

Instructor: Jaffee, Laura J.

Course: Racial Capitalism & Edu Policy

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Student:1

Reason(s): Interest in the course material

Additional Reason(s):Effort: I put a good deal of effort into this class! It challenged me to think outside of the box on complex topics.Understanding & Appreciation: I didn't even know what the course subject meant before I entered this class, so I have a whole new understanding of Racial Capitalism now.Intellectual Growth: I had to think critically and put myself out there to speak my mind.Quality: I loved having Professor Jaffee this semester. She truly cares about her students and really wants to know what we think about the course subject. She is intellectual, accessible, and deserves to be at Colgate for a long time.

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Student:2

Reason(s): Major or minor requirement
Reputation of the instructor
Interest in the course materialAdditional Reason(s):Effort: Professor Jaffee cultivated a course that was extremely manageable while also giving us a lot of resources and opportunities to learn about this subject in depth and in provoking ways. I was inspired to put increasing effort into my projects because I was so fascinated by the subject matter and Professor Jaffee presented it in such an interesting way that I continuously wanted to learn more and pull in information that I learned outside of class as well in order to contribute to this learning as well. Overall it was a very fulfilling class and was flexible in the amount of work that was assigned and effort required.Understanding & Appreciation: This course has contributed greatly to my understanding and appreciation of the course subject. I've learned a tremendous amount about racial capitalism and have a much better understanding of how to apply this to my studies in the future. I felt that it was extremely important material, as well as very relevant.Intellectual Growth: Overall, this course has allowed me to more critically consider the world around me and how it functions and is influenced by oppressive systems. I feel like I have a much better grasp of the information that has been presented than before taking this course and I've been inspired to continue seeking out this information outside of my studies. I find myself analyzing the world around me and feel that I am much more thoughtful when considering it and how I move through different spaces.Quality: Professor Jaffee was a phenomenal professor and resource this semester. She was very flexible and understanding of the challenges students have been undergoing over the past year and was successfully able to find ways to continue inspiring students to learn and engage with the material in meaningful ways while also making the course manageable and not overwhelming. She was extremely knowledgeable about the subject area and was also very encouraging, so much so that I felt it inspired me to put even more effort into this course because I was so fascinated by the subject area and her excellent teaching.

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Student:3

Reason(s): Interest in the course material

Additional Reason(s):Effort: I put a great deal of effort in this course as i was highly interested in the material and wanted to learn as much as i could from the course.Understanding & Appreciation: This contributed to my understanding of racial capitalism in general, as i had no prior knowledge of

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what it meant and implied in society. I have a much greater appreciation for this course in terms of revealing the broader implications of living in a society engrossed with racial capitalism and how that reinforces practices of inequality.

Intellectual Growth: This contributed to my intellectual growth of what society can look like beyond racial capitalism and how might things look differently once we address issues of racial capitalism head on.

Quality: The professor was great in teaching the course! The material was interesting and engaging and the professor created an environment where we could have great and constructive discussions on racial capitalism and how to overcome the issues we face today in society.

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Student:4

Reason(s): Major or minor requirement

Interest in the course material

Additional Reason(s): I didn't know what to expect from Professor Jaffee as an instructor, but after taking this course with her, I am very glad that I had them. I admire their pedagogy and approach to teaching, which made their course enjoyable and manageable during a pandemic and remote instruction. I hope that they are offered a more permanent position here at Colgate. It's very important to see former Colgate Alumni coming back to Colgate to teach and share what they've learned.

Effort: I put a great amount of effort into this course, in regards to outside meetings with group members, completing projects, and keep up with assignments.

Understanding & Appreciation: I now have a clearer understanding of Racial Capitalism and Educational Policies within the United States that have worked to perpetuate this concept and directly oppress poor and BIPOC communities.

Intellectual Growth: I now have a greater understanding of the topic and I am currently incorporating the key concepts and materials on this subject into my daily life and future scholarly work as a writer and Sociology major.

Quality: High quality of teaching. The instructor did tend to lecture a bit, which could become a bit boring at times. However, with the remote format of the course, I feel that they had limited options as to how they could convey the material, as opposed to if we were in a traditional classroom setting.

