## **Comments Report**

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- <sup>4.1)</sup> Please identify what you perceive to be the real strengths and weaknesses of this instructor and course.
- A real intimate class with lot's of interesting information! There could be a bit more politeness, though.
- As a north campus major, the course material was rather difficult. Professor Goldberg recognized this and did his best to teach to help those of us who were less knowledgable in the subject.
- Dr. Goldberg is an incredible professor. He is so knowledgeable about everything he taught us and he is so incredibly invested in really helping us understand every material. He always paused in between lectures and asked us if we had any questions. Although Dr. Goldberg was overall an amazing teacher, he is a hard person to approach about your questions. His method of trying to drill the answers into your head is very intimidating and scary because it included of Dr. Goldberg asking you a series of questions until you answer your own question (which i personally loved because he pushes you to understand the material but I know this was very hard for my other classmates to do). The class was also quite bias. Most of the material we learned seem to be coming from one point of view: Dr. Goldberg's. Although this was not a big problem, I feel that the class would be better if all points of views on the subject were better represented. Despite his downfalls, I know that he is one of the best and most knowledgeable professor I will ever get in this University.
- Dr. Goldberg is one of the most enthusiastic professors I've had and shows a genuine enthusiasm for the subject he is teaching. Despite the workload, I feel that I've learned something important that I will not regret.
- Dr. Goldberg you made me like science again!
- Goldberg asks a lot of you as a student, but his love for teaching and his students is evident and makes the class worth it. I will genuinely miss this class and Professor Goldberg.
- Goldberg is an excellent lecture. He explains all the concepts well and is extremely clear. He can be intimidating and vulgar, so I don't think he's very approachable. But overall I would recommend him.
- Goldberg is certainly knowledgable and an important figure in his field. He is also arrogant and sometimes hard to listen to/sit through. I believe he genuinely does care a lot about his students and about learning and science, but he is also very opinionated on many things and this comes across strongly in his class.
- Great professor and great class really enjoyed myself and had fun learning.
- I loved this class and it made me a lot more interested than I was in the subject. I appreciate how much Dr. Goldberg cared about and encouraged students to learn. This was my favorite class at UCLA so far.
- Prof. Goldberg is a unique person, and you will never experience any class like this. I have had to work harder in this class than any other class. I have also learned more than any other college class than ever before. This was such a valuable experience and made me work outside my comfort zone more than anything else.
- Professor Goldberg is one of the most inspiring professors here at UCLA. Very helpful and fun teacher to learn from.
- Professor Goldberg is the best. Enough said.
- Professor was very engaging and informative. He took an interest in each and everyone of his students. He is excellent at explaining tough and complex subjects. Sometimes his questioning could be rough

and embarrassing but it pushed people to be the best student they could be.

Real Strengths: Funding, class bonding through difficult homework assignments, and relevance of subject matter

Real Weaknesses: Daunting workload and time-occupying nature(which is okay)

- The instructor highly encouraged student participation in lecture and discussion as well as outside of class. The lectures and discussions were well organized and the guest lectures were interesting and very well integrated into the themes of the course. The level of depth to which topics were covered was very detailed and homework and graded assignments were fair and reasonable. The weaknesses of the course include the time requirement that does not always seem a valuable use of time (repetitive lectures and readings). Also- this is a serious suggestion- integrate readings and lecture notes into online formats and make accessible online instead and do not print out copies for everyone, only if a student is not able to access online: this is a massive waste of paper and goes against themes studied in the course itself and can easily be prevented or reduced.
- This course is innovative. I learned so much in 10 weeks. Thank you Professor Goldberg! This course is well structured and well taught. I am really glad I took this class.