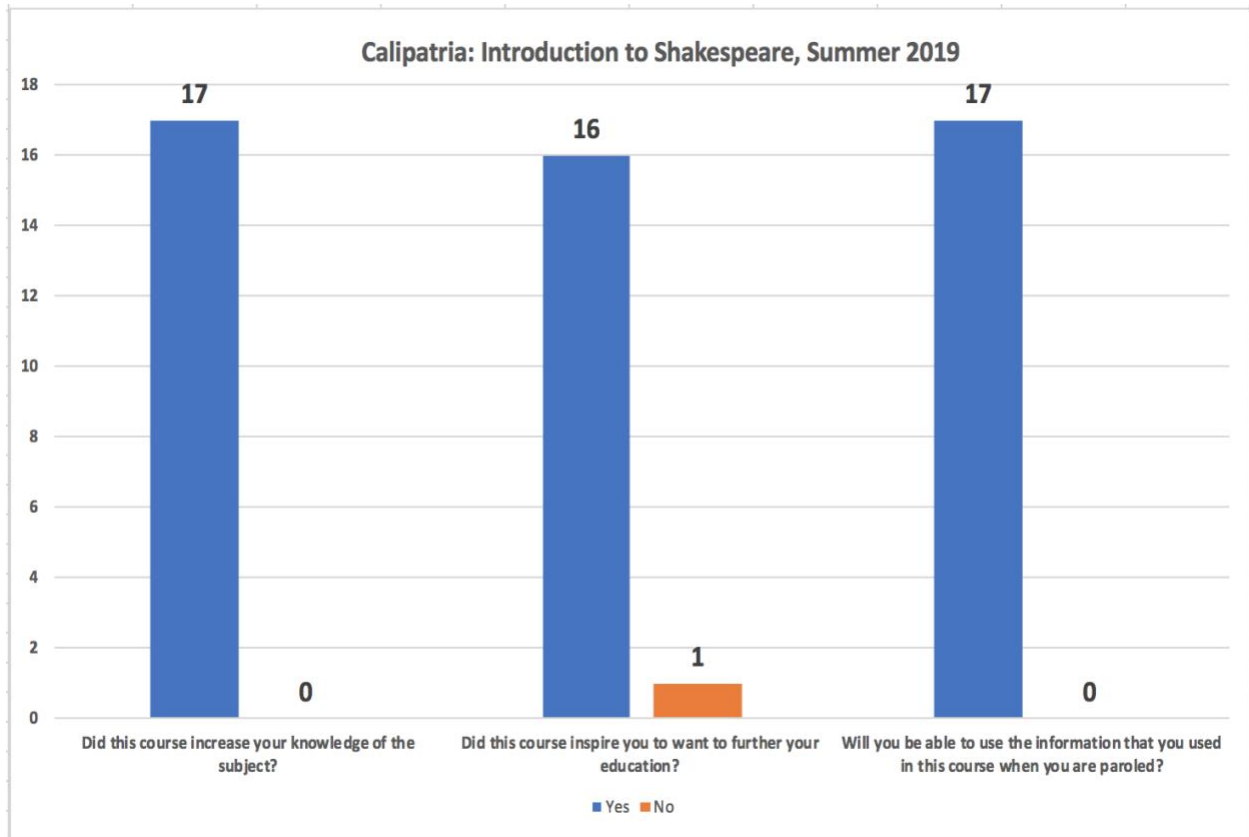


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Introduction to Shakespeare Post-Course Comments

--I think that this course was inspiring and made us step out of our comfort zone and thrive in positive energy.

--I really enjoyed this course because it opened up a way of thinking that we cannot get in prison.

--I want to learn more about it. Longer classes.

--I think it was very positive. Helped me form positive ideas. Also, helped me work and enjoy group sharing.

--Open communication, the sharing was great. The facilitators that taught this class were phenomenal.

--Being a writer, this was a start to me writing a play. And, a help to me writing my books and movie scripts. Thank you.

--In the beginning, I did not know what to think because it was different in a good way. But shortly after, I really started to like the class and wished it did not end.

--I've always wanted to perform live theatre, so the opportunity to read and reenact Shakespeare was a perfect chance to test my acting skills. I really liked it, thank you.

