

3.1.5 - Inspiring and motivating students through effective communication, presentation and interpersonal skills

9893 2024 Semester 1 (S1) - Physical Education, Sport and Society

571160 John is a fantastic teacher and had made conscious efforts to ensure everyone has had a voice in his class. He is always willing and able to help in any situation. John help to provide students with the most real experience he can by giving authentic experience.

575038 I enjoyed the personal element of the recordings ('Voices from the Profession') and it will be beneficial knowledge to have going into teaching.

575148 Another point would be to look at creating or introducing more classes that focus on individual parts of Johns work, as opposed to cramming in all the information into pretty much 2 units over the 4 years.

9893 2023 S1 - Physical Education, Sport and Society

492049 His hands on approach and joining in with practical lessons with us has made it much more enjoyable and it is great to see compared to some teachers that talk at you rather than showing you.

492088 Practical lessons are enjoyable, helps me to grasp the concepts described in lectures and readings if I'm immersed in it for a practical workshop.

491940 I have enjoyed the more practical components during the tutorials as it makes the content engaging.

9893 2020 S1 - Physical Education, Sport and Society

289230 Physically experiencing a Sports Education (Siedentop, 1994) and performance discourse approach to Athletics in a classroom setting has given me the knowledge and confidence to deliver a Quality PE lesson with this sport.

290027 This was good unit to finish PE learning with. It provided us with a theory background and understanding of how the sports we teach have been created but also with practical knowledge about how to teach the sports contemporarily. I believe this unit has made a significant difference to the way I approach and teach PE. I now feel confident about teaching elements of history, race, gender and homosexuality in PE lessons.

285631 The classroom culture John created was enjoyable and gave people the confidence to speak and join in class discussions.

270848 Brilliant job, at getting to know the students this semester and being able to develop the theory works to fit all students' engagement.

271610 He learnt all our names.

271612 He learnt all of our names and changed the exam to quizzes which is much Better.

281212 The teaching is clear and direct.

283234 John is easy to communicate with both in-person and via email, which strongly helps in the learning process.

9893 2019 S1 - Physical Education, Sport and Society

224805 I found the out of school activities such as swimming, athletics and gymnastics to be highly engaging and beneficial ways to learn through doing.

9916 2024 S1 - Sociocultural Foundations for HPE In Schools

559798 I am glad that it has practical classes involved in the unit as it helps me learn a lot better than the traditional route of just reading and writing lecture content out. This class has also helped develop confidence going into my first teaching practical this semester.

567175 I think that this is an incredibly important unit and I appreciate John's dedication and commitment into quality HPE. The experiences and opportunities that this unit gives students is fantastic.

569985 John has amazing insight to HPE and the key learning experiences he hopes for us to take away from this unit. He is firm and honest which are things that I feel motivate us as students to want to perform better, I think the content is great and I enjoy learning it and watching/reading all of the resources he provides for us.

574806 Content of the unit was engaging and relevant to the degree, it provided valuable insight into what should and shouldn't be taught in HPE.

9916 2023 S1 - Sociocultural Foundations for HPE In Schools

490935 I like how the tutorials are ran and the lectures are clear and engaging.

500669 The hands-on physical approach to applying theories and readings into practice was exceptionally beneficial as it helped to gain greater clarity on concepts, methods, and approaches to achieving the unit topic's goals. It is a highly motivating and engaging learning experience which is greatly appreciated, and additionally enjoyed.

492751 The practical aspect to learning is a far more beneficial means of practice for teaching the content, as it allows for students to learn and demonstrate their knowledge through doing. This unit is brilliantly crafted in this aspect, and through how explicitly the readings are valued, and taught.

498690 I enjoyed the practical element of this unit. I personally learn more by DOING rather than sitting and listening so I think that's amazing.

489993 I appreciate the theory as well as the practical content, it is beneficial as it relates how the theory can be used in the classroom, I learn better this way as just focusing on theory I struggle to find the importance.

9916 2021 S1 - Sociocultural Foundations for HPE In Schools

353924 John is very good at keeping communication students throughout the entire unit as well as posting constant updates through canvas.

344976 Really enjoying the practical classes in this unit, as for me personally theory work can only do so much and not really retain it for recall, but upon entry to the practical setting it switches on to see the practical implications of the lessons of the unit.

351589 I find doing the more practical classes a lot easier to understand how you can implement QPE in lessons and analysing previous experiences with PE to QPE.

352839 The practical workshop make it easier to understand theory and how to implement it into the classroom, they keep me engaged with the information rather than having to sit and listen, I am able to do it myself.

359596 The focus on practical workshops were a highlight as I learnt more from doing activities and showing the relevance within a classroom setting rather than sitting and being spoken at for 2 hours.

350944 The change from theory lessons to more practical has helped my understanding of the unit content much more, as I was less engaged at the start of the term. However this changed shows the theory in practice and is really helpful.

367869 Loved this unit by far my favourite, the practicals were always so good to learn in and are a much better way of learning instead of being in a classroom.

9916 2020 S1 - Sociocultural Foundations for HPE In Schools

291932 I also got quite emotional at times with the content and some podcasts at how the education system was treating particular groups of people.

264487 I was getting frustrated about talking about QPE and what it stands for and what it is, but now knowing and seeing how it is actually implemented. The practical lessons made it so clear what it is, and John made it very clear what needs to be taught.

