

Student Program Evaluation - Academic

Instructor's name: Tyler Poytas TA/PA's name: Roy Blumentfeld

Course name, site, and session: Ethics A, Carlisle PA, session 1

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What do you think were the most important ideas and/or skills you learned in this course?

I think the most important ideas and skills were learning about the different theories and the discussing them with the other students. It really helped you think about other possibilities. This also helped learn how to think of objections and arguments to many things.

Would you recommend this course to other students? Why or why not?

Yes. It is a very interesting topic that opens your mind to new thoughts & ideas.

Please comment on the strengths of your instructor and suggest ways, if any, that your instructor's teaching might improve.

Strengths:

- very clear
- good at explaining
- kind
- creative
- interesting

Improvements:

- none that I can think of

Please comment on the strengths of your TA/PA and suggest ways, if any, that your TA/PA's teaching might improve:

Strengths:

- good at explaining
- helps you understand
- friendly

Improvement:

- none that I can think of

Other Comments:

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Instructor's name: Tyler Paytas

TA/PA's name: Roy Blumenfeld

Course name, site, and session: 13S. ETHC. CAR 1A

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What do you think were the most important ideas and/or skills you learned in this course?

I learned how to write a philosophical paper and how to debate difficult topics. This course taught me not to get frustrated with difficult reading assignments and how to persevere.

Would you recommend this course to other students? Why or why not?

I would recommend this course because you learn so many new skills, not just philosophy.

Please comment on the strengths of your instructor and suggest ways, if any, that your instructor's teaching might improve:

Our instructor used different projects to keep class interesting. He also provided us with quizzes and writing assignments to check our understanding of the material.

Please comment on the strengths of your TA/PA and suggest ways, if any, that your TA/PA's teaching might improve:

Our TA was very easy to talk to. If we had a hard time understanding something, he was always there to explain. He provided a lot of useful, constructive criticism of our work that helped me improve.

Other Comments:

I loved this course!

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What do you think were the most important ideas and/or skills you learned in this course?

I believe the most important ideas I learned was the meta-theoretical part of the course. It took a step back from everything we had learned to analyze why we learn it in the first place. This part of the course was also where I believe the class discussed the most avidly & was very important & engaging to the course.

Would you recommend this course to other students? Why or why not?

I would definitely recommend this course to other students because it provides a unique way to study humans & the world that I believe is just as important as politics & economics if not more so. This course also challenged many of my views & helped shape new ones, & is something I believe everyone should try.

Please comment on the strengths of your instructor and suggest ways, if any, that your instructor's teaching might improve:

Instructor taught subjects well, moving at a fast-paced speed. Also still finding time to answer questions. However sometimes, there was not ~~enough~~^{enough} time to discuss some topics & debate them all, & I would have enjoyed a little more discussion time. Instructor was always open to new views, & allowed me to refine some theories I had outside of class.

Please comment on the strengths of your TA/PA and suggest ways, if any, that your TA/PA's teaching might improve:

TA was great influence both in & out of class, & provided an ^{opportunity} ~~opportunity~~ to bounce ideas off during walks back to class. Taught well & provided a ~~challenging~~^{challenging} challenge to views that helped shape & revise them.

Other Comments:

Books & readings were of great help during class to understand & to refer back to if needed. If there could have been more time allocated to discussion, would have been great, but otherwise great course great teachers thank you!

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What do you think were the most important ideas and/or skills you learned in this course?

I believe that normative ethics was very beneficial to learn about as well as most important because of the way it can help you in real-world situations.

Would you recommend this course to other students? Why or why not?

I would recommend this course as the material is engaging, interesting, and helps you develop your moral way of thinking.

Please comment on the strengths of your instructor and suggest ways, if any, that your instructor's teaching might improve:

My instructor was very passionate about the material and explained it in a way that made difficult concepts easier to understand. The only advice for improvement would be to make the lessons more interesting and exciting.

Please comment on the strengths of your TA/PA and suggest ways, if any, that your TA/PA's teaching might improve:

My TA ~~was~~ also was able to make the concepts described easy to understand and was very good with helping students if they were confused.

