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Overview of Evaluations for Douglas McKee

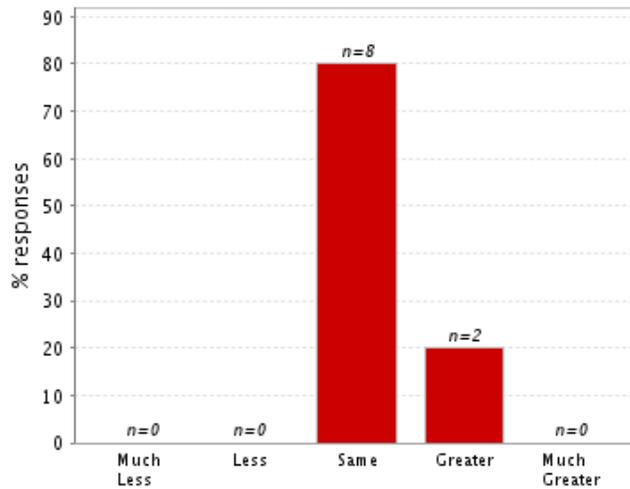
ECON 466 01

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12089 ECON 466 01 Economics of Aging

Total number of students:	18
Evaluations completed:	10 56%
Number of declines	2 11%
Number of non-respondents:	6 33%

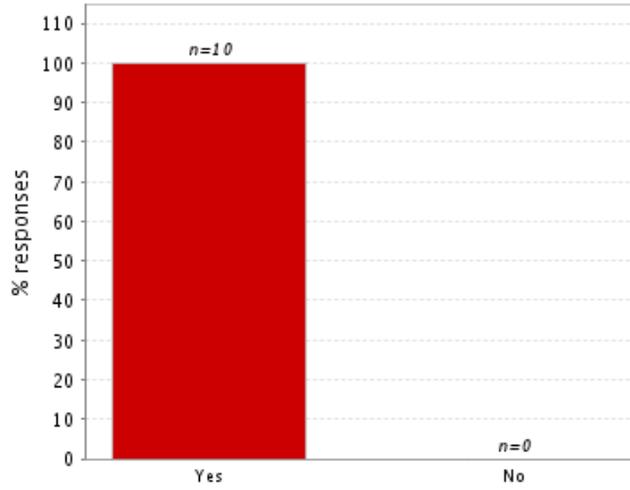
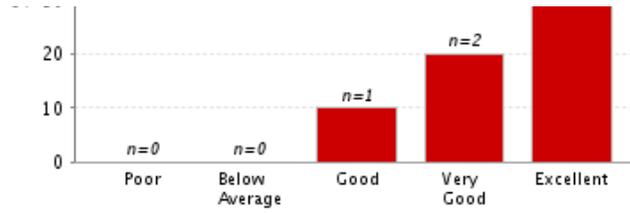
Overall, how would you rate the workload of this course in comparison to other Yale courses you have taken?



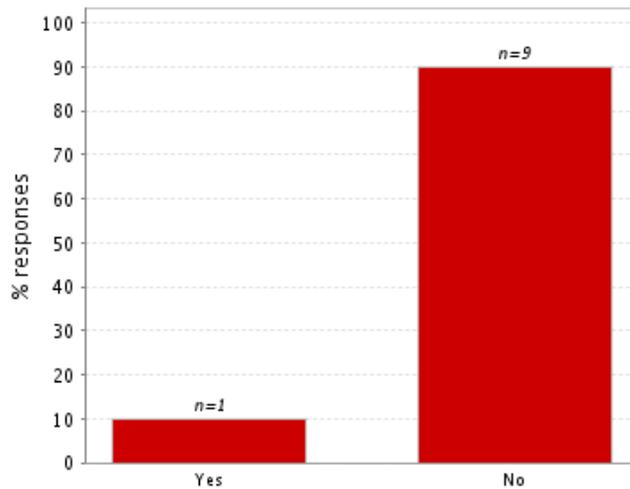
What is your overall assessment of this course?



Do you expect to use this class for credit toward your major, or toward a pre-professional program?



Do you expect to use this class for credit toward the Yale College distribution requirements?



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Question 1

Looking back on Economics 466 01, what is your overall assessment of the course? What are its strengths and weaknesses, and in what ways might it be improved?

Response 1

Wonderful class, where you learn a lot of theory and economic modelling, but with a professor who is extremely engaging and knowledgeable in his field. Class was structured in a way that everybody could contribute and get a lot out of the course. Wonderful class, and definitely my best econ seminar yet.

Response 2

Great class

Response 3

The class was a very interesting econ course, with real world applicability. This is a rarity with econ courses, and usually the real world applicable ones only focus on the financial market. So its refreshing to apply econ to another study. Also teaches you a lot about economic models.

