



UC RIVERSIDE - Faculty Instruction Evaluation (iEval)

Fall 2015

Course: DNCE 114C Section: 001 - DANCE COMPOSITION III
Instructor: Joel Smith

Question # 25: Please comment on how the instructor's teaching helped your learning of the material in this course. Please give serious thought to your comments. Your comments will be studied by the professor after the grade and performance evaluation of your work have been submitted and may be used in changing future offerings of the course. In addition, these comments are placed in the instructor's file and may be used for purposes of evaluating the instructor's teaching. The information collected will remain anonymous.

- I gained a great amount of understanding for the class material. Joel really pushed us to do our greatest. I really appreciate how much he cared about us as a class and believed in us. I would recommend anyone to take his class dancer or non-dancer.
- Joel Smith is such a phenomenal professor. He challenges his students with various questions, activities, and projects. I really enjoyed how he blurred the lines between graduate and undergraduate students; I learned so much from graduate students, I hope he continues doing this for his future classes. Also, I really appreciate how he always has time for his students. He will always answer any question; he will spend hours talking to his students to make sure their questions are answered. I remember I only had one question and it turned to him answering and helping me with so much more! He holds so much knowledge and I am so grateful he graciously shares it with his students.
- My time spent in 114C was great. I really enjoyed that we had more time to spend on our choreography projects. Since we are more advanced in our studies, having the extra time was really helpful in being able to process and delve into our material. As an instructor, Joel did a great job of fostering our progress. His feedback, encouragement and the way we were challenged by Joel helped everyone reach new heights. Additionally, I felt that he was really in tune with us as a class, letting us de-stress as needed.
- Thank you Joel. I really appreciated working on two assignments for the entirety of the quarter. It allowed for us to go more in depth with our work and to think of the many possible ways it could develop and unfold. I am thankful for all the feedback that was given at every single checkpoint.
- I really enjoyed taking his class because we were assigned two major projects and that was it. I just felt so privileged to be able to fully invest my time work patience struggle and everything to two different creations. I was really excited to see how far we have come as individuals as a class and well the staff is a major influence and a huge thank you to Joel, to Wendy, to Taisha and everyone else who was a part of this choreography building process. In conjunction with this class we were working with our UCR is Dancing crew so it was just eye opening to see how much we have grown, and what phrases like "moving with intention" so thank you everyone this was an awesome experience.
- Professor Smith is very engaged with his students. It was a pleasure taking his courses and learning from him. I appreciate all the feedback that was given because ultimately it helped me grow as an individual. I value Joel as professor and friend. I believe he should continue to help other students as he has helped me.