--It was interesting once I got the hang of it in its entirety.

--This was a very good way to expand our mind to subject matter that we never considered. Now, I feel it is a mandate to my success to familiarize myself with the classics.

--It was too short. After learning the basics of the course, never having studied Shakespeare, it opened new perspectives to my thinking, understanding a different style of writing as well as the way I write.

--I would like to further my knowledge of Shakespeare. I love it!

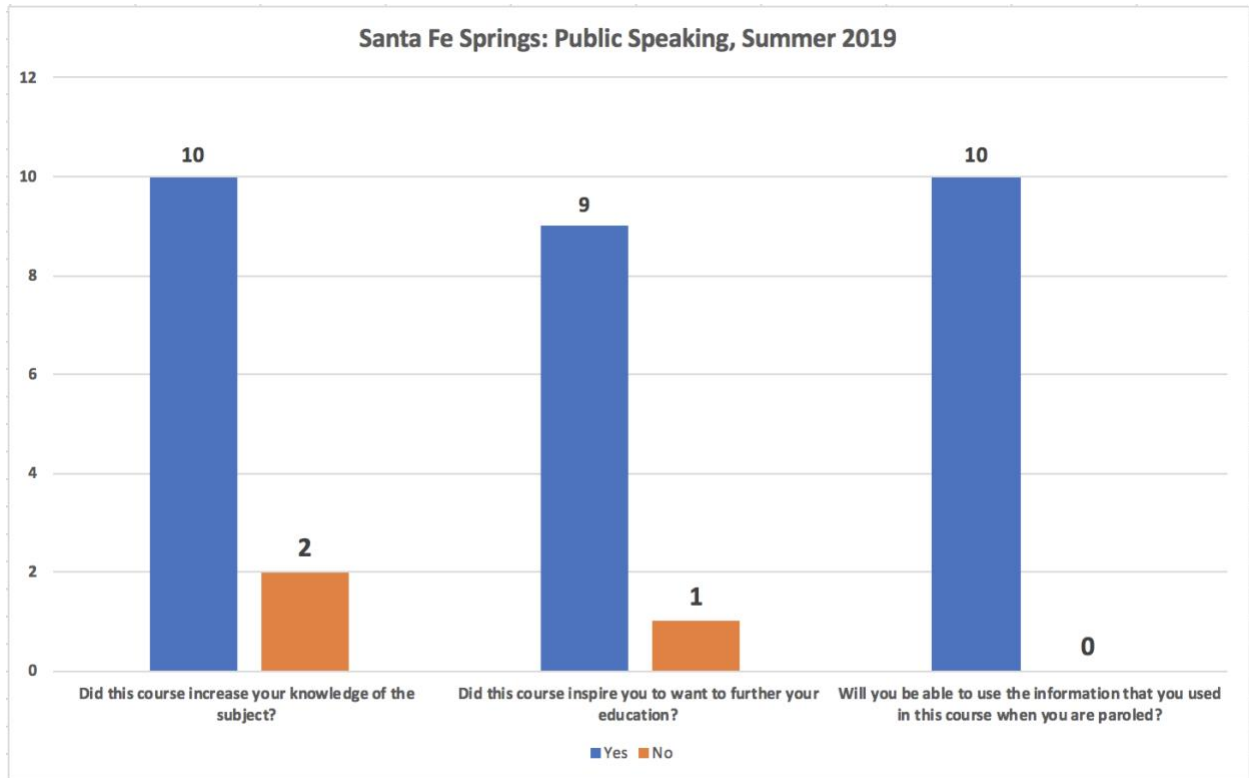
--This course was interesting. It was something new to me. I would like to take this course again if there is a chance. Thank you for the experience.

--Even though, unfortunately this class was very short. I liked it and it was inspirational. I would apply what I have learned, God willing, when I get my freedom. For self-talk it is a very positive coping skill when it comes to negative, risky thinking.

--I think we need more programs same as this. This program helped me so much in communication with other people. Thank you. Thanks for the sponsors that take time to help inmates.

--It was a great and positive course, but too short. It was interesting to learn that this class brings awareness and self-reflection.

