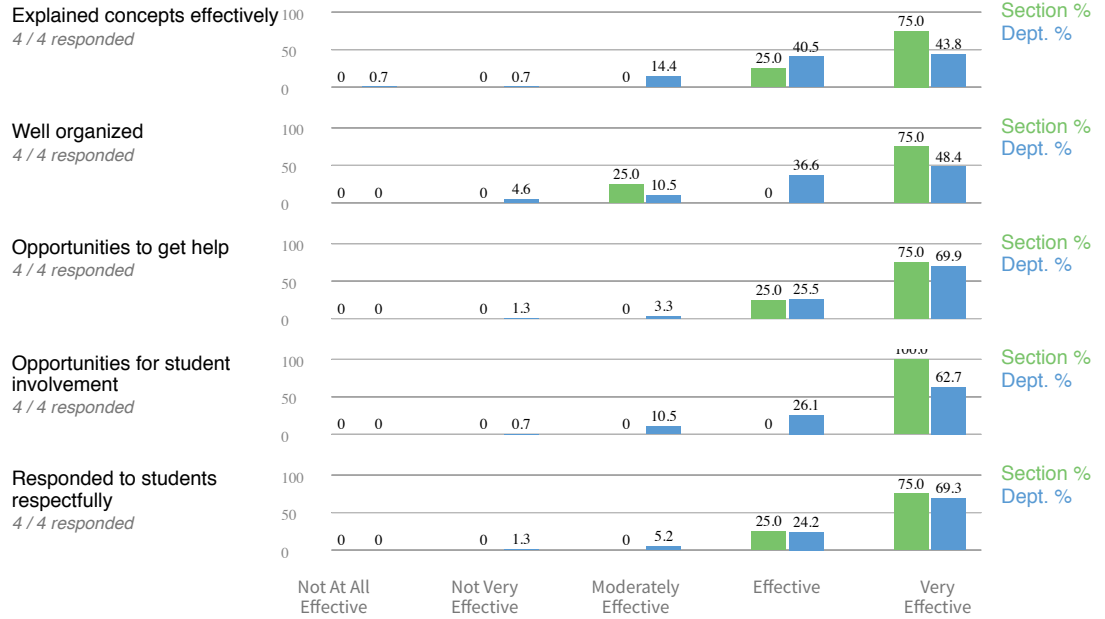
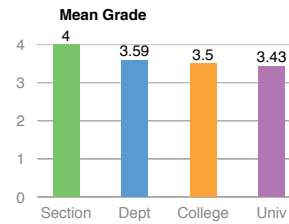
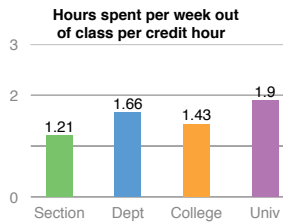
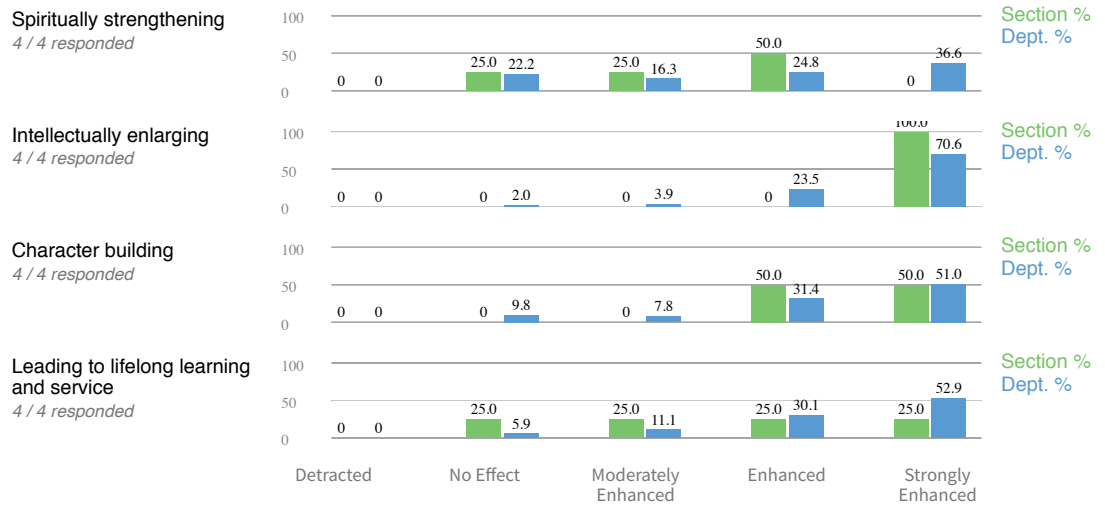


**DIGHT 315 Research in the Digital Hum - Winter 2018**  
Section 001  
Brian Croxall

**Instructor Effectiveness**



**Helped students achieve the Aims of a BYU Education**



**Grade distribution (%)\***

Grade	Section	Dept	College	Univ
A	100.0	70.7	61.8	55.0
B	0.0	14.2	20.9	21.0
C	0.0	3.9	5.1	6.4
D	0.0	1.1	1.4	1.9
E	0.0	2.4	1.9	1.9
W	0.0	4.4	3.7	3.6

\* Mean Grade as of Grade Submission Deadline

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\* % may not add up to 100% due to non-ABCDEW grades

## Instructor - Brian Croxall

### Explained concepts effectively

How effective was the instructor in teaching challenging concepts or skills?

