
MO7013_VT18

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1. What was the best aspect of the course?

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Föreläsningarna var intressanta och det var roliga inlämningsuppgifter.

I really liked the précis writing. I learned a lot by processing what we had talked about during the recent lectures and it was fun to do some research on something that you found particularly interesting. It was also challenging to keep it short.

It allowed me to further my skills in many areas that I'm not used to, such as in chemistry and biology. It also allowed me to see how Earth's more complex cycles interact with a more detailed insight.

2. What improvements would you suggest in the course?

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Tentan kanske skulle ha varit över två dagar istället för en. Det blev väldigt intensivt att skriva mellan 9 och 24. Tentan var så pass omfattande att all skrivtid behövdes. Alternativt kanske tentan skulle varit en fråga kortare. Jag tyckte att det blev stressigt med fem frågor på den tiden.

It was refreshing with new lecturers all the time, but it also made it hard to find out what the course's focus was. The level of difficulty/knowledge differed a lot depending on the lecturer, and I felt that we only touched upon many different subjects but never actually learned anything. I think it would have been better with one main lecturer and a few guest lecturers as an extra "spice".

Perhaps the weekly writing assignment could be more clear in instruction, a number of students were confused as to what made a good précis topic and subsequently received points off (without having an explanation as to why it was considered not as relevant)

3. What advice would you like to give to future course participants?

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Read the book and articles to be prepared for the exam. It is good to know where to find useful information.

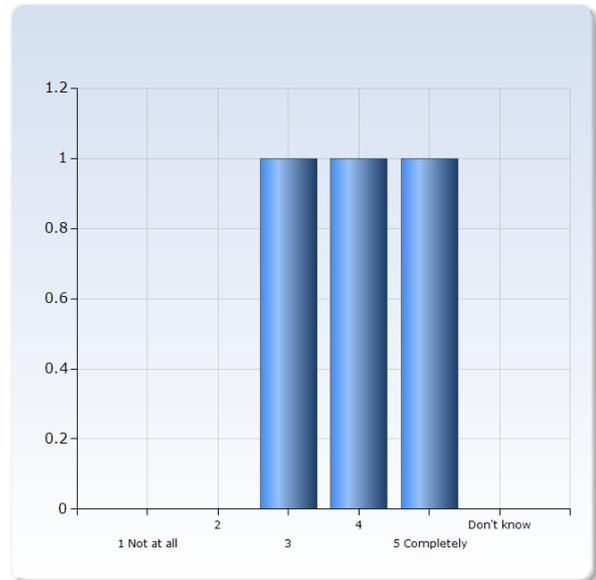
Spend the time to read the book. Having the background knowledge and a more practiced/repeated knowledge of the general principles really helped.



4. Other comments

5. Overall impression

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Comment on the overall impression

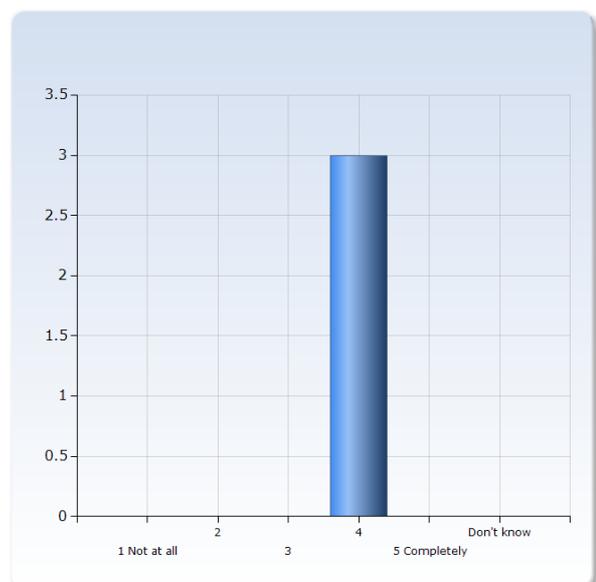
I don't feel that I have learned so much about biogeochemical cycles but more scientific writing, which is of course valuable too.

While these are difficult cycles/topics to quantify, I appreciate the amount of quantitative analysis that went into the course, and I appreciate that I learned to find studies with quantified evidence to support the overall more complex cycles that are a focus of this course.