--This course has opened me up about Shakespeare because I knew nothing about it. I love the experience. I love the playwright. Now, I wish I used to watch Shakespeare. I truly wish this class was not over.



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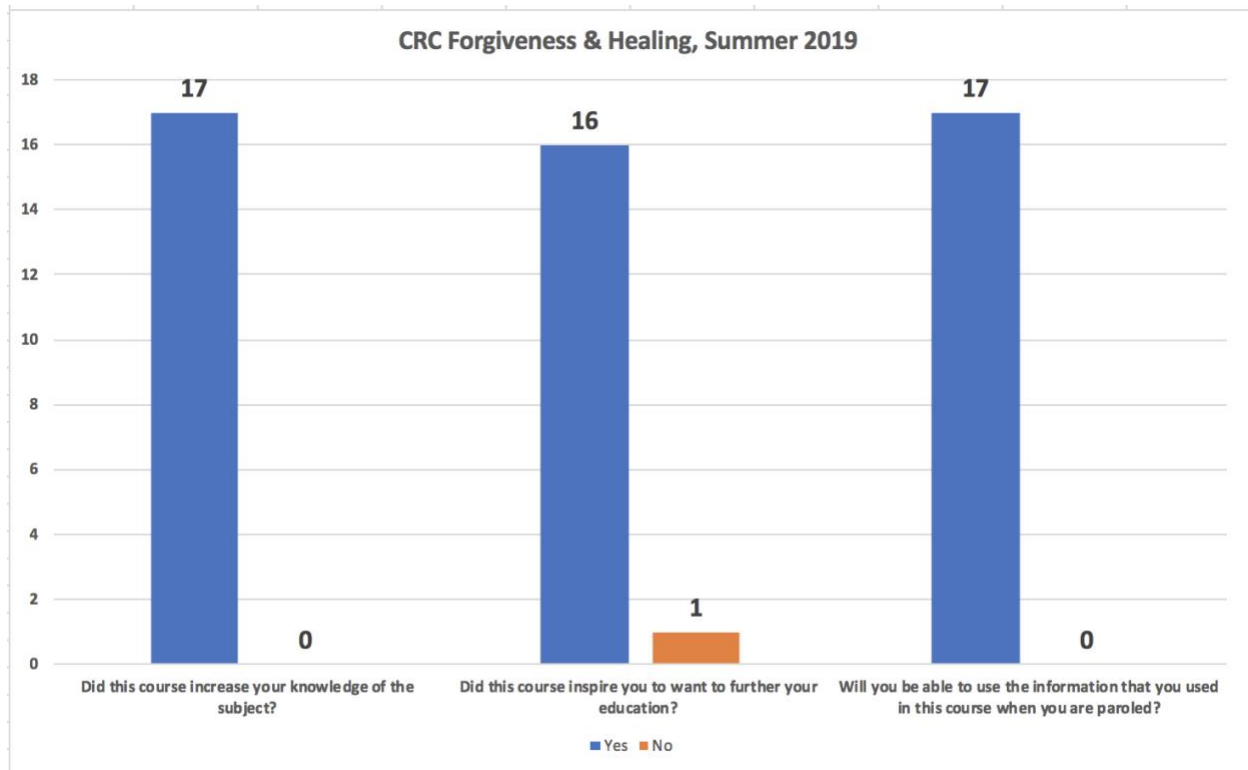
-I really appreciated this class. This class has helped me with my public speaking. The facilitator Maggie is amazing.

-I learned a lot in this class about my own ability to speak in public. More importantly, I found this class extremely intellectually stimulating and can't wait to get back to college.

-Maggie was an amazing instructor and she was able to teach us all so much. We are grateful for her way of teaching and approach. Bring her back.

-I think this class should be longer than 6 weeks.

-I'm an author so I'm glad I had a chance to take this class because i think it goes hand in hand with public speaking.



