

The Modern World (Fall 2021)

Instructor: **Mariscal, Carlos**
Subject: **CH**
Catalog & Section: **202 1014**
Course ID: **90083**
Objectives:

Enrollment: **123**
Responses Incl Declines: **68**
Declines: **0**

Teaching (Lecture) (101 comments)

Q: Please provide your thoughts on the instructor's teaching, including strengths and areas for possible improvement.

- 1 The professor taught well however he taught a little to fast and was hard to comprehend some of the material.
- 2 I thought they made it a fun and enjoyable class where it was easier to comprehend material
- 3 I liked both ways that my professors taught. Rodriguez was a very fast speakers and Mariscal was slower and liked to add little anecdotes during the lecture. I like they allowed extra credit and really enjoyed what they were teaching.
- 4 Make lecture a but less confusing
- 5 I really liked this teachers style of teaching it was very traditional and easy to follow. Areas of improvement would be making it more engaging.
- 6 The instructor is very knowledgeable in the class and knows what he is talking about.
- 7 Great class thank you
- 8 The duo teaching of this course was not great. There was a quiz everyday in this class and it made it very stressful in also doing a critical response each week. There was always so much work and everything was always graded very late. Both professors were always frustrated all class and it made it very difficult to want to go to class each day.
- 9 Dr. Mariscal is a great professor. It looked like he cared and enjoyed the material he was teaching the class. A possible area for improvement would be to grade faster.
- 10 I wish there was more time to soak in the material given in the lectures. It was hard to retain a lot of the information during lecture because of how fast it was going. I really enjoyed how interesting the material was known to each professor in this class and how it was explain in simpler terms for better understanding. Lectures were enjoyable and the professors really showed that they cared for their students
- 11 Carlos brought in his nerdy personality into the lectures that really made the lecture more entertaining.
- 12 The instructors teaching were primarily quite good at what they are doing and appear knowledgeable. However, the pace of the class would oftentimes be up in the air, sometimes it would go by extremely fast, and other times slower, there was no set pace. Other than the pace the class was wonderful to attend.
- 13 The lecturers were engaging when talking about the subject of their lectures. You could see there passion and be interested in the topic. Some improvement might be needed in lecture pacing. Sometimes it is too fast to truly absorb the info.
- 14 I appreciate their passion for the topics. It makes me care more about the material.
- 15 Carlos and Mariscal are interesting and engaging often putting in discussion questions to keep everyone focused and interested in the topics.
- 16 Both of these instructors know exactly what they're doing. I really enjoyed having two different instructors because it gave the course a different aspect and my other classes that I attend here at UNR
- 17 I like how the class was split up
- 18 Great at explaining and going into depth with the material so I understand the information more :)
- 19 The teaching was good. Sometimes lectures felt very rushed.
- 20 I enjoyed Mariscal's lectures and could tell that he was passionate about what he was teaching. He was very inclusive of students and good at relating to us.
- 21 The instructor was able to deliver and explain information very well and readily answer questions whilst not being afraid to use some humor to maintain interest in the lecture.
- 22 I thought that the material was great, the order that the material was given was great, and the lecture slides were well thought out and put together. Each of the professors teach kind of fast so for me personally it can be hard to keep up with sometimes and it is really hard to take notes. The only thing that I didn't really like were the quizzes. I would rather have one ten question quiz at the end of the last lecture for the week than a bunch of tiny quizzes that are easy to fail because they are 1-3 questions.
- 23 The instructors were great and explained their content very well. The only thing that can be improved is that the lectures are very fast paced, and there were some lectures where the instructors skipped slides or zoomed through slides in the end. This didn't happen too often, but that would be an area for possible improvement.

