

# AMBER ROSE CARLSON

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## *Qualitative Teaching Reviews*

“Professor Carlson is absolutely amazing! I loved every moment of her class. I learned so much from her, and I was constantly challenged to think more deeply about everything. The concepts that we discussed were very applicable to daily life, and we took the time during class to talk about how they apply. This class definitely changed the way I think about things, and even the way that I think about thinking. Professor Carlson is one of the best professors I’ve ever had, and I wish that she were staying at Vanderbilt so that I could take a class with her every other semester that I’m here.”

“Professor Carlson is without a doubt one of the best professors I have ever had. She challenged us to think for ourselves in ways I had never thought of. She struck an excellent balance between difficulty and actually allowing us to learn the material. Her ability to parse down complicated definitions and ideas into everyday language was astounding. Overall, she made the class very entertaining. I would highly recommend her to anyone seeking a professor who loves the material, loves their students, and loves teaching.”

“Amber was great! I loved how she set up the class and she asked really thoughtful questions during discussions. I also appreciate how inclusive she was during the whole class by acknowledging biases and -isms and generalized statements that could exclude some groups of people.”

“In class, Amber balanced giving her input and encouraging students to participate during discussions. She was sensitive to all viewpoints and created a safe but challenging space for discussion to occur. She cared about students she only had for one semester. She encouraged us to explore what interests us most from the view of philosophy, which I appreciated because I took this course as an AXLE [i.e. general education] requirement.”

“Amber was extremely helpful and willing to meet outside of class to discuss papers. She provided feedback that made serious positive impacts on all of my papers.”

“It was a pleasure being in Professor Carlson’s class. So often women are discouraged from participating in an academic setting and Professor Carlson actively combated that phenomenon. She is encouraging, she challenges her students, and she provides an environment conducive to growth. I thoroughly enjoyed having her as a professor.”

“Professor Carlson was always available, always helpful, aware of the needs of every student, and one of the most inspiring and aware instructors I have had at Vanderbilt.”

“Amber Carlson is a special kind of instructor who considers all students’ opinions, lives, and learning styles. She is engaging, understanding, and bold. I would be elated to take another class with her.”

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