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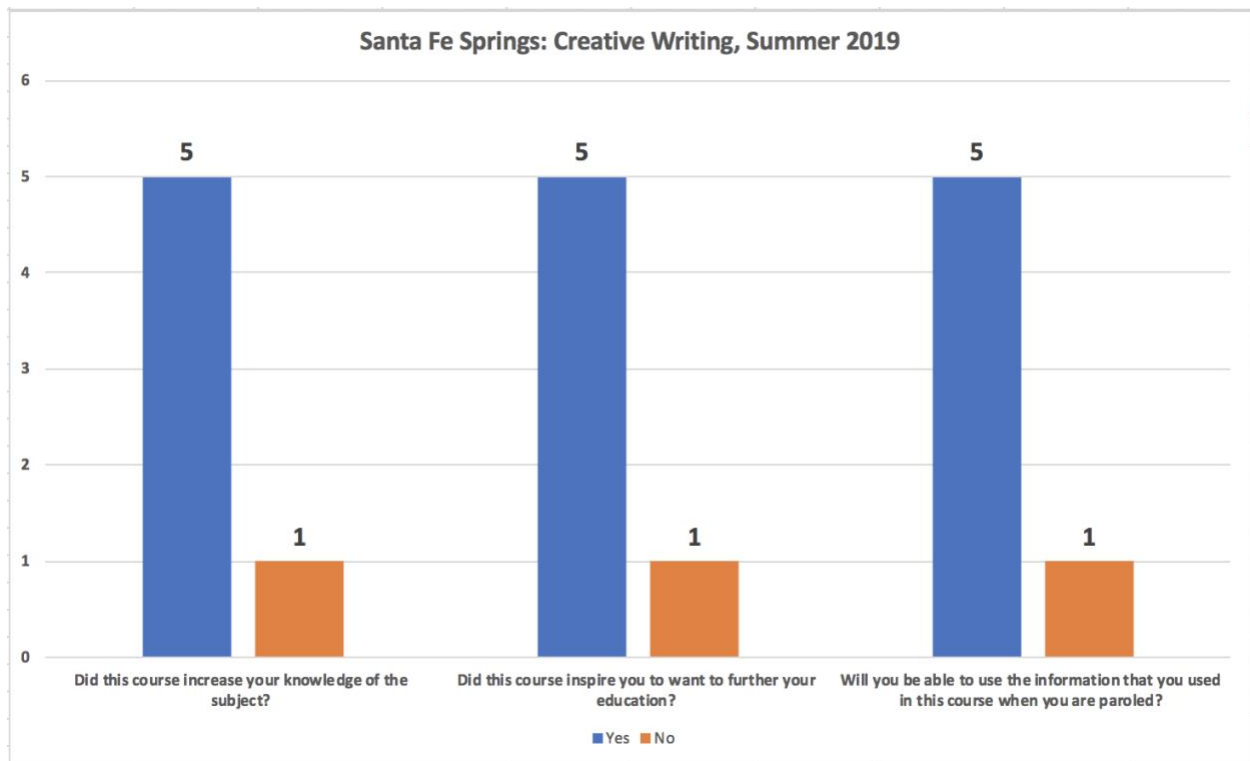
--I think it's important to address this subject, mainly because forgiving can be very hard to do if the offense was severe. The instructors were thoughtful, patient, comfortable in this setting and consistent in leading the group. They were also encouraging. I would have liked to hear more about religions role in forgiveness, and a discussion for those who aren't religious on what alternatives exist. My reason is I'm not sure you can forgive just by reaching into the power of yourself. I think a higher power might need to be involved.

--I wish it were longer. "I feel" we barely scratched the surface, but it definitely piqued my interest. The ladies did a very good job keeping everyone involved.

--I really enjoyed the class information, the dedication of both of you :) You both made coming to class fun and challenging. I am already into emotional books and trying to learn about what causes us to do what, so I really enjoyed the short time I spent in class. I will sign up again and hopefully you both are facilitators again.

--I really appreciated this course. Anything that can help me better myself, I'm for!

--It truly was a blessing for me, I learned to heal when I forgive someone, plus if God forgave us. we have to forgive others as well, Amen! P.S. thank you for coming and may God continue to bless you all richly.



