

New School
SP14 NSPE MEDIA STUDIES Grad

Course: MediaDesign.D.Sp14 : Media Design.D.Sp14

Instructor: Virgil Wong *

1 - Overall, my learning experience in this course was positive.												
Response Option		Weight	Frequency	Percentage	Percent Responses					Means		
Strongly Agree		(5)	12	80%						4.60		
Agree		(4)	2	13.33%								
Neither Agree nor Disagree		(3)	0	0%								
Disagree		(2)	0	0%								
Strongly Disagree		(1)	1	6.67%								
					0	25	50	75	100	Question		
Return Rate		Mean	STD	Median								
15/16 (93.75%)		4.60	1.06	5.00								

2 - What is your overall rating of this instructor's teaching effectiveness? Virgil Wong												
Response Option		Weight	Frequency	Percentage	Percent Responses				Means			
Very effective		(5)	14	93.33%					4.80			
Effective		(4)	0	0%								
Neither Effective or Ineffective		(3)	0	0%								
Ineffective		(2)	1	6.67%								
Very ineffective		(1)	0	0%								
					0	25	50	75	100	Question		
Return Rate		Mean	STD	Median								
15/16 (93.75%)		4.80	0.77	5.00								

3 - What is your overall rating of this course?												
Response Option		Weight	Frequency	Percentage	Percent Responses					Means		
Excellent		(5)	9	60%						4.40		
Good		(4)	5	33.33%								
Neither good nor poor		(3)	0	0%								
Poor		(2)	0	0%								
Very poor		(1)	1	6.67%								
					0	25	50	75	100	Question		
Return Rate		Mean	STD	Median								
15/16 (93.75%)		4.40	1.06	5.00								

4 - Did you receive a syllabus (on paper or digital) at the beginning of the semester?												
Response Option		Weight	Frequency	Percentage	Percent Responses					Means		
Yes		(1)	14	100%						1.00		
No		(2)	0	0%								
					0	25	50	75	100	Question		
Return Rate		Mean	STD	Median								
14/16 (87.5%)		1.00	0.00	1.00								

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5 - The syllabus clearly explained course objectives, timeline, and policies.												
Response Option		Weight	Frequency	Percentage	Percent Responses					Means		
Strongly Agree		(5)	12	80%						4.67		
Agree		(4)	2	13.33%								
Neither Agree nor Disagree		(3)	0	0%								
Disagree		(2)	1	6.67%								
Strongly Disagree		(1)	0	0%								
Not Applicable		(0)	0	0%								
					0	25	50	75	100	Question		
Return Rate		Mean	STD	Median								
15/16 (93.75%)		4.67	0.82	5.00								

6 - The course was well organized.												
Response Option		Weight	Frequency	Percentage	Percent Responses					Means		
Strongly Agree		(5)	12	80%						4.60		
Agree		(4)	2	13.33%								
Neither Agree nor Disagree		(3)	0	0%								
Disagree		(2)	0	0%								
Strongly Disagree		(1)	1	6.67%								
Not Applicable		(0)	0	0%								
					0	25	50	75	100	Question		
Return Rate		Mean	STD	Median								
15/16 (93.75%)		4.60	1.06	5.00								

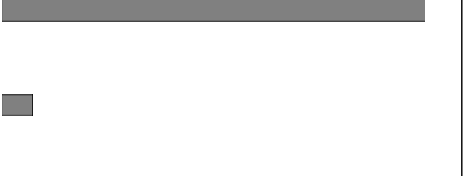
7 - The course was academically and/or creatively challenging.												
Response Option		Weight	Frequency	Percentage	Percent Responses					Means		
Strongly Agree		(5)	11	73.33%						4.53		
Agree		(4)	3	20%								
Neither Agree nor Disagree		(3)	0	0%								
Disagree		(2)	0	0%								
Strongly Disagree		(1)	1	6.67%								
Not Applicable		(0)	0	0%								
					0	25	50	75	100	Question		
Return Rate	Mean	STD	Median									
15/16 (93.75%)	4.53	1.06	5.00									

