

California Lutheran University Biology 282: Climate Change

Class Evaluation 2011

Dr. Reese is an excellent teacher who, unlike some teachers, is able to talk about something new everyday that not only is relevant to the course, but is informative and worth knowing. The two biggest benefits I see the class provides me, is the lack of immense stress that usually comes hand in hand with college courses, while still helping me learn about the environment, and the speech skill that we practice each class, a skill that we will have to use no matter our future path in life.

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This class is great! It really brings you up to speed with what is actually going on in the world. Dr. Reese's attitude makes the class a fun learning environment and his passion for the subject matter makes it even more important and real. He tells you about how the real world is going to be and gives you information and skills needed for life after college.

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I really like that we all share the articles because it seems I never get time to read the news - and it's the stuff I really care to know about, not some brainless celebrity.

I like that we are encouraged to look at modern times and to suggest ways that we can possibly fix the place we call home.

What I like the best, is that we aren't forced to learn a certain way. All the facts are presented with passion and solutions are given. I always find myself thinking later on what we talked about in class. I'm able to process it my own way and relate it to my own life.

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(if not the best)
Short + Sweet, but true. Dr. Reese is one of the best
and most inspiring ~~the~~ professors here at this
school. I'm a senior, so I feel like I can give
that honest judgement. I listen closely and I
am awed at how much he knows... not just
about the environment but all kinds of things.
The School (CLU) has had me sit on select student
panels to interview new professors → if they
trust me to do that, then take this as the truth:
Never get rid of this guy. Pay him more if you
can.

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- In this, I find that I am improving both my oral & written communication skills through current events & presenting to the class each week. This class allows me to be informed on crucial real world issues. From being aware, it has made me look at things with a different perspective in regards to my consumption of food & trash, & also water & electricity. Dr. Halter inspires us to ~~achieve~~ achieve our goals. Our goals may involve many different things, but they will include making ~~the~~ our communities & lives better.

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Dr. Reese has opened my eyes about how climate change is effecting the world as we know it. I knew that global warming existed but I had no clue that it was such a problem. From this class, I have also learned of many ways that global warming effects can be reduced. This class has made me think critically on how to reduce pollution and emmissions. Dr. Reese teaches this class with such passion that makes me actually want to learn about climate change and how to fix it.

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I feel that the course Climate Change offers students a lot. This class is unique in the way that it gets students actively involved and interested in the topics covered in a nontraditional way. The way the course is structured makes it way more enjoyable and I believe that affects how students participate. The presentations are extremely helpful because they prepare you for talking in front of a group on a topic you may know little about; which is something that can be quite unnerving. By the end of the semester the presentations are something to enjoy; working to find a topic that interests you and then be able to get the class to be just as interested.

Dr. Reese also just has so much to offer students. Climate change is a real thing & he tells it to us straight. It's amazing how much you take in during the class.

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One thing about this class that I love the most is the stress-free learning environment. I have honestly taken away much more meaningful material from this class than any other. Better yet, I remember it very well and I help spread the word of what should be done, what to watch out for, and what our part (as humans) is to protect our planet and our selves. I wish more people could experience this class, the material is priceless and what can be taken away has no measure of magnitude for ~~the~~ positive impact. Great communication ~~is~~ in class, I am acquiring life skills, and I am most importantly enjoying every session.

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Dr. Reese not only teaches the class about what is currently going on with in the world, he really cares about his students. That is a great quality that i feel not many people have (teachers) anymore. He makes the class interesting & fun. I personally have gained alot of knowledge about climate change and the effects our earth will have in the future. When he lectures I can easily relate my knowledge to his past lectures. His personal experience definitely adds to the class. I really enjoy the class & I look forward to taking another class with Dr. Reese.

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This class has been very interesting. I have learned a lot about the environment and about what is going on in the world. My presenting/speaking skills have gotten better. I can give a presentation with plenty of information yet still keep it concise. Dr. Halter makes it fun and entertaining and you can't help but be interested in what he talks about. Overall this is one of my favorite classes. I am able to use what I learn in other classes and in general life.

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- The class is very good at making students aware of what is going on worldwide with the environment, climate change, and many other areas related to science.
- Dr. Reese is very passionate about this course and he excites students about the topics he covers. He is very knowledgeable and ~~make~~ keeps students interested and involved in the class through open conversation.
- Dr. Reese is interested in what each and every student has to say during in class presentations and encourages us to learn more and stay informed about what is going on in the world.
- He's a great prof. and has lots of knowledge to pass on to students.

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Climate change is a wonderful class to be in. We learn so much about the world that we would not know otherwise. It is very interesting to hear everyone's ideas about our world and helpful to figure out ways to change the problems. There is never a dull moment in climate change. Dr. Reese is an amazing professor who keeps all ideas flowing and keeps us motivated. I love this class and do not regret taking it one bit. The lessons I have learned in here will last a lifetime.

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I love this class. It is interesting and keeps me aware of what is going on on this planet and now it is my responsibility to take care of it. This class is also very motivational, and serves very well in the middle of the week. If it were not so interesting, I would most likely fall asleep because I'm not really a night person. I feel that Dr. Ruesch is very good at discussing and teaching this material because he does it with no stress on our part, which allows for the knowledge to sink in.

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Dr. Reese Halter has given me so much information about Climate Change and our inevitable destruction. If we do not do something as soon as possible, this class certainly has taught me some life lessons. It has opened my eyes to the truth. I have received so much information about the environment and Climate Change than ever before. This class has given me ideas for new innovations for my major. This is by far the best class I have ever taken.

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This class is by far in the top 5 classes I have ever taken. Never have I thought I could learn so much, and be interested in the class at the same time. The lessons we learn are actually relevant to today's world. The only other classes that I have been able to think "this will help me in my future," were Water Resources and Envi Chemistry. It's unfortunate that I have to graduate this semester, I was looking forward to more classes with Dr. Halter.

-Brad

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Some may think Dr Reese's Class is easy, and at the beginning I thought it was going to be. After sitting in for a few weeks, giving speeches, & presenting short summaries on relevant topics, I've come to realize this class is so much more than the grade or how easy it might be. This class is practical & real. Dr Reese speaks with extensive background information and knowledge. I have become a better public speaker, I have learned how to summarize information and be able to get my ideas across. These skills are applicable to jobs and all aspects of life. I am grateful to be in this class and I have learned so much from Dr. Reese. More importantly, he has taught me how to teach myself.