



Phillips, Melanie (POL SCI 140M LEC 001 TOPICS IN COMP POL (EVAL FOR GSI)) - Sp 2020 (Instructor Version)

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Subject Details

Name	POL SCI 140M LEC 001 TOPICS IN COMP POL (EVAL FOR GSI)
DEPT_NAME	POL SCI
DEPT_FORM	POL SCI
EVALUATION_TYPE	G
First Name	Melanie
Last Name	Phillips

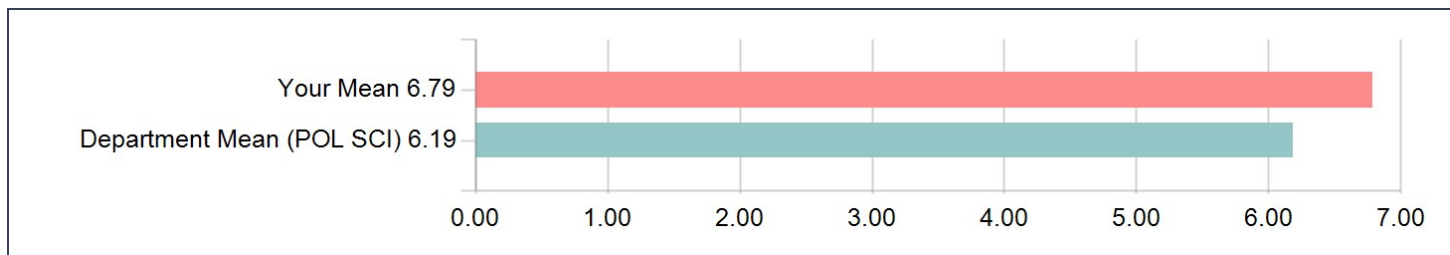
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UNIVERSITY WIDE QUESTIONS (QUANTITATIVE/RATING):

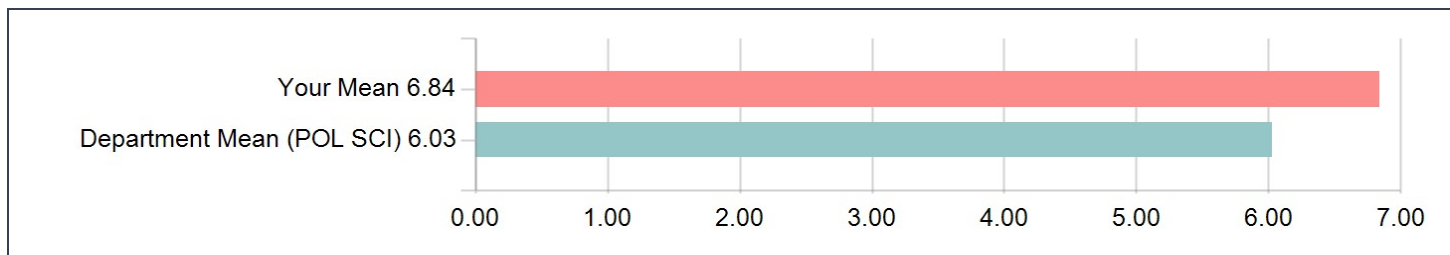
The items in this section are asked across all courses at Berkeley.

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1-Not at all Effective	0	0.00%
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3	0	0.00%
4-Moderately Effective	0	0.00%
5	0	0.00%
6	7	21.21%
7-Extremely Effective	26	78.79%
Statistics	Value	
Response Count	33	
Mean	6.79	
Median	7.00	
Standard Deviation	0.42	

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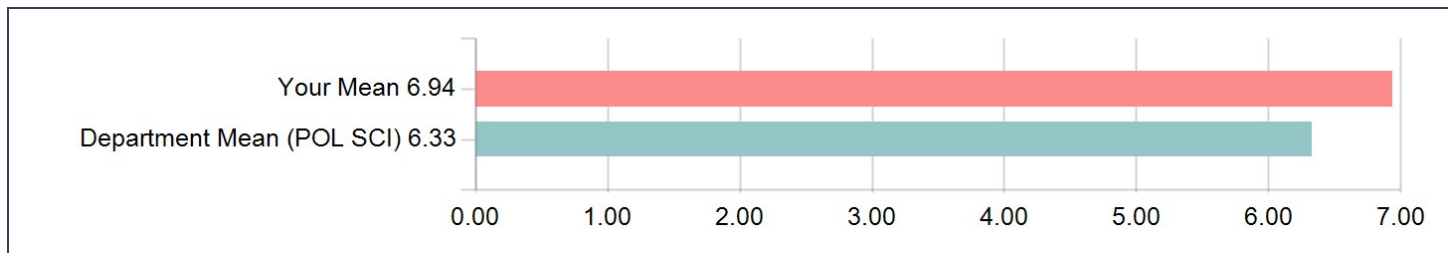
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4-Moderately Effective	0	0.00%
5	0	0.00%
6	5	16.13%
7-Extremely Effective	26	83.87%
Statistics	Value	
Response Count	31	
Mean	6.84	
Median	7.00	
Standard Deviation	0.37	

DEPARTMENT PROVIDED INSTRUCTOR QUESTIONS:

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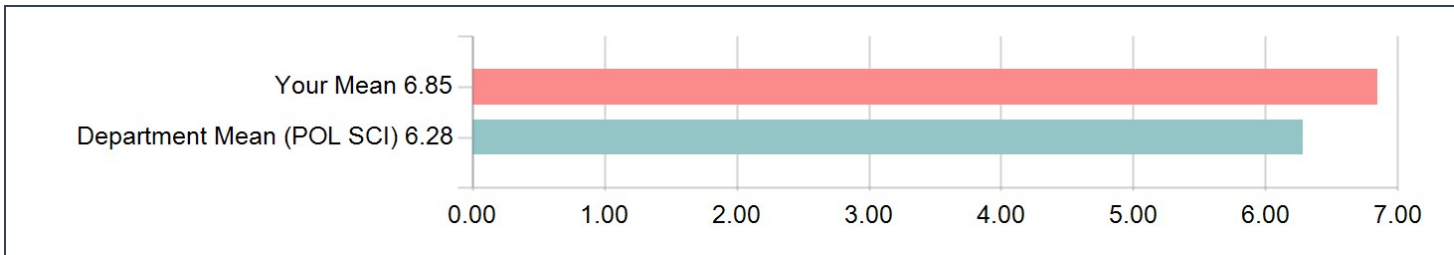
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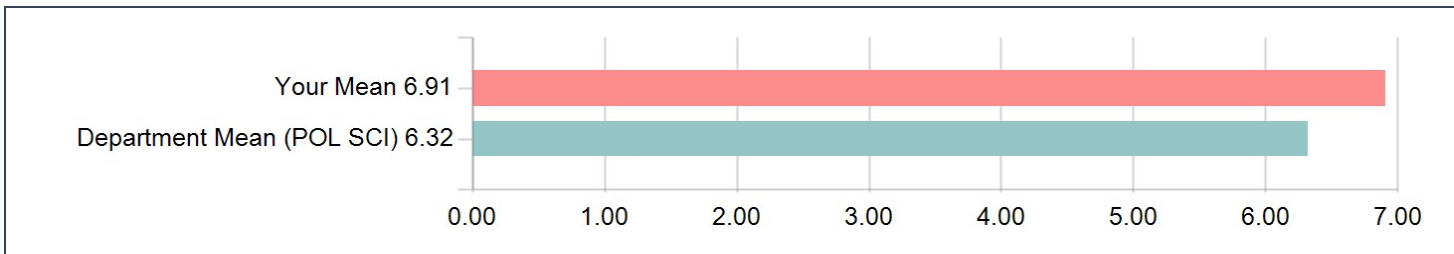
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1-Not at all	0	0.00%
2	0	0.00%
3	0	0.00%
4-Somewhat	0	0.00%
5	0	0.00%
6	2	6.06%
7-Very	31	93.94%
Statistics	Value	
Response Count	33	
Mean	6.94	
Median	7.00	
Standard Deviation	0.24	

The instructor explained concepts clearly.



