ChapRates

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To improve overall usability, our search function needs to offer a better user experience.

BACKGROUND: Through taking and choosing various classes, there is a significant need for communication and feedback between students and peers, professors, tutors, and study groups. With this, we wanted to create an application, ChapRates, that enables users from various majors to not only easily and effectively communicate with various people in their field, but also enable them to search for and give and receive feedback on various classes.

METHODS
1. Created a paper prototype then an interactive online prototype
2. Collected data from over 30+ with different demographics
3. Tested it by having users go to a site (the QR Code) and test out 3 different tasks that are found in our app: viewing an SI leader profile, viewing course advice, and searching for a professor using search filters.
4. After each task, we had the users participate in mini surveys to see how they felt about the usability of the app.

RESULTS
Search for Professor:
- Avg mission time: 2.7 seconds
- Misclick rate: 0.0%
- Direct success: 22.2% (lowest score)

View Course Advice
- Avg mission time: 3.1 seconds
- Misclick rate: 17.9%
- Direct success: 94.4%

View SI Leader Profile:
- Avg mission time: 4.6 seconds
- Misclick rate: 11.5%
- Direct success: 66.7%

DISCUSSION: Search for Professor had the lowest direct success. Lower ratings could be due to small home button icon, and the multiple step process. Future research on how to make the app more accessible during the Global Pandemic.

User responses on how easy they felt the search task was:

![Survey Results]