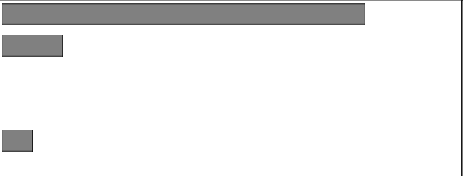
8 - Assignments were appropriate and increased my understanding of the course content.												
Response Option		Weight	Frequency	Percentage	Percent Responses					Means		
Strongly Agree		(5)	11	73.33%						4.53		
Agree		(4)	3	20%								
Neither Agree nor Disagree		(3)	0	0%								
Disagree		(2)	0	0%								
Strongly Disagree		(1)	1	6.67%								
Not Applicable		(0)	0	0%								
					0	25	50	75	100	Question		
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9 - The instructor was well prepared. Virgil Wong											
Response Option		Weight	Frequency	Percentage	Percent Responses				Means		
Strongly Agree		(5)	14	93.33%							
Agree		(4)	0	0%							
Neither Agree nor Disagree		(3)	0	0%							
Disagree		(2)	1	6.67%							
Strongly Disagree		(1)	0	0%							
Not Applicable		(0)	0	0%							
					0	25	50	75	100	Question	
Return Rate		Mean	STD	Median							
15/16 (93.75%)		4.80	0.77	5.00							

10 - The instructor used class time effectively. Virgil Wong											
Response Option		Weight	Frequency	Percentage	Percent Responses				Means		
Strongly Agree		(5)	12	80%							
Agree		(4)	2	13.33%							
Neither Agree nor Disagree		(3)	0	0%							
Disagree		(2)	0	0%							
Strongly Disagree		(1)	1	6.67%							
Not Applicable		(0)	0	0%							
					0	25	50	75	100	Question	
Return Rate		Mean	STD	Median							
15/16 (93.75%)		4.60	1.06	5.00							

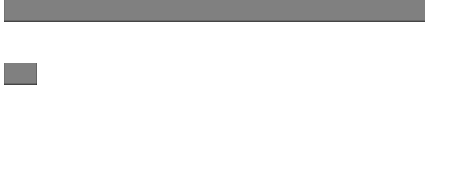
11 - The instructor's feedback was helpful. Virgil Wong											
Response Option		Weight	Frequency	Percentage	Percent Responses				Means		
Strongly Agree		(5)	13	86.67%							
Agree		(4)	1	6.67%							
Neither Agree nor Disagree		(3)	0	0%							
Disagree		(2)	1	6.67%							
Strongly Disagree		(1)	0	0%							
Not Applicable		(0)	0	0%							
					0	25	50	75	100	Question	
Return Rate		Mean	STD	Median							
15/16 (93.75%)		4.73	0.80	5.00							

12 - The instructor was able to communicate the subject matter well. Virgil Wong											
Response Option		Weight	Frequency	Percentage	Percent Responses				Means		
Strongly Agree		(5)	12	85.71%							
Agree		(4)	1	7.14%							
Neither Agree nor Disagree		(3)	0	0%							
Disagree		(2)	1	7.14%							
Strongly Disagree		(1)	0	0%							
Not Applicable		(0)	0	0%							
					0	25	50	75	100	Question	
Return Rate		Mean	STD	Median							
14/16 (87.5%)		4.71	0.83	5.00							

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13 - The instructor's interactions with students were helpful and respectful.										
Virgil Wong										
Response Option		Weight	Frequency	Percentage	Percent Responses				Means	
Strongly Agree		(5)	13	92.86%					4.86	
Agree		(4)	0	0%						
Neither Agree nor Disagree		(3)	1	7.14%						
Disagree		(2)	0	0%						
Strongly Disagree		(1)	0	0%						
Not Applicable		(0)	0	0%						
					0	25	50	75	100	Question
Return Rate		Mean	STD	Median						
14/16 (87.5%)		4.86	0.53	5.00						