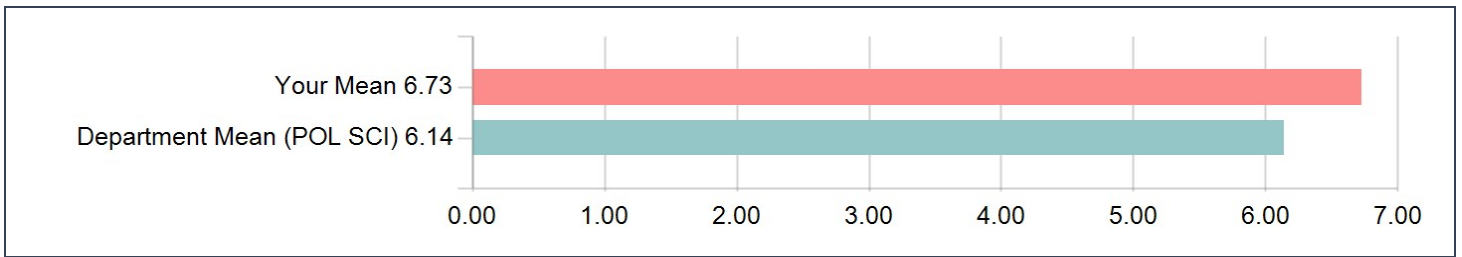
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4-Somewhat	0	0.00%
5	1	3.03%
6	3	9.09%
7-Very	29	87.88%
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Response Count	33	
Mean	6.85	
Median	7.00	
Standard Deviation	0.44	

The instructor was helpful when I had difficulties or questions.



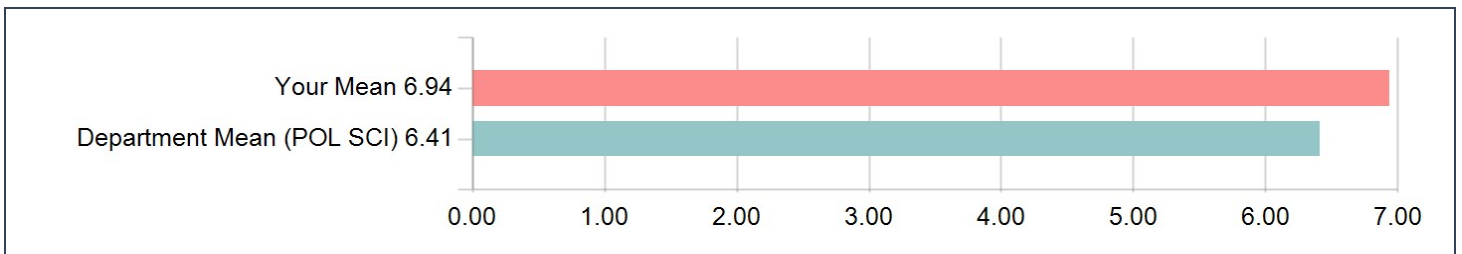
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7-Very	31	93.94%
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Response Count	33	
Mean	6.91	
Median	7.00	
Standard Deviation	0.38	

The instructor provided clear constructive feedback.



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2	0	0.00%
3	0	0.00%
4-Somewhat	1	3.03%
5	2	6.06%
6	2	6.06%
7-Very	28	84.85%
Statistics	Value	
Response Count	33	
Mean	6.73	
Median	7.00	
Standard Deviation	0.72	

The instructor encouraged student questions and participation.

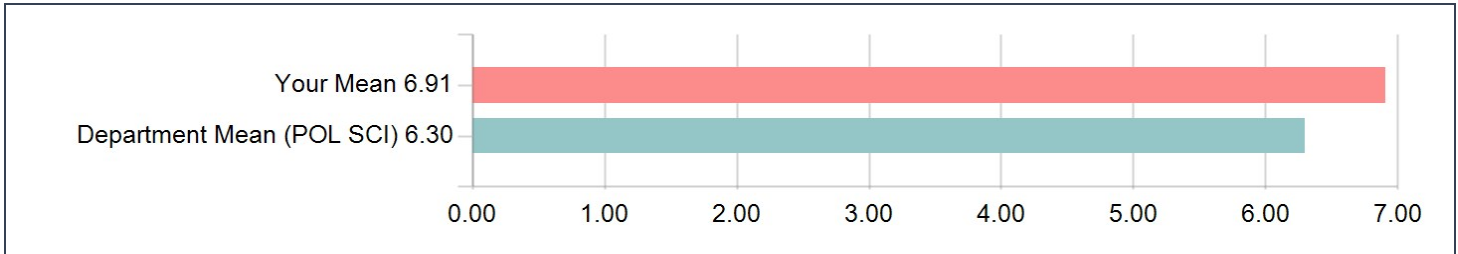


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DEPARTMENT PROVIDED COURSE QUESTIONS:

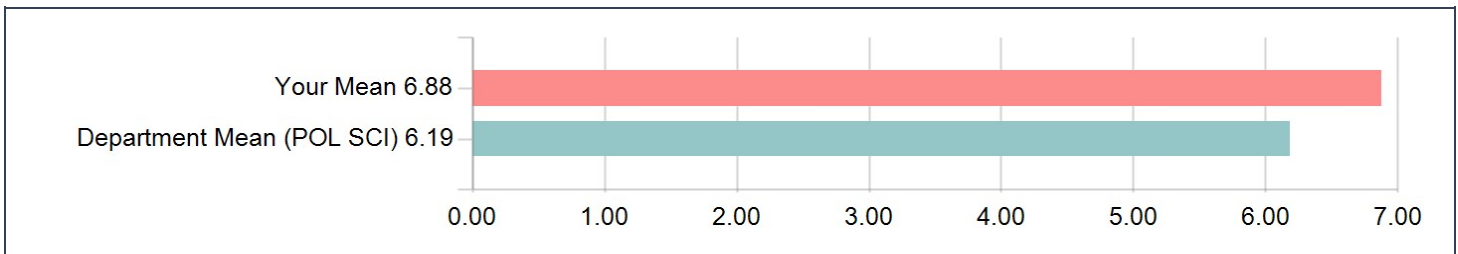
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The course was effectively organized.