6. Student contribution

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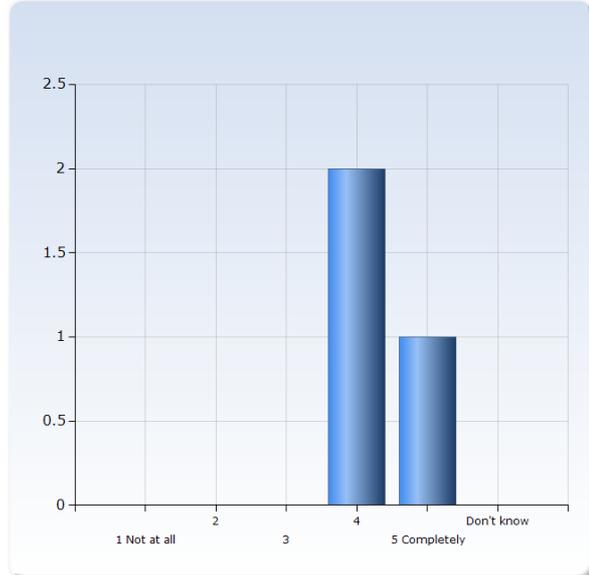
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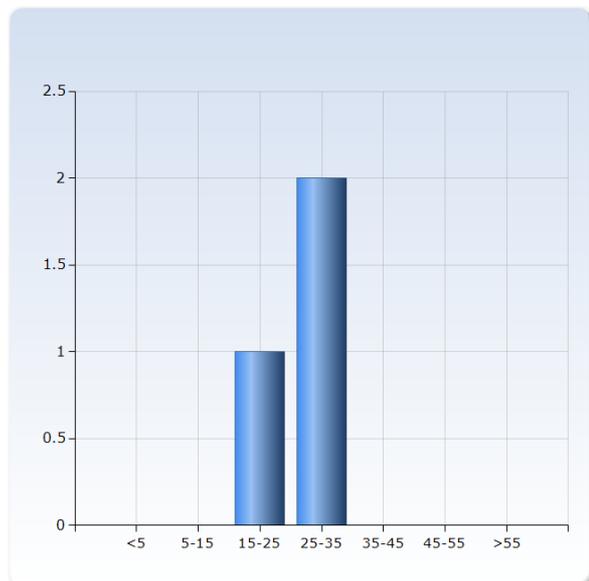


Comment on your contribution

It was easy to take initiative to study on my own in this course, the content was very interesting and made me want to learn more.

7. Work load

Indicate how many hours per week on average you have spent on the course, including self-studies and scheduled study time	Number of Responses
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5-15	0 (0.0%)
15-25	1 (33.3%)
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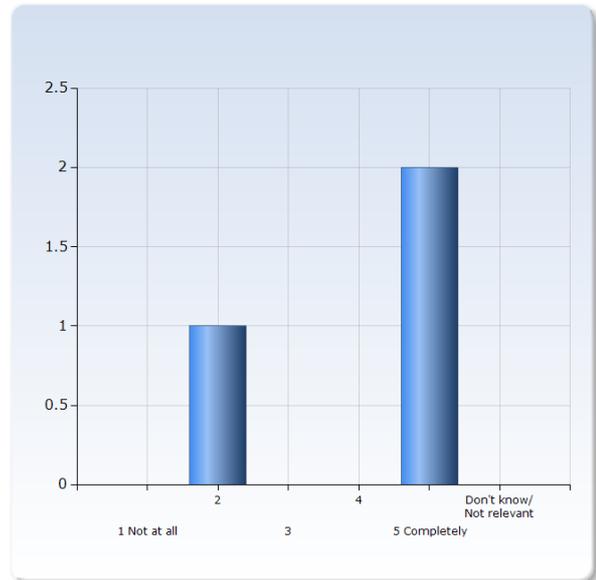
The study time certainly requires some reading as lectures do not offer the complete picture, but rather introduce a topic that is understandable with some further reading.