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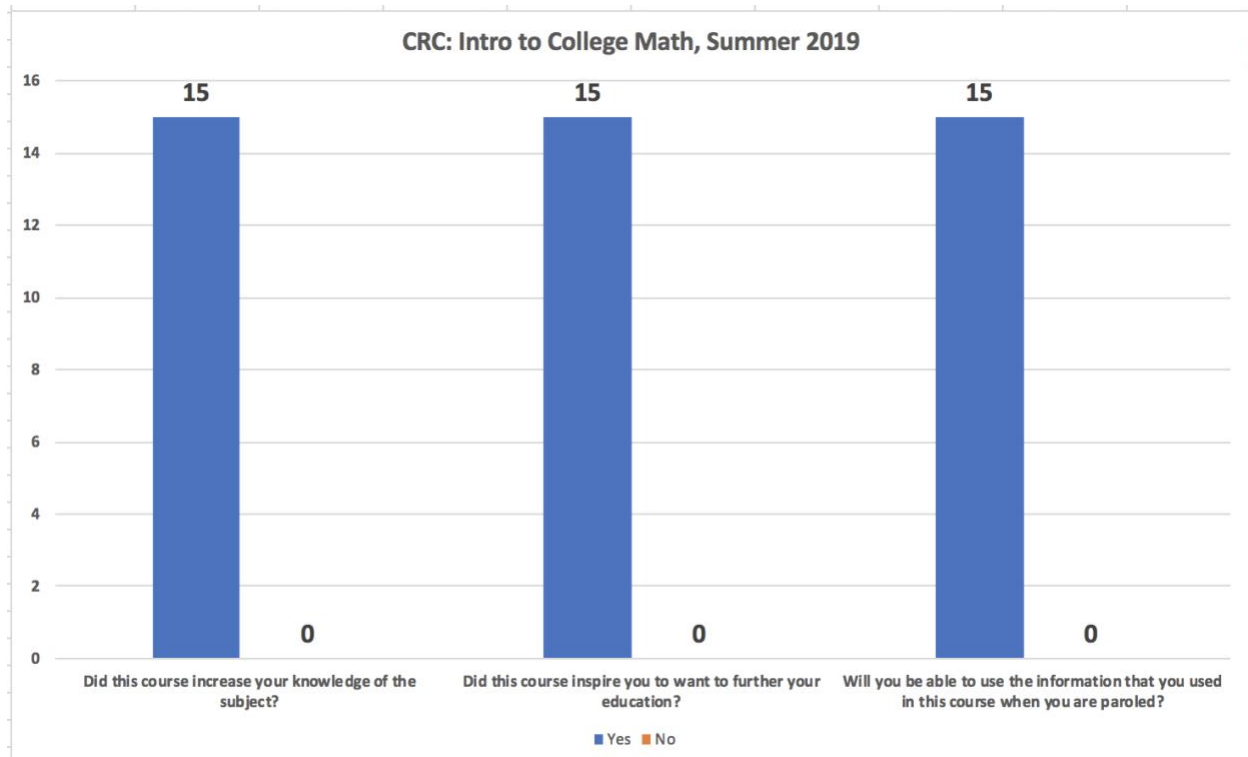
--I could open up in different ways, it could be a poem or any of the [couldn't read] way.

--I think the class was fun and interesting. I think a lot of the women can't see the power of their own minds until they write what's in their head and read it aloud. :)

--I think that I learned that I should write more about what goes through my mind and my feelings. Thank you!

--I thought it was cool. I learned different ways to write and journaling is pretty cool too. Mostly I only write to GOD though.

--It helped me open up to world of creative writing. And learning that anything is possible if you try.



What are your overall thoughts about this class?

--I think that is helpful for those who want to better themselves. (sic) That they can be more than a number. And I think Kathleen and Gretch for helping with this program.

--It was a very great course, the teachers went through every detail and made math simple, easy, and very fun! I'd do it all over again, without getting time off, those two women should, (sic) are what real heroes are! They gave there (sic) time and knowledge and I thank them very much!

--I think it was organized well. The instructors knew the material. It occurred in a well lit room with enough space. Some of the material was pretty advanced, such as matrices and logs. I think it would have been better to stick to algebra and geometry, just because most of us haven't done those for a while, and we need the review. But overall the class was interesting, the teachers were nice, and inspiring.

--I found the class challenging and enlightening. It was very enjoyable and I hope to use the information in the VEP college program and in a job when I get out.

--I believe that this course serves a useful purpose in providing the boost necessary in providing confidence in mathematics.