Animal Science - a scientific approach
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15 Hp
Pace of study = 100%
Education cycle = Advanced
Course leader = Josefina Zidar, Lena Lidfors

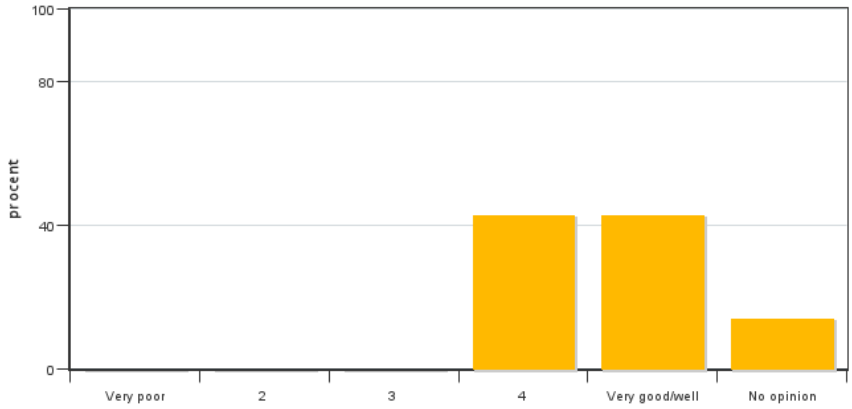
Evaluation report

Evaluation period: 2026-10-25 - 2026-11-15

Answers	7
Number of students	14
Answer frequency	50 %

Mandatory standard questions

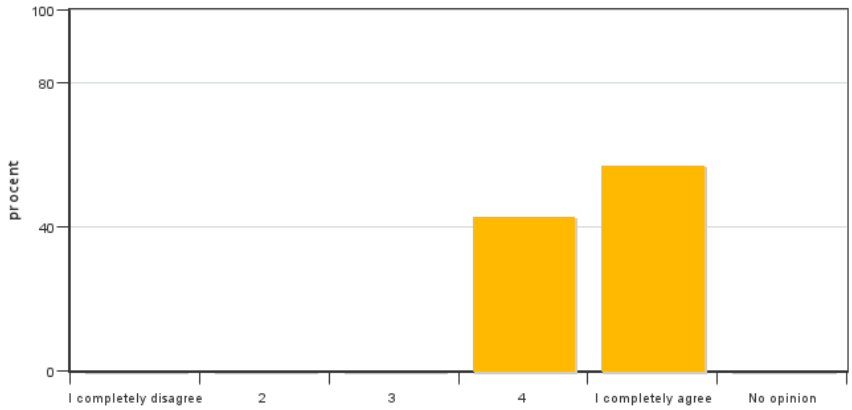
1. My overall impression of the course is:



Number of answers: 7
Average: 4,5
Median: 4

Very poor : 0
2: 0
3: 0
4: 3
Very good/well: 3
No opinion: 1

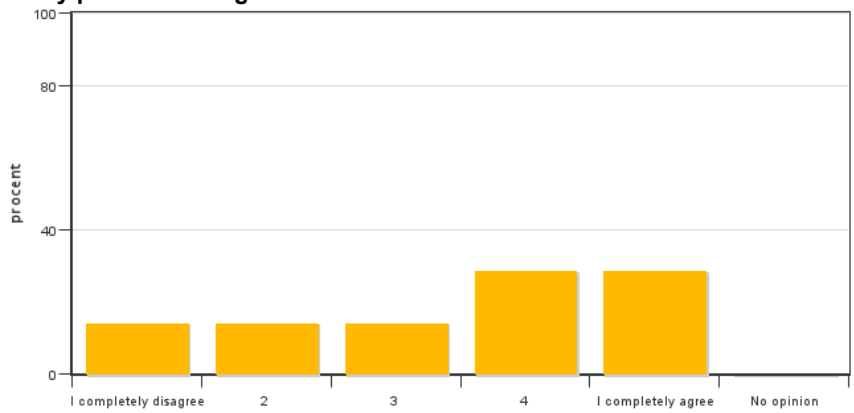
2. I found the course content to have clear links to the learning objectives of the course.



