

Instructor Evaluations Summary

For Spring 2019

Date: 5/29/2019

Department: 54 - POLS
 Course: 100 001
 Title: AMERICAN POLITICS
 Instructor: Hansen, Michael A
 Enrollment: 29
 # of Responses 23

Student Information	DISTRIBUTION					Class Avg.	Dept. Avg.	*S	Dept. Std. Dev.
	1	2	3	4	5				
1 How motivated were you to take this class?	0	1	8	8	6	3.83	4.06		1.13
2 How many credits toward graduation did you have before this semester?	10	10	1	1	1	1.83	2.99		1.35
3 What is your approximate grade in this course?	0	1	2	12	8	4.17	4.42		0.90
4 Required for majors: not required?	6	16	0	1	0	1.83	1.77		0.97
5 How many hours per week on average have you been employed this semester?	5	6	3	5	4	2.87	3.35		1.39

INSTRUCTOR CHARACTERISTICS	DISTRIBUTION					Class Avg.	Dept. Avg.	*S	Dept. Std. Dev.
	1	2	3	4	5				
6 Did the instructor encourage student participation in class discussion?	1	0	0	9	13	4.43	4.51		0.96
7 Did the instructor explain the importance of the subject matter?	0	1	0	7	15	4.57	4.50		0.84
8 Did the instructor make clear what were the objectives of the course?	0	0	2	7	14	4.52	4.43		0.94
9 Did you find the class sessions stimulating?	0	0	2	6	15	4.57	4.38		0.93
10 Did the instructor explain the subject clearly?	0	1	1	7	14	4.48	4.34		1.06
11 Do you feel that you learned a great deal about this subject from the instructor?	0	1	0	8	14	4.52	4.43		1.00
12 Did the class sessions seem organized?	0	2	0	5	16	4.52	4.05		1.23
13 Did the instructor appear to have command of the subject of the course?	0	0	1	3	19	4.78	4.70		0.72
14 Did the instructor seem helpful?	0	0	1	6	16	4.65	4.48		0.90
15 Did the instructor explain criticisms of student performance?	0	1	6	4	12	4.17	4.29		1.10
16 Did the instructor treat students fairly?	0	1	3	3	16	4.48	4.66		0.75

COURSE CHARACTERISTICS	DISTRIBUTION					Class Avg.	Dept. Avg.	*S	Dept. Std. Dev.
	1	3	14	4	1				
17 How difficult was the subject matter?	1	3	14	4	1	3.04	3.19		0.75
18 How much work was there for you to do in the course?	0	5	11	5	2	3.17	3.32		0.75
19 How much did you learn from the course readings?	2	3	3	11	4	3.52	3.79		0.75
20 How hard have you had to work to achieve your present grade?	0	4	11	3	5	3.39	3.70		0.75
21 Did the course constitute a coherent body of knowledge?	0	0	2	7	14	4.52	4.24		0.75
22 Is your level of interest in the course greater or less than it was at the beginning?	0	2	6	6	9	3.96	3.99		0.75
23 How interested were you in the subject to begin with?	0	5	7	6	5	3.48	3.73		0.75

***Note:**
 S=Significance
 + Class average above department average by more than one Std. Dev.
 - Class average below department average by more than one Std. Dev.

Comments:

1. If you rated your instructor especially high or low in any of the standard questions, please mention here your specific reason for doing so.
2. Sometimes a class may not go well for you for reasons partly beyond the instructor's control (e.g., students in the course were at different ability levels, there were technology issues, or outside responsibilities) Were there such factors that reduced – or increased- the effectiveness of this course for you? Explain.

Mental health issues

3. Briefly explain why and to whom you would recommend this course (e.g. to majors? Non majors? Freshmen or upperclassmen?)

Not sure if I would recommend
the course to everyone, but most

4. Mention here any particular point about the instructor or course you want to make but were not covered in the above questions. Is there one helpful thing you'd want to say to your instructor that would have made the course a better experience for you?

Comments:

1. What was the best thing about this course; what made it a valuable learning experience for you?

The professor was an amazing instructor.

2. What did you not like? What could be improved?

None.

3. Is there one *helpful* thing you'd want to say to your instructor that might have made the course a better experience for you?

No,

Thank you for everything!
I learned a lot!

Comments:

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Really good lectures
made everything easy to understand
discussions were interesting

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Freshmen and non-majors
Not a hard class but very interesting,
lectures are engaging

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He was coherent and knowledgeable.

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No issues.

3. Briefly explain why and to whom you would recommend this course (e.g. to majors? Non majors? Freshmen or upperclassmen?)

Anyone interested in political processes or politics in general.

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Keep up the humor and frankness

Comments:

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He was very helpful towards students.

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Instructor was interested and wanted to help students receive a good grade.

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The professor make subject/topic more interesting.

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Comments:

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I rated the professor highly because everything was organized and explained fully. Also, it was very clear that he cared about the subject he was teaching.

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I think everyone should take this course because it gives you a lot of basic knowledge about our government that isn't regularly taught.

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Very interesting, made me actually
want to pay attention.

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None

3. Briefly explain why and to whom you would recommend this course (e.g. to majors? Non majors? Freshmen or upperclassmen?)

Freshman,
easy, good + entertaining
class.

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None

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explained well, little unorganized

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NO

3. Briefly explain why and to whom you would recommend this course (e.g. to majors? Non-majors? Freshmen or upper class men?)

interesting sub. fun discussion

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Comments:

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Dr. Hansen is knowledgeable and takes the time to fully explain the topics thoroughly, so that each student understands the material.

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Not at all.

3. Briefly explain why and to whom you would recommend this course (e.g. to majors? Non-majors? Freshmen or upper class men?)

all majors and all levels.

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Keep up the amazing work, Dr. Hansen!



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Very good at explaining and keep students interested

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work and other problems

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Anyone interested in politics
Any grade

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Overall a great instructor and wanted to see students do well

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I felt like when I talked in class I wasn't acknowledged when other students were. My questions went unanswered.

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Everyone

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Comments:

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He connects well with his students and is very personable. They feel comfortable being themselves in his class and aren't afraid of being ridiculed for speaking their mind. I glad to have been in his class.

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I have awful time control and I believe that is why.

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Everyone we need to learn about our gov!!!

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Chair tag.

Comments:

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Before taking this class, I had little to no interest in Political Science & now that I've taken this course I'm much more interested & am taking another course of Prof. Hansen's next semester.

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Besides working 7-8 hr shifts after school 4-5x a week, nothing really held me back besides working late & being tired.

3. Briefly explain why and to whom you would recommend this course (e.g. to majors? Non majors? Freshmen or upperclassmen?)

Majors, Freshman, Truly anyone. Prof. Hansen made this class enjoyable.

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The instructor knows the subject, and teaches it in an exceptionally interesting fashion.

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No factors of the sort have had any detrimental effect.

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3. Briefly explain why and to whom you would recommend this course (e.g. to majors? Non majors? Freshmen or upperclassmen?)

This course would be recommended to freshmen, both major and non-major: It is taught in an interesting and enjoyable fashion and

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He was extremely knowledgeable in all areas regarding this subject.
He went much more in depth than expected.

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My own forgetfulness for a few quizzes.

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Everyone. Professor Hansen provided a very wide range of topics and included many information tidbits to support what he was teaching. He made it interesting.

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He graded in a very specific and strict manner that decreased my excitement for this class.

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Very helpful, broke down
the curriculum for me

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every one it is
really great for knowledge on
BRANCHES OF GOVERNMENT

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