

SUMMARIES OF TEACHING AT THE UNIVERSITY OF IOWA

1. Course Evaluation from Students

Fall 2020

Politics of Epidemics: International Conflict and Cooperation (13 students)

Question	Course Median	Department Median
Organization - The instructor used class time well	6.0	5.6
Clarity - The instructor communicated course material clearly	6.0	5.6
Learning Focused - The instructor's teaching methods helped students learn	5.5	5.5
Learning Materials - The assignments, readings, and activities facilitated student learning	5.5	5.5
Assessment - Assessments aligned with course objectives	6.0	5.6
Support - Help was available for students	6.0	5.6

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Introduction to American Foreign Policy (40 students)

Question	Course Median	Department Median
The instructor is effective in teaching the course materials	5.8	5.4
The work assigned by the instructor is worthwhile and helped me learn the course material	5.8	5.2
The instructor supports student learning in this class	5.8	5.6
I better understand how social scientists conduct research, gather data, and derive conclusions	5.8	5.0
My ability to evaluate data, conclusions, and hypotheses has improved	5.8	4.9
I am better able to support my ideas and positions using evidence	5.8	5.2
I have gained knowledge of a contemporary global or international issues	5.9	5.7
I have a deeper understanding of the importance of seeing an issue from multiple perspectives	5.8	5.6
I have learned to apply at least one method of analysis for understanding global issues	5.8	5.6
Class time is used efficiently	5.8	5.5
Course requirements are clear	5.8	5.6
Concepts are presented in a manner that helps me learn	5.7	5.3
Adequate time for questions was provided	5.7	5.6
This instructor communicates at a level appropriate to my understanding	5.9	5.6
Help is available outside class if I have questions	5.9	5.7
This instructor's oral communication skills are adequate for the course	5.8	5.6
Assignments and exams allow me to adequately demonstrate what I have learned.	5.7	5.4
This instructor encourages mutual respect among students of diverse backgrounds	5.8	5.8
The content of this course is valuable	5.8	5.6
I would recommend a course taught by this instructor to other students.	5.8	5.6

Note. The median values range from Strongly Disagree (1) to Strongly Agree (6).

2. Selected Comments from Students related to Courses I Taught and Assisted

Loved the balance of lectures and project. Also I really liked the style of test!
He was always very quick to respond to emails which is very important for an online class
Byung-Deuk was very responsive to email and accommodating to meet outside office hours. He was also great at fairly grading in a timely manner
I enjoyed this class and would recommend anybody to take it!
I really enjoyed this class and felt like I got to apply what I was learning in lecture to the assignments in discussion, thank you!
Byung was AMAZING! He knew it material and it was apparent that he graded based on how much work was put into assignments. I have highly recommended this class to many friends and would certainly take a class similar to this based on how much fun I had in this one.
TA was always clear with assignments outside of class. He was very helpful through email. He got to the point in discussion, and knew what he wanted us to learn that day. Very helpful overall!
Byung-Deuk was an awesome TA. He really connected with students to make discussion fun and enjoyable but still learning and doing what needs to be done. He gave great feedback on assignments and was always really helpful with student questions.
Really enjoyed having you as out TA for this class really enjoyed it :D
Is extremely helpful and very easy to talk to and work through any problems
loved his teaching!! Very straight to the point. Also a very nice guy, always happy to help with questions
Overall the best discussion class that I have been a part of
I thought he was super helpful whenever I emailed him with questions, and he made this course a lot easier to navigate
I had a very positive experience in your section. Thank you for being positive and helpful. I wish you the best!