Number of answers: 7
Average: 4,6
Median: 5

I completely disagree: 0
2: 0
3: 0
4: 3
I completely agree: 4
No opinion: 0

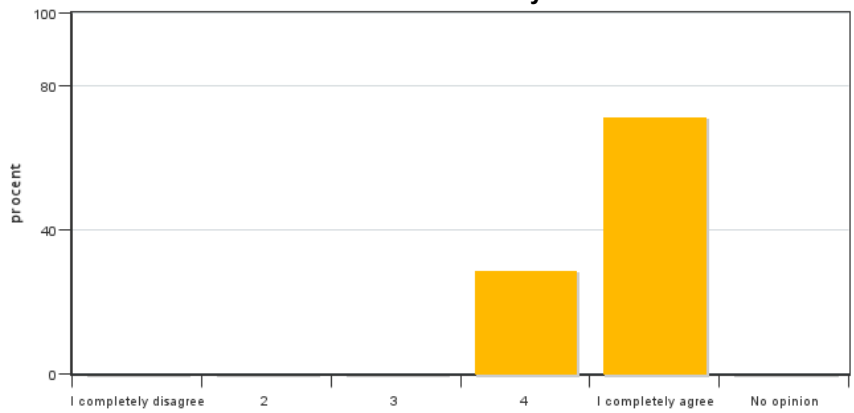
3. My prior knowledge was sufficient for me to benefit from the course.



Number of answers: 7
Average: 3,4
Median: 4

I completely disagree: 1
2: 1
3: 1
4: 2
I completely agree: 2
No opinion: 0

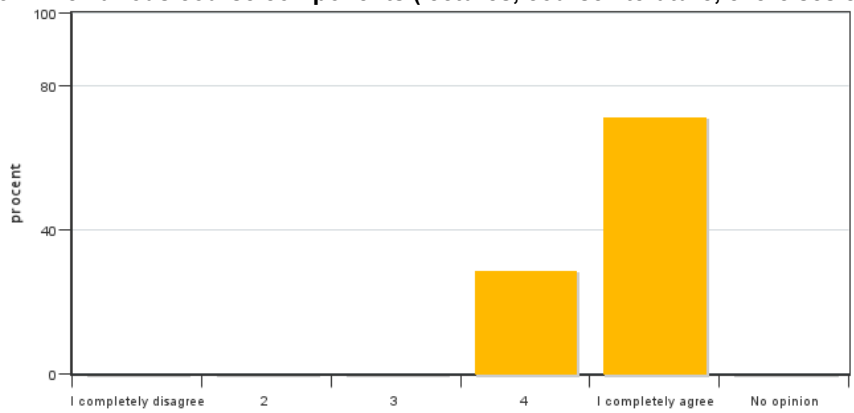
4. The information about the course was easily accessible.



Number of answers: 7
Average: 4,7
Median: 5

I completely disagree: 0
2: 0
3: 0
4: 2
I completely agree: 5
No opinion: 0

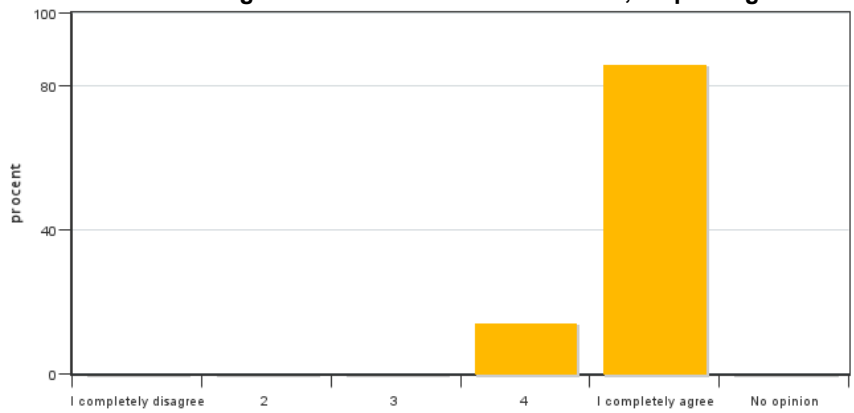
5. The various course components (lectures, course literature, exercises etc.) have supported my learning.