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4-Somewhat	0	0.00%
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6	3	9.09%
7-Very	30	90.91%
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Response Count	33	
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Median	7.00	
Standard Deviation	0.29	

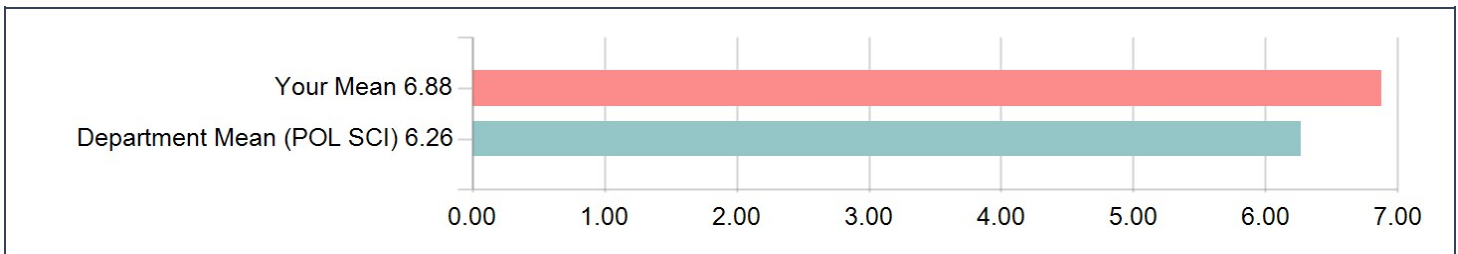
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6	4	12.12%
7-Very	29	87.88%
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Mean	6.88	
Median	7.00	
Standard Deviation	0.33	

The course developed my ability to think critically about the subject.



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Median	7.00	
Standard Deviation	0.33	

Please identify what you consider to be the strengths of the course (or section).

Comments
Prof. Phillips was really clear in covering any questions, especially ones that branched out from the topic in different directions
Organized great, super easy to follow. Prof. is helpful when you reach out. Very responsive to questions. She really cares about her students. Best prof I have ever had by far.
I think one of the biggest strengths was how structured and organized it was, and how we were really encouraged to engage with the material. What I also appreciated was how the paper was structured, and how there were peer reviews each week which helped with the writing process, and also got me started working on it earlier than I normally would. This paper pushed me to do more

Comments
research and be more thorough overall, which is something I haven't experienced as much at Cal until now! I'm about to go get my masters after graduation, and I'm certainly planning on using the skills I learned in this class there. Overall, a really amazing course that completely opened my eyes to a topic I had never studied before, but completely pertains to me as a woman studying politics!
Cat was a thoughtful, smart, approachable, kind GSI
This course was structured perfectly. The lectures were direct and succinct, and there was always time in the end for questions. I like how our instructor never made the classroom environment too tense or formal because it made engaging with the course material a lot easier.
So organized. Very accessible professor. Interesting material.
The targeted sections of the lectures was very useful and not having to purchase extra reading materials was extremely helpful
The course is very well rounded in terms of content and the paper assignments are very organized and helpful.
It was very organized and every topic was very engaging. In this class, you can learn what are the barriers for women to be more involved in politics and this changes your views on how women are more affected than men. The instructor made sure if the students understood the main points which were very effective.
structure of the course was helpful, starting with foundational concepts aided understanding for future topics.
Multiple resources to succeed (easily accessible, only LECs, previous exams, etc.)
Melanie is an excellent instructor and cares a lot about students learning research skills in poli sci. She made me care a lot about this class.
Melanie is incredibly organized with her lectures and the main points she wants students to take away
Everything. There's so much to learn in this course and I felt my critical thinking skills got a lot stronger around the subject matter.
I think Melanie's experience in Zambia and her work there was particularly interesting, especially in the way she interwove into the course. She is really enthusiastic about the subject matter and cares about the students. She is very interested in the development of her students both inside and outside the classroom. She is generous with her time when talking about the class, research opportunities, and careers. We need more instructors like her!
Discussion
AMAZING lectures! Both GSI and professor worked to make the course incredible and very clear! Great teamwork on their end. Lectures were very clear and informative expanding on the reading! Was excited to come to class! The expectations of the students are clear. Great conversation and discussions! Overall 12 out of 10 (:
Teaching style was very entertaining and interactive. Information was presented fast yet effective so students weren't lost and lessons did not drag on. Translated well online.
This course was very clear, well organized, interesting, and Melanie was very accessible to all the students and encouraged questions and participation. It was an outstanding course and one of my absolute favorite classes I have taken at Cal!
The course was extremely well organized, run smoothly, and had clear guidelines for all assignments.
Melanie was very down to earth! She would crack jokes with us, making her more approachable. I value that in a teacher because it makes me want to study harder.
Organization and communication are two strong suits of the course. It was very clear to students what expectations were and what were the necessary requirements to excel in the class.
I think that the organization of the class, and the quality of the content and the instructor were strengths of the course. The instructor made the class very easy to navigate and introduced a lot of new and interesting content.
I really enjoyed the research paper assignment. I was especially grateful for the periodic outlines that were due throughout the semester because it helped me pace myself with the assignment and allowed me to get feedback from my peers.
Melanie is super organized and is clearly knowledgeable on the subject. She is very approachable and reasonable, which is nice as many other Berkeley professors are not. I also found the reading and paper assignment to be enjoyable
The GSI allowed us to have comfortable and in-depth discussions
Melanie is AMAZING. She did a great job organizing tons of material in a way that made sense. She also built on various themes throughout the course which helped reinforce information learned at the beginning of the course. She also helped me better understand how to tackle political science research. I loved all the material she presented, and she covered so many topics that were interesting to me. She also gave us a lot of freedom in our course projects, such as the final paper, so we could focus on subjects that really interested us. She really cared about our longterm academic career and giving us skills that would be used outside of the classroom. And she encouraged so much participation and really got to know all of us. Amazing class, one of my favorite at Cal.
This is hands down one of the best classes at Cal. Melanie truly cares about us, and that is one of the strengths of the course. She is super passionate about the material and is well versed in it. She was flexible and wanted us to succeed.
The course was very well organized and informative. I took a lot from it. I was glad to build on my research skills and apply them to

Comments
an well thought out essay in comparative politics.

Please identify area(s) where you think the course could be improved.

Comments
We could study the different waves of feminism in a more inclusive manner
Sometimes prof. makes claims in lecture not backed by evidence.
Honestly, none. Reading homework felt a bit too dense on a of couple days, but that's really it.
Not having more time on regional politics made it a bit difficult to fully learn about the regions
Wish we could've talked. more about specific countries and regions
Melanie was amazing!
n/a
Finding ways for section to truly be helpful could be improved
I am not sure there's anything to be improved.
Having speakers, I have found, were always beneficial and added greatly to the course.
Excellent! Thankful for the flexibility during the tough times. The encouragement and passion I get from professor is outstanding!
I think perhaps spending more time on the regional focuses would be beneficial, but I understand that with the time constraints that might not be possible.
The course was a bit reading heavy.
N/A. This course was wonderful
Being confined to one hour for lectures was sometimes difficult. It would be great if this class could be an hour and a half lecture.
She sometimes moved too fast through lecture material
More feedback
Offer it consistently! That's my only improvement.
Nothing
Overall, I thought that this was a fantastic course, even despite the issues we had regarding COVID-19 and transitioning to online learning. I think the only thing to be improved would be having more structured discussion sections.