8. Clear aims

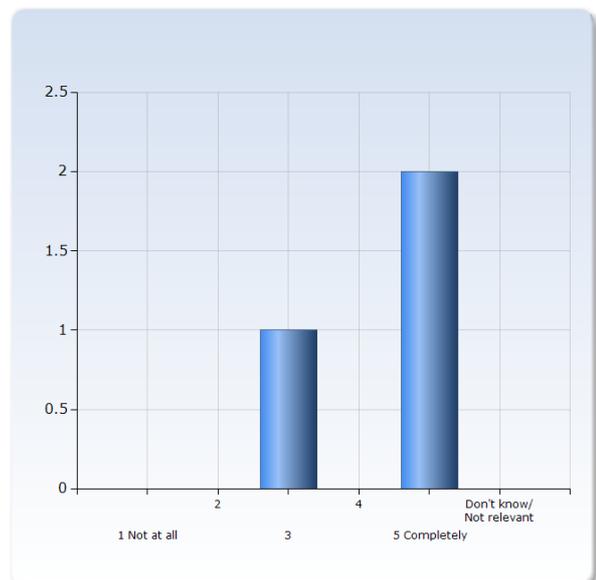
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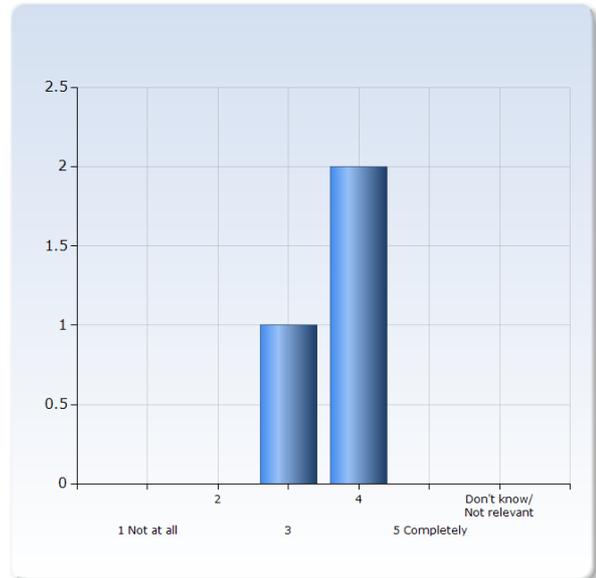
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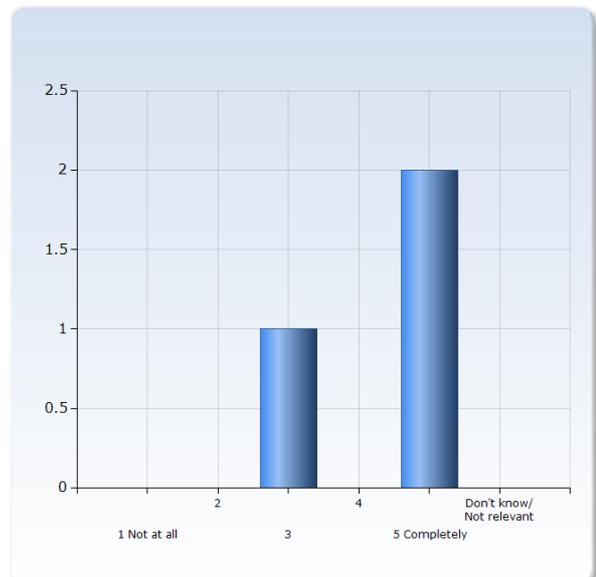
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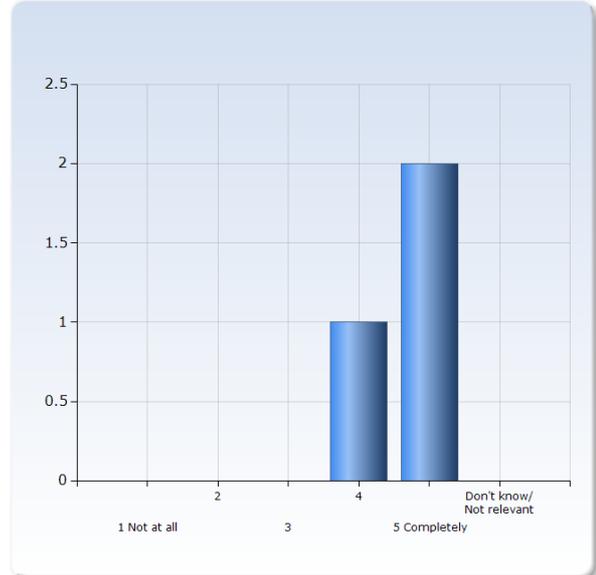
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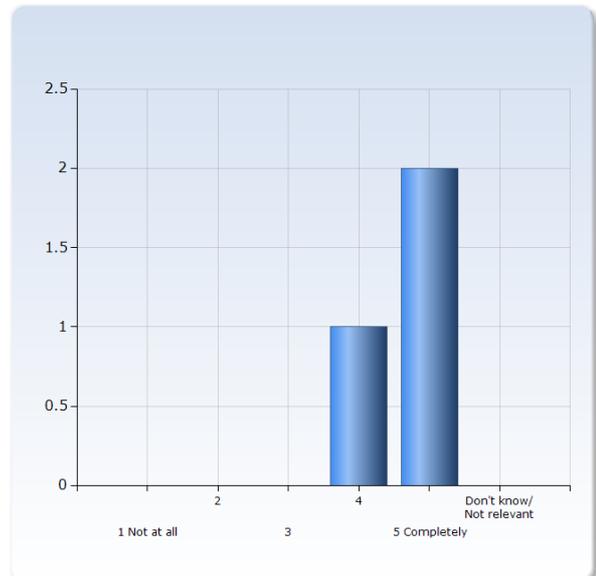
Comment on the aims

