

Course Analysis for BERN01 Modelling in Computational Science, Autumn 2024

Course Information

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Number of students:

30 newly registered and 1 re-registered.

12 students answered the course evaluation, 8 of them are enrolled in the master program in computational science, 1 in applied computational science, 3 in other programs.

Examination

Project: 29 students passed.

Oral presentation: 29 students passed.

Final grades:

In all, 29 students, including 1 re-registered students, have got their final grade.

18 passed with distinction.

11 passed.

Course Evaluation

Summary of student's answers:

The students were overall satisfied with the course. The students appreciated the structure as a project course. Project 3 was critized as being too unclear and less interesting than the others. More clear instructions about scope and length of the report were desired.

Teachers' comments:

This was the first time this course was given. The teaching consisted of a few lectures per project and an introductory lecture, as well as a few exercise sessions. Three compulsory projects carried out in small groups are included in the course. These are then presented to the whole group.

Changes from the previous course realisation:

- -The coding in project 1 was made easier by giving more instructions, and reducing the computational cost of the experiments
- -Project 2 was considered easier than the others and was be made more difficult
- -The coding in project 3 was made easier by simplifying the data handling

We have organized things in a way to allow students to start working on the project as soon as possible, in particular in project 3.

Suggestions for the next course realisation:

We will switch places for projects 2 and 3. The current project 2 is the easiest one, so this should help with the last project being in parallel with the exam in another course.

The reports will be described more clearly on the Canvas page.

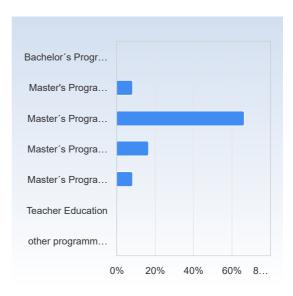
We will discuss collaboration versus cooperation more in the course.

BERN01HT24 Computational Science: Modelling in Computational Science Respondents: 31 Answer Count: 12

Answer Frequency: 38.71%

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Bachelor's Programme, any specialization	0 (0.0%)
Master's Programme in Mathematics, Mathematical Statistics or Physics	1 (8.3%)
Master's Programme in Computational Science	8 (66.7%)
Master´s Programme in Applied Computational Science	2 (16.7%)
Master´s Programme, other specialization	1 (8.3%)
Teacher Education	0 (0.0%)
other programme or as stand alone course	0 (0.0%)
Total	12 (100.0%)

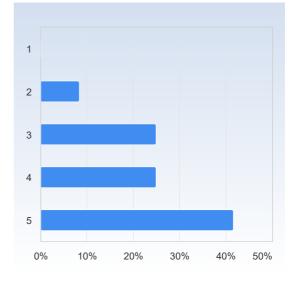


	Mean	Standard Deviation
I have studied this course as part of	5.7	1.6

On the scale 1-5 select the option that best matches your opinion: 1= disagree completely \rightarrow 3= partly agree → 5= agree completely

2. My prior knowledge has been sufficient to assimilate the contents of this course.

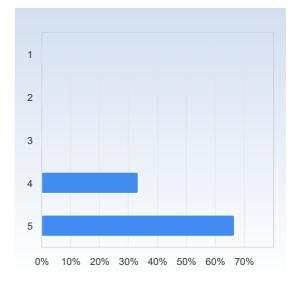
2.llMy prior knowledge has been sufficient to assimilate the	
contents of this course.	Number of responses
1	0 (0.0%)
2	1 (8.3%)
3	3 (25.0%)
4	3 (25.0%)
5	5 (41.7%)
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2. My prior knowledge has been sufficient to		
assimilate the contents of this course.	4.0	1.0

3.II have participated actively in the course.

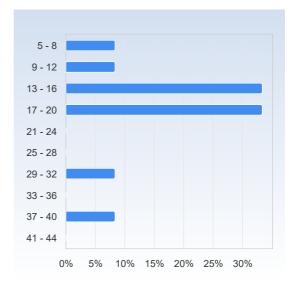
3.II have participated actively in	
the course.	Number of responses
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2	0 (0.0%)
3	0 (0.0%)
4	4 (33.3%)
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5 - 8	1 (8.3%)
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9 - 12	1 (8.3%)
13 - 16	4 (33.3%)
17 - 20	4 (33.3%)
21 - 24	0 (0.0%)
25 - 28	0 (0.0%)
29 - 32	1 (8.3%)
33 - 36	0 (0.0%)
37 - 40	1 (8.3%)
41 - 44	0 (0.0%)
Total	12 (100.0%)



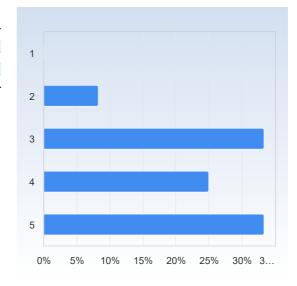
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Average number of hours spent in total on the		
course per week (including scheduled activities):	19.1	8.7

The course in general

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The way the course was taught and organised suited me.

