



## Applied tree breeding and biotechnology BI1437, 30280.2425

7.5 Hp

Pace of study = 100%

Education cycle = Basic

Course leader = Peter Marhavy

### Evaluation report

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Evaluation period: 2025-03-17 - 2025-04-07

Answers 2

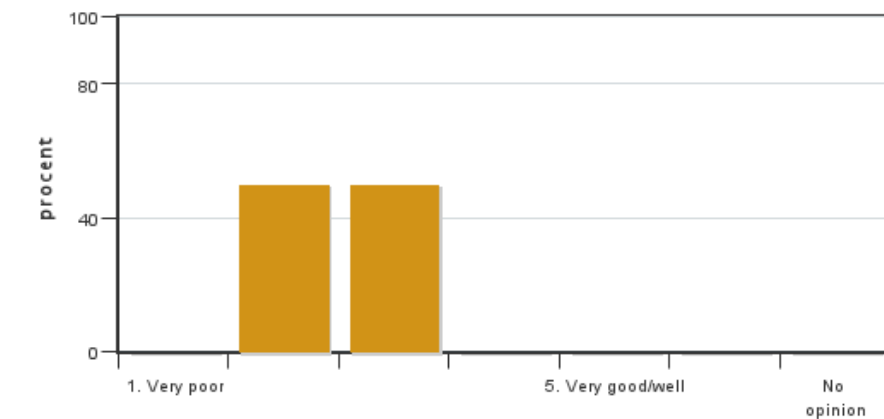
Number of students 3

Answer frequency 66 %

### Mandatory standard questions

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#### 1. My overall impression of the course is:

