your experiences in this course. THANK YOU.

Overall, I did learn alot, I may not get the grade I want but he know, what he is talking about. Wish he were more availible and willing to see student outside his office hours.

In the space below, please provide an overall summary of your experiences in this course. THANK YOU.

I loved the class immensely. Dr. Sullivan has been the best teacher I've ever had and he remained respectful and felt truly passionate about the material as well as our well-being as students. I wish he did more than just intro courses so I could have him again.

In the space below, please provide an overall summary of your experiences in this course. THANK YOU.

I had a good yet challenging experience in this course. I felt challenged enough to think for myself & I felt the material we talked about was challenging enough to the point where I felt uncomfortable, but in a good way.

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In the space below, please provide an overall summary of your experiences in this course. THANK YOU.

■ It was a great class that was very interesting but for a intro class it was too hard.

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In the space below, please provide an overall summary of your experiences in this course. THANK YOU.

■ Overall, good course.  
One of few classes  
I looked forward to  
hear lecture.

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In the space below, please provide an overall summary of your experiences in this course. THANK YOU.

■  
- class was fun & engaging  
- tests were too hard  
- teacher was rude & sometimes took it overboard  
- learned a great deal

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In the space below, please provide an overall summary of your experiences in this course. THANK YOU.

■ was a good course that challenge me to think and really try to do well all well enjoyed this class.

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In the space below, please provide an overall summary of your experiences in this course. THANK YOU.

Very distracted, went off topic alot when trying to connect what we were learning to real life.

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In the space below, please provide an overall summary of your experiences in this course. THANK YOU.

This is an incredibly valuable course that everyone should take. It gave me many new perspectives on social issues and how people are treated.

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In the space below, please provide an overall summary of your experiences in this course. THANK YOU.

I thought that the course was enjoyable and different from most classes.

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In the space below, please provide an overall summary of your experiences in this course. THANK YOU.

- good study work
  - excellent powerpoints/lectures
  - quizzes were just the right amount of difficulty.
  - probably one of the best professors I'd ever have
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In the space below, please provide an overall summary of your experiences in this course. THANK YOU.

Even though this course was one of my hardest classes, I did learn a lot of new things that I didn't know had to do with Soc.

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In the space below, please provide an overall summary of your experiences in this course. THANK YOU.

This course was challenging, but I learned more in this class than in my easier courses. I wish there would have been less readings outside of class because it was very time consuming and it was a lot of information to process on top of the in class material.

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In the space below, please provide an overall summary of your experiences in this course. THANK YOU.

He needs to limit his use of profanity. Also, have much more respect for new students.

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In the space below, please provide an overall summary of your experiences in this course. THANK YOU.

Teacher would be very disrespectful to students in front of whole class about the little things such as someone leaving early. His cursing is out of hand. One or two here is OK but all the time is inappropriate.

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In the space below, please provide an overall summary of your experiences in this course. THANK YOU.

This course was very hard and the teacher did not help with learning material. The teacher was disrespectful and made me feel uncomfortable.

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In the space below, please provide an overall summary of your experiences in this course. THANK YOU.

This was my favorite class this semester. Dr. Sullivan is so engaging and really teaches a fantastic lecture. I took this course to see if sociology would be a good double major for me. He convinced me that it should be my double major. Every time I left class I felt challenged and had a new perspective. I loved this course.

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In the space below, please provide an overall summary of your experiences in this course. THANK YOU.

Just one comment. My professor liked to stereotype Naperville full of rich privileged kids. Yes, Naperville has money but throwing blanket comments over it is insulting. I am from Naperville and in no way shape or form am I rich as he perceived the residents to be.

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In the space below, please provide an overall summary of your experiences in this course. THANK YOU.

Lectures were interesting but overall the class was very difficult.

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In the space below, please provide an overall summary of your experiences in this course. THANK YOU.

He is not good. He needs to be fired ASAP. He doesn't explain anything & just expects you to know. I'm talking to the president about setting him fired ASAP.

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In the space below, please provide an overall summary of your experiences in this course. THANK YOU.

I don't know why Dr. Sullivan is so bitter at such a young age. He is a brilliant, insightful teacher - don't get me wrong - but he is unnecessarily verbally abusive to students. I appreciated the intellectual challenge of this course immensely, but I am highly disappointed by Dr. Sullivan's character, which is equally important

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In the space below, please provide an overall summary of your experiences in this course. THANK YOU.

I learned a good amount. Terminology was learned.

Explanations and examples were done very well.

I was not a huge fan of how specific questions were in regards to reading; the very specific pieces/authors/line liners that were expected to be known seemed a bit too much.

I would rather have taken the section where ideas, examples, and reasonings were tested instead of "do you remember this line from this reading by this author?"

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In the space below, please provide an overall summary of your experiences in this course. THANK U.

Overall, I truly enjoyed this class and the professor continued to make it fun & interesting each time. Goes off on tangents a lot though & can be unprofessional. Sullivan's a DILF!!

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In the space below, please provide an overall summary of your experiences in this course. THANK

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lectures were interesting,  
but I wish there were more  
activities/social experiments,  
disrespectful most of the time.