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Average: 4,7
Median: 5

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2: 0
3: 0
4: 2
I completely agree: 5
No opinion: 0

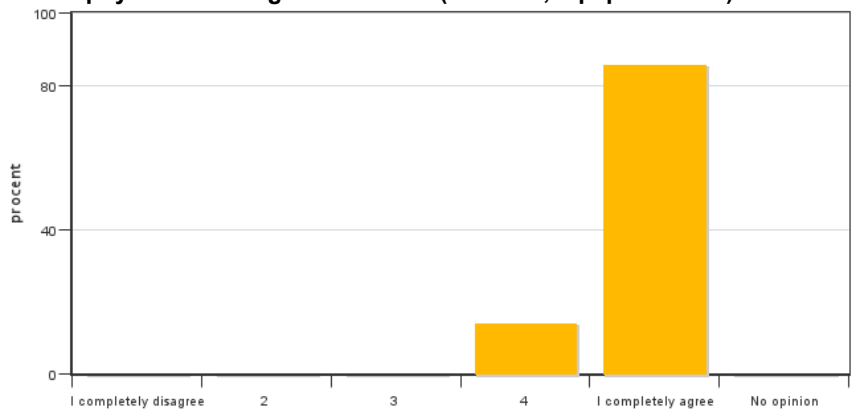
6. The social learning environment has been inclusive, respecting differences of opinion.



Number of answers: 7
Average: 4,9
Median: 5

I completely disagree: 0
2: 0
3: 0
4: 1
I completely agree: 6
No opinion: 0

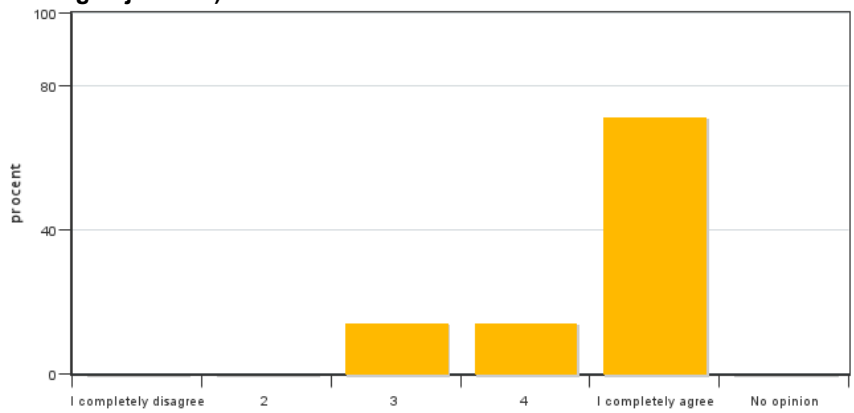
7. The physical learning environment (facilities, equipment etc.) has been satisfactory.



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Median: 5

I completely disagree: 0
2: 0
3: 0
4: 1
I completely agree: 6
No opinion: 0

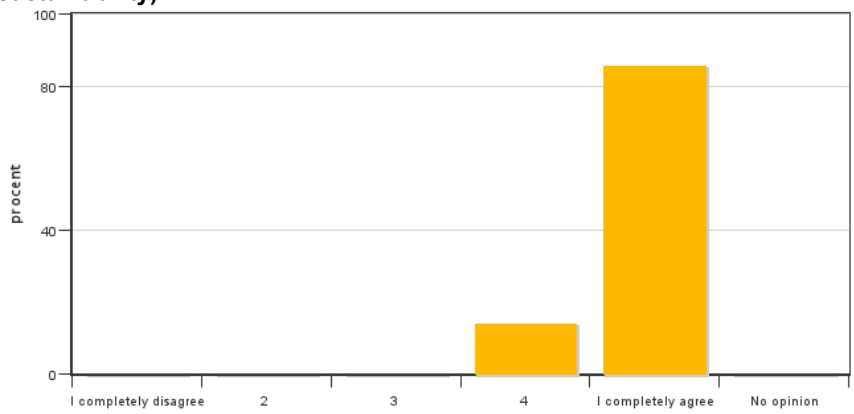
8. The examination(s) provided opportunity to demonstrate what I had learnt during the course (see the learning objectives).