14 - The instructor motivated me to do my best work.										
Virgil Wong										
Response Option		Weight	Frequency	Percentage	Percent Responses				Means	
Strongly Agree		(5)	11	78.57%					4.64	
Agree		(4)	2	14.29%						
Neither Agree nor Disagree		(3)	0	0%						
Disagree		(2)	1	7.14%						
Strongly Disagree		(1)	0	0%						
Not Applicable		(0)	0	0%						
					0	25	50	75	100	Question
Return Rate		Mean	STD	Median						
14/16 (87.5%)		4.64	0.84	5.00						

15 - The instructor was respectful of ethnic and cultural differences and diverse points of view.										
Virgil Wong										
Response Option		Weight	Frequency	Percentage	Percent Responses				Means	
Strongly Agree		(5)	12	85.71%					4.92	
Agree		(4)	1	7.14%						
Neither Agree nor Disagree		(3)	0	0%						
Disagree		(2)	0	0%						
Strongly Disagree		(1)	0	0%						
Not Applicable		(0)	1	7.14%						
					0	25	50	75	100	Question
Return Rate		Mean	STD	Median						
14/16 (87.5%)		4.92	0.28	5.00						

16 - The instructor taught with enthusiasm.										
Virgil Wong										
Response Option		Weight	Frequency	Percentage	Percent Responses				Means	
Strongly Agree		(5)	13	92.86%					4.86	
Agree		(4)	0	0%						
Neither Agree nor Disagree		(3)	1	7.14%						
Disagree		(2)	0	0%						
Strongly Disagree		(1)	0	0%						
Not Applicable		(0)	0	0%						
					0	25	50	75	100	Question
Return Rate		Mean	STD	Median						
14/16 (87.5%)		4.86	0.53	5.00						

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17 - The facilities and equipment provided were adequate for the course. Please describe any inadequacies in the Other comments? section below.												
Response Option		Weight	Frequency	Percentage	Percent Responses					Means		
Strongly Agree		(5)	6	42.86%						4.14 		
Agree		(4)	6	42.86%								
Neither Agree nor Disagree		(3)	1	7.14%								
Disagree		(2)	0	0%								
Strongly Disagree		(1)	1	7.14%								
Not Applicable		(0)	0	0%								
					0	25	50	75	100	Question		
Return Rate	Mean	STD	Median									
14/16 (87.5%)	4.14	1.10	4.00									

18 - What were the most effective aspects of this course?	
Return Rate	13/16 (81.25%)
- Being able to learn first hand about the different software for todays media industry was the most effective aspect of this course. I was able to lean so much in such a short period of time. - Getting hands on experience with both cameras and software programs for creative projects - Helping us to understand the conception of media design and providing an opportunity to practice. - I learned about new concepts in media design that challenged my preconceived notions and helped me to understand the underlying importance of conceptual problem solving. - I loved this class. I took my media design class purposely on Sat to 1) be among professionals that work during the days so I can get real world insights. 2) I heard that Virgil is the best. Although 3 hours is long for a class, I thought the class had a lot going on for - I think the most effective aspects of this course was the fact that Professor Wong created an ego-free environment. Additionally, he was always willing to help either through e-mail, before class, or after class and provided great encouragement overall. I will say that the course was rather intimidating, as it did bring me a bit out of my comfort zone, however, Professor Wong made the class fun and made learning the material fun as well. He got me to engage with the course and inspired me to take some production courses here at The New School. - Learning more about the narrative storytelling process through creative pre and post-production assignments in photography and digital video editing. - Media Design encompasses a range of media tools that are helpful to be acquainted with. I personally believe that it was very effective that different editing mediums and tools were introduced to facilitate creative work. I could see it being useful for people who have never encountered certain mediums being empowered to feel more confident in using programs like Premiere, Adobe Photoshop, and more for their visual and sound projects. It was also wonderful to be introduced to lab equipments and be instructed on how to familiarize with using such equipment. - The "building block" structure of the course - which allowed students to take a focus and transfer it to different levels of design and various platforms was a very effective teaching method. It helped to create a foundation that made the next week assignment not AS overwhelming as it would be otherwise. It was also exciting to watch each classmate's idea grow. - The most effective aspect, for me, was when we took a student's project and edited it in class. It made for good conversation, and a positive learning environment. - The professor's knowledge and passion for the subject matter. - There were no effective aspects of this course. I realize how ludicrous that sounds but unfortunately I mean it. This class was so rudimentary and that ridiculous that it was a complete waste of time. - Virgil's teaching style and how diverse the curriculum was. I could not have gotten more out of a class then I have gotten from this one. One of the best professors I have ever had.	