Other Comments:

My instructor and TA worked very well together

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What do you think were the most important ideas and/or skills you learned in this course?

Probably all of the information we learned about canon philosophy. Besides that, the most important (according to me) skills were probably those involving the construction of a sound argument, and debate skills in general.

Would you recommend this course to other students? Why or why not?

Yes, very enthusiastically. This is the first non-writing course I've ever taken at CTY, and I have no regrets. The class is stimulating, interesting, and because it was something I knew very little about, I learned a lot. I would recommend ethics to anyone and everyone.

Please comment on the strengths of your instructor and suggest ways, if any, that your instructor's teaching might improve:

I think the only thing Tyler might try to do is warm up a little earlier in the session. I'll be honest; when the very first thing he did was walk into our classroom on the first day and, in dead silence, wrote 'Ethics' on the board, I was terrified. But by the last week he was joking around with us and smiling (!!!), which made class a lot more interesting.

Please comment on the strengths of your TA/PA and suggest ways, if any, that your TA/PA's teaching might improve:

The only thing Roy did that was a little off-putting was raising his eyebrow or making other faces like 'what' when one of us was saying something; it was distracting and I felt like I was saying something wrong when it happened. But that's just a minor thing - Roy was an excellent, excellent TA.

Other Comments:

I actually felt (and this is in no way a bad thing) that Tyler & Roy worked less as instructor and TA, but more as a team of two teachers. This was a good dynamic I think, and not something to be changed.

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What do you think were the most important ideas and/or skills you learned in this course?

The most important ideas or skills I learned in this course were, how to determine whether an argument is sound or valid, the difference between natural and normative, and the justification of objective ethics.

Would you recommend this course to other students? Why or why not?

I would recommend this course to other students. This is because, it was a great "thinking" class, and the discussions we had really helped me to understand tough concepts.

Please comment on the strengths of your instructor and suggest ways, if any, that your instructor's teaching might improve:

The strengths of Tyler were, explaining things in a way I could understand, and anticipating what students would ask when they asked questions. I think that Tyler sometimes could be a little cruel when testing, but besides that he was great.

Please comment on the strengths of your TA/PA and suggest ways, if any, that your TA/PA's teaching might improve:

Roy was very good at answering questions when we had them, and giving good feedback on the tests/papers he graded. I ~~can~~ think that he would also be a little cruel when testing, but in the opposite way than Tyler so they balanced out.

Other Comments:

I thought the class was great. The teachers were the best I could have hoped for.

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Instructor's name: Tyler Paytas TA/PA's name: Roy Blumenfeld
Course name, site, and session: 135. ETHC. CAR-1A

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What do you think were the most important ideas and/or skills you learned in this course?

I learned how to read challenging papers and extract the necessary information as well as think about philosophical questions in a much more logical way.

Would you recommend this course to other students? Why or why not?

Yes, I would ~~recommend~~ recommend this course to others because the course was engaging, thought provoking and fun.

Please comment on the strengths of your instructor and suggest ways, if any, that your instructor's teaching might improve:

Teacher was clear ~~and~~ and had a deep understanding of the material he taught and he was available for help a lot.

Please comment on the strengths of your TA/PA and suggest ways, if any, that your TA/PA's teaching might improve:

The TA was also very helpful in understanding the material and taught ~~it~~ from different views from the instructor which was nice to see.

Other Comments:

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What do you think were the most important ideas and/or skills you learned in this course?

- All of the subconscious ethical choices we make
- What ethics truly is
- Many types of ethics, how to differentiate between them, and how to apply them to the real world.

Would you recommend this course to other students? Why or why not?

Definitely. It was very interesting content and Tyler and Roy do all sorts of things like debates, posters, and skits to keep things fun and I learned the same thing. After 5 years at CTU, this has been the class in which I learned the most and I had the most fun doing so.

Please comment on the strengths of your instructor and suggest ways, if any, that your instructor's teaching might improve:

Tyler was really good at keeping the class interesting and fun, while still thoroughly covering many subjects. I would request more debates. I found I learned the most from them.

