

Instructor Evaluations Summary

Date: 5/24/2016

For Spring 2016

Department: 04 - POLS
Course: 100 001
Title: AMERICAN POLITICS
Instructor: Hansen, Michael A
Enrollment: 29
of Responses 23

	DISTRIBUTION					Class Avg.	Dept. Avg.	*S	Dept. Std. Dev.
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----- Student Information -----									
1 How motivated were you to take this class?	0	1	5	9	8	4.04	4.09		1.10
2 How many credits toward graduation did you have before this semester?	9	4	5	2	3	2.39	3.28		1.47
3 What is your approximate grade in this course?	1	0	3	13	6	4.00	3.98		0.96
4 Required for majors: not required?	7	16	0	0	0	1.70	1.46		0.59
5 How many hours per week on average have you been employed this semester?	6	2	6	5	4	2.96	3.29		1.34
----- INSTRUCTOR CHARACTERISTICS -----									
6 Did the instructor encourage student participation in class discussion?	0	0	0	5	18	4.78	4.58		0.99
7 Did the instructor explain the importance of the subject matter?	0	0	0	10	13	4.57	4.53		0.76
8 Did the instructor make clear what were the objectives of the course?	0	0	0	5	18	4.78	4.42		0.91
9 Did you find the class sessions stimulating?	0	0	0	6	17	4.74	4.43		0.93
10 Did the instructor explain the subject clearly?	0	0	1	8	14	4.57	4.42		0.83
11 Do you feel that you learned a great deal about this subject from the instructor?	0	0	1	6	16	4.65	4.41		0.88
12 Did the class sessions seem organized?	0	0	0	9	14	4.61	4.17		1.05
13 Did the instructor appear to have command of the subject of the course?	0	0	0	2	21	4.91	4.72		0.69
14 Did the instructor seem helpful?	0	0	0	8	15	4.65	4.62		0.75
15 Did the instructor explain criticisms of student performance?	0	2	0	9	12	4.35	4.41		0.93
16 Did the instructor treat students fairly?	0	0	1	10	12	4.48	4.61		0.72
----- COURSE CHARACTERISTICS -----									
17 How difficult was the subject matter?	0	0	15	7	1	3.39	3.35		0.72
18 How much work was there for you to do in the course?	1	0	10	9	3	3.57	3.69		0.72
19 How much did you learn from the course readings?	0	5	6	8	4	3.48	3.78		0.72
20 How hard have you had to work to achieve your present grade?	0	2	4	10	7	3.96	3.86		0.72
21 Did the course constitute a coherent body of knowledge?	0	0	2	9	12	4.43	4.27		0.72
22 Is your level of interest in the course greater or less than it was at the beginning?	0	0	3	11	9	4.26	4.20		0.72
23 How interested were you in the subject to begin with?	0	4	7	3	9	3.74	3.85		0.72

***Note:**

S=Significance

+ Class average above department average by more than one Std. Dev.

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UNIVERSITY OF WISCONSIN - PARKSIDE TEST SCORING SHEET

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 CLASS NAME: **AMERICAN POLITICS**

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- Read each question and its numbered answers.
- When you have decided which answer is correct, blacken the corresponding bubble on this sheet with a No. 2 pencil.
- Your mark should completely fill the bubble. If you change your mind, erase your first mark **completely**. Make no stray marks; they may count against you.



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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.

He was a great instructor who knew a lot and helped with any questions.
He made class interesting because it was interactive.
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.

No, the course was done well and there were not outside factors.
3. Briefly explain why and to whom you would recommend this course (e.g. to majors? Non majors? Freshmen or upperclassmen?)

I would recommend this course to anyone. Everyone should be aware of these facts.
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?

None, it was informative and well done.

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Good instructor that was great on including the entire class in conversations and stimulating critical thought.

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Some of the kids in the class could get very off topic or bring up irrelevant points. These took away from the discussion a bit.

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Most people should probably take this class. Gives good and necessary knowledge about our political system.

Probably should be at least second semester freshmen.

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Nope.

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He is obviously very knowledgeable on the subject of Political Science.

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Nah, I'm just a lazy ~~shit~~ person.

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

Anyone + everyone who likes to think they know anything about the political world, or who thinks politics doesn't matter.

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explains the topic in details, involving the class to participate and engage in discussion.