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- 24 Professor Mariscal made a lot of effort to make the class engaging and entertaining while maintaining the educational aspect. It felt like a very comfortable environment to share thoughts and opinions in class. It was clear that the CH professors were knowledgeable and actually passionate about what they were talking about.
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- 25 The instructor was very slow, topics were hard to connect to the readings, and he was very monotone
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- 26 They did a good job teaching and being entertaining
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- 27 The powerpoints were very long and wordy, to the point that it was hard to know what the main point was and they both went through the slides so fast that I didn't have enough time to write down what they were saying or had on the slides. Both professors are very funny, made class more enjoyable.
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- 28 Very broad range of topics in this class, and I thought both professors did a great job of staying on top of all the content. One thing I might change would be the length of slides there was barely anytime to stay on top of notes during lectures.
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- 29 I enjoyed the class and believe the structure was very well thought out.
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- 30 Professor Mariscal is very intelligent in his knowledge on this course. Overall I see no improvement needed in the future.
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- 31 I felt in class it was hard to keep up and always felt rushed when going over class information and it wasn't until the discussion class did I begin to get a better understanding of the readings. Guidelines for the essays were vague at times however the topics were engaging making it easy to write about. I feel menti was a way to get the class involved yet we rarely used it.
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- 32 Where do I even begin? The split teaching style that was utilized this year was super interesting! Seeing how passionate both Professor Mariscal and Professor Rodriguez were about the subject was so inspiring. Giving the professor a break every other week is super kind because just watching the lecture makes me exhausted, the sheer energy that both professors show is a clear result of passion for the subject. This class shoved so much information in my face for me to soak up and personally I love classes like that. No matter who you are though, it's a guarantee that everyone learned at least one thing. This class made me question my own morals and lines of reasoning which is something not every class can do, I have learned so much from this course and I would definitely take it again. I honestly do not have any improvement recommendations, this class is set up perfectly!
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- 33 Felt a bit rushed and overwhelming but application of reading and videos helped
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- 34 Overall I enjoyed both of the instructor's teachings styles during the course. At times though, I felt they went a little bit too fast on the slides when presenting the material.
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- 35 Super engaging and full of knowledge!!
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- 36 I enjoyed the class!! One of the professors in class questions were not very clear which I think could improve considering it is such a large part of our grade .
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- 37 Both Dr.Mariscal and Dr. Rodriguez designed the course that allowed students to learn the information without needing to spend extra money on textbooks because all readings were provided by the instructors. One improvement that could be universally beneficial for all students would be for the instructors to upload the lecture PowerPoint prior to the lecture because there is not enough time in the lecture period to shallow process, let alone deep process, the information on the slides. In addition, there have been numerous times when the lecture PowerPoint wasn't uploaded until several days following the lecture period. Uploading it beforehand would allow students to adjust their schedules to retain the maximum amount of material from the slideshow. I enjoyed Dr. Mariscal's marginal notes during the lecture as they helped me become more interested in the lecture rather than merely reading from lecture slides.
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- 38 Both professors were incredibly passionate which made the class so much more interesting!
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- 39 not a fan of the lecture given every class. not as engaged
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- 40 The teacher was good, knew what he was talking about and was engaging.
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- 41 Knowledgeable in field pertaining to lecture material
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- 42 Carlos was super engaging during lectures. He was also very funny.
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- 43 It was a bit hard to write good notes because the pace of each lecture was very quick.
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- 44 He is very good at talking about controversial topics while remaining unbiased. Really makes the audience think for themselves
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- 45 I really liked Dr. Mariscal and Dr. Rodriguez's teaching. I feel like Dr. Mariscal is very knowledgeable in many subjects and was good at keeping me engaged during class. Dr. Rodriguez really helped me understand various events throughout history and did a good job of explaining why they happened. I feel Dr. Rodriguez should use less slides. There were a lot of slides each day and sometimes you could not get any information out of them during class.
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- 46 In some lectures it felt like a few of the questions were in the lecture but in the section we haven't talked about yet and it made it feel like we had to guess on something we didn't know yet
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- 47 I think the teaching team did very good, I do wish the lectures were posted before the class period so we can write the notes and then annotate them in class because sometimes they move too fast.
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- 48 Teaching was great but felt a little rushed during lectures.
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- 49 Material was well understood, instructors knew what they were talking about, however, the class was pretty short and couldn't ever go through the entire material.
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- 50 Professors were very knowledgeable in their teaching. Made sitting through powerpoint slides fun and engaging. The in-person quizzes

were difficult but you just had to pay attention and read the lecture. They were harsh on grading the critical responses, you had to show your complete understanding of the material to receive a 9/10.

51 Instructors worked well together, I enjoyed learning from two people who were knowledgeable in their respective fields.

52 I really liked how there are two professors which allows them to teach the parts of class that they are stronger in.

Q: Please provide your thoughts on the course as a whole, including strengths and areas for possible improvement.

1 The course was great, I loved the material I learned.

2 Made history fun

3 The course was great overall they were able to engage me in a subject I am not particularly interested in. And they made lectures fun and intriguing.

4 One instructor would make it easier

5 I enjoyed this class a lot, but I hated the classroom. They told us about a carbon dioxide problem and I felt like I was feeling sick after every class with my mask above my nose. It really made the class less enjoyable.

6 The course overall is rather difficult for a Core Humanities class. I do not think the grading scale in the syllabus is fair, even if you get an 89.8 you still only have a B which in all of my other classes that are rather more difficult, we do not even have that strict of grading standards. Also, the in-class quizzes are a bit much.

7 Great Class thank you

8 There needs to be a lot of improvement in all areas. Make the class more engaging rather than forcing students to go to class and take a quiz every class. The work load was ridiculous and every time someone had a question they would just dismiss you like you should already know the answer. The discussion was the only good part of this class.

9 For the most part, everything was good! I think it would be better to have a 10 pt. quiz at the end of the week or on Wednesday than have lecture quizzes every lecture.

10 I also felt that the discussion questions weren't always the most productive because of the lack a reading the lengthy amount of material there was. As much as I enjoyed the material, there seemed to be a lot of it and not enough was understood in the short time we did have. I think shorter or less material would help this class have better interest and understanding in this course

11 The course was well structured but I wish the daily quizzes were graded more off of participation and the critical responses based off of our knowledge of the subjects.

