

Rider University

Fall 2024 Course Evaluations

Course: IntrotoGameLogic: GAM-120-JJ1 : DiMatteo, Matthew J.

Instructor: Matthew J. DiMatteo *

Response Rate: 12/17 (70.59 %)

1 - Is this course required for your program?

Response Option	Weight	Frequency	Percent	Percent Responses	Means			
Yes	(1)	12	100.00%					
No	(2)	0	0.00%					
				0 25 50 100				
				Response Rate				
				12/17 (70.59%)				

2 - What grade do you expect for this course?

Response Option	Weight	Frequency	Percent	Percent Responses	Means			
A	(1)	5	41.67%					
A-	(2)	2	16.67%					
B+	(3)	3	25.00%					
B	(4)	1	8.33%					
B-	(5)	0	0.00%					
C+	(6)	0	0.00%					
C	(7)	1	8.33%					
C-	(8)	0	0.00%					
D+	(9)	0	0.00%					
D	(10)	0	0.00%					
D-	(11)	0	0.00%					
F	(12)	0	0.00%					
				0 25 50 100				
				Response Rate				
				12/17 (70.59%)				

3 - On a scale of 0-10, please indicate your level of agreement (where 0 means complete disagreement and 10 means complete agreement; if this question does not apply to your experience, please leave this item blank rather than selecting an arbitrary number) with the following statement:The instructor's teaching style contributed to learning material covered in the course.

Response Option	Weight	Frequency	Percent	Percent Responses				
7	(7)	3	25.00%					
9	(9)	1	8.33%					
10	(10)	8	66.67%					
				0 25 50 100	Question			
Response Rate				Mean	STD	Median		
12/17 (70.59%)				9.17	1.34	10.00		

4 - On a scale of 0-10, please indicate your level of agreement (where 0 means complete disagreement and 10 means complete agreement; if this question does not apply to your experience, please leave this item blank rather than selecting an arbitrary number) with the following statement:The instructor clearly explained the goals and requirements of the course.

Response Option	Weight	Frequency	Percent	Percent Responses				
7	(7)	1	8.33%					
8	(8)	1	8.33%					
9	(9)	3	25.00%					
10	(10)	7	58.33%					
				0 25 50 100	Question			
Response Rate				Mean	STD	Median		
12/17 (70.59%)				9.33	0.98	10.00		

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5 - On a scale of 0-10, please indicate your level of agreement (where 0 means complete disagreement and 10 means complete agreement; if this question does not apply to your experience, please leave this item blank rather than selecting an arbitrary number) with the following statement:The instructor was well organized and prepared for class.

Response Option	Weight	Frequency	Percent	Percent Responses				
8	(8)	1	8.33%		9.75			
9	(9)	1	8.33%					
10	(10)	10	83.33%					
				0 25 50 100	Question			
Response Rate				Mean	STD		Median	
12/17 (70.59%)				9.75	0.62		10.00	

6 - On a scale of 0-10, please indicate your level of agreement (where 0 means complete disagreement and 10 means complete agreement; if this question does not apply to your experience, please leave this item blank rather than selecting an arbitrary number) with the following statement:The Canvas resources for this course were valuable and well organized.

Response Option	Weight	Frequency	Percent	Percent Responses				
8	(8)	2	16.67%		9.67			
10	(10)	10	83.33%					
				0 25 50 100	Question			
Response Rate				Mean	STD		Median	
12/17 (70.59%)				9.67	0.78		10.00	

7 - On a scale of 0-10, please indicate your level of agreement (where 0 means complete disagreement and 10 means complete agreement; if this question does not apply to your experience, please leave this item blank rather than selecting an arbitrary number) with the following statement:Class slides were a valuable resource.

Response Option	Weight	Frequency	Percent	Percent Responses				
8	(8)	1	8.33%		9.58			
9	(9)	3	25.00%					
10	(10)	8	66.67%					
				0 25 50 100	Question			
Response Rate				Mean	STD		Median	
12/17 (70.59%)				9.58	0.67		10.00	

8 - On a scale of 0-10, please indicate your level of agreement (where 0 means complete disagreement and 10 means complete agreement; if this question does not apply to your experience, please leave this item blank rather than selecting an arbitrary number) with the following statement:The instructor was responsive to student needs and concerns.