What advice would you give to another student who is considering taking this course?

Comments
Go to every lecture and do as many readings as possible
Definitely take this course and take the time to engage with the prof. She is very approachable and helpful.
Take it!!
Definitely engage with the instructor and the GSI and use this course to learn about general expectations of poli sci majors like being able to read funky graphs and conducting research.
Use the study resources provided
Keep up with the readings and follow lecture closely, though the slides are generally enough to have for notes
To keep up on the readings and since it is hard to read all of the readings, read only the intro and conclusion and they will find the main points of the readings.
Don't fall behind on the readings! Create a doc for yourself or some way to keep all your reading notes organized in one place. The readings were very helpful in understanding the lecture material and make it easier when studying for the final
Take it! Lots of readings, that you should not skim.
100% recommend to another student
Work on your quick typing! Melanie goes quickly through the slides!
Engage in the course. Work on your essay early. Attend lecture. Go to office hours. It'll be rewarding.
Developing a comparative perspective is vital to understanding all the nuances of women in politics.
Do the readings
TAKE THE COURSE!! JUST DO IT! YOU WILL NOT REGRET IT!
Take it! It's a great course and the GSI and professor were very helpful to all students. The research paper we had to write was a great help for all and the professor did as much as she could to help us keep up with writing and better our skills. Learned a lot! 10/10!
Do the readings as you go and put a lot of effort into your paper early on. Also definitely go in for office hours! Melanie is always very eager to hear from her students and happy to help!!
I would advise the student to do the readings and attend the lectures. It was an incredibly insightful class that helped me grow as a student while still maintaining interest in the lecture material.
Just do Melanie tells you to do! She really wants you to succeed and she'll do whatever it takes to do that for you. It's really obvious that she cares because she's been in our position in recent years. She just understands, it's so incredibly comforting to know a Professor is on your side.
Attend lecture, they are all very interesting
I would definitely recommend this course to other students interested in the material.
Melanie is one of my favorite teachers that I have had at Cal. I would recommend this class to everyone; it is very engaging and intersects with daily life often. This class taught me to think more critically as a student.
Definitely do all of the readings and stay on top of it
Attend the discussions
Take advantage of how accessible Melanie is. I have not had many professors like her, especially in political science, who are so willing to engage with students. Keep on top of the readings but use the resources they provide to read effectively. Melanie literally provides everything you need to be successful – including study guides way ahead of time – so take advantage of that!
Take great notes, and take advantage of Melanie's OH
Go to section and lecture, ask questions, start studying/working on your paper little by little ahead of time

DEPARTMENT PROVIDED STUDENT INFORMATION QUESTIONS

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On average, how many hours per week have you spent on this course, including attending classes, doing readings, reviewing notes, writing papers, and any other course-related work?

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3 or fewer	1	3.13%
4-6	9	28.13%
7-9	11	34.38%
10-12	9	28.13%
13-15	2	6.25%
16-18	0	0.00%
More than 18	0	0.00%
Statistics	Value	
Response Count	32	
Mean	1.00	
Median	1.00	
Standard Deviation	0.00	

How many class (or section) sessions did you attend?

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Options	Count	Percentage
None	0	0.00%
Fewer than half	0	0.00%
About half	1	3.03%
More than half	7	21.21%
All	25	75.76%
Statistics	Value	
Response Count	33	
Mean	1.00	
Median	1.00	
Standard Deviation	0.00	

How satisfied were you with your effort in this course (or section)?

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4-Somewhat	0	0.00%
5	4	12.12%
6	9	27.27%
7-Very	20	60.61%
Statistics	Value	
Response Count	33	
Mean	6.48	
Median	7.00	
Standard Deviation	0.71	

Response Sheet Reports

Individual Student Responses

In addition to the aggregated feedback provided in this report, the response rate report displays de-aggregated feedback from each individual, anonymized student in order.

<p>Courses Name: POL SCI 140M LEC 001 TOPICS IN COMP POL (EVAL FOR GSI) Instructors Name: Melanie Phillips</p> <p>The instructor presented content in an organized manner.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">◦ 7-Very <p>The instructor explained concepts clearly.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">◦ 7-Very <p>The instructor was helpful when I had difficulties or questions.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">◦ 7-Very <p>The instructor provided clear constructive feedback.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">◦ 7-Very <p>The instructor encouraged student questions and participation.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">◦ 7-Very <p>Considering both the limitations and possibilities of the subject matter and the course, how would you rate the overall effectiveness of this graduate student instructor?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">◦ 7-Extremely Effective <p>The course was effectively organized.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">◦ 7-Very <p>The course developed my abilities and skills for the subject.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">◦ 6 <p>The course developed my ability to think critically about the subject.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">◦ 7-Very <p>Please identify what you consider to be the strengths of the course (or section).</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">◦ I think Melanie's experience in Zambia and her work there was particularly interesting, especially in the way she interwove
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into the course. She is really enthusiastic about the subject matter and cares about the students. She is very interested in the development of her students both inside and outside the classroom. She is generous with her time when talking about the class, research opportunities, and careers. We need more instructors like her!

Please identify area(s) where you think the course could be improved.

- ◊ Having speakers, I have found, were always beneficial and added greatly to the course.

What advice would you give to another student who is considering taking this course?

- ◊ Developing a comparative perspective is vital to understanding all the nuances of women in politics.

Considering both the limitations and possibilities of the subject matter and the course, how would you rate the overall effectiveness of this course?

- ◊ 7-Extremely Effective

On average, how many hours per week have you spent on this course, including attending classes, doing readings, reviewing notes, writing papers, and any other course-related work?

- ◊ 4-6

How many class (or section) sessions did you attend?

- ◊ More than half

How satisfied were you with your effort in this course (or section)?

- ◊ 6

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- ◊ 7-Very

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- ◊ I think that the organization of the class, and the quality of the content and the instructor were strengths of the course. The instructor made the class very easy to navigate and introduced a lot of new and interesting content.

What advice would you give to another student who is considering taking this course?

- ◊ I would definitely recommend this course to other students interested in the material.

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- ◊ 7-Very

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- ◊ 7-Very

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- ◊ 6

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Please identify area(s) where you think the course could be improved.

- Offer it consistently! That's my only improvement.

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- 7-Extremely Effective

On average, how many hours per week have you spent on this course, including attending classes, doing readings, reviewing notes, writing papers, and any other course-related work?

- 7-9

How many class (or section) sessions did you attend?

- More than half

How satisfied were you with your effort in this course (or section)?

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- ◊ Nothing

What advice would you give to another student who is considering taking this course?

- ◊ Take great notes, and take advantage of Melanie's OH

Considering both the limitations and possibilities of the subject matter and the course, how would you rate the overall effectiveness of this course?

- ◊ 7-Extremely Effective

On average, how many hours per week have you spent on this course, including attending classes, doing readings, reviewing notes, writing papers, and any other course-related work?