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Average: 4,6
Median: 5

I completely disagree: 0
2: 0
3: 1
4: 1
I completely agree: 5
No opinion: 0

9. The course covered the sustainable development aspect (environmental, social and/or financial sustainability).

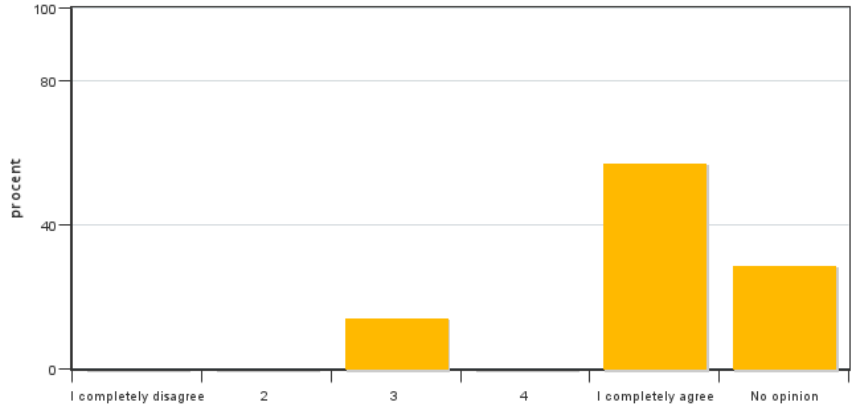


Number of answers: 7
Average: 4,9
Median: 5

I completely disagree: 0
2: 0
3: 0
4: 1
I completely agree: 6

No opinion: 0

10. I believe the course has included a gender and equality aspect, regarding content as well as teaching practices (e.g. perspective on the subject, reading list, allocation of speaking time and the use of master suppression techniques).