Response Option	Weight	Frequency	Percent	Percent Responses				
9	(9)	1	8.33%		9.92			
10	(10)	11	91.67%					
				0 25 50 100	Question			
Response Rate				Mean	STD		Median	
12/17 (70.59%)				9.92	0.29		10.00	

9 - On a scale of 0-10, please indicate your level of agreement (where 0 means complete disagreement and 10 means complete agreement; if this question does not apply to your experience, please leave this item blank rather than selecting an arbitrary number) with the following statement:The instructor used student questions and comments to help students understand course material.

Response Option	Weight	Frequency	Percent	Percent Responses				
8	(8)	1	9.09%		9.73			
9	(9)	1	9.09%					
10	(10)	9	81.82%					
				0 25 50 100	Question			
Response Rate				Mean	STD		Median	
11/17 (64.71%)				9.73	0.65		10.00	

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10 - On a scale of 0-10, please indicate your level of agreement (where 0 means complete disagreement and 10 means complete agreement; if this question does not apply to your experience, please leave this item blank rather than selecting an arbitrary number) with the following statement:The instructor was accessible to students outside of class time.

Response Option	Weight	Frequency	Percent	Percent Responses	
8	(8)	1	8.33%		9.83
10	(10)	11	91.67%		
				0 25 50 100	Question
Response Rate				Mean	STD
12/17 (70.59%)				9.83	0.58
					Median
					10.00

11 - On a scale of 0-10, please indicate your level of agreement (where 0 means complete disagreement and 10 means complete agreement; if this question does not apply to your experience, please leave this item blank rather than selecting an arbitrary number) with the following statement:Methods utilized for evaluating student work were fair and appropriate.

Response Option	Weight	Frequency	Percent	Percent Responses	
8	(8)	1	8.33%		9.83
10	(10)	11	91.67%		
				0 25 50 100	Question
Response Rate				Mean	STD
12/17 (70.59%)				9.83	0.58
					Median
					10.00

12 - On a scale of 0-10, please indicate your level of agreement (where 0 means complete disagreement and 10 means complete agreement; if this question does not apply to your experience, please leave this item blank rather than selecting an arbitrary number) with the following statement:The instructor provided valuable feedback on assignments.

Response Option	Weight	Frequency	Percent	Percent Responses	
8	(8)	1	8.33%		9.75
9	(9)	1	8.33%		
10	(10)	10	83.33%		
				0 25 50 100	Question
Response Rate				Mean	STD
12/17 (70.59%)				9.75	0.62
					Median
					10.00

13 - On a scale of 0-10, please indicate your level of agreement (where 0 means complete disagreement and 10 means complete agreement; if this question does not apply to your experience, please leave this item blank rather than selecting an arbitrary number) with the following statement:The instructor graded assignments in a timely manner.

Response Option	Weight	Frequency	Percent	Percent Responses	
8	(8)	1	8.33%		9.67
9	(9)	2	16.67%		
10	(10)	9	75.00%		
				0 25 50 100	Question
Response Rate				Mean	STD
12/17 (70.59%)				9.67	0.65
					Median
					10.00

14 - On a scale of 0-10, please indicate your level of agreement (where 0 means complete disagreement and 10 means complete agreement; if this question does not apply to your experience, please leave this item blank rather than selecting an arbitrary number) with the following statement:The instructor communicated enthusiasm for the subject matter.

Response Option	Weight	Frequency	Percent	Percent Responses	
8	(8)	1	8.33%		9.83
10	(10)	11	91.67%		
				0 25 50 100	Question
Response Rate				Mean	STD
12/17 (70.59%)				9.83	0.58
					Median
					10.00

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15 - On a scale of 0-10, please indicate your level of agreement (where 0 means complete disagreement and 10 means complete agreement; if this question does not apply to your experience, please leave this item blank rather than selecting an arbitrary number) with the following statement: The instructor presented background for concepts or skills developed in class.

Response Option	Weight	Frequency	Percent	Percent Responses	
7	(7)	1	8.33%		9.50
9	(9)	3	25.00%		
10	(10)	8	66.67%		
				0 25 50 100	Question
Response Rate				Mean	STD
12/17 (70.59%)				9.50	0.90
					Median
					10.00

16 - On a scale of 0-10, please indicate your level of agreement (where 0 means complete disagreement and 10 means complete agreement; if this question does not apply to your experience, please leave this item blank rather than selecting an arbitrary number) with the following statement: Where relevant, the instructor presented contrasting points of view on topics.

