

Informatics Student Course Feedback 2017/18

<http://www.inf.ed.ac.uk/teaching/surveys/2017-18>

This report contains feedback from students about a course taught in the School of Informatics during the 2017/18 academic year, in response to the following questions:

- What would you say to students interested in taking this course?
- What did you find most valuable about the course?
- What improvements, if any, would you make to the course?
- Please add any other comments you have about workshops and tutors

Each course organiser receives this report as well as statistics on multiple-choice responses. All these reports, together with student feedback about individual members of teaching staff, are collected and sent to the Director of Learning and Teaching.

Please note that these are personal responses from individual students: some courses only have a few responses and a small sample can be unrepresentative.

Stereotyping and bias, especially unconscious bias, is a serious concern in any survey gathering personal responses. All students received the rubric below before completing the surveys, and you can read a brief introduction to issues of unconscious bias on the university web pages at <http://edin.ac/2iypZBv>

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Rubric given to all students taking the end-of-course feedback survey

We value your opinions on the courses you take here at the University, as they allow us to shape future delivery and development. We welcome constructive comments about your courses, whether positive or negative, and ask you to give details about any issues in order to help the course organiser to understand and address them.

We encourage you to be aware of the potential for bias in the completion of these questionnaires, so we have developed resources which may be helpful to you:

- Equality, Diversity and Unconscious Bias (<http://edin.ac/2iypZBv>)

You also have a responsibility to provide feedback in a manner which does not breach the University's Dignity and Respect Policy:

- University of Edinburgh Dignity and Respect Policy (<http://edin.ac/1Cq0VZY>)

The results of the questionnaires will never be analysed in a way that seeks to identify individual students from their responses. However, should you wish to remain anonymous, please do not identify yourself in your answers to the survey questionnaire implicitly or explicitly.

Comments Report

What advice would you give to a student taking this course in future?

- Focus on the videos.
- Good course, covers a wide range of topics in a decent amount of details.
- Try to ask questions and watch material beforehand.
- Most contents are online and you should learn it by yourself. It is not easy to keep up with schedule if you don't have enough self-control. Also, lab is really important!!!
- Probably need to take IAML or MLPR to help understand the machine learning knowledge in the course.

Comments Report

What did you find most valuable about the course?

- Online learning system.
- Flipped teaching style is good for being able to review the course, however it's up to the individual to pro-actively look at lectures.
- I learn more about computer vision and its applications
- The coursework is a good practice to explore face detection and verification.
- The teaching mode of this course is quiet efficient. Students are able to focus on what we are not good at and skip some contents we have already been familiar with.
- Video lectures were great!

Comments Report

What improvements, if any, would you make to the course?

- Earlier coursework assignments, possible two smaller ones. The assignments were good, but due to the flipped learning it's easy for the course to fall behind others that have approaching deadlines. With an earlier assignment, I think there would be more participation in lectures as there would be further details to discuss.
- I prefer to have a lecture rather than watching an online course
- Lab exercise could be more reasonable and fewer for students to finish.
- too much knowledge for one week I think

Comments Report

Please add any other comments you have about workshops and tutors

- Never learnt matlab before, it's hard to do any lab by myself
- it will be better if we can choose the tools we used in the labs(not just matlab)