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Course Reflection

Overall, I really enjoy taking topics courses because they tend to be more fun. Specific things for this course though was that it was a small class. Personally, I do not like speaking up in lecture halls (unless I absolutely must). Since the class only had nine students, I felt like I was able to ask more questions about the material. I don't learn well by clicking through PowerPoints. I have to participate, ask questions, and be part of a discussion on the material before I can truly start to learn it. That's why this class helped me, by connecting the material from other courses to the material we were covering. There are not many classes that make me curious (I know, it's sad), but this class made me ask questions and I constantly found myself researching stuff I didn't have to simply because I wanted to know more about it. I think this class was successful. This only thing I would change is by make attendance a grade. I know it is mandatory to attend classes but some people we only saw once a week, maybe. Especially with a small class I feel like there should be some sort of grade for attendance to ensure there is more than three people in class. Besides that, everything we did was super fun. I had two classes this semester that I was always excited for: this class and my research-based class. Both made me think about the material instead of just guessing, but in a fun manor.