Response Option	Weight	Frequency	Percent	Percent Responses	
6	(6)	1	9.09%		9.18
8	(8)	1	9.09%		
9	(9)	3	27.27%		
10	(10)	6	54.55%		
				0 25 50 100	Question
Response Rate				Mean	STD
11/17 (64.71%)				9.18	1.25
					Median
					10.00

17 - On a scale of 0-10, please indicate your level of agreement (where 0 means complete disagreement and 10 means complete agreement; if this question does not apply to your experience, please leave this item blank rather than selecting an arbitrary number) with the following statement: The instructor promoted an atmosphere that was conducive to learning.

Response Option	Weight	Frequency	Percent	Percent Responses	
10	(10)	12	100.00%		10.00
				0 25 50 100	Question
Response Rate				Mean	STD
12/17 (70.59%)				10.00	0.00
					Median
					10.00

18 - On a scale of 0-10, please indicate your level of agreement (where 0 means complete disagreement and 10 means complete agreement; if this question does not apply to your experience, please leave this item blank rather than selecting an arbitrary number) with the following statement: The instructor was respectful of differing viewpoints expressed by students.

Response Option	Weight	Frequency	Percent	Percent Responses	
9	(9)	1	9.09%		9.91
10	(10)	10	90.91%		
				0 25 50 100	Question
Response Rate				Mean	STD
11/17 (64.71%)				9.91	0.30
					Median
					10.00

19 - On a scale of 0-10, please indicate your level of agreement (where 0 means complete disagreement and 10 means complete agreement; if this question does not apply to your experience, please leave this item blank rather than selecting an arbitrary number) with the following statement: The instructor treated students with respect.

Response Option	Weight	Frequency	Percent	Percent Responses	
10	(10)	12	100.00%		10.00
				0 25 50 100	Question
Response Rate				Mean	STD
12/17 (70.59%)				10.00	0.00
					Median
					10.00

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20 - On a scale of 0-10, please indicate your level of agreement (where 0 means complete disagreement and 10 means complete agreement; if this question does not apply to your experience, please leave this item blank rather than selecting an arbitrary number) with the following statement:The instructor wanted students to succeed and encouraged/motivated students to do their best in this course.

Response Option	Weight	Frequency	Percent	Percent Responses	
10	(10)	12	100.00%		10.00
					0 25 50 100
					Question
Response Rate					Mean
12/17 (70.59%)					10.00
					STD
					0.00
					Median
					10.00

21 - On a scale of 0-10, please indicate your level of agreement (where 0 means complete disagreement and 10 means complete agreement; if this question does not apply to your experience, please leave this item blank rather than selecting an arbitrary number) with the following statement:The instructor was flexible and accommodating when necessary.

Response Option	Weight	Frequency	Percent	Percent Responses	
9	(9)	1	8.33%		9.92
10	(10)	11	91.67%		
					0 25 50 100
					Question
Response Rate					Mean
12/17 (70.59%)					9.92
					STD
					0.29
					Median
					10.00

22 - Would you recommend this instructor to another student or take another course with this instructor?

Response Option	Weight	Frequency	Percent	Percent Responses	
Yes, absolutely	(5)	11	91.67%		
Yes, probably	(4)	2	16.67%		
Maybe	(3)	0	0.00%		
No, probably not	(2)	0	0.00%		
No, absolutely not	(1)	0	0.00%		
Response Rate					12/17 (70.59%)

23 - On a scale of 0-10, please indicate your level of agreement (where 0 means complete disagreement and 10 means complete agreement; if this question does not apply to your experience, please leave this item blank rather than selecting an arbitrary number) with the following statement:The course goals, expectations, and materials were well prepared and clearly explained.

Response Option	Weight	Frequency	Percent	Percent Responses	
7	(7)	1	8.33%		9.67
9	(9)	1	8.33%		
10	(10)	10	83.33%		
					0 25 50 100
					Question
Response Rate					Mean
12/17 (70.59%)					9.67
					STD
					0.89
					Median
					10.00

24 - On a scale of 0-10, please indicate your level of agreement (where 0 means complete disagreement and 10 means complete agreement; if this question does not apply to your experience, please leave this item blank rather than selecting an arbitrary number) with the following statement:Assignments added to my understanding of the course.