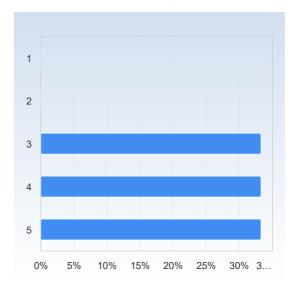
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The way the course was taught and organised		
suited me.	3.8	1.0

The number of teacher lead activities (lectures, seminars etc.) has been satisfactory.

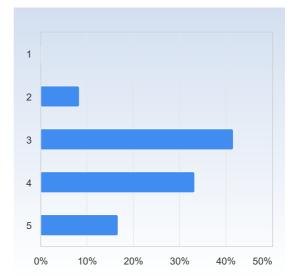
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seminars etc.) has been satisfactory.	4.0	0.9

The lectures were valuable for my learning.

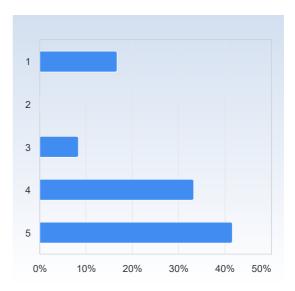
The lectures were valuable for	
my learning.	Number of responses
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The lectures were valuable for my learning.	3.6	0.9

The seminars were valuable for my learning.

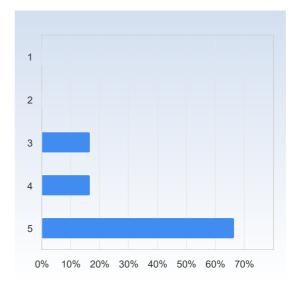
The seminars were valuable for		
my learning.	Number of responses	
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The seminars were valuable for my learning.	3.8	1.5

Studying on my own was valuable for my learning.

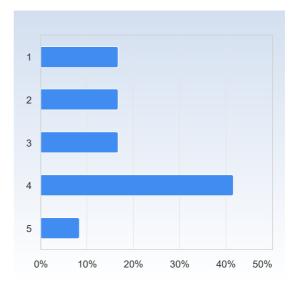
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The course literature/material was a valuable learning resource.

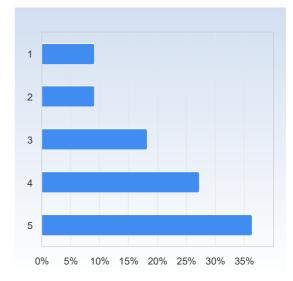
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The course literature/material was a valuable		
learning resource.	3.1	1.3

The information I received before the course start was satisfactory.

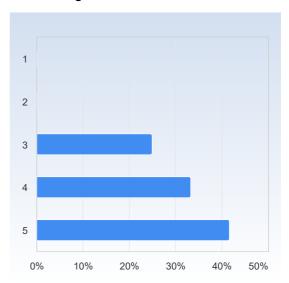
The information I received before the course start was satisfactory.	Number of responses
1	1 (9.1%)
2	1 (9.1%)
3	2 (18.2%)
4	3 (27.3%)
5	4 (36.4%)
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The information I received before the course start		
was satisfactory.	3.7	1.3

The communication with the teaching staff during the course was good.

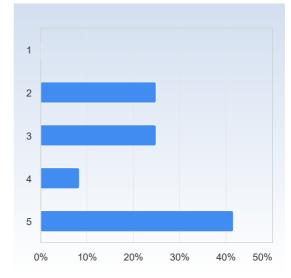
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The communication with the teaching staff during		
the course was good.	4.2	0.8

It was clear throughout the course what was expected of me.

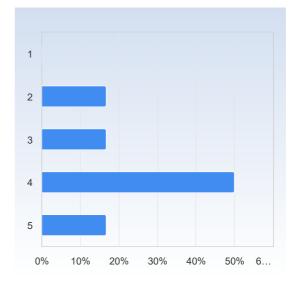
It was clear throughout the	
course what was expected of me.	Number of responses
1	0 (0.0%)
2	3 (25.0%)
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4	1 (8.3%)
5	5 (41.7%)
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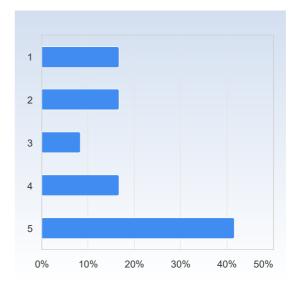
I have received valuable feedback from my teacher /teachers during the course.	Number of responses
1	0 (0.0%)
2	2 (16.7%)
3	2 (16.7%)
4	6 (50.0%)
5	2 (16.7%)
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teacher/teachers during the course.	3.7	1.0

The course had a reasonable workload.

