# Department of Language and Linguistic Science 2022/23 End of Year Module Evaluation

## Summary of open comments with tutor response

Module Code and Name: LAN00008H French Language & Society III

Module Convenor: Géraldine Enjelvin

20 out of 30 students completed the online module evaluation (66% response rate). 7 students left comments.

Overall satisfaction score for the module was: 4.1

## **Summary of comments:**

Positiv	Number	
1.	Géraldine is very enthusiastic, and her classes are enjoyable.	3
2.	I think she's one of the most engaging tutors I've had during my time at York.	2
3.	The content was always varied.	1
4.	Géraldine managed to strike a perfect balance between covering a range of topics each week and covering them all in depth.	1
5.	This has been one of the few modules that has allowed me to fold in the other half of my degree, history.	1
6.	I value Géraldine's expertise with such assessments and which topics would not have made for a successful research essay.	1
7.	Géraldine is very easy to get in touch with and always ready to help or offer advice.	1
8.	I have found the module a good way to improve my essay writing.	1
9.	I do feel that the module has done well to create a very nice community amongst French students.	1

Constructive criticisms		Number
1.	There aren't a lot of opportunities to have work marked throughout the module.	1
2.	The only thing I wish could have been different were the few lecture-style lessons we had towards the end of term two, where we were encouraged to simply listen rather than taking notes.	1
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3.	A mix of activities in the seminars instead of just padlets	
	would have been appreciated.	2
4.	I have found the structure of the assessment to be	
	ineffective. It fits poorly within the structure of the module	
	and is not as conducive as it could be for achieving a good	
	grade. A two-week, course essay with more guidance and a	
	choice of questions at the end of summer term would be	
	more effective.	1
5.	I think there should be a better timetable in terms of	
	assessment due dates, as doing an oral exam the week	
	before the essay is due is far too much.	1
6.	I think it is a shame to have such a small choice of module	

### Tutor's response to specific points:

options in final year.

- 1. There is 1 mock oral exam in term 1, and there is another one in term 2; both orals take place in class so that every student may benefit from the advice given. Furthermore, all students write a collaborative dissertation in term 1; sadly, only 3 students out of 29 submitted a formative essay at the beginning of term 2 and only 8 students submitted a formative oral assignment at the end of term 2. I do feel that there are/were several opportunities for students to get a grade & written feedback.
- 2. All the slides/ documents relevant to the lecture-style lessons are made available via the VLE a few weeks before the sessions.
- 3. A Padlet is only a platform; its content can include different types of activities.
- 4. I'm afraid these decisions were made by all Language & Society module leaders; from 2023-24 onwards, the written piece of assessment will no longer be a dissertation.
- 5. I'm afraid these decisions were made by all Language & Society module leaders; we also have/had specific constraints.
- 6. I'm afraid this applies to all LLS languages; modules must be financially viable.

#### **Tutor's overall response:**

Most of you seemed to have enjoyed the course, which is pleasing.

I am particularly happy with some of the higher scores given to specific areas:

- 5.0: "I have been able to contact staff when I needed to",
- 4.8: "Staff are enthusiastic about what they are teaching",
- 4.7: "I have received sufficient advice and guidance",
- 4.6: "Staff are good at explaining things", "Feedback on my work has been timely".

Thank you very much for your feedback.