Response Option	Weight	Frequency	Percent	Percent Responses	
8	(8)	1	8.33%		9.75
9	(9)	1	8.33%		
10	(10)	10	83.33%		
					0 25 50 100
					Question
Response Rate					Mean
12/17 (70.59%)					9.75
					STD
					0.62
					Median
					10.00

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25 - On a scale of 0-10, please indicate your level of agreement (where 0 means complete disagreement and 10 means complete agreement; if this question does not apply to your experience, please leave this item blank rather than selecting an arbitrary number) with the following statement:Assignments reflected the content and emphasis of the course.

Response Option	Weight	Frequency	Percent	Percent Responses	
8	(8)	1	8.33%		9.83
10	(10)	11	91.67%		
				0 25 50 100	Question
Response Rate				Mean	STD
12/17 (70.59%)				9.83	0.58
					Median
					10.00

26 - On a scale of 0-10, please indicate your level of agreement (where 0 means complete disagreement and 10 means complete agreement; if this question does not apply to your experience, please leave this item blank rather than selecting an arbitrary number) with the following statement:The amount of work in this course was manageable.

Response Option	Weight	Frequency	Percent	Percent Responses	
8	(8)	1	8.33%		9.58
9	(9)	3	25.00%		
10	(10)	8	66.67%		
				0 25 50 100	Question
Response Rate				Mean	STD
12/17 (70.59%)				9.58	0.67
					Median
					10.00

27 - On a scale of 0-10, please indicate your level of agreement (where 0 means complete disagreement and 10 means complete agreement; if this question does not apply to your experience, please leave this item blank rather than selecting an arbitrary number) with the following statement:Coursework was engaging.

Response Option	Weight	Frequency	Percent	Percent Responses	
6	(6)	1	8.33%		9.42
9	(9)	3	25.00%		
10	(10)	8	66.67%		
				0 25 50 100	Question
Response Rate				Mean	STD
12/17 (70.59%)				9.42	1.16
					Median
					10.00

28 - On a scale of 0-10, please indicate your level of agreement (where 0 means complete disagreement and 10 means complete agreement; if this question does not apply to your experience, please leave this item blank rather than selecting an arbitrary number) with the following statement:Class lessons were engaging.

Response Option	Weight	Frequency	Percent	Percent Responses	
6	(6)	2	16.67%		8.92
9	(9)	5	41.67%		
10	(10)	5	41.67%		
				0 25 50 100	Question
Response Rate				Mean	STD
12/17 (70.59%)				8.92	1.44
					Median
					9.00

29 - On a scale of 0-10, please indicate your level of agreement (where 0 means complete disagreement and 10 means complete agreement; if this question does not apply to your experience, please leave this item blank rather than selecting an arbitrary number) with the following statement:Class lessons, discussions, and workshops were valuable and added to my understanding of the course material.

Response Option	Weight	Frequency	Percent	Percent Responses	
8	(8)	1	8.33%		9.58
9	(9)	3	25.00%		
10	(10)	8	66.67%		
				0 25 50 100	Question
Response Rate				Mean	STD
12/17 (70.59%)				9.58	0.67
					Median
					10.00

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30 - On a scale of 0-10, please indicate your level of agreement (where 0 means complete disagreement and 10 means complete agreement; if this question does not apply to your experience, please leave this item blank rather than selecting an arbitrary number) with the following statement:I acquired valuable skills and/or knowledge in the course, or further developed existing skills.

Response Option	Weight	Frequency	Percent	Percent Responses	
8	(8)	1	8.33%		9.67
9	(9)	2	16.67%		
10	(10)	9	75.00%		
				0 25 50 100	Question
Response Rate				Mean	STD
12/17 (70.59%)				9.67	0.65
				Median	
				10.00	

31 - On a scale of 0-10, please indicate your level of agreement (where 0 means complete disagreement and 10 means complete agreement; if this question does not apply to your experience, please leave this item blank rather than selecting an arbitrary number) with the following statement:The course gave me ample opportunity to be creative.