9916 2019 S1 - Sociocultural Foundations for HPE In Schools

224395 Very positive attitude in the way the lessons are taught. Really found each lesson engaging.

224413 John has been one of the most thorough lecturers I've had during my time at UC, he took the extra time to build relationships with each of us and this definitely motivated me to engage with the content.

226584 I really appreciated the time and effort John has put into all the unit content. I appreciate how he is attempting to know his students and learn a little bit more about them. This makes the environment of the classroom a lot friendlier and welcoming.

215634 I like how we have been given an opportunity to see the theory we have learnt in the unit applied practically.

223959 The practical lessons helped with my understanding of what we were doing in class and I felt I have a good understanding of what we have learnt.

224489 The chance to participate and learning practically is an experience unmatched by other units of mine and makes me look forward to teaching HPE even more. It was great to be active in class again.

9916 2018 S1 - Sociocultural Foundations for HPE In Schools

140490 This unit has been extremely useful for me personally, and the couple of practical sessions have allowed for the theory to be practiced. The unit was interesting and well delivered, continually drawing links between the unit and teaching in a classroom.

148715 I liked having the prac lessons as it allowed us to put understandings into practice.

9916 2017 S1 - Sociocultural Foundations for HPE In Schools

38032 Using yesterday's results as motivation for the second essay.

64716 This unit has been run extremely well, communication has been excellent. Whenever I needed to get in contact with the convener, he replied almost straight away which is just amazing.

77280 John posted lectures on public holidays and additional ones to address the assessment pieces.

9905 2021 S2 - Secondary Health and Physical Education PCK 2

386408 John has been really good at helping me with all questions I have had about the unit and been really informative as well. He has all brought some humour to the tutorials which has been nice giving us all a laugh. Overall I have really enjoyed this class and learnt a lot (this unit was taught during COVID and online – normally delivery would have been at a school-based clinic with practical teaching experiences in classrooms or in physical education settings).

386413 Considering the current lockdown, this unit has been highly beneficial through its online delivery. It has been a suitable combination of content and group work. John has been informative, humorous and made time to check-in with his students in regards to their wellbeing.

9905 2020 S2 - Secondary Health and Physical Education PCK 2

313107 I have appreciated the feedback from John on the lesson plans. One thing on the lesson plans was I was wondering why we needed to reference and add in all these small details as it all felt a bit artificial, especially when talking to some of the teachers. However, in week 3 there was explicit mention of why we need to go in depth, for our reflections and evidence, which made much more sense.

314609 I enjoyed how this class was split into 2 as we got more feedback and time to speak with John. I believe future PCKs should be this similar size as it was a lot more helpful than the previous PCK semester of a very greater size.

315663 The splitting of the cohort, although it has double the amount of work for John, has allowed the one-on-one opportunities to be far more attainable. I understand John is a very busy man but there was far more opportunity for John to give us some rich and guiding teaching feedback, which he provided at the school-based clinics.

315759 The feedback (about student teaching episodes during the schools based clinics) is received in a timely manner and allows the feedback to be implemented within lessons.

315826 Overall I am very satisfied with my experience in the unit. I think splitting the class up into 2 groups was more effective (as opposed to PCK1), because feedback and discussions were more personalised.

316168 Through splitting the cohort in to two groups, it gave us more students to work with, time with the students, and the smaller class sizes made the PCK lessons better and more enjoyable. The lesson planning was easier with groups of 2, and the feedback provided from the plans was more directed and thorough.

323273 John is very approachable and helps a lot for areas that will be used in the 'real-world'.

9905 2019 S2 - Secondary Health and Physical Education PCK 2

257772 He is always approachable when you need to ask a question. He replies to emails quickly and tries to help you out the best he can.

9905 2018 S2 - Secondary Health and Physical Education PCK 2

178314 John presented this unit in a fantastic manner and really made the most of the 6 weeks. Learnt fundamental content through a great tutor.

9887 2018 S2 - The Practice (PCK) of Teaching HPE

179975 John has been an excellent tutor who has always been able to assist with any queries that I or my group has had. I think it works well for this unit as he is critically thinking and allows for everyone to gain the most out of the unit as he has our best interests at heart.

184221 Thank you to John for his excellent teaching skills and making this course very informative, fun and helped me learnt skills that I will use in my teaching as a teacher.

189234 I think that the unit was very valuable and John was a very engaging tutor.

190623 I believe John did his absolute best to support my learning. His humour was appreciated and made the unit an enjoyable one.

9887 2017 S2 - The Practice (PCK) of Teaching HPE

53610 Fun and engaging.

9861 2018 S1 - Contemporary Physical Activities

151919 I believe that John has done an amazing job in presenting the unit, and have motivated me to attempt new methods of teaching PE and we could do with a lot more units similar to this one to help potential teachers in the future.

6893 2017 S2 - Health and Movement Education 2

111781 I have learnt an incredible amount this semester in a clear and cohesive way.

102074 I really enjoy the practical side to this class, as I know we learn best when experiencing the PE games and skills and getting a chance to practice teaching.

6893 2016 S2 - Health and Movement Education 2

12760 Engaging and relevant tutorial activities, opportunities to apply knowledge.