#### Comments

1. 264239

Could have taken more time explaining topic modeling or stylometry, they felt rushed and we didn't learn a lot about actually using them.

2. 327831

I'm grateful that Dr. Croxall always walks us through the steps required to complete assignments. There were a lot of new technologies that were introduced this semester and I would have been lost if he didn't take the time to show us how to do the work.

3. 514013

As stated before, we were often required to learn (and download) various programs we were not familiar with in order to complete certain assignments. Croxall was always succinct and efficient at teaching us the ins and outs of these programs.

4. 123533

I think Dr. Croxall was very effective at teaching difficult concepts. I appreciated that he always explained things, wrote out instructions, and demonstrated what kind of stuff we were supposed to do. I also liked how the class was structured around a particular question, so I felt like I always had an end goal in mind.

### Well organized

How effective was the instructor in organizing the course content to enhance learning?

#### Comments

1. 264239

It was a make-it-up-as-you-go class... but it worked out really well for this class. It allowed for more flexibility as needed for projects and discussions.

2. 327831

Even though we may not have gotten as far this semester as Dr. Croxall may have originally hoped, taking time on the things we were learning to make sure we understood and used them well made all the difference.

3. 514013

Croxall ensured that everyone in the class knew exactly what projects were due when, and exactly what the projects would consist of. From the first day of class, he had the entire schedule laid out, and it didn't change by a single minute even once during the semester. Honest.

4. 123533

I felt like I learned a lot of new skills and approaches to research in the digital humanities even when at times we were all kind of flying by the seat of our pants. I actually really enjoyed the structure of the class and the pace that we took it at.

### Opportunities to get help

How effective was this instructor in helping students who indicated a need for assistance?

#### Comments

1. 327831

Dr. Croxall is very responsive to his students. If I ever had a question about the work we were doing he was more than willing to answer it.

2. 514013

Our class was small, and sometimes the programs we ran on our less-than-up-to-date computers would frustrate us, but Croxall was always patient and ready to lend a helping hand.

3. 123533

Dr. Croxall responds promptly to my emails and always makes time to answer questions.

### Opportunities for student involvement

How effective was the instructor in providing meaningful opportunities and encouragement for you to actively participate in the learning process?

#### Comments

1. 327831

Since the class was so small it was pretty easy to participate. Everything we did in class was pretty interactive and required us to learn a new skill and apply it.

2. 514013

As a small class, we were sort of forced into a situation where everyone is required to participate if any work is to be done, so obviously Croxall facilitated this.

3. 123533

Because this was such a small class, it wasn't really possible to not actively participate. He always made it interesting, though, and I enjoyed the hands-on work we did.

### Responded to students respectfully

How effective was this instructor in demonstrating respect for students and their opinions, questions, or concerns?

#### Comments

1. 327831

I always felt like the things I had to contribute to our conversations and research were meaningful.

2. 514013

Croxall was always very respectful of each and every student in his expansive classroom.

### What effect did this course and instructor have in helping you achieve the Aims of a BYU Education?

#### Spiritually Strengthening:

#### Comments

1. 264239

Didn't talk a lot about gospel related topics (granted, that is hard to do with most nonreligion classes)

2. 514013

This research class did not enhance me spiritually.

3. 123533

I don't know if we spent a ton of time, you know, discussing the gospel, but I guess I came out of class usually feeling pretty good?

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### Intellectually Enlarging:

#### Comments

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1. 514013

The intellectual challenge of doing actual research for a real academic project is stimulating, and even though the course was one of my more difficult, I truly enjoyed it, and honestly felt like I learned many invaluable things through the course.

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2. 123533

I promise I learned a lot, Dr. Croxall!

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### Character Building:

#### Comments

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1. 514013

While normally I do not feel that university courses build character, Professor Croxall's class was such an open and positive environment that invited growth and intellectual progress that I cannot help but feel I am a better person for having been in this class.

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2. 123533

I feel like there's a level of uncertainty that is just inherent in research because you never really know what you're going to find. At times, we seemed to discover interesting new things in relation to our research question. At other times, it may not seem like we learned anything, but that's the reality of academic research, and I appreciate getting to have that experience.

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### Leading to Lifelong Learning and Service:

#### Comments

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1. 514013

This research class did not affect my desire to serve.

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### For this course, about how many hours per week did you spend out of class (doing assignments, readings, etc.)?

#### Comments

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1. 264239

Depends on the week (TEI weeks were MUCH different...)

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2. 514013

Course work involved reading and project work. Hours spent on homework varied depending on the week, but averaged about 5 hours per week overall.

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### What additional comments do you have about the instructor or course?

#### Comments

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1. 264239

It was a great class! I learned a lot and had fun.

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2. 327831

I was initially skeptical of our research question, but I've learned much more in the process of doing the research than I could have hoped. Dr. Croxall is very dedicated to what he does and to his students. I think that all of us felt that he cared not only about our academic progress, but about us as people. The hands-on way that he teaches his classes enables his students to feel like they are learning something meaningful.

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3. 514013

Professor Croxall is an astounding professor, and I hope to be able to work with him again in the future.

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4. 123533

I really did enjoy this class! It was stimulating and challenging, and Dr. Croxall is great. He's understanding and respectful of his students' time and puts in a ton of time to help make the class succeed.

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