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In the space below, please provide an overall summary of your experiences in this course. THANK

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IT IS HARD TO RESPECT AN "INSTRUCTOR" THAT  
PUSHES THEIR OWN BELIEFS, RATHER THAN UNBIASED  
FACTS.

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In the space below, please provide an overall summary of your experiences in this course. THANK YOU.

I've never taken a sociology class before, so with that being  
said I believe I learned what sociology is and how complex  
it can be. You allowed the class to be an open environment  
even though it was a large lecture. Overall, 78/10 class.  
I recommend more assignments so the grade relies less on  
exams.

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In the space below, please provide an overall summary of your experiences in this course. THANK  
YOU.

I think the course was overall good and  
well structured. I struggled but left knowing  
a great deal of soc.

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In the space below, please provide an overall summary of your experiences in this course. THANK YOU.

It was a challenging class, quizzes were especially hard, (not enough time or attempts) but I liked coming to class and learned a lot of new things. Some readings were hard to understand as well.

In the space below, please provide an overall summary of your experiences in this course. THANK YOU.

It was a very interesting class that I enjoyed taking. I wish the tests didn't single-handedly affect my grade so strongly but I understand it.

In the space below, please provide an overall summary of your experiences in this course. THANK YOU.

Another Gen Ed. Just one that tries its hardest to slow flows in society today with, in my opinion, Minor Success.

In the space below, please provide an overall summary of your experiences in this course. THANK YOU.

I really dread going to this class, because it was so boring. He wouldn't mention the readings, and too many were assigned.

In the space below, please provide an overall summary of your experiences in this course. THANK YOU.

I found this to be a good course to take & taught well



In the space below, please provide an overall summary of your experiences in this course. THANK YOU.

I found this class very hard. Dr. Sullivan was not clear on what we had to do for homework once I figured it out I was too late. His test are very hard.

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In the space below, please provide an overall summary of your experiences in this course. THANK YOU.

The class was unique in a good way. The only thing I would change is the time limit on the quizzes 10min for 10 q is too short.

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In the space below, please provide an overall summary of your experiences in this course. THANK YOU.

learned a lot but wish my grade reflected it - tests were too difficult and there were too many readings.

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In the space below, please provide an overall summary of your experiences in this course. THANK YOU.

Dr. Sullivan (Sully) has been very passionate about these topics a really great professor and one of the few that made me a better educated individual

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In the space below, please provide an overall summary of your experiences in this course. THANK YOU.

Really enjoyed the Professor, but course was very confusing for me. But overall I enjoyed the class.

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In the space below, please provide an overall summary of your experiences in this course. THANK YOU.

Dr. Sullivan has been my favorite professor this semester, he is the most open man possible and not afraid to crack us open and engage. Also a brutally honest man as well.

Amazing conversation!

9. All in all, how much did you learn in this course?

Very Little 1 2 3 4 5 A Great Deal

Please elaborate:

I don't know how much I learned, but my eyes were opened & exposed to new things & perspectives.

In the space below, please provide an overall summary of your experiences in this course. THANK YOU.

I enjoyed the content. Hated how we were evaluated. If most of us failed the exam, there was no curve.

In the space below, please provide an overall summary of your experiences in this course. THANK YOU.

lectures were very off topic, rambles a lot. Always ask for student opinion instead of teaching.

In the space below, please provide an overall summary of your experiences in this course. THANK YOU.

The course was difficult because the notes barely helped with the quizzes / tests. The questions were all from readings for the most part. The readings didn't make a whole lot of sense, though. And we never went over them too much in class.

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In the space below, please provide an overall summary of your experiences in this course. THANK YOU.

- Openly spoke out about his views against Veterans. he dislikes them greatly.
  - Talked ill of 9/11 victims.
  - Bashes political views of those who oppose him
  - This should of been a polisci class not sociology.
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In the space below, please provide an overall summary of your experiences in this course. THANK YOU.

- Man please stop disrespecting Olive Garden in Lecture. Really hurt my feelings.
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9. All in all, how much did you learn in this course?

Very Little

1 2 3 4 5

A Great Deal

Please elaborate:

- I felt I learned a good amount within this whole semester. Although my ending grade will probably be a C, I still felt it challenged my mind.
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In the space below, please provide an overall summary of your experiences in this course. THANK YOU.

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- Did not like the instructor. Lectures covered 4-6 slides in 15 min class that consisted of half a page of notes. Instructor bashed on learning habits like note taking. In a lecture hall of 300 people, you should be accommodating to all learning types. I am not passing this class partly because lectures were uninteresting and difficult to pay attention when it's all rambling.
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In the space below, please provide an overall summary of your experiences in this course. THANK YOU.

I absolutely hated this class, he ruined my passion for SOC. I hope you find a new professor for this course.

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In the space below, please provide an overall summary of your experiences in this course. THANK YOU.

I enjoyed this course immensely. Dr. Sullivan understood his material and taught it well. The readings tied into the lecture, but he did not teach out of the book. He made an effort to have class discussions and involving the students despite having a class of 300.

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