STUDENT COMMENTS FROM FALL 2015-SPRING 2016 -- face-to-face classes

Describe aspects of this course that have promoted your learning and engagement in the course.

We have preparation "homework" before each class. That really helps because we read and start to know the topic before class.

The aspect of this course that have promoted my learning and engagement in this course is that the professor pushes his students to do everything possible in order to be prepared for class.

The Professor was challenging and had a wealth of knowledge he was more than willing to share.

Really learned how to analyze and dig deeper into research

I have never really believed in myself as a student until this class. When we are encouraged to do prep work before each class it has helped me get to where I need to be and be able to engage in the class.

Professor Creasman provides us with focus questions and prep work assignments so we can be prepared to listen and share in our groups in class. This helps me learn on my own and then listen with understanding during class time. He sends us emails after every class with a summary and other links to study further.

Most of the learning is through prep work and then he teaches what the main points are. He has group work a lot

Doing the prep work has better prepared me to grasp the information. I like the idea and think it is helpful that we can use the prep work as study guides and make them as we are learning about them.

Doing the prep work makes me learn about the information before even coming to class.

This course helps you with work ethics and time management. The content covered is simple but the class and professor teaches much more than what content the class is to cover. He teaches good study habits, life lessons, and test taking abilities that will help anyone in life in college and life outside in the work force.

This class gives me an opportunity to write, research and discuss American history at a collegiate level. Our teacher encourages class communication and lets us rely on our own thoughts and understanding.

The professor has been clear and gave good details on every topic taught. His lectures are clear and easy to understand. His style of teaching is very effective.

The prep work that is given to us is very beneficial to my learning. It helps breach the topic and then open it up for more discussion and enlightenment. The professors attitude towards the class and life make the class extremely entertaining and full of useful knowledge.
The prep work is sometimes difficult but it definitely helps me learn. I have the opportunity to research information myself and then we go over it in class.

Professor Creasman has helped me learn a ton this semester. He is one of the tougher professors I’ve had which I actually like. He pushes us to learn and explore in ways that other professors might just be lazy to give us the info. Lots of higher order thinking, in depth research and and team building excercises.

Professor Creasman really strives to be a challenging but very rewarding professor. He always assigns homework that will push you to expand your research and create college level paragraphs that will almost always be on the next exam. He seems to make people break the ice on the very first day to make people comfortable working with others. And at least once a week he reminds you that his number one goal for the class is to make you successful, which has really changed the way I look at all of my work.

My professors ability to relate to real world situations so that we can understand but also feel comfortable talking to him.

My professor has us do prep work for the day before in doing so it helps me understand stand the subject better when we go over it in class.

In the course, Professor Creasman requires notes that are to be ready for classroom discussions before hand. As getting ready for future discussions help me understand the topic, engaging in discussions with my peers allow further insight.

I have learned to analyze information from different websites a lot better.

I enjoy how Professor Creasman encourages us to excel in class and in life.

He relates everything to current issues and it really helps connect the information.

the annotated bibliographies challenged me greatly, as well as the homework. Since he gives us a grade for the hw it keeps the motivation going to recieve the points.

research was difficult initially but having to do it so often helped a lot.

i like the set up of the class. the prep work is a great idea.

i can tell the professor is passionate and is a very well speaker which makes learning so much easier

Professor Creasman makes one think in a different way, he challenges his students and he begs us to dig deeper then we would normally do. I feel that because of this task to "dig deeper" that it has promoted my learning and it also promoted my engagement because i know what i am talking about.

Prep work, though frustrating, helps a lot....speaking of which I need to go do it

Aspects of this course that promoted my learning and engagement would have to be his openness to the class. He is expressive with the content he teaches and shows passion and caring attributes towards his students. He promotes the value of the importance of education and pursuing dreams. I enjoyed how his
assignments were always connected to the content of the class and were never purposeless. He enjoys giving life to history in the way he explains events that occurred and how they connect to current events. Whatever major events that occurred in the news the weekend prior to class would be mentioned and connected to the content we would currently be learning. This course allowed me to think critically of current world events and to be aware of possible causes for many of the political or economic questions some may have about the world. Professor Creasman makes the subject of history enjoyable despite my initial idea that history wasn't.

If asked whether you would recommend *this* course from *this* professor, what would you tell a friend and why?

Yes times 1000 when he stated I will climb the mountain with you but not for you really encouraged me from day one. He does not you feel any less important in class and always gives you a positive feed back to encourage you.

Yet, when we played games, had guest speakers, and got to joke around with one another, class was amazing! I wish more of the classes involved these types of things because this is what gets students engaged and actually helps them retain information. So, if you don't like history, don't take the class, because this was the only class that was constantly stressing out about. I spent a least 3 hours a day trying to do prep work because I knew that I wasn't going to be able to focus in class.

Of Course! The rigor of this class will prepare anyone for their future endeavors in academia.

Yes, he is a good professor and teaches the course well

Yes because it's very eye opening and doesn't focus on just one point of view. The class also talks about issues relevant today not just things from hundreds of years ago

I would tell them to definitely take it. He engages conversations and relates historical events to current events to allow us to connect them.

