

526 221 Experimental Microbiology: 2008 Quality of Teaching survey

The score is the average of first and second semester surveys.

Q1. *I had a clear idea of what was expected of me in this subject.*

Score: 3.9 (82% students agreed, 9% neither agreed nor disagreed, 9% disagreed)

Q2. *This subject was well taught.*

Score: 4.2 (95% students agreed, 5% neither agreed nor disagreed, 0% disagreed)

Q3. *This subject was intellectually stimulating*

Score: 4.3 (89% students agreed, 6% neither agreed nor disagreed, 5% disagreed)

Q4. *I received helpful feedback on how I was going in this subject*

Score 3.9 (82% students agreed, 9% neither agreed nor disagreed, 9% disagreed)

Q5. *In this subject, teaching staff showed an interest in the academic needs of the students.*

Score: 4.1 (85% students agreed, 8% neither agreed nor disagreed, 7% disagreed)

Q6. *I felt part of a group of students and staff committed to learning in this subject*

Score: 4.2 (92% students agreed, 8% neither agreed nor disagreed, 0% disagreed)

Q7. *There was effective use of computer based teaching materials in this subject*

Score: 2.8 (16% students agreed, 43% neither agreed nor disagreed, 41% disagreed)

Q8. *Web based materials for this subject were helpful*

Score 3.0 (25% students agreed, 50% neither agreed nor disagreed, 25% disagreed)

Q9. *Overall I was satisfied with the quality of the learning experience in this subject*

Score: 4.2 (94% students agreed, 4% neither agreed nor disagreed, 2% disagreed)

Results of Additional questions

1. 85% of students said that the course had played an important role in helping them understand the material in the lecture course. 526 201.
2. 84% of students said the lectures in this course, 526 221, had helped them understand the material covered in the practical classes
3. 78% of students said that keeping a lab notebook was a useful exercise
4. 85% of students said having corrected practical reports returned to them each week had provided useful feedback on my understanding of the concepts covered in the classes.
5. 29% of students had used Lectopia and found it useful.

28 comments were received, mainly thanking and complimenting individual demonstrators. Lab reports were a source of concern for quite a few students and some report write up sheets have been modified to assist students in their completion. 95% of students thought the course was well taught and 94% of students were satisfied with the quality of the learning experience.

Over 40 % of students obtained a mark of 65 or above and only 2/125 students did not satisfactorily complete the subject.

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