- ◊ 7-9

How many class (or section) sessions did you attend?

- ◊ All

How satisfied were you with your effort in this course (or section)?

- ◊ 7-Very

Courses Name: POL SCI 140M LEC 001 TOPICS IN COMP POL (EVAL FOR GSI)

Instructors Name: Melanie Phillips

The instructor presented content in an organized manner.

- ◊ 7-Very

The instructor explained concepts clearly.

- ◊ 7-Very

The instructor was helpful when I had difficulties or questions.

- ◊ 7-Very

The instructor provided clear constructive feedback.

- ◊ 7-Very

The instructor encouraged student questions and participation.

- ◊ 7-Very

Considering both the limitations and possibilities of the subject matter and the course, how would you rate the overall effectiveness of this graduate student instructor?

- ◊ 6

The course was effectively organized.

- ◊ 7-Very

The course developed my abilities and skills for the subject.

- ◊ 7-Very

The course developed my ability to think critically about the subject.

- ◊ 7-Very

Please identify what you consider to be the strengths of the course (or section).

- ◊ structure of the course was helpful, starting with foundational concepts aided understanding for future topics.

Please identify area(s) where you think the course could be improved.

- ◊ Wish we could've talked. more about specific countries and regions

What advice would you give to another student who is considering taking this course?

- ◊ Don't fall behind on the readings! Create a doc for yourself or some way to keep all your reading notes organized in one place. The readings were very helpful in understanding the lecture material and make it easier when studying for the final

Considering both the limitations and possibilities of the subject matter and the course, how would you rate the overall effectiveness of this course?

- ◊ 7-Extremely Effective

On average, how many hours per week have you spent on this course, including attending classes, doing readings, reviewing notes, writing papers, and any other course-related work?

- ◊ 4-6

How many class (or section) sessions did you attend?

- ◊ All

How satisfied were you with your effort in this course (or section)?

- ◊ 7-Very

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- ◊ 6

The instructor explained concepts clearly.

- ◊ 6

The instructor was helpful when I had difficulties or questions.

- ◊ 6

The instructor provided clear constructive feedback.

- ◊ 6

The instructor encouraged student questions and participation.

- ◊ 6

Considering both the limitations and possibilities of the subject matter and the course, how would you rate the overall effectiveness of this graduate student instructor?

- ◊ 6

The course was effectively organized.

- ◊ 6

The course developed my abilities and skills for the subject.

- ◊ 6

The course developed my ability to think critically about the subject.

- ◊ 6

Please identify what you consider to be the strengths of the course (or section).

- ◊ Multiple resources to succeed (easily accessible, only LECs, previous exams, etc.)

Please identify area(s) where you think the course could be improved.

- ◊ Melanie was amazing!

What advice would you give to another student who is considering taking this course?

- ◊ Take it! Lots of readings, that you should not skim.

Considering both the limitations and possibilities of the subject matter and the course, how would you rate the overall effectiveness of this course?

- ◊ 6

On average, how many hours per week have you spent on this course, including attending classes, doing readings, reviewing notes, writing papers, and any other course-related work?

- ◊ 13-15

How many class (or section) sessions did you attend?

- ◊ All

How satisfied were you with your effort in this course (or section)?

- ◊ 6

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The instructor provided clear constructive feedback.

- ◊ 7-Very

The instructor encouraged student questions and participation.

- ◊ 7-Very

Considering both the limitations and possibilities of the subject matter and the course, how would you rate the overall effectiveness of this graduate student instructor?

- ◊ 7-Extremely Effective

The course was effectively organized.

- ◊ 7-Very

The course developed my abilities and skills for the subject.

- ◊ 7-Very

The course developed my ability to think critically about the subject.

- ◊ 7-Very

Please identify what you consider to be the strengths of the course (or section).

- ◊ I think one of the biggest strengths was how structured and organized it was, and how we were really encouraged to engage with the material. What I also appreciated was how the paper was structured, and how there were peer reviews

each week which helped with the writing process, and also got me started working on it earlier than I normally would. This paper pushed me to do more research and be more thorough overall, which is something I haven't experienced as much at Cal until now! I'm about to go get my masters after graduation, and I'm certainly planning on using the skills I learned in this class there. Overall, a really amazing course that completely opened my eyes to a topic I had never studied before, but completely pertains to me as a woman studying politics!

What advice would you give to another student who is considering taking this course?

- ◊ Take it!!

Considering both the limitations and possibilities of the subject matter and the course, how would you rate the overall effectiveness of this course?

- ◊ 7-Extremely Effective

How many class (or section) sessions did you attend?

- ◊ All

How satisfied were you with your effort in this course (or section)?

- ◊ 7-Very

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- ◊ 7-Very

The instructor encouraged student questions and participation.

- ◊ 7-Very

Considering both the limitations and possibilities of the subject matter and the course, how would you rate the overall effectiveness of this graduate student instructor?

- ◊ 7-Extremely Effective

The course was effectively organized.

- ◊ 6

The course developed my abilities and skills for the subject.

- ◊ 6

The course developed my ability to think critically about the subject.

- ◊ 6

Considering both the limitations and possibilities of the subject matter and the course, how would you rate the overall effectiveness of this course?

- ◊ 6

On average, how many hours per week have you spent on this course, including attending classes, doing readings, reviewing notes, writing papers, and any other course-related work?

- ◊ 10-12

How many class (or section) sessions did you attend?

- ◊ All

How satisfied were you with your effort in this course (or section)?

- ◊ 6

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- ◊ 7-Very

The instructor explained concepts clearly.

- ◊ 7-Very

The instructor was helpful when I had difficulties or questions.

- ◊ 7-Very

The instructor provided clear constructive feedback.

- ◊ 4-Somewhat

The instructor encouraged student questions and participation.

- ◊ 7-Very

Considering both the limitations and possibilities of the subject matter and the course, how would you rate the overall effectiveness of this graduate student instructor?

- ◊ 6

The course was effectively organized.

- ◊ 7-Very

The course developed my abilities and skills for the subject.

- ◊ 7-Very

The course developed my ability to think critically about the subject.

- ◊ 7-Very

Please identify what you consider to be the strengths of the course (or section).

- ◊ The GSI allowed us to have comfortable and in-depth discussions

Please identify area(s) where you think the course could be improved.

- ◊ More feedback

What advice would you give to another student who is considering taking this course?

- ◊ Attend the discussions

Considering both the limitations and possibilities of the subject matter and the course, how would you rate the overall effectiveness of this course?

- ◊ 6

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How many class (or section) sessions did you attend?

- ◊ All

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- ◊ All

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The instructor provided clear constructive feedback.

- ◊ 7-Very

The instructor encouraged student questions and participation.

- ◊ 7-Very

Considering both the limitations and possibilities of the subject matter and the course, how would you rate the overall effectiveness of this graduate student instructor?

- ◊ 7-Extremely Effective

The course was effectively organized.

- ◊ 7-Very

The course developed my abilities and skills for the subject.

- ◊ 7-Very

The course developed my ability to think critically about the subject.