I would highly recommend this course to a friend. Professor Creasman's lectures are full of content and he challenges us and is always willing to help if needed.

Absolutely. It takes daily time to complete the prep work, but I love doing the research before class so I can understand the timelines and themes and wars.

If I was asked to recommend this course from this professor, I would tell them that this is a class that they should take. There is a lot of work that goes into this class, however if you are willing to put in the effort then this is the right class.

I would strongly recommend this course with this professor because I really learned a lot with his method.

If you aren't up for doing lots of writing and taking essay question test then I don't recommend this course.
If you are looking for an easy A then don't take this course. If you are willing to put in a lot of effort then I highly recommend and you will pass. You will learn a lot in this class as long as you do the research at home.

I would tell the friend that the class content is fun to learn and very beneficial to understanding our government today in the USA. also that the professor is a great teacher, his effort and enthusiasm and care for his students and their grades is very exponential and he is very reasonable. Try your best in this class and it will be a positive experience and he will work with you.

I would tell a friend to take this course. I would advise them to because the course is challenging. The professor pushes the class to do better every time and through that he makes everyone better. He presents the material in an unbiased way, and shows many different sides to situations being discussed. The professor treats all students with respect and treats them as peers and equals.

I would tell them to get ready to write. There were definitely times were my fingers were stiff from all the writing but, there is no way possible that you won't learn what you need to learn if you come to class and participate.

I would say that there is a lot of work required but simple work. He grades very heavily on tests and remember to write down EVERYTHING he says.

I would say that if you love history and it is a strong subject, then this is the perfect class for you. But if you are like me and struggle in history, than there are definitely other teachers who's exams would not be as thorough as his.

I would recommend this class because this professor really goes above and beyond for his students.

I would definitely recommend this course & have to my roommate. I wish I could take professor Creasman for every history class. He's in my top five favorite teachers I have. I respect him so much and have learned a lot throughout the course.

I would definitely recommend this course to everyone because it will actually change the way you look at work in general and increase your critical thinking capabilities.

Definitely! I learned so much more than what I expected or what is in the book. Really opens your mind to history.

this course is great to take if your into history and do not mind a lot of work but professor creaseman made it that much better because he believes in his students and cares enough to push them if he sees them falling behind.

i would recommend the course to a friend yes, because i felt like i actually did learn from my teacher. Yes at time he went fast that sometime i couldnt understand, yes i felt like the questions were too difficult, im glad it did because i feel like i can really gain from the knowledge i acquired.

i like this course better better because it was challenging, but interesting. thats coming from someone who isnt that great with history classes.
Yes But be prepared to be challenged

This course didn't seem to be very interesting when I signed up, however the content and teaching style of the professor made this my favorite class.

It is A LOT of work. Seriously it is a crazy amount sometimes if you are like me and have an insane schedule....... but he's very knowledgeable and you really do understand the material well because he makes you. This is a class for a history lover, not someone trying to get a humanities credit.

I would tell my friend that they are looking for a course that doesn't make them work then this is not the class for them. But if they truly want a class and a professor who challenges them, then Professor Creasman is the perfect professor. He actually cares about the well being of his students and he wants to set us up for success. He could just be easy and give an "easy A" but he says it only hurts us because it does not set us up for harder classes in the future. This class and this Professor is truly life changing, Thank you Professor Creasman

I would tell my friend that if you want to be challenged and have the hard work of meeting that challenged rewarded then this is a good class to take. I would also tell my friend, that the prep work in this class is time consuming and if you're not willing to put in the time then maybe another class would be best, but of you like history you would be missing out by not taking this class.

I would recommend EUH 2001 because its the best history class you can take in order to understand why the world, and more specifically Europe, looks the way it does today. If you have even the slightest interest in the political, economical, and social spheres of the world today, you should take this course. If a friend was to register for this course, I would recommend Professor Creasman because he has a genuine concern not only for his students learning the course material, but also for them to succeed in everything.

I would definitely recommend this European History course with Professor Creasman. Considering he is a history professor which hires history professors, this gives an image of how seriously he takes the subject and how he will give his all to assist you to learn. The way he teaches isn't about trying to keep up a reputation, he shares his heart with his students and shows them that learning in college can be difficult, he makes sure that we understand that but he reflects on the amount of resources there are to assist us and how he can be a resource as well. He wants to see you succeed and become a better student even when you think you couldn't get any better, he would surprise you with new challenges that will cause you to grow as a student and a person.

I really struggled in this class because I wasn't a fan of professors teaching style. I'm a visual learner and all lectures were auditory, which seems easy to just listen and takes notes, but the lectures had no format or guidelines. We skipped around a lot, backtracked, and I found it extremely hard to make connections. Very "all over the place," vague, confusing. I was confused about the format for both the prepworks and the assessments, but over time I found that my grades went higher when I started to write only what I thought the professor wanted to hear. Also seemed like a bit too much work for a non-honors class, same with the fact that there was no extra credit/extra assignments so if you missed a big assignment, you were basically done for. I actually really did appreciate the constant effort to "push" us (some professors really don't care about our success) but I feel like this coach-like enthusiasm only masked the poor structure of the class.