I will certainly have a lot of use for what I learned and hope to even work in the field. The exam may not be perfectly reflective of study effort due to the sheer amount of detail that one can go into in each topic and the time that it takes to do so.

9. Good teaching

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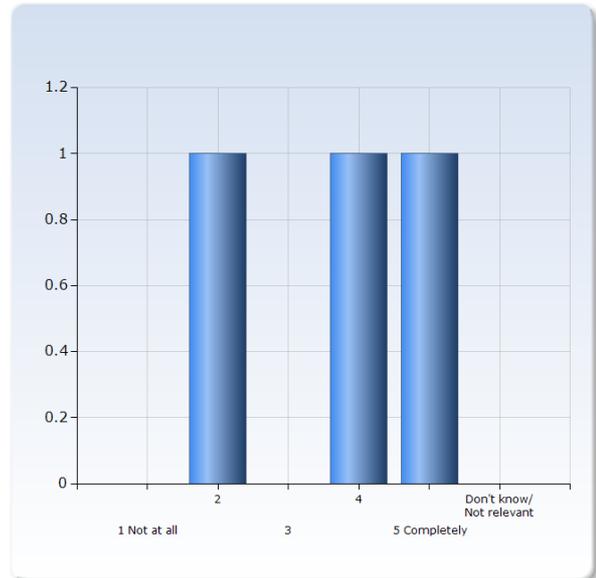
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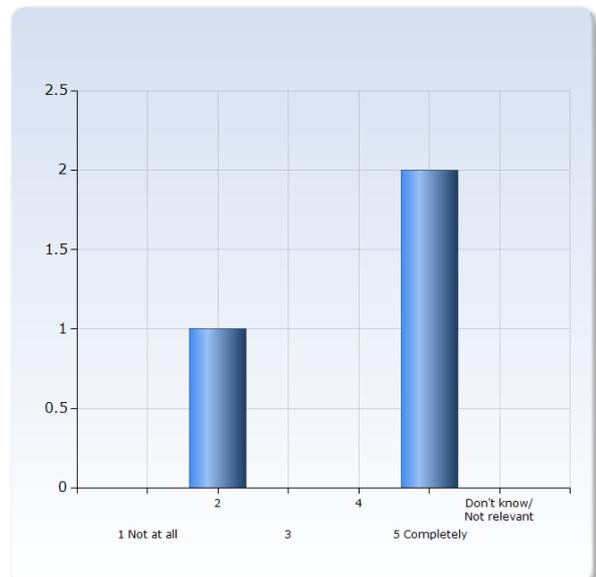