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19 - What, if any, suggestions do you have for the course?	
Return Rate	9/16 (56.25%)
- 1. Cancel this course. It is an overview with no depth and there is nothing in this class that could not be found with 20 minutes of online research. No one in grad school should have to sit through three classes of basic photoshop. If they do not know it, then they need to take the time to learn it on Lynda.com. For grad school we should expect to be seriously challenged. I could not believe I was in a class that taught basic photoshop and looking at a color wheel and reading about the hollywood story arc. This is not acceptable. 2. An option would be to simply have a web design HTML course and students would learn to actually know how to design a site and use this skill to go further in tech and art fields. We left this course with nothing of value whereas logically this course could have created web designers OR interactive app designers .Why are we not learning challenging programs such as MaxMSP? No real tech or real design skills were learned. 3. laptops should be required for this course so maybe that would encourage work and understanding, but only if the class were more difficult! - Bring in other professionals that had something to say about photography videography or websites. I am not stating that the in structor did not have enough credibility, but it would have been nice to have other professionals insights on their fields. - Continue offering this course. - I don't necessarily have any suggestions for the course. I would like to have been able to submit assignments until Saturday but then I see the problems that it poses and why Professor Wong had all assignments due by Friday. I loved the fact that we had the blog and the fact that we were able to share our work in class. - I felt like I learned just enough of everything to scrape by- and while I feel like that's maybe the point of the course, I can't help but feel a little frustrated. There was just a lot packed into one semester, and besides the film project, I felt like I wasn't really hitting below the surface of the tools we used. - N/A - N/A - The only section that was too rushed was HTML & web development. This is a really vital skill, and I wish i had more time to move slowly through the basics (like how we moved from audio editing to video editing). At the same time, I understand that there are a limited number of weeks in the course - and theres only so much that can be taught. Additionally, while HTML is an important skill, it's probably the lowest priority for the Media Studies program. In that regard, that section should be omitted from this class completely, or needs to be fine tuned. Trying to force semesters worth of web design, coding, dreamweaver, etc. in one class is too much. - The other Media Design instructors should adapt Virgil's syllabus for this course, or one similar, because I was able to gain SO MANY skills compared to classmates taking a different professor, where they felt like they learned very little.	

