MPA Fall 2013 Elective Survey: Sustainable Leadership & Decision Making



| 1. Your Student Status: | | |
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| | Response Percent | Response Count |
| Admitted MPA student: 1st year | 44.4% | 4 |
| Admitted MPA student: 2nd year | 44.4% | 4 |
| Admitted MPA student: 3rd year or more | 0.0% | 0 |
| Other (graduate special student or undergraduate student) | 11.1% | 1 |
| | answered question | 9 |
| | skipped question | 1 |

2. Please rate the quality of the course using the following scale:

| | Rarely | Occasionally | Sometimes | Frequently | Almost Always | Rating Average | Rating Count |
|--|--------|--------------|-----------|------------|------------------|-------------------|-----------------|
| Course was well-organized | 0.0% | 0.0% (0) | 10.0% (1) | 20.0% (2) | 70.0% (7) | 4.60 | 10 |
| Course content was interesting & presented clearly | 0.0% | 0.0% (0) | 0.0% (0) | 20.0% (2) | 80.0% (8) | 4.80 | 10 |
| Course content matched course objectives | 0.0% | 0.0% (0) | 0.0% (0) | 30.0% (3) | 70.0% (7) | 4.70 | 10 |
| Instructor feedback on coursework was useful & timely | 0.0% | 0.0% (0) | 10.0% (1) | 40.0% (4) | 50.0% (5) | 4.40 | 10 |
| Assignments/exercises were interesting & relevant | 0.0% | 0.0% (0) | 0.0% (0) | 40.0% (4) | 60.0% (6) | 4.60 | 10 |
| Readings were interesting & relevant | 0.0% | 0.0% (0) | 0.0% (0) | 30.0% (3) | 70.0% (7) | 4.70 | 10 |
| Seminars were interesting & relevant | 0.0% | 0.0% (0) | 0.0% (0) | 40.0% (4) | 60.0% (6) | 4.60 | 10 |
| I had the opportunity to participate in class | 0.0% | 0.0% (0) | 10.0% (1) | 10.0% (1) | 80.0% (8) | 4.70 | 10 |
| Classroom learning environment was supportive & respectful for all | 0.0% | 0.0% (0) | 0.0% (0) | 10.0% (1) | 90.0% (9) | 4.90 | 10 |
| Course was intellectually challenging | 0.0% | 0.0% (0) | 0.0% (0) | 20.0% (2) | 80.0% (8) | 4.80 | 10 |

COMMENTS

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| answered question | 10 |
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| skipped question | 0 |

3. Please rate the quality of the course using the following scale:

| | Very Poor | Poor | Fair | Good | Very Good | Excellent | Rating Average | Rating Count |
|---|--------------|-------------|------|--------------|--------------|-----------|-------------------|-----------------|
| Development of knowledge,skills and abilities | 0.0% | 0.0% (0) | 0.0% | 10.0% (1) | 30.0% (3) | 60.0% (6) | 5.50 | 10 |
| Overall INSTRUCTOR rating | 0.0% | 0.0% (0) | 0.0% | 0.0% | 30.0% (3) | 70.0% (7) | 5.70 | 10 |
| Overall COURSE rating | 0.0% | 0.0% | 0.0% | 0.0% | 30.0% (3) | 70.0% (7) | 5.70 | 10 |

COMMENTS

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| answered question | 10 |
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| skipped question | 0 |

4. Should the MPA program offer this course again?

| | Response Percent | Response Count |
|---|---------------------|-------------------|
| Yes | 100.0% | 10 |
| Yes, with these changes (describe changes in comment field) | 0.0% | 0 |
| No | 0.0% | 0 |
| | DESCRIBE CHANGES | 0 |
| | answered question | 10 |
| | skipped question | 0 |

5. OTHER COMMENTS Response Count 3 answered question 3 skipped question 7

| Q2. Ple | Q2. Please rate the quality of the course using the following scale: | | | | |
|---------|--|-----------------------|--|--|--|
| 1 | Really wonderful teacher and thoughtful class content. | Dec 25, 2013 8:10 PM | | | |
| 2 | Michael Mucha was a fabulous instructor. I loved the course and felt it was timely and effective. The only feedback I gave to him was it would have been helpful to have a more organized format with sign posts that marked when we were moving to a different topic. | Dec 12, 2013 12:00 PM | | | |
| 3 | This class was the highlight of my MPA experience so far. | Dec 11, 2013 8:41 PM | | | |

| Q3. Ple | ease rate the quality of the course using the following scale: | |
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| 1 | Would recommend to other students. | Dec 11, 2013 8:32 PM |

Q5. OTHER COMMENTS

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Self-Evaluation What inspired me most about what I learned were: • The variety of useful tools that we were taught, because they are simple, visual and address many different situations. • The one page framework tool of the Mission, Program, Strategic Issues and Strategies because I will have the ability to post it on my wall and refer to it often The course will change my: 1. Approach to our Department's work by becoming more focused, getting to root causes and developing our Department's values which will in turn help staff make good decisions on their own. 2. Approach in building leadership in the community. will implement these changes by: 1. Using different tools to facilitate our department's weekly staff meeting and quarterly retreats. 2. Using the tools in our work with community partners. 1. As a facilitation tool for group process work 2. As a leadership training topic, including how to use the tools and when. This is particularly exciting considering our list of community partners: CBOs. faith-based community, businesses, parents, youth and most importantly marginalized populations. Teacher Evaluation Michael Mucha is a seasoned public administrator who came well prepared and was generous and approachable. His course matched Evergreen's philosophy of deep thinking and reflection of oneself and of a team. I came away with very practical information that I am excited to implement, and I highly recommend this class. What should Michael do more of? • Provide resources to continue our learning. • Ability to walk away from class with a consolidated notebook of all tools o For example, it would be helpful to have, prior to class, a downloadable document that could be posted on Moodle that contained one tool per page and its corresponding diagram along with space for in-class note taking. What should Michael do less of? • Designated time for guest speaker(s) so that: o Michael can share more facilitation tips for each tool o Practice more tools in break-out groups. What should Michael continue doing? • Share personal experiences of success and failures and psychological challenges of a public administrator and how to get past them. • Break-out groups to practice tools.

Dec 12, 2013 11:26 AM

2 If I had the opportunity, I would gladly take more classes from Michael Mucha.

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I have recommended this elective to several other students.

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