















































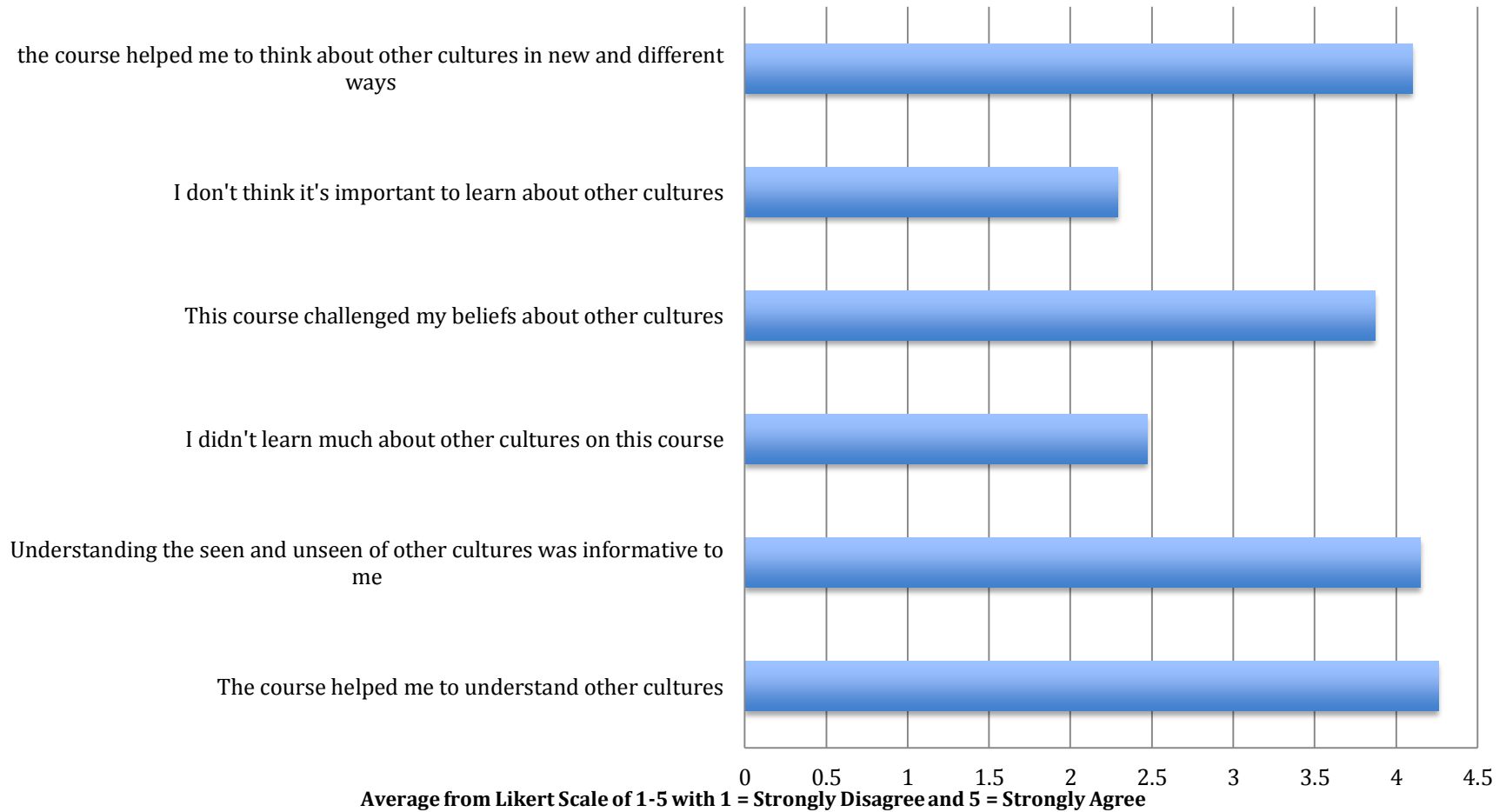








## Other Cultures in Dubai and the World



## Appendix B

Pillar	Action	Spiritual	Practical	Individual	Society	Historical Impact
<b>SHAHADA</b>	Profession of the creed: <i>There is no god but God (Allah), and Muhammad is His messenger</i>	Acknowledges that there is One Creator, and that He has sent messengers and revelation to humankind	Islam forbids worship of idols or images, which also means bowing to false gods or to humans; places limits on materialism	Focuses on the individual's direct relationship with God, without any intermediaries	One simple message universal to time and place; reverence for the prophets and earlier scriptures like Bible & Torah; acceptance of earlier religions	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- There is no central religious authority in Islam, no theocracy since no one can claim knowledge of God over others</li> <li>- Limitation on the power of worldly authority over Muslim societies; Islamic jurisprudence = Islamic law system developed</li> <li>- Arabic language of Qur'an spread</li> </ul>
<b>SALAT</b>	Five obligatory prayers at the time and in the way taught by Muhammad					
<b>ZAKAT</b>	Giving to the poor and those in need a percentage of wealth beyond basic needs					
<b>SIYAM</b>	Fasting from dawn to sunset during the month of Ramadan (9th lunar month)					
<b>HAJ</b>	Making the journey to Makkah to perform the rites during the pilgrimage season					