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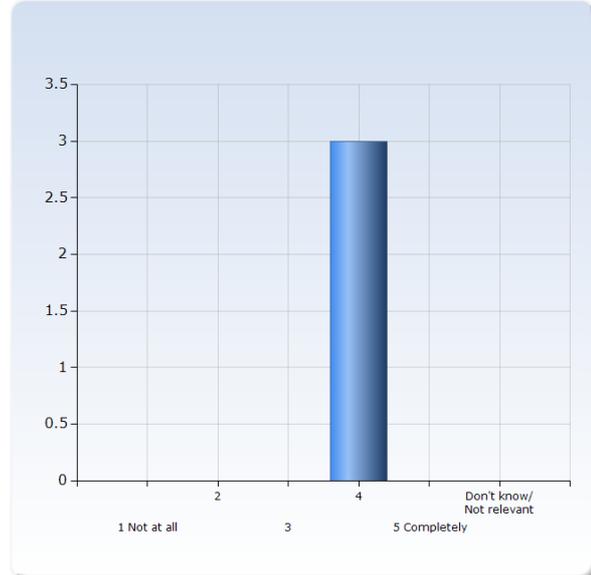
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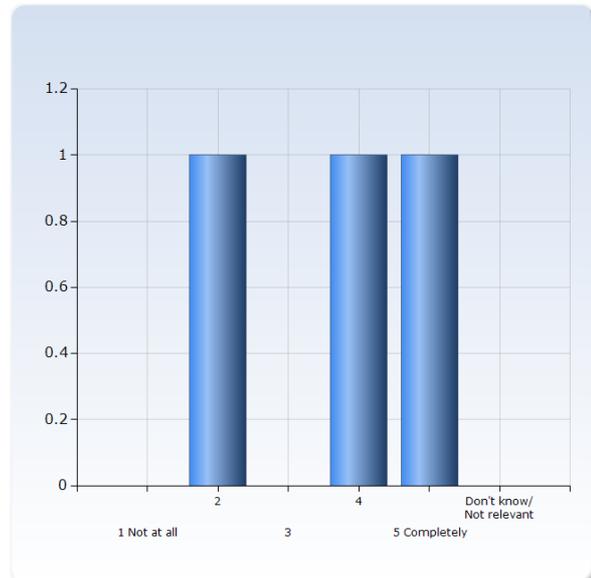
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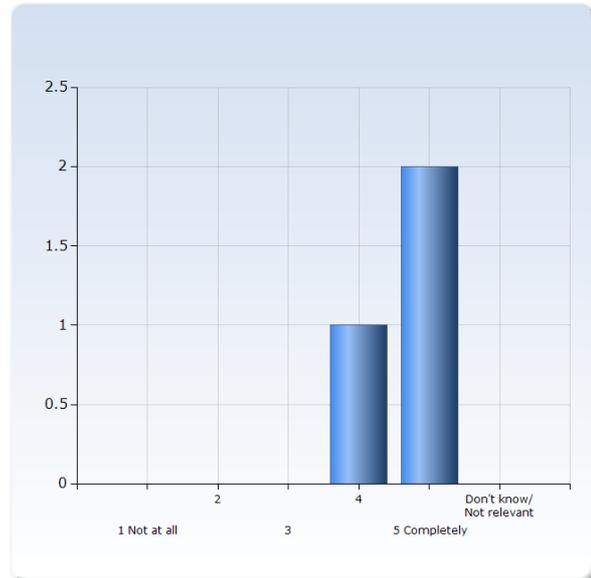
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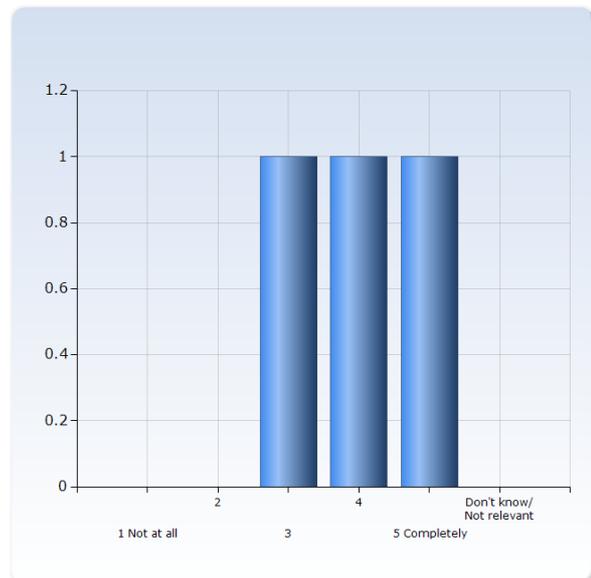
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Comment on the teaching