- ◊ 7-Very

Please identify what you consider to be the strengths of the course (or section).

- ◊ It was very organized and every topic was very engaging. In this class, you can learn what are the barriers for women to be more involved in politics and this changes your views on how women are more affected than men. The instructor made sure if the students understood the main points which were very effective.

What advice would you give to another student who is considering taking this course?

- ◊ To keep up on the readings and since it is hard to read all of the readings, read only the intro and conclusion and they will find the main points of the readings.

Considering both the limitations and possibilities of the subject matter and the course, how would you rate the overall effectiveness of this course?

- ◊ 7-Extremely Effective

On average, how many hours per week have you spent on this course, including attending classes, doing readings, reviewing notes, writing papers, and any other course-related work?

- ◊ 7-9

How many class (or section) sessions did you attend?

- ◊ All

How satisfied were you with your effort in this course (or section)?

- ◊ 7-Very

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- ◊ 7-Very

The instructor provided clear constructive feedback.

- ◊ 7-Very

The instructor encouraged student questions and participation.

- ◊ 7-Very

Considering both the limitations and possibilities of the subject matter and the course, how would you rate the overall effectiveness of this graduate student instructor?

- ◊ 7-Extremely Effective

The course was effectively organized.

- ◊ 7-Very

The course developed my abilities and skills for the subject.

- ◊ 7-Very

The course developed my ability to think critically about the subject.

- ◊ 7-Very

Please identify what you consider to be the strengths of the course (or section).

- ◊ This course was structured perfectly. The lectures were direct and succinct, and there was always time in the end for questions. I like how our instructor never made the classroom environment too tense or formal because it made engaging with the course material a lot easier.

Please identify area(s) where you think the course could be improved.

- ◊ Honestly, none. Reading homework felt a bit too dense on a of couple days, but that's really it.

What advice would you give to another student who is considering taking this course?

- ◊ Definitely engage with the instructor and the GSI and use this course to learn about general expectations of poli sci majors like being able to read funky graphs and conducting research.

Considering both the limitations and possibilities of the subject matter and the course, how would you rate the overall effectiveness of this course?

- ◊ 7-Extremely Effective

On average, how many hours per week have you spent on this course, including attending classes, doing readings, reviewing notes, writing papers, and any other course-related work?

- ◊ 10-12

How many class (or section) sessions did you attend?

- ◊ About half

How satisfied were you with your effort in this course (or section)?

- ◊ 5

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The instructor explained concepts clearly.

- ◊ 7-Very

The instructor was helpful when I had difficulties or questions.

- ◊ 7-Very

The instructor provided clear constructive feedback.

- ◊ 7-Very

The instructor encouraged student questions and participation.

- ◊ 7-Very

Considering both the limitations and possibilities of the subject matter and the course, how would you rate the overall effectiveness of this graduate student instructor?

- ◊ 7-Extremely Effective

The course was effectively organized.

- ◊ 7-Very

The course developed my abilities and skills for the subject.

- ◊ 7-Very

The course developed my ability to think critically about the subject.

- ◊ 7-Very

Please identify what you consider to be the strengths of the course (or section).

- ◊ The course was extremely well organized, run smoothly, and had clear guidelines for all assignments.

Please identify area(s) where you think the course could be improved.

- ◊ The course was a bit reading heavy.

What advice would you give to another student who is considering taking this course?

- ◊ I would advise the student to do the readings and attend the lectures. It was an incredibly insightful class that helped me grow as a student while still maintaining interest in the lecture material.

Considering both the limitations and possibilities of the subject matter and the course, how would you rate the overall effectiveness of this course?

- ◊ 7-Extremely Effective

On average, how many hours per week have you spent on this course, including attending classes, doing readings, reviewing notes, writing papers, and any other course-related work?

- ◊ 7-9

How many class (or section) sessions did you attend?

- ◊ All

How satisfied were you with your effort in this course (or section)?

- ◊ 7-Very

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The instructor provided clear constructive feedback.

- ◊ 7-Very

The instructor encouraged student questions and participation.

- ◊ 7-Very

Considering both the limitations and possibilities of the subject matter and the course, how would you rate the overall effectiveness of this graduate student instructor?

- ◊ 7-Extremely Effective

The course was effectively organized.

- ◊ 7-Very

The course developed my abilities and skills for the subject.

- ◊ 7-Very

The course developed my ability to think critically about the subject.

- ◊ 7-Very

Considering both the limitations and possibilities of the subject matter and the course, how would you rate the overall effectiveness of this course?

- ◊ 7-Extremely Effective

On average, how many hours per week have you spent on this course, including attending classes, doing readings, reviewing notes, writing papers, and any other course-related work?

- ◊ 13-15

How many class (or section) sessions did you attend?

- ◊ All

How satisfied were you with your effort in this course (or section)?

- ◊ 7-Very

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The course developed my ability to think critically about the subject.

- ◊ 7-Very

Please identify what you consider to be the strengths of the course (or section).

- ◊ I really enjoyed the research paper assignment. I was especially grateful for the periodic outlines that were due throughout the semester because it helped me pace myself with the assignment and allowed me to get feedback from my peers.

Please identify area(s) where you think the course could be improved.

- ◊ Being confined to one hour for lectures was sometimes difficult. It would be great if this class could be an hour and a half lecture.

What advice would you give to another student who is considering taking this course?

- ◊ Melanie is one of my favorite teachers that I have had at Cal. I would recommend this class to everyone; it is very engaging and intersects with daily life often. This class taught me to think more critically as a student.

Considering both the limitations and possibilities of the subject matter and the course, how would you rate the overall effectiveness of this course?

- ◊ 7-Extremely Effective

On average, how many hours per week have you spent on this course, including attending classes, doing readings, reviewing notes, writing papers, and any other course-related work?

- ◊ 7-9

How many class (or section) sessions did you attend?

- ◊ More than half

How satisfied were you with your effort in this course (or section)?

- ◊ 6

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The instructor presented content in an organized manner.

- ◊ 7-Very

The instructor explained concepts clearly.

- ◊ 5

The instructor was helpful when I had difficulties or questions.

- ◊ 7-Very

The instructor provided clear constructive feedback.

- ◊ 5

The instructor encouraged student questions and participation.

- ◊ 7-Very

Considering both the limitations and possibilities of the subject matter and the course, how would you rate the overall effectiveness of this graduate student instructor?

- ◊ 6

The course was effectively organized.

- ◊ 7-Very

The course developed my abilities and skills for the subject.

- ◊ 7-Very

The course developed my ability to think critically about the subject.

- ◊ 6

Please identify what you consider to be the strengths of the course (or section).

- ◊ Prof. Phillips was really clear in covering any questions, especially ones that branched out from the topic in different directions

Please identify area(s) where you think the course could be improved.

- ◊ We could study the different waves of feminism in a more inclusive manner

What advice would you give to another student who is considering taking this course?

- ◊ Go to every lecture and do as many readings as possible

On average, how many hours per week have you spent on this course, including attending classes, doing readings, reviewing notes, writing papers, and any other course-related work?

- ◊ 7-9

How many class (or section) sessions did you attend?

- ◊ More than half

How satisfied were you with your effort in this course (or section)?