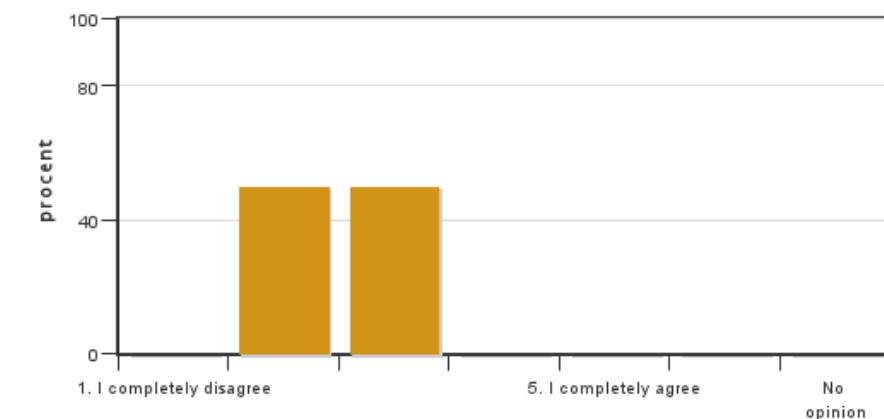


Answers: 2  
Medel: 2,5  
Median: 2

1: 0  
2: 1  
3: 1  
4: 0  
5: 0

No opinion: 0

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

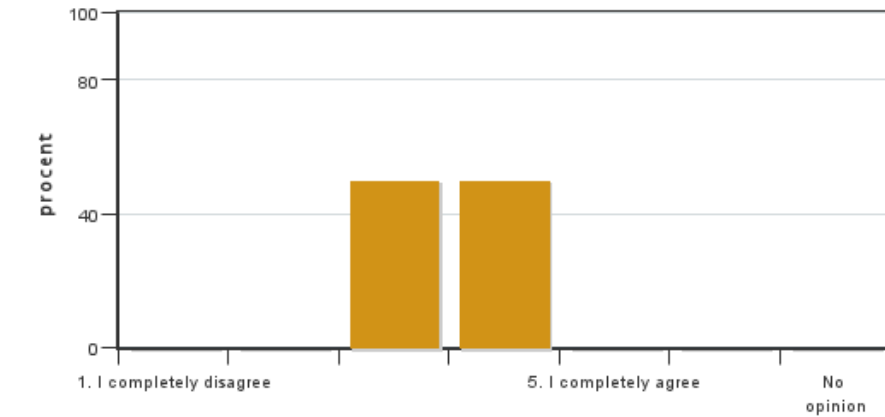


Answers: 2  
Medel: 2,5  
Median: 2

1: 0  
2: 1  
3: 1  
4: 0  
5: 0

No opinion: 0

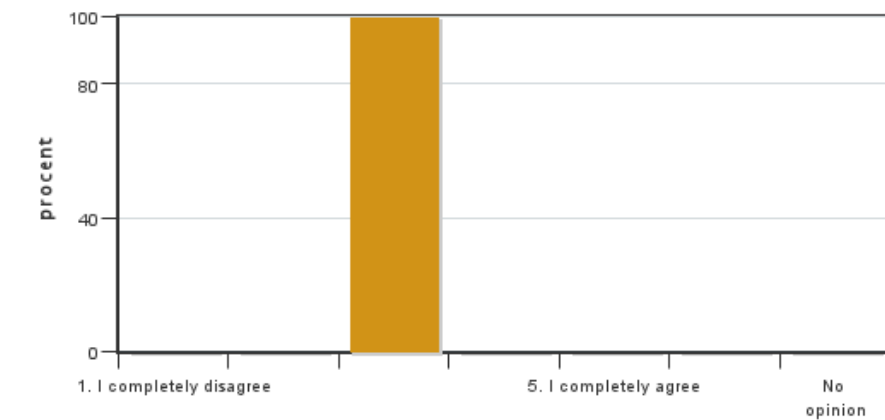
**3. My prior knowledge was sufficient for me to benefit from the course.**



Answers: 2  
 Medel: 3,5  
 Median: 3

1: 0  
 2: 0  
 3: 1  
 4: 1  
 5: 0  
 No opinion: 0

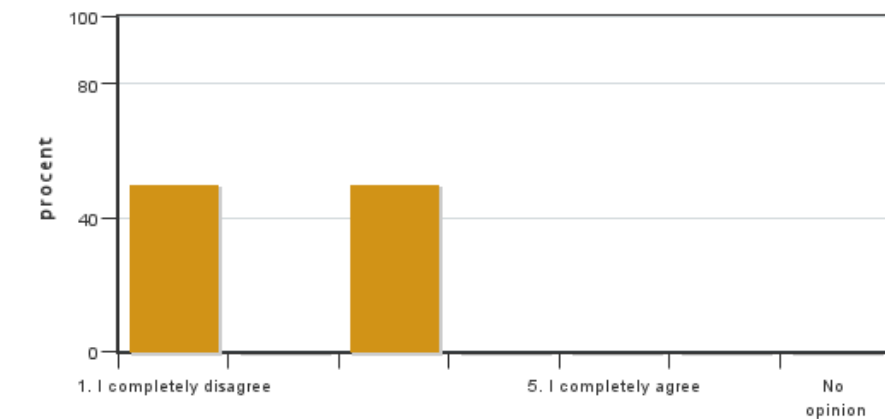
**4. The information about the course was easily accessible.**



Answers: 2  
 Medel: 3,0  
 Median: 3

1: 0  
 2: 0  
 3: 2  
 4: 0  
 5: 0  
 No opinion: 0

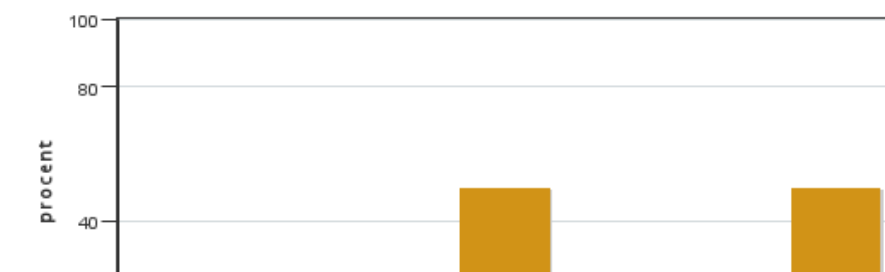
**5. The various course components (lectures, course literature, exercises etc.) have supported my learning.**



Answers: 2  
 Medel: 2,0  
 Median: 1

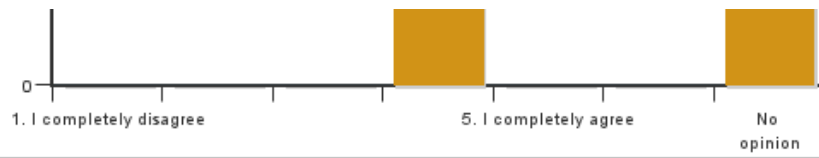
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 2: 0  
 3: 1  
 4: 0  
 5: 0  
 No opinion: 0