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20 - Please comment on your instructor's teaching effectiveness: Virgil Wong	
Return Rate	12/16 (75%)
- Extremely effective, helpful, inspiring and insightful. Professor Wong was always great and made coming to class on Saturday's fun instead of a burden. He ensured that everyone was on top of their game and ensured that nobody truly fell behind. He encouraged students creativity and encouraged each and every single student to try their best on assignments/tasks. - He is a very nice man so it is hard to say this, but he was not an effective instructor and this course was a true bore. He gives everyone good feedback, not constructive feedback. When lessons are not done correctly he does not say so and only focuses on the surface elements (eg, if the assignment was to use aperture but the student just took pretty pics never touching the camera settings, he just compliments the picture, there is no talk of what setting was used.) He does not manage time well. He allows us to steer into unproductive directions. If a student wants to discuss something outside of our group's interest he will let her do so. The literally ten minutes we spent learning Avid did not work on most of the computers and his TA did not know what she was talking about. One lesson was he had us write on twitter every day for a week on the most ridiculous "exquisite corpse" I could imagine and we spent the whole next class talking about it. Another was to film and record each other using a mic and a camera as we walked around a set of chairs. No one actually learned how to use the camera or mics. The technical lesson was three minutes (and not well done) and the rest of the time was spend messing around. He does not present the lessons well: The information is jumbled and fractured. His lesson on HTML lesson was incredibly fractured, with lots of info but no basic principals actually taught; it had no clear focus or structure whatever. I am sad to say that none of his lessons were actually interesting or widened the scope of our understanding. Actually one was good; the class on Sontag was interesting as he had some things to say and the assignment called for actual work and thought from us. After that there was nothing. 90 percent of the class time is spent looking at our assigned projects which are uniformly shallow. There was nothing to LEARN from looking at each other's work during class time as we can do that online. This class is not about media design; it is about showing unformed things to each other and getting no real or useful feedback on them from anyone, Virgil included. This could be restructured as a class where we bring in our laptops and used it as a lab. - I think the last class on interactive websites was future oriented and that is what I think the new school education is about. Having the chance to base our design for the future made sense. Thank you for bringing your google glass and depth sensor, that was really interesting. - I think Virgil was always enthusiastic and was very knowledgable about the different courses that were taught. Great Instuctor, and I would defintly choose him in the future for other courses. - One of the best professors I have ever had. Always open to new ideas, always remained flexible and understanding and always spent the necessary time and effort to make sure we all comprehended what he taught. Created a wonderful working environment conducive to sharing new ideas and feeling safe to ask questions. - The instructor plans well for the class time. - Totally awesome. One of the best instructors I've had in my college career. - Very understanding and caring. Strongly encourages students to connect and give each other feedback for future improvement. He wants everyone in his class to succeed and be creative to the fullest of their abilities. - Virgil is a wonderful, wonderful teacher. He is SO smart and talented, and knows his craft very well. I felt the pace of this class worked very well, and I definitely developed a set of skills that I had been hoping to. The structure of the course worked throught hands on learning, and individualized attention to each student's weekly assignment. For a 3 hour Saturday class, I was impressed by how attentive I remained for the entire course. The mix of lecture, conversation, hands-on learning and review worked perfectly. By the end of the semester, I felt connected to my classmates and inspired to continue using the programs taught in this course. - Virgil is an amazing teacher. His enthusiasm as well as his knowledge on the subject of media shines through and is motivating for students, at least it was for me. His patience and willingness to help is also a wonderful trait in a teacher. I will jump at the chance to take any other courses he offers. - Virgil is great- very open, understanding, and positive. He has amazing energy to keep a class- especially a class on a Saturday- focused. - Virgil Wong is a fantastic, supportive professor who is very patient with his students. He is enthusiastic about what he teaches and it is incredibly wonderful to study under him. He's engaging to listen to in his lectures and structures the classroom in a way that is engaging. His review of the students' work is always that of constructive criticism that his helpful and positive. Virgil Wong is an inspirational professor.	

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21 - Other Comments?	
Return Rate	5/16 (31.25%)
- I have to say that this course made me question my decision to be in this program. I no longer recommend the New School's Media Studies program to others. - I originally was debating taking this class, because I though I'd regret taking a Saturday class. Couldn't be more wrong. This was an incredible, informative class and I am so happy to have spent the last 12 Saturdays learning and growing alongside a phenomenal teacher and a great class. - It was a challenging course for me personally, despite coming from a creative background. I am glad I was challenged to work with new editing tools that I've never worked with before. It was an exhausting but extremely engaging semester. - LOVED THIS CLASS!!!! VIRGIL should teach ALL MY COURSES! - My favorite class this semester!	