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The instructor provided clear constructive feedback.

- ◊ 7-Very

The instructor encouraged student questions and participation.

- ◊ 7-Very

Considering both the limitations and possibilities of the subject matter and the course, how would you rate the overall effectiveness of this graduate student instructor?

- ◊ 7-Extremely Effective

The course was effectively organized.

- ◊ 7-Very

The course developed my abilities and skills for the subject.

- ◊ 7-Very

The course developed my ability to think critically about the subject.

- ◊ 7-Very

Please identify what you consider to be the strengths of the course (or section).

- ◊ Everything. There's so much to learn in this course and I felt my critical thinking skills got a lot stronger around the subject matter.

Please identify area(s) where you think the course could be improved.

- ◊ I am not sure there's anything to be improved.

What advice would you give to another student who is considering taking this course?

- ◊ Engage in the course. Work on your essay early. Attend lecture. Go to office hours. It'll be rewarding.

Considering both the limitations and possibilities of the subject matter and the course, how would you rate the overall effectiveness of this course?

- ◊ 7-Extremely Effective

On average, how many hours per week have you spent on this course, including attending classes, doing readings, reviewing notes, writing papers, and any other course-related work?

- ◊ 7-9

How many class (or section) sessions did you attend?

- ◊ All

How satisfied were you with your effort in this course (or section)?

- ◊ 7-Very

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The instructor encouraged student questions and participation.

- ◊ 7-Very

Considering both the limitations and possibilities of the subject matter and the course, how would you rate the overall effectiveness of this graduate student instructor?

- ◊ 7-Extremely Effective

The course was effectively organized.

- ◊ 7-Very

The course developed my abilities and skills for the subject.

- ◊ 7-Very

The course developed my ability to think critically about the subject.

- ◊ 7-Very

Please identify what you consider to be the strengths of the course (or section).

- ◊ This course was very clear, well organized, interesting, and Melanie was very accessible to all the students and encouraged questions and participation. It was an outstanding course and one of my absolute favorite classes I have taken at Cal!

Please identify area(s) where you think the course could be improved.

- ◊ I think perhaps spending more time on the regional focuses would be beneficial, but I understand that with the time constraints that might not be possible.

What advice would you give to another student who is considering taking this course?

- ◊ Do the readings as you go and put a lot of effort into your paper early on. Also definitely go in for office hours! Melanie is always very eager to hear from her students and happy to help!!

Considering both the limitations and possibilities of the subject matter and the course, how would you rate the overall effectiveness of this course?

- ◊ 7-Extremely Effective

On average, how many hours per week have you spent on this course, including attending classes, doing readings, reviewing notes, writing papers, and any other course-related work?

- ◊ 10-12

How many class (or section) sessions did you attend?

- ◊ All

How satisfied were you with your effort in this course (or section)?

- ◊ 7-Very

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The course developed my ability to think critically about the subject.

- ◊ 7-Very

Please identify what you consider to be the strengths of the course (or section).

- ◊ The course was very well organized and informative. I took a lot from it. I was glad to build on my research skills and apply them to an well thought out essay in comparative politics.

Please identify area(s) where you think the course could be improved.

- ◊ Overall, I thought that this was a fantastic course, even despite the issues we had regarding COVID-19 and transitioning to online learning. I think the only thing to be improved would be having more structured discussion sections.

What advice would you give to another student who is considering taking this course?

- ◊ Go to section and lecture, ask questions, start studying/working on your paper little by little ahead of time

Considering both the limitations and possibilities of the subject matter and the course, how would you rate the overall effectiveness of this course?

- ◊ 7-Extremely Effective

On average, how many hours per week have you spent on this course, including attending classes, doing readings, reviewing notes, writing papers, and any other course-related work?

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How many class (or section) sessions did you attend?

- ◊ All

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The course developed my ability to think critically about the subject.

- ◊ 7-Very

Please identify what you consider to be the strengths of the course (or section).

- ◊ So organized. Very accessible professor. Interesting material.

What advice would you give to another student who is considering taking this course?

- ◊ Use the study resources provided

Considering both the limitations and possibilities of the subject matter and the course, how would you rate the overall effectiveness of this course?

- ◊ 7-Extremely Effective

On average, how many hours per week have you spent on this course, including attending classes, doing readings, reviewing notes, writing papers, and any other course-related work?

- ◊ 4-6

How many class (or section) sessions did you attend?

- ◊ All

How satisfied were you with your effort in this course (or section)?

- ◊ 7-Very

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The course developed my abilities and skills for the subject.

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The course developed my ability to think critically about the subject.

- ◊ 7-Very

Please identify what you consider to be the strengths of the course (or section).

- ◊ The targeted sections of the lectures was very useful and not having to purchase extra reading materials was extremely helpful

Please identify area(s) where you think the course could be improved.

- ◊ Not having more time on regional politics made it a bit difficult to fully learn about the regions

What advice would you give to another student who is considering taking this course?

- ◊ Keep up with the readings and follow lecture closely, though the slides are generally enough to have for notes

Considering both the limitations and possibilities of the subject matter and the course, how would you rate the overall effectiveness of this course?

- ◊ 7-Extremely Effective

On average, how many hours per week have you spent on this course, including attending classes, doing readings, reviewing notes, writing papers, and any other course-related work?

- ◊ 4-6

How many class (or section) sessions did you attend?

- ◊ More than half

How satisfied were you with your effort in this course (or section)?

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The instructor explained concepts clearly.

- ◊ 7-Very

The instructor was helpful when I had difficulties or questions.

- ◊ 7-Very

The instructor provided clear constructive feedback.

- ◊ 7-Very

The instructor encouraged student questions and participation.

- ◊ 7-Very

Considering both the limitations and possibilities of the subject matter and the course, how would you rate the overall effectiveness of this graduate student instructor?

- ◊ 7-Extremely Effective

The course was effectively organized.

- ◊ 7-Very

The course developed my abilities and skills for the subject.

- ◊ 7-Very

The course developed my ability to think critically about the subject.

- ◊ 7-Very

Please identify what you consider to be the strengths of the course (or section).

- ◊ AMAZING lectures! Both GSI and professor worked to make the course incredible and very clear! Great teamwork on their end. Lectures were very clear and informative expanding on the reading! Was excited to come to class! The expectations of the students are clear. Great conversation and discussions! Overall 12 out of 10 (:

Please identify area(s) where you think the course could be improved.

- ◊ Excellent! Thankful for the flexibility during the tough times. The encouragement and passion I get from professor is outstanding!

What advice would you give to another student who is considering taking this course?

- ◊ TAKE THE COURSE!! JUST DO IT! YOU WILL NOT REGRET IT!

Considering both the limitations and possibilities of the subject matter and the course, how would you rate the overall effectiveness of this course?

- ◊ 7-Extremely Effective

On average, how many hours per week have you spent on this course, including attending classes, doing readings, reviewing notes, writing papers, and any other course-related work?

- ◊ 10-12

How many class (or section) sessions did you attend?

- ◊ More than half

How satisfied were you with your effort in this course (or section)?