Response Option	Weight	Frequency	Percent	Percent Responses	
8	(8)	2	18.18%		9.45
9	(9)	2	18.18%		
10	(10)	7	63.64%		
				0 25 50 100	Question
Response Rate				Mean	STD
11/17 (64.71%)				9.45	0.82
				Median	
				10.00	

32 - Would you recommend this course to another student?

Response Option	Weight	Frequency	Percent	Percent Responses	
Yes, absolutely	(5)	9	75.00%		
Yes, probably	(4)	1	8.33%		
Maybe; it depends on the student	(3)	3	25.00%		
No, probably not	(2)	0	0.00%		
No, absolutely not	(1)	0	0.00%		
Response Rate		12/17 (70.59%)			

33 - Please indicate aspects of the instructor's teaching or of the course that have been most valuable to you.

Response Rate	6/17 (35.29%)
• All of it. I am not a coder but wanted to learn, and also not have to take Javascript bc of how bad I've heard it's been. So I am satisfied with what I've learned. • The teaching style was amazing! Every topic that was covered throughout the semester had a clear understanding of what was being taught. Everything was well-detailed and easy to follow. I learned a lot! Thank you! (more teachers need to teach like this honestly) • My instructor genuinely cares about his students which contributes a lot to making the classroom a comfortable learning environment. For example, he would give us small breaks throughout class to make sure we aren't being overwhelmed. • without having provide a step by step demonstration of how to set up your game on pico-8 I would be completely lost • understanding the code System • My instructor's detailed slides, class demos, and project examples greatly aided in my understanding of the material throughout this course.	

34 - Please indicate aspects of the instructor's teaching or of the course that you feel did not work well or need improvement.

Response Rate	6/17 (35.29%)
• I understand why he teaches like this; there is a lot of work to go over in the 3 hours, however, I wish there were more breaks, and maybe even hour or 30 minutes of "free time". This "free time" could be spent working on our games while he goes around and helps those with questions or if people are struggling. • Can't think of anything to improve on. • I can not think of anything my professor needs to improve. I like everything about his teaching style. • Maybe slowing down and reviewing things • no comment • I honestly think my instructor's teaching style was great and I cannot think of anyway to improve upon it.	

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35 - Please provide any other comments regarding the instructor's teaching or the course.

Response Rate 6/17 (35.29%)

- I like his teaching style, it's just a lot of information to learn in the 3 hours. I liked that he implemented breaks during the semester.
- Matthew is an excellent teacher! I highly recommend his classes to everyone. He genuinely cares about his students and is dedicated to helping them succeed.
- I believe my instructor has one of the best teaching styles in the whole school. I have absolutely zero complaints about him.
- N/A
- no comment
- My instructor's teaching style helped further my understanding and passion of the material for this course.

36 - What do you wish you knew going into this course at the start of the semester? What advice would you give someone taking this course for the first time?

Response Rate 4/17 (23.53%)

- I wish I had known not to stress so much before going into this class. I felt a bit anxious about starting this course because of the trauma in JavaScript, but I found this class to be much more enjoyable and easier! My tip for anyone considering taking this course is that while it might seem intimidating at first, it's quite easy to learn if you put in effort trying to learn it, dedicate some time outside of class, and ask questions if something isn't clear.
- Some advice I would give to someone taking this course for the first time would be to ask questions. My instructor is extremely helpful and he will help you with anything you ask of him.
- I would advice paying close attention and asking questions if you need to
- I can't think of anything I wish I knew going into this course. I would advise students to pay attention during the class demos and always ask questions when they come up. Asking questions and paying attention will help them significantly in understanding the material for this course.

37 - What were your favorite and least favorite topics covered this semester? Was there anything you wished we covered that we did not?

Response Rate 6/17 (35.29%)

- N/A. I know there's not enough time to learn certain things, but maybe how to do specific functions or code enemies (ex. how to fight and dodge)
- Each of the topics that were covered this semester was my favorite.
- I wish we got a little bit into other software like unity or roblox but I understand that we only have a limited amount of time.
- I enjoyed all topics covered in this course
- Creating our games
- My favorite topic was the side scroller section. My least favorite topic was paddleball, though I did enjoy this project and it did help me grasp some of the core concepts found throughout this course. I cannot think of anything that I wished we covered that we did not.