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Student:5

Reason(s): Major or minor requirement

Additional Reason(s):

Effort: I spent time completing the weekly readings and assignments. I also took time after class to gather up my thoughts and review the notes I took for each class. For group projects, my group and I met multiple times outside of class to complete our work.

Understanding & Appreciation:

Intellectual Growth:

Quality: I love taking classes with Professor Jaffee because I can really feel that she cares and wants all of her students to succeed. She is very accommodating and encourages us to work harder and achieve our goals. I loved our class discussions as the questions that Professor Jaffee asks throughout the discussion, in response to us, are very interesting.

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12: SA				11: SA	
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Student:6

Reason(s): Elective within major or minor
 Reputation of the instructor
 Interest in the course material

Additional Reason(s):

Effort: I put in a lot of effort into this course. This is such important material that I wanted to properly engage with the texts, professor, and peers. I did this by completing and taking notes on all readings, participating in class, and attending office hours.

Understanding & Appreciation: This course is so crucial to us and our education, especially at Colgate. I found myself blown away at the content and having exposure to this material has been an integral learning experience.

Intellectual Growth: This is material that will stay with me through my education and beyond. I found that this is especially relevant given our societal climate and how I am able to better educate myself and ways in which the education system is flawed have been impactful. I hope to continue taking education courses similar after this class has lead to a chain reaction of better ways to educate myself.

Quality: The quality of teaching is simply incomparable. I have never had a professor care so much about their students' wellbeing and academic success than her. Given the uncertainty and hardship right now, I have found this class, specifically Professor Jaffee to be incredible and supportive. She was always prepared, flexible, and a wonderful teacher to explain concepts. She also provided supplemental material and connected everything we learned about. Every class was great and I hope to take another class with her! Her accessibility and care are things I have never see at Colgate to this degree.

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Student:7

Reason(s):

Additional Reason(s):Effort:Understanding & Appreciation:Intellectual Growth:Quality:

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Reason(s): Elective within major or minor

Additional Reason(s):

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Effort: I have put a significant amount of effort into this course but also think that Professor Jaffee has very realistic expectations for workload

Understanding & Appreciation: I learned a lot in this class

Intellectual Growth: I think that this course has made me a more critical reader and thinker in all parts of my life

Quality: Professor Jaffee is extremely kind, compassionate, knowledgeable, and understanding. She has made a very difficult semester significantly more manageable and I have had a great experience in her class.

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Student:9

Reason(s): Interest in the course material

Additional Reason(s):

Effort: In this course, I did the weekly readings, met with my asynchronous group when required, uploaded reading notes when required, and did any other assignments (such as concept maps) when assigned.

Understanding & Appreciation: This course really helped me to appreciate the course subject. So much of the material we looked at is extremely applicable to so many aspects of life. Even thinking about life at Colgate, we can see how racial capitalism has affected education. Moreover, a lot of the texts we read were very interesting and taught me about different aspects of education which are affected by racial capitalism.

Intellectual Growth: Beyond my understanding of the course subject, this course really helped to open my eyes to the issue within education in the country and the world. Throughout the course, we really always thought of different examples of each issue, and this helped me to bring this course into the real world and see how relevant it is.

Quality: I really liked taking a class with Professor Jaffee. She is one of the friendliest professors I've had who really cares about us. Opening up every class with a check in, especially during these odd times, meant more than she probably knows. The whole semester, she was very understanding of the situation we were all in. Moreover, her discussions were very interesting and I loved how she would pull in relevant short videos to watch where we could discuss after. Overall, I loved her class.

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Student:10

Reason(s): Elective within major or minor

Interest in the course material

Additional Reason(s):

Effort: I put an okay amount of effort into this course

Understanding & Appreciation: This course helped me reflect on how educational policies have impacted my K-12 schooling experience.

Intellectual Growth: This course has pushed as students to apply what we learn in class to situations outside of the classroom.

Quality: I really appreciate the way Professor Jaffee uses a variety of course texts to help supplement our learning as students. I also appreciate that there is always at least one text that takes topics we are learning in class and applies them to real world events. I appreciate Professor Jaffee's understanding and compassion during the time of the pandemic. She has been very flexible with us as students which is what students need more of on this campus. I think working in more solo assignments would really be more fruitful to the course. I also think that having more variation in the class structure would be valuable too (i.e. adding more interactive elements to the class like class jamboards, brief break out rooms, more collaborative interactive work inside the classroom, etc).