- ◊ 6

Courses Name: POL SCI 140M LEC 001 TOPICS IN COMP POL (EVAL FOR GSI)

Instructors Name: Melanie Phillips

The instructor presented content in an organized manner.

- ◊ 7-Very

The instructor explained concepts clearly.

- ◊ 7-Very

The instructor was helpful when I had difficulties or questions.

- ◊ 7-Very

The instructor provided clear constructive feedback.

- ◊ 7-Very

The instructor encouraged student questions and participation.

- ◊ 7-Very

Considering both the limitations and possibilities of the subject matter and the course, how would you rate the overall effectiveness of this graduate student instructor?

- ◊ 7-Extremely Effective

The course was effectively organized.

- ◊ 7-Very

The course developed my abilities and skills for the subject.

- ◊ 7-Very

The course developed my ability to think critically about the subject.

- ◊ 7-Very

Please identify what you consider to be the strengths of the course (or section).

- ◊ Teaching style was very entertaining and interactive. Information was presented fast yet effective so students weren't lost and lessons did not drag on. Translated well online.

What advice would you give to another student who is considering taking this course?

- ◊ Take it! It's a great course and the GSI and professor were very helpful to all students. The research paper we had to write was a great help for all and the professor did as much as she could to help us keep up with writing and better our skills. Learned a lot! 10/10!

Considering both the limitations and possibilities of the subject matter and the course, how would you rate the overall effectiveness of this course?

- ◊ 7-Extremely Effective

On average, how many hours per week have you spent on this course, including attending classes, doing readings, reviewing notes, writing papers, and any other course-related work?

- ◊ 10-12

How many class (or section) sessions did you attend?

- ◊ All

How satisfied were you with your effort in this course (or section)?

- ◊ 7-Very

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- ◊ 7-Very

The instructor encouraged student questions and participation.

- ◊ 7-Very

Considering both the limitations and possibilities of the subject matter and the course, how would you rate the overall effectiveness of this graduate student instructor?

- ◊ 7-Extremely Effective

The course was effectively organized.

- ◊ 7-Very

The course developed my abilities and skills for the subject.

- ◊ 7-Very

The course developed my ability to think critically about the subject.

- ◊ 7-Very

Please identify what you consider to be the strengths of the course (or section).

- ◊ Melanie is an excellent instructor and cares a lot about students learning research skills in poli sci. She made me care a lot about this class.

Please identify area(s) where you think the course could be improved.

- ◊ n/a

What advice would you give to another student who is considering taking this course?

- ◊ 100% recommend to another student

Considering both the limitations and possibilities of the subject matter and the course, how would you rate the overall effectiveness of this course?

- ◊ 7-Extremely Effective

On average, how many hours per week have you spent on this course, including attending classes, doing readings, reviewing notes, writing papers, and any other course-related work?

- ◊ 7-9

How many class (or section) sessions did you attend?

- ◊ All

How satisfied were you with your effort in this course (or section)?

- ◊ 7-Very

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- ◊ 7-Very

The instructor was helpful when I had difficulties or questions.

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The instructor provided clear constructive feedback.

- ◊ 7-Very

The instructor encouraged student questions and participation.

- ◊ 7-Very

Considering both the limitations and possibilities of the subject matter and the course, how would you rate the overall effectiveness of this graduate student instructor?

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The course was effectively organized.

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The course developed my abilities and skills for the subject.

- ◊ 7-Very

The course developed my ability to think critically about the subject.

- ◊ 7-Very

Please identify what you consider to be the strengths of the course (or section).

- ◊ Discussion

What advice would you give to another student who is considering taking this course?

- ◊ Do the readings

Considering both the limitations and possibilities of the subject matter and the course, how would you rate the overall effectiveness of this course?

- ◊ 7-Extremely Effective

On average, how many hours per week have you spent on this course, including attending classes, doing readings, reviewing notes, writing papers, and any other course-related work?

- ◊ 4-6

How many class (or section) sessions did you attend?

- ◊ All

How satisfied were you with your effort in this course (or section)?

- ◊ 7-Very

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- ◊ 7-Very

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- ◊ 7-Extremely Effective

The course was effectively organized.

- ◊ 7-Very

The course developed my abilities and skills for the subject.

- ◊ 7-Very

The course developed my ability to think critically about the subject.

- ◊ 7-Very

Please identify what you consider to be the strengths of the course (or section).

- ◊ Cat was a thoughtful, smart, approachable, kind GSI

Considering both the limitations and possibilities of the subject matter and the course, how would you rate the overall effectiveness of this course?

- ◊ 7-Extremely Effective

On average, how many hours per week have you spent on this course, including attending classes, doing readings, reviewing notes, writing papers, and any other course-related work?

- ◊ 3 or fewer

How many class (or section) sessions did you attend?

- ◊ All

How satisfied were you with your effort in this course (or section)?

- ◊ 7-Very

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The instructor explained concepts clearly.

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- ◊ 7-Very

The instructor provided clear constructive feedback.

- ◊ 7-Very

The instructor encouraged student questions and participation.

- ◊ 7-Very

Considering both the limitations and possibilities of the subject matter and the course, how would you rate the overall effectiveness of this graduate student instructor?

- ◊ 7-Extremely Effective

The course was effectively organized.

- ◊ 7-Very

The course developed my abilities and skills for the subject.

- ◊ 7-Very

The course developed my ability to think critically about the subject.

- ◊ 7-Very

Please identify what you consider to be the strengths of the course (or section).

- ◊ The course is very well rounded in terms of content and the paper assignments are very organized and helpful.

Considering both the limitations and possibilities of the subject matter and the course, how would you rate the overall effectiveness of this course?

- ◊ 7-Extremely Effective

On average, how many hours per week have you spent on this course, including attending classes, doing readings, reviewing notes, writing papers, and any other course-related work?

- ◊ 10-12

How many class (or section) sessions did you attend?

- ◊ All

How satisfied were you with your effort in this course (or section)?

- ◊ 7-Very

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- ◊ 7-Very

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The course was effectively organized.

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The course developed my abilities and skills for the subject.

- ◊ 7-Very

The course developed my ability to think critically about the subject.

- ◊ 7-Very

Please identify what you consider to be the strengths of the course (or section).

- ◊ Melanie is incredibly organized with her lectures and the main points she wants students to take away

Please identify area(s) where you think the course could be improved.

- ◊ Finding ways for section to truly be helpful could be improved

What advice would you give to another student who is considering taking this course?

- ◊ Work on your quick typing! Melanie goes quickly through the slides!

Considering both the limitations and possibilities of the subject matter and the course, how would you rate the overall effectiveness of this course?

- ◊ 7-Extremely Effective

On average, how many hours per week have you spent on this course, including attending classes, doing readings, reviewing notes, writing papers, and any other course-related work?

- ◊ 4-6

How many class (or section) sessions did you attend?

- ◊ All

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- ◊ 5

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The course was effectively organized.

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The course developed my abilities and skills for the subject.

- ◊ 7-Very

The course developed my ability to think critically about the subject.

- ◊ 7-Very

Please identify what you consider to be the strengths of the course (or section).

- ◊ Melanie was very down to earth! She would crack jokes with