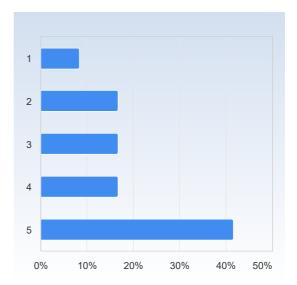
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The course had a reasonable workload.	3.5	1.6

The workload was evenly distributed throughout the course.

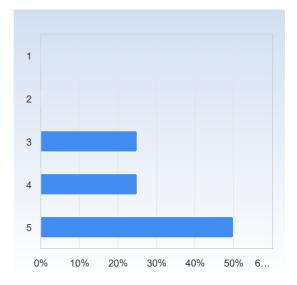
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the course.	3.7	1.4

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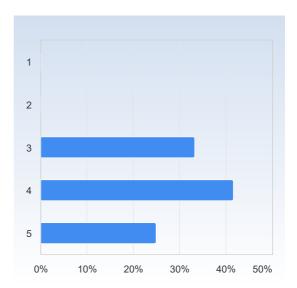
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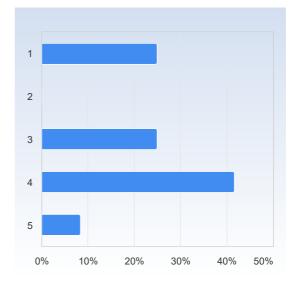


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The course has increased my ability to read a scientific text.

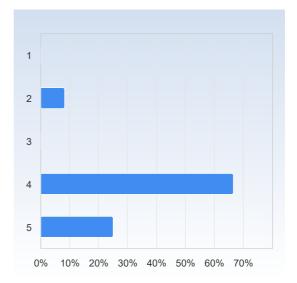
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1	3 (25.0%)
2	0 (0.0%)
3	3 (25.0%)
4	5 (41.7%)
5	1 (8.3%)
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The course has increased my ability to read a		
scientific text.	3.1	1.4

The course has increased my ability to communicate the subject in writing.

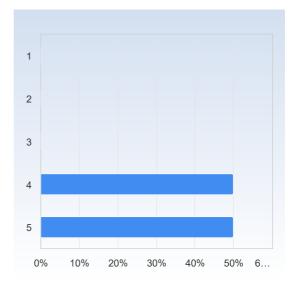
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in writing.	Number of responses
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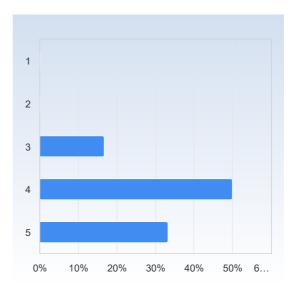
The course has increased my ability to communicate the subject orally.	Number of responses
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The course has increased my ability to		
communicate the subject orally.	4.5	0.5

The course has increased my ability to cooperate.

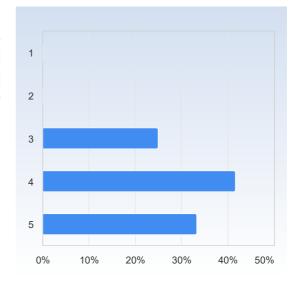
The course has increased my	
ability to cooperate.	Number of responses
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3	2 (16.7%)
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5	4 (33.3%)
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The course has increased my ability to		
cooperate.	4.2	0.7

The course has increased my ability to search and process information.

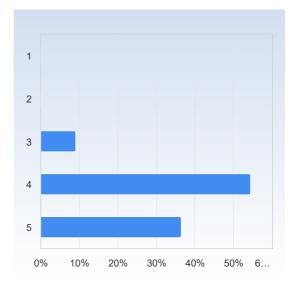
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The course has increased my ability to search		
and process information.	4.1	0.8

The course has increased my ability to analyze and solve problems.

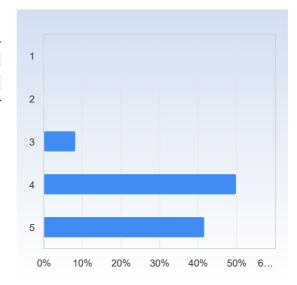
The course has increased my ability to analyze and solve	
problems.	Number of responses
1	0 (0.0%)
2	0 (0.0%)
3	1 (9.1%)
4	6 (54.5%)
5	4 (36.4%)
Total	11 (100.0%)



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The course has increased my ability to analyze		
and solve problems.	4.3	0.6

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tackling unfamiliar problems.	4.3	0.7