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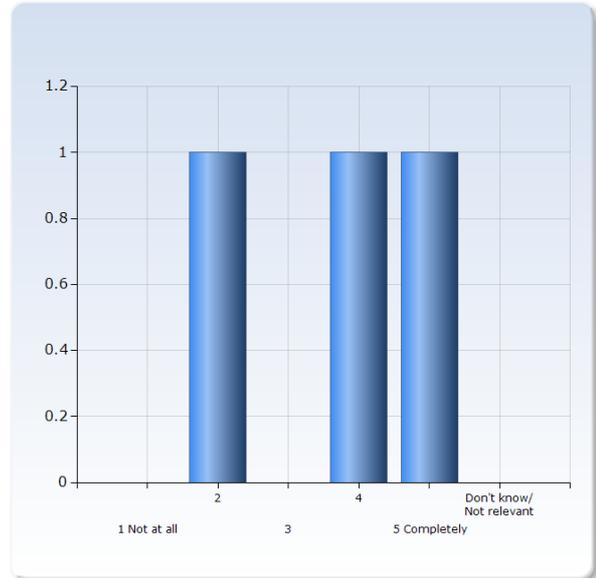
Lectures were very interesting and it was good to see so many fields represented and introduced. They followed a good, logical order and built on top of each other as much as possible. Lecturers offered many resources and made it open to ask for more.



10. Administration and study environment

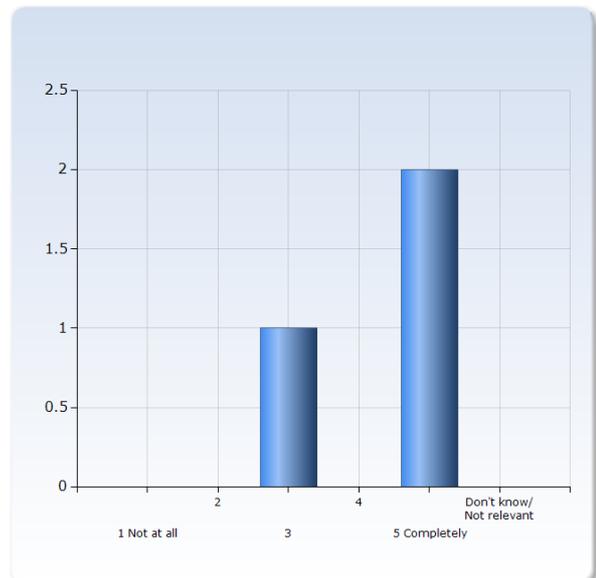
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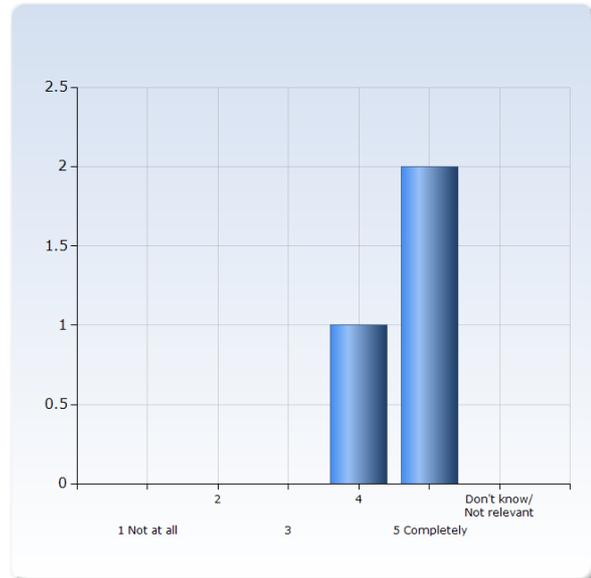
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Comment on the administration and study environment

The study environment was well organized and each lecture was very well planned. No one giving lectures seemed unprepared and the presentations were logical in following. The expertise offered from the lecturers was great.

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I was treated with much respect when I expressed my concerns about time limits in the examination, as simply due to physical needs and psychological strain it is very hard to accomplish so much writing in one day. I felt that this difficulty was very well respected.