Please comment on the strengths of your TA/PA and suggest ways, if any, that your TA/PA's teaching might improve:

Roy was great at helping explain things we didn't understand and was a crucial part of the class' overall success.

Other Comments:

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Course name, site, and session: PHYS 135.FTHC.CAR.1A

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What do you think were the most important ideas and/or skills you learned in this course?

I learned that Ethics is something that we think about constantly and that it goes much further than I originally thought.

Would you recommend this course to other students? Why or why not?

Yes I would because the subject matter is very interesting. We have open class discussions and they are very interesting and they opened up my mind to new ideas and ways of thinking.

Please comment on the strengths of your instructor and suggest ways, if any, that your instructor's teaching might improve:

My instructor is a very good teacher, he knows the subject material, he is open to all of our ideas, and he is very organized.

Please comment on the strengths of your TA/PA and suggest ways, if any, that your TA/PA's teaching might improve:

My TA knows the material well, he suggests very good ideas to think about, he finds ways to make the learning more interesting, and he gives good constructive criticism.

Other Comments:

This class proved to be very interesting and thought provoking. I enjoy it very much. However, I would have liked to have ~~more~~ had more class discussions on the more difficult readings.

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Course name, site, and session: ~~Ethics 101, Section 1~~ ETHC.CAR.1A

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What do you think were the most important ideas and/or skills you learned in this course?



- Debate skills
- Argument skills
- Knowledge of different philosophers/philosophical views
- Writing skills

Would you recommend this course to other students? Why or why not?

Yes, not only is the course interesting and informative, you will learn other skills such as debate and writing that come in very useful in life.

Please comment on the strengths of your instructor and suggest ways, if any, that your instructor's teaching might improve:

more debates, the ones we had were very informative and fun.

Please comment on the strengths of your TA/PA and suggest ways, if any, that your TA/PA's teaching might improve:

more feedback on the topics after the debates.

Other Comments:

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What do you think were the most important ideas and/or skills you learned in this course?

The different ethical theories and how they apply to /affect everything we do.

Would you recommend this course to other students? Why or why not?

I would recommend this course b/c it was very interesting and eye-opening.

Please comment on the strengths of your instructor and suggest ways, if any, that your instructor's teaching might improve:

Tyler was very good at explaining concepts however, I feel as if he should've made the atmosphere more alive and interactive, as conversation

Please comment on the strengths of your TA/PA and suggest ways, if any, that your TA/PA's teaching might improve:

Roy was very understanding and very capable when it came to talking to kids who didn't grasp the concepts. My suggestion for Roy would be to liven up conversations and provide different, interesting activities

Felt very stiff at times

Other Comments:

I felt like the majority of this course was simply reading the textbook which was incredibly boring. I would've loved to have more lively conversation and more interesting activities than sitting around reading.

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What do you think were the most important ideas and/or skills you learned in this course?

- Learning to improve on debating and actively reading.

Would you recommend this course to other students? Why or why not?

- Yes, it is thought-provoking and interesting.

Please comment on the strengths of your instructor and suggest ways, if any, that your instructor's teaching might improve:

He ~~strongly~~ knows the material well, but could go more in depth on ~~the~~ how to write philosophical papers and responses.

Please comment on the strengths of your TA/PA and suggest ways, if any, that your TA/PA's teaching might improve:

- He ~~is~~ keeps the class interesting by adding more ~~to~~ to the thought experiments and such.

Other Comments:

We should've researched more for the debates (some facts were not verified) and the class pace was sometimes too slow.

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What do you think were the most important ideas and/or skills you learned in this course?

This course practiced listening, writing, reading comprehension, and thinking skills, which are all important.

Would you recommend this course to other students? Why or why not?

I would recommend this course to other students because if they have any interest in Ethics then this will be an engaging and interesting class.

Please comment on the strengths of your instructor and suggest ways, if any, that your instructor's teaching might improve:

~~More~~ More explanation of ~~the~~ difficult readings would help. Reading from the original text is good as long as you can understand it.

Please comment on the strengths of your TA/PA and suggest ways, if any, that your TA/PA's teaching might improve:

Other Comments:

More debate or disagreement would help to understand the different points of view and would make for a more engaging learning experience.