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12: A				11: A	
18: A				16: SA	

Student:11

Reason(s): Elective outside major or minor

Interest in the course material

Additional Reason(s):Effort: I would say that I put in a normal amount of effort into this course. It wasn't too challenging, so extra effort wasn't required.Understanding & Appreciation: I hadn't taken a course at Colgate on capitalism and this one was amazing! Learning about capitalism in relation to education policy was super interesting. I definitely gained an appreciation for this subject through this course.Intellectual Growth: In political science classes we briefly talk about capitalism and it's impact on policy in the U.S. but we never discuss it in relation to education policy. Learning the ways in which capitalism, especially racial capitalism impacts education in the U.S. was definitely beneficial to my intellectual growth.Quality: Professor Jaffee is probably the best professor I've had at Colgate. She makes academic material understandable by discussing it in ways students are able to better understand. Professor Jaffee is also the most understanding and accommodating professor I've ever had. She recognizes that education, while important, is only a tiny part of our lives. I especially appreciate that Professor Jaffee has different students take notes every week and share them with the class. I found this super beneficial and helpful. I also like that Professor Jaffee doesn't stick to traditional assignments such as papers and tests. I feel like I was able to better understand and learn from doing more hands on, creative projects in this class. I think all the professors at Colgate could learn a lot from Professor Jaffee on how to teach more effectively.

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Student:12

Reason(s): Reputation of the instructor

Interest in the course material

Additional Reason(s): This is my second course with Professor Jaffee and I have had a wonderful experience with her both semesters.Effort: This class was a perfect blend of a multitude of different learning styles. Some classes were lecture format, some were facilitated by members of the class, some were film based. The assignments were equally as varied. We did some creative projects, some reflections on guest speakers at Colgate, some writing, lots of reading. I felt that the effort I put into the course was very well rounded and I learned a lot about myself as a student and where I was strongest.Understanding & Appreciation: This course contributed to my understanding and appreciation of the course subject because the content that we studied was so relevant and applicable to the world today. I felt that the articles, conversations we had, films, presentations all taught me so much about the world and current events and I really appreciate this class for giving me that opportunity.Intellectual Growth: This course contributed to my intellectual growth and education by allowing me to work with my peers in group settings and connect scholarly material with real world content.Quality: I think Professor Jaffee does a really good job of coming to class very prepared with material she has constructed and also allowing students to participate in class. The blend of her expertise and information paired with commentary from class made the course really well rounded. She also allowed us to have a lot of say in what mode we wanted to complete assignments.

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Student: 13

Reason(s): Reputation of the instructor

Interest in the course material

Additional Reason(s): I have already fulfilled the requirements for my EDUC major, but I still wanted to take EDUC courses this semester since I had some free space in my schedule. I chose this class because I was interested in the material and because I had taken a course with Prof. Jaffee before and really enjoyed it.

Effort: I put a good amount of effort into this course but honestly could have done more. I made sure to keep up with all readings, discussions, and assignments throughout the semester. Since the class often meets once a week (synchronously) I often left things until the last minute, but I was still able to complete everything on time and focus.

Understanding & Appreciation: This course expanded my understanding of racial capitalism. I feel like in previous EDUC courses we talked about racial capitalism but never in much depth as we did in this course. I also appreciated how materials were presented in different ways (podcasts, readings, videos, songs, etc.) because it connected our course subject to different fields.

Intellectual Growth: After Colgate, I was to get involved in some aspect of Educational Policy. This course made sure to apply our discussion to larger issues of policy reform/abolition and deepened my interest in the subject.

Quality: Prof. Jaffee is a very understanding and flexible professor which I really appreciated throughout this difficult semester. She always made sure to check in on us and stayed after class to answer any questions. Here weekly emails were extremely helpful because they allowed us to view what we were focusing on for that week. Meeting once a week (synchronously) would be the only "weakness" of this course, because our class discussions could be rushed. I also felt that connections with classmates were harder to build because of this, however, connections with our small groups were not since we would meet for asynchronous conversations.

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Likert Key: SA=Strongly agree, A=Agree, N=Neither agree nor disagree, D=Disagree, SD=Strongly disagree, NA=Not applicable