Response 4

Great class. I learned a lot about economics of aging, but also a lot about econometrics and research methods (probably more than in my econometrics class). Prof. McKee is so helpful and always there to give you advice.

Response 5

The course was wonderful! Interesting readings, phenomenal professor, and engaging discussions. Strengths: Prof. McKee, student presentations

Response 6

I thoroughly enjoyed this course. Being a college student, I never really took the time to consider the kind of decisions that need to be made at retirement, at the end of one's life, or the effects of my current decisions on my ability to retire, etc. The worksheets made sure I did all of the reading and the individual presentation gave me the opportunity to become a bit of an expert on my topic. Towards the end of the semester we started doing group discussions and mini-presentations. I REALLY liked this. It made the class much more interactive, everyone got involved, and you definitely understood the material better afterward. It also helped me realize how complex these topics could be as I tried to reason through the work and come up with my own ideas to complement those of the papers. Definitely a lot of fun and I think that was a great addition to the class.

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Response 7

It was a great class that was structured quite well and taught an aspect of economics that many people do not know much about.

Response 8

Overall, a great course. Interesting material that is well organized and taught by a professor who has a passion for his subject.


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Please evaluate each instructor of Economics 466 01. What are the instructor's strengths and weaknesses, and in what ways might his/her teaching be improved?

Response 1

Douglas McKee

Professor McKee is extremely engaging, has good lectures, and is always willing to meet with you personally. He also knows his economics. I got a lot out of the course, especially with Professor McKee's teaching style. Great seminar

Response 2

Douglas McKee

Great Professor, had fun in this class. Really liked the in class group activities

Response 3

Douglas McKee

He was great. The readings tended to be difficult, but he did a great job helping us understand them in class, without expecting far too much from us.

Response 4

Douglas McKee

Prof. McKee is a great professor. He is always there to help you out and has a talent for taking very complicated material and making it accessible and easy to understand. He will always make time out of his schedule to help you - he's very accessible and understanding.

Response 5

Douglas McKee

Prof. McKee is a wonderful professor. He clearly is very knowledgeable in the material he teaches, and even more rare in academia, he really cares about his students and makes class engaging and enjoyable while still making it challenging and intellectually stimulating. He explains complicated concepts in ways that students can understand, and he is always eager to help brainstorm for a project or just talk about a paper the student was especially interested in

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Response 6

Douglas McKee

Professor McKee is great. He demonstrates that he really knows the material and it was particularly fun looking at some "rarer"/newer topics while comparing it to older papers. He took a lot of time out of class to meet with students to work on presentations, papers, and if they had any questions about the material. He was very prompt in his responses to any emailed questions and his answers were always thorough. His general excitement about the topic translates well in lecture and discussion portions of the seminar and also makes the material more exciting. Even on rainy days in leaking room, he was always upbeat and it definitely made a difference.

Response 7

Douglas McKee

Extremely engaging and passionate teacher who genuinely cares about his students and the subject matter. He does a phenomenal job at trying to help his students understand complex models and empirical analyses.

Response 8

Douglas McKee

Somedays, it would be tough to keep focus with some of the student presentations. I think it helped with Professor McKee interjected a little bit more during the student presentations. While the students do have a good understanding of the paper he/she is presenting, I seemed to pay more attention to Doug when he talked. I think its tough to listen if a student talks for 10 or 15 minutes uninterrupted, so it's nice when Doug has input of his own.



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How would you summarize Economics 466 01 for a fellow student? Would you recommend Economics 466 01 to another student? Why or why not?

Response 1

A class where you both learn a lot and have a good time. Professor McKee is a great lecturer and keeps the class interesting. Definitely TAKE THE CLASS!

Response 2

Yes. Professor is very helpful and the class setting was enjoyable. It didn't feel like a 2 hour class

Response 3

Yes, one of the best seminars I have taken.

Response 4

Yes. Econ of Aging might seem like a boring topic, but Prof. McKee has a way of making it very interesting. You will learn a lot about the topic and about applied econometrics. You read 2-3 papers a week and then they are explained in class, so you always get out of class understanding everything very well. You also get to develop your own research proposal, so it's hands on learning.

Response 5

I definitely recommend Econ of Aging to other students--Prof. McKee is great, the topics are interesting, and it's an engaging and lively seminar atmosphere. You will definitely learn a lot.

Response 6

I absolutely recommend this course. The material is interesting, the workload is manageable, and Professor McKee is fantastic. Simple enough.

Response 7

It teaches the field of economics of aging individuals by reading various journal articles and papers. It is great to help better understand complex models and also better understand the economic decisions of the elderly.

Response 8

Awesome class. If you need an econ seminar, take this. Great professor (Doug's the man), structured well, with a manageable course load on interesting material.


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