

**In thinking about the overall quality of the course, please comment on what you got out of the course. What did the instructor do particularly well, and in what ways might the course be improved? Please use this space to tell us anything you want to about the seminar.**

This sounds totally cliché, but this class really did change my life. The study of Russia's Soviet history and relationship with Ukraine has shaped my perception of current events, and made me ever-more critical of the information presented in the news media.

As for improvements - I think that some of the material was presented in the wrong order - but the content itself was great. The economic history of Ukraine, which was the first lesson if I remember correctly, should have been moved later in the semester, and I think we should have first focused on Ukrainian history and its ties to Russia first. Obviously there are advantages to presenting it in both orders, however I think that doing this would have provided some historical context to the current Ukraine crisis and thus cleared up some confusion. Other than that, the rest of the course was fantastic!

Overall, I gained the most from the readings as well as the special events. Class discussion would have been more helpful if the direction was better controlled

It was very enjoyable and educational.

The instructor did very well in providing a good view on how to approach the Ukrainian crisis and the different perspectives. I enjoyed the people we got to meet thanks to this course. I will value what I've learned here and take it on when I enter into many politics-oriented courses.

I got a good understanding about Russia and Ukraine, particularly about Russian political technologies and hybrid warfare. Everything we learned is current and relevant today.

Overall a good course, though class discussion should have been more forcefully controlled by the professor.

I gained a good overview of the subject matter. The course was well structured and very enjoyable.

AMAZING CLASS!

The particularly interesting thing was the way in which we saw different views on events in Eastern Europe, providing more than just a Western perspective on international affairs.

It heavily influenced my decision to switch from MAE to Woody Woo.