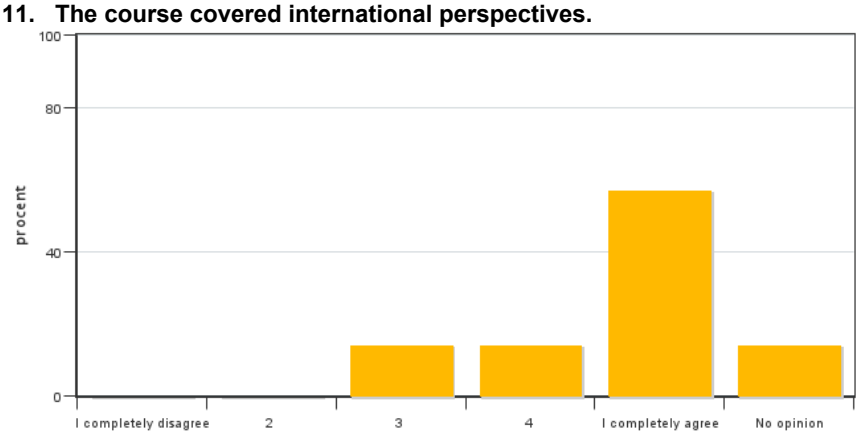


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Median: 5

I completely disagree: 0
2: 0
3: 1
4: 0
I completely agree: 4

No opinion: 2

11. The course covered international perspectives.

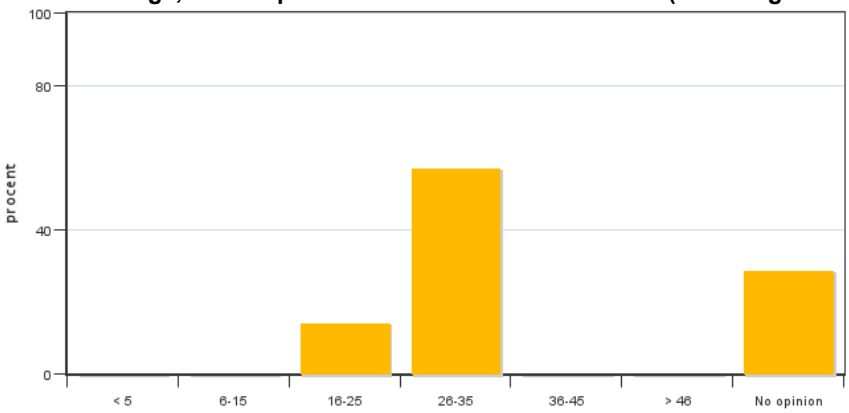


Number of answers: 7
Average: 4,5
Median: 5

I completely disagree: 0
2: 0
3: 1
4: 1
I completely agree: 4

No opinion: 1

12. On average, I have spent … hours/week on the course (including timetabled hours).



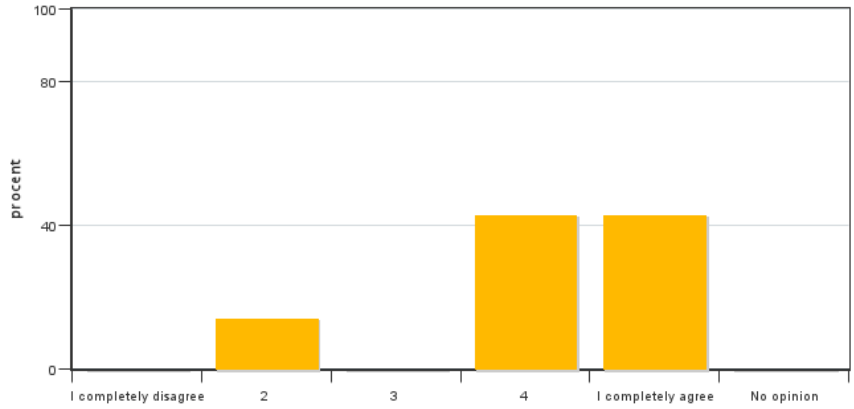
Number of answers: 7
Average: 28,0
Median: 26-35

< 5: 0
6-15: 0
16-25: 1
26-35: 4
36-45: 0
> 46: 0

No opinion: 2

Additional own questions

13. Did you increase your knowledge in Module 1 "Research and science"?
Were all lectures relevant and interesting and did you like the literature seminars?
Please add comments on if we should add or remove any lectures and if we should change anything in the literature seminars?

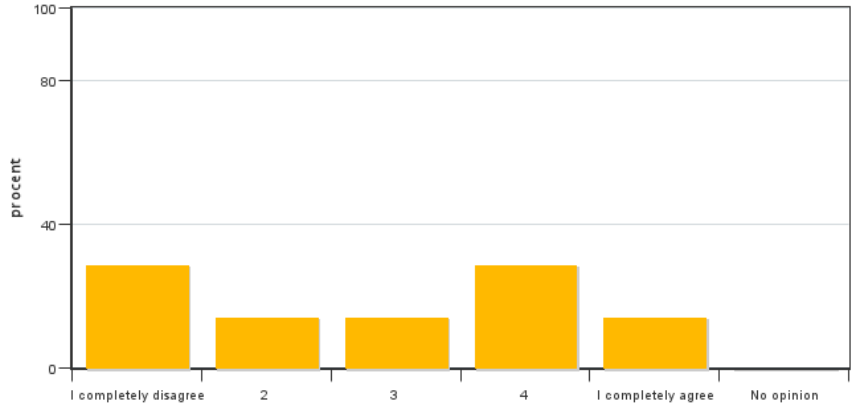


Number of answers: 7

I completely disagree: 0
2: 1
3: 0
4: 3
I completely agree: 3

No opinion: 0

14. Did you increase your knowledge in Module 2 "Statistics"?
Were the lectures easy to follow? Did you learn new things in the statistics exercise? Was the statistical assignment easy to carry out?
Please add comments on how we can improve the statistics module.