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



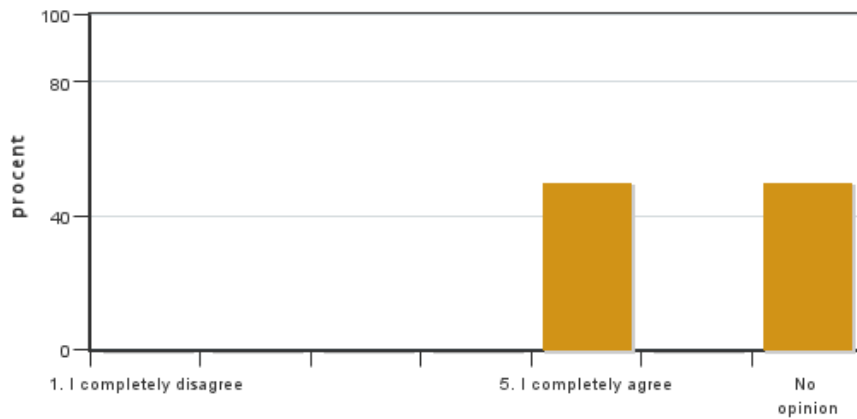
Answers: 2  
 Medel: 4,0  
 Median: 4

1: 0  
 2: 0  
 3: 0  
 4: 1  
 5: 0



No opinion: 1

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

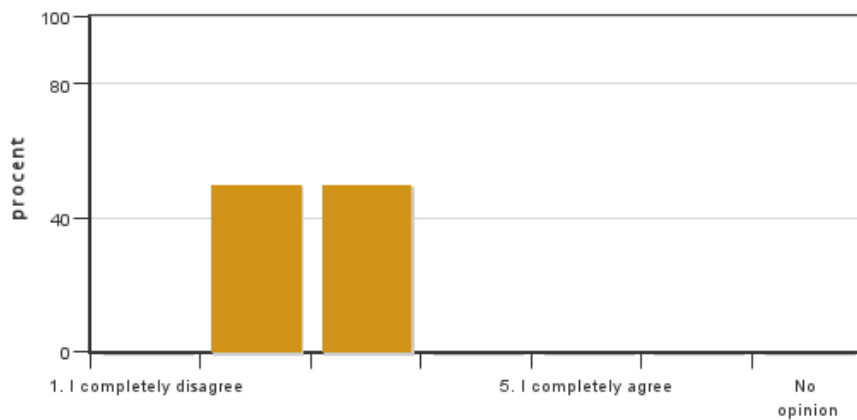


Answers: 2  
Medel: 5,0  
Median: 5

1: 0  
2: 0  
3: 0  
4: 0  
5: 1

No opinion: 1

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

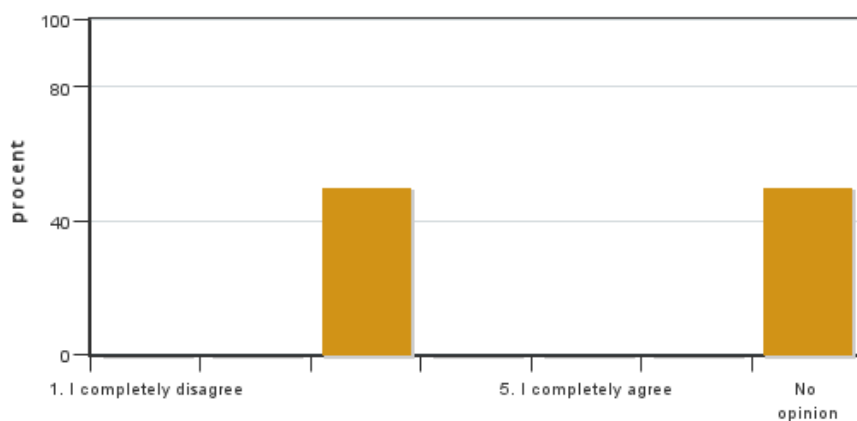


Answers: 2  
Medel: 2,5  
Median: 2

1: 0  
2: 1  
3: 1  
4: 0  
5: 0

No opinion: 0

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

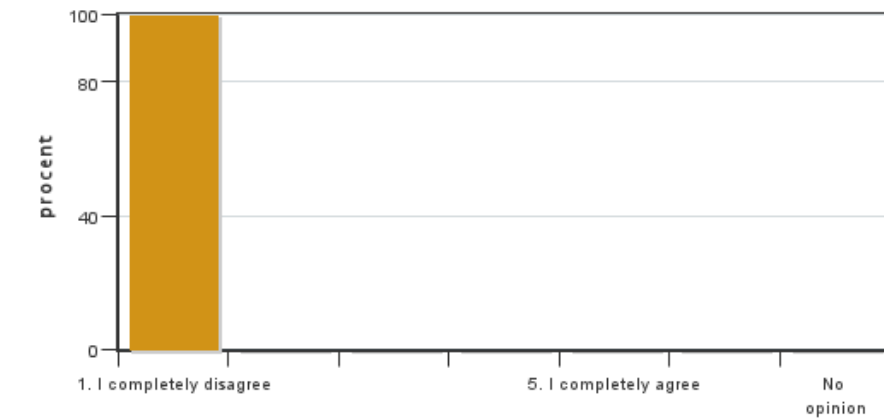


Answers: 2  
Medel: 3,0  
Median: 3

1: 0  
2: 0  
3: 1  
4: 0  
5: 0

No opinion: 1

**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).**

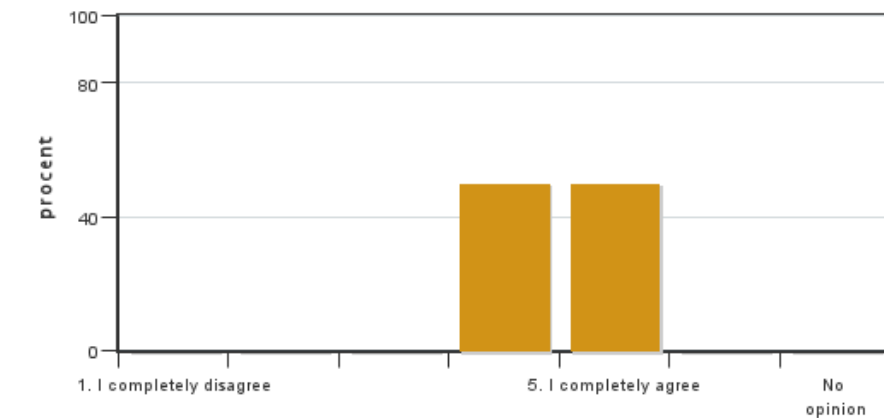


Answers: 2  
 Medel: 1,0  
 Median: 1

1: 2  
 2: 0  
 3: 0  
 4: 0  
 5: 0

No opinion: 0

**11. The course covered international perspectives.**

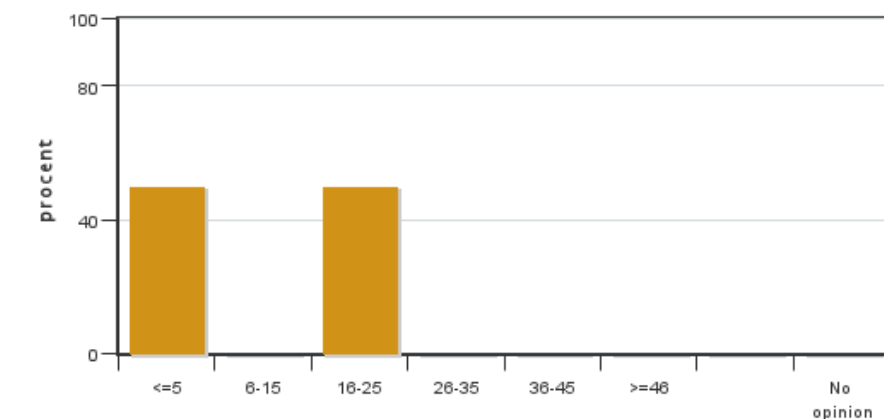


Answers: 2  
 Medel: 4,5  
 Median: 4

1: 0  
 2: 0  
 3: 0  
 4: 1  
 5: 1

No opinion: 0

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



Answers: 2  
 Medel: 11,3  
 Median: ≤5

≤5: 1  
 6-15: 0  
 16-25: 1  
 26-35: 0  
 36-45: 0  
 ≥46: 0

No opinion: 0

**Course leaders comments**

Students found the course content engaging and relevant, and that Harry Wu's lectures were both clear and inspiring. His ability to communicate complex topics. As students noted, the course was conducted in a special mode this year due to low student enrollment. To adapt to the smaller group, we reduced the number of lectures and emphasized self-study and written assignments. While this format aimed to offer flexibility and foster independent learning, we understand from student comments that the reduced number of lectures limited opportunities for deeper exploration and discussion of complex topics. This was the most commonly raised point of critique, and we will certainly take it into account when planning future iterations of the course. Students positively evaluated the time at UPSC and appreciated the learning environment. The suggestion to include at least one excursion in the future is a great idea, and we'll consider integrating more interactive and experiential elements to enhance the overall experience.

## Student representatives comments

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Overall, the course provided valuable insights into tree breeding and the integration of biotechnology in forestry. The content was engaging and highly relevant to current industry challenges. While the course content provided was excellent, we found that the number of lectures was insufficient. With only three sessions, there was limited opportunity to delve deeply into complex topics and explore additional case studies or interactive discussions. Increasing the number of lectures could enhance understanding and allow for a more comprehensive exploration of the subject matter. Despite the limited number of sessions, Harry Wu delivered each lecture with exceptional clarity and enthusiasm. His ability to explain complex concepts in an accessible manner and his evident passion for the field significantly enriched the learning experience. The essays and exam however were too simple and required only a few hours to complete. All in all it was not a full-time course. We did however enjoy our time at UPSC and would recommend having at least one excursion in the course curriculum for the future.

Best regards,

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