## Student feedback from Fall 2019 and my comments on the feedback.

## 9. What was good about the course? Which factors in particular supported your learning?

Number of respondents: 9

- It was very good that we learned the different methods to attaining research material, creating our own surveys and analyzing them. This supports the overall learning needed to construct the master's thesis.
- Concrete assignments and wokrshop-like lectures
- The teaching was excellent. Sami went through everything in a good pace and explained everything in an easily understandable manner. The fact that we did the exercises in the class and got support from the teacher was crucial for my learning. I'm very happy with the course.
- Todella selkeä ja hyvin rakennettu kurssirakenne
  - Erityisen hyvää oli selkeä selostus esim. miten literature review tehdään, Mendeleyn käyttö, lähdeviittaukset, mistä etsiä artikkeleita, mitä artikkeleita jne. --> Selkeä yhteys gradun tekoon oli plussaa
  - Asiat selitettiin sopivan yksinkertaisesti ja maalaisjärjellä
  - Kurssin työmäärä ei ollut liian raskas, jolloin fokuksena pysyi oppiminen eikä kurssista paniikissa selviytyminen
- it was really good that we started from the very basics. We were guided step by step and had time to do the exercise in class.
- Intense timeline (sessions already in the beginning of the period followed by a couple of weeks of independent reading time), SPSS demonstrations
- The design of the course is quite nice. half lecture and half exercise is quite ideal. The slides are well prepared and the suggestions for conducting research are quite helpful as well.
- Extreme clear and good tips for the master's thesis. I wasn't aware that this course would help me so much to begin with the thesis. The learning exercises were maybe a bit too easy, but very helpful and it was rewarded when one attended the lectures.
- It was great, when we actually used methods in the course in SPSS. We got a hands on feel to using SPSS. Also introducing VPN and other programs used was helpful. Interactive assignments during the class were a nice change of pace. Classes were easy-going, which was awesome.

## 10. What would you change in the course and how?

Number of respondents: 8

- I would probably go beyond 5 lectures and maybe break them down into 2h lectures each.
- Nothing, I really liked it! great professor and topics. I can use SPSS better now
- This is information that I feel like I should have gotten already in the BSc phase. So nothing wrong with the course, but I wish I knew these things earlier in my studies! One thing that maybe could be modified somehow is the fact that the text book is huge.
- Ehkä voisi vielä lisää olla SPSS:llä saatujen tulosten analysoinnista asiaa.

Kiitos, tosi hyvä kurssi tekipä gradun sitten kvalina/kvantina!

- I'd have the students to download Mendeley, SPSS etc. software already in the beginning so that time would not be wasted on people having installing problems.
- If anything has to be changed, probably the timing of the course? A bit too late in the evening. Other than that, nothing!
- The pace of the lectures were sometimes too slow and especially the easy / basic things could have been explained much faster. It seems also a bit unfair that the grade is based solely on a 800-page book, which isn't available for all students without buying it by oneself. The learning exercises could have some weight or there could be more lectures, where the most important parts of the book would be explained and discussed.
- Use less time to show how to find articles and download software. More exercises in the class. (as in do a factor analysis on given data set)