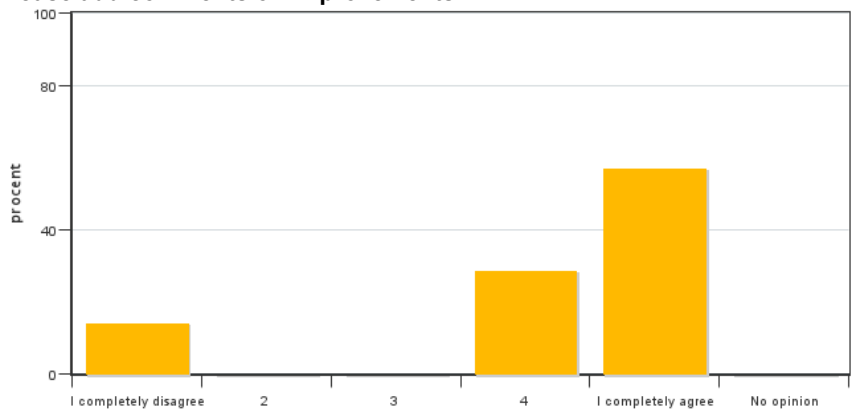


Number of answers: 7

I completely disagree: 2
2: 1
3: 1
4: 2
I completely agree: 1

No opinion: 0

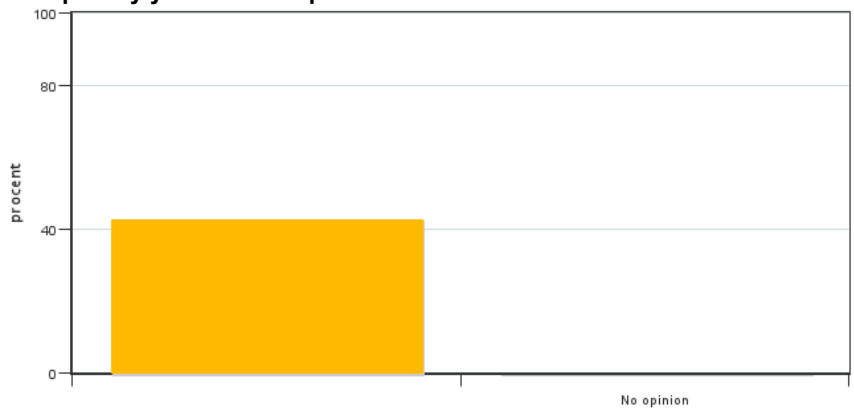
15. Did you increase your knowledge in Module 3 "Animal production"?
Were the lectures providing new knowledge? Did you like the study visits to Lövsta and the fish lab.?
Please add comments on improvements.



Number of answers: 7

I completely disagree: 1
2: 0
3: 0
4: 2
I completely agree: 4
No opinion: 0

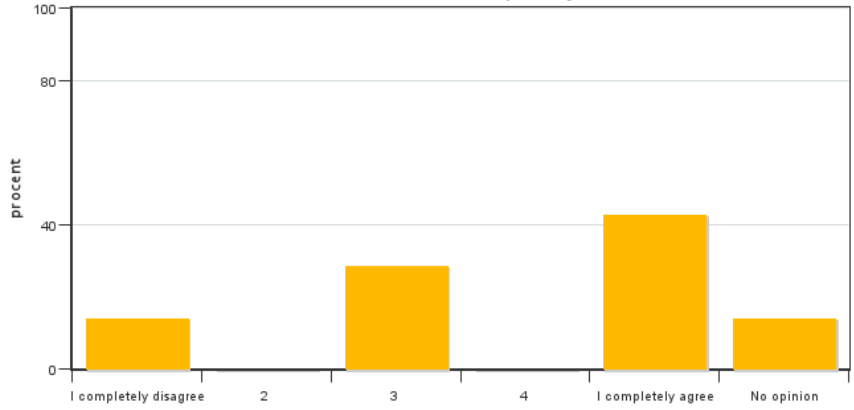
16. Did you increase your knowledge in Module 4 "Project work"?
Was it easy to find relevant literature and to develop the housing of the farm animals? How did it work to write the report by yourself or in pairs?



Number of answers: 7

: 1
: 0
: 2
: 1
: 3
No opinion: 0

17. Did you increase your knowledge during the lectures and workshops with the SLU Library? Llease add comments on if we should remove or add anything of the content from the SLU Library.



Number of answers: 7

I completely disagree: 1
2: 0
3: 2
4: 0
I completely agree: 3
No opinion: 1

Course leaders comments

No comments from the teacher

Student representatives comments

This year there was a total of 14 students taking the course and 7 students answered the course evaluation. That only gives an answer frequency of 50% which is a lower than last year. This also means that the results from this evaluation might not correctly reflect the opinions of everyone who read this course.
The overall impression of the course got a mean value of 4,5 out of 5.
The mean value from all the questions (except the hours/week question) was 4,3 out of five with most participants giving 4-5/5 on the first 11 questions. The last 5 questions had more varying results.
The comments on the first 11 questions include mostly positive feedback with students being happy with the course and the course structure. Students express their liking of the structure and how the different modules and lectures supported their learning and helped them when writing their final project.

Question 14 regarding module 2 “statistics” got the overall lowest score (2,9/5) where some students found that they had the opportunity to improve their knowledge of statistics while other students found the lectures hard to follow and the exercise difficult to carry out. One student proposed to divide the statistics part into more days, to not make one day to heavy, and to have an introduction to Minitab before doing the exercise. That might be beneficial for the students not used to work with statistics or the statistic computer programs.

Overall, the students seem pleased with the course and how it was structured. Some students found certain parts of the course challenging, like the statistics part and someone found the final project to be a little bit challenging, but overall the satisfactory of the students who answered the course evaluation was high.
It was however, unfortunately, few who answered the course evaluation. The results of this evaluation therefor might not correctly reflect the opinions of the whole class.
My overall impression after speaking with fellow classmates is that the lectures gave them new and exciting information and allowed for interesting discussion. Especially discussions regarding international perspectives and how ethics, animal production and animal welfare is viewed in different countries. This is one of the many strengths of the course and made every discussion fun and valuable.