12 The course as a whole was set up nicely with a set routine for what was due each week and clear guidelines. I do not believe there is any need for further improvement as I thought the course was good.

13 The course was very enjoyable and interesting. Though it was fast paced, I enjoyed learning about the different topics in class. Some improvement might be needed for the discussion section since many of us don't really talk during it.

14 I think the course structure is good.

15 The slides are engaging and important to learn. Reading helps with the material covered in the slides and giving it a deeper look and background information.

16 I really enjoy this class in the discussion that is provided with it. The discussion helps me with my weekly tasks along with this course. I also enjoy the in class questions as they gave me opportunities to boost my grade.

17 Was very good

18 Maybe slowing down with some of the notes presentation, sometimes it goes a bit to fast and I find myself a bit behind.

19 CH202 is a completely doable class for anyone. As far as history classes go, this was one of the more enjoyable ones I've taken. It is, however, heavy on readings and movies necessary for the course. Many of the lectures also seem rushed and I felt like I didn't get all of the material I needed before the class had ended.

20 It was good

21 Overall the class was good and the material was good. I do wish that the quizzes were set up differently to help the students more and that things were graded faster.

22 The course as a whole was pretty great, the strength of this course was that the coursework was clear and consistent. Room for improvement can be posting lecture notes consistently. There are some Lecture notes that are missed or not uploaded.

23 The course as a whole was honestly my favorite one I took this semester. Even though the material included lots of information that most of us have learned prior to college, Professor Mariscal and Professor Rodriguez were really successful in providing a new perspective on the history and current events we're all familiar with.

24 I enjoyed the course but I would've enjoyed if it was taught by one professor instead of two.

25 For a core humanities it was a good class.

26 The course was well structured and the work load was not too heavy, but I still spent a lot of time on lectures and felt like I hadn't absorbed the material well.

- 26 It was really well structured, not too much work but I still spent time going to lecture and felt like I absorbed the material well.
- 27 Wide base of subject knowledge that I think is very helpful in the real world. It would be cool to have gotten to spend more time on the actual modern world than just the history leading up to it though, because most of the history had already been covered at some point in my high school education.
- 28 I enjoyed the whole course the only thing I disliked was the discussion section, it seemed like the time could have been spent better
- 29 The course is something that everyone needs to take in order to graduate. In my opinion it was a waste of my time.
- 30 I think we could make the class more interactive such as keep using the discussion question in lecture. I feel it could improve on the timing so its not so rushed or post the lectures right before class so we could use that to follow along.
- 31 The subject material in this course is something I am personally intrigued by, so I am biased when I say this is one of the best classes ever. Learning a combination of science, philosophy, literature, and history is something you just cannot go wrong with! No need for improvement except faster grading, but that's the TA's.
- 32 Honestly first history class I've taken that I think and evaluate history leaving discussion class still discussing what I learned
- 33 Overall I enjoyed the course. The course specifically helped me with writing essays as a whole, and analyzing this type of material.
- 34 I really enjoyed this course, I learned a lot and found mostly everything super interesting
- 35 I loved one of the professors however the other was very hard to follow.
- 36 It would be beneficial if there was feedback from the evaluator for assignments, at minimum for the essays, because without knowing how you performed according to the rubric it is difficult to improve on the next assignment. In addition, given that there is not enough time to write down information from the lecture slides, I think it is unfair to put specific slideshow material from the same day on the lecture quiz because most times myself and other students are either trying to write the most valuable information or trying to listen to the professors instruction rather than writing down the slides.
- 37 I loved how this course was structured and taught! Concepts were simple and easy to grasp but also challenging enough to gain something. Dr. Rodriguez and Dr. Mariscal did great teaching this class and I am very glad to have taken CH 202 with them.
- 38 course was easy to follow along.
- 39 Some of the slides seemed repetitive for previous lectures and it was information that wasn't really necessary.
- 40 I loved learning about life since the beginning of time and what's possible for the future. This class did an amazing job at displaying the knowledge.
- 41 More pressure/encouragement for participation
- 42 I really enjoyed the layout for the class and the lecture questions because they provided key points of the lecture and readings.
- 43 I thought the course was pretty good. I would have liked to have learned a little bit more about the philosophy stuff. We talked about philosophy stuff throughout the entire course but we didn't really go very deep into it.
- 44 I really liked the material in this class and I honestly just enjoyed listening to both professors talk about their subjects because you could tell they were passionate about them
- 45 Overall good, just move a little fast when covering lecture material so sometimes it is hard to keep up.
- 46 Course was good but felt very rushed during the lectures.
- 47 Course was planned out well and not complicated, it was completely doable and found no complications with the course.
- 48 Needs more women. For a core humanities class, it still contains erasure of women's history.
- 49 I really liked the course overall, the format was was good and the assignments helped me to wrap up and revisit everything we had talked about.