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every intro student to politics

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~~add~~ more office hour time slots. The only allotted time for office hours in this course was when I had a previous class

Comments:

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The instructor made expectations very clear and gave sufficient information to pass all assignments

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Work sometimes got in the way of writing papers or studying, but I got it done.

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

I would recommend this class to all students because it is fun environment and I learned a lot.

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He was a very Good instructor. Made his directions to the class very clear + followed through.

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I think he was very understanding of personal things such as family emergencies and Athletics which helped

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Freshman, this class teaches how to write effectively and is a good class to have. I definitely learned how to effectively write papers and I am in my 3rd year

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Overall Very Good ! 😊

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I really enjoyed this class. The professor made the classes fun and interesting.

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All students who need a gen. ed. Class

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The professors standards when it comes to papers was a little high but in the long run I believe it made me a better writer.

Best

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He is a great teacher.
The best.

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He worked with me so that I wouldn't fall behind.

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

Everyone.

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You did a perfect job. You challenged me to work/think harder and smarter.
Can't wait to join your next class!!!

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I would recommend this course for people with majors in the political Science field or are interested. I learned a great deal in this class and it helped me understand American Politics much better. Mr. Hansen is a fantastic teacher! 😊

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I rated Michael high because he was a very understanding & smart person.

(Also cuz Stone Cold said so)

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The course went through smoothly.

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

Politically active people, it challenges how you think

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Comments:

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I have greatly appreciated my time as a student of Mr. Hansen and have been greatly affected in my education and opinions of politics. His teaching methods benefit all of the students and he pushed those who wish to learn the material.

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I would recommend this course to anyone and everyone because it applicable directly in the real world and they will be positively affected by Mr. Hansen's teaching style.

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I would like to applaud the course load in this class because it was not constituted of busy work but entirely beneficial concepts that are applicable to the subject matter and real life.

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The teacher was quite a hard grader on papers however it helped and my understanding of the subject is better for it.

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I did not have much time outside of class to write the papers due to my job and its changing schedule.

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Would recommend to anyone teacher makes the class very interesting and enjoyable.

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I would make it clearer next time that the essays are not argumentative and that you have to side with the book to get a good grade.

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PROFESSOR ALWAYS ENCOURAGED PARTICIPATION. COMPLETE UNDERSTANDING OF SUBJECT MATTER. VERY APPROACHABLE AND HELPFUL.

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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?)

IMPORTANCE OF SUBJECT MATTER IS HIGH. AN UNDERSTANDING OF POLITICS IS ESSENTIAL, WHETHER ITS BASIC OR IN DEPTH.

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?

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The instructor did a very good job at making the objective that we were learning clear

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There was no factors that reduced. There was increased effectiveness with help from instructor

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I recommend to anyone to take this course because it increases people's political knowledge

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I greatly enjoyed the class and it was very engaging with very fun class discussion.

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None that I can think of

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I think any student should take the course, because it offers very good knowledge of how our government works.

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*Take time in class to explain paper questions.
10-15 min MAX!*

The questions were somewhat unclear exactly what you wanted

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The lecture was engaging and fun, and I believe I have become more comfortable speaking throughout the course.

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The openness + talkativeness of many of the students in the class helped keep me engaged in the lectures and made the class more enjoyable + stimulating.

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I did not like the arbitrary citation system he created. It was confusing.
I also did not like that the most difficult essay was the first assigned.

Comments:

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He was mostly fair with students and I liked how he was neutral on which political side he was because I think that is the way it should be. I was already interested in politics before and this class made me become even more interested and I have gained a lot of political knowledge.

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There were no factors like that.

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

I would recommend this course to anyone who is interested in politics and would like to learn more about.

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Comments:

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He was a good instructor who knew what he was talking about and it was obvious.

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Not any in particular come to mind, although a few interactions between classmates highlighted things not explained in class. These points were then expanded upon.

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Mainly lowerclassmen, as they would benefit from a course like this.

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Stimulation of the subject and the material was excellent. I felt comfortable during class and when asking questions.

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Outside responsibilities and distractions led to my final grade. The effectiveness of this course increased with the instructor's atmosphere being very welcoming. Usually with laugh breaks as my highlights of the day.

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I would recommend it to incoming freshmen and seniors looking for a light back seat class.

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Clarify your neutrality in politics and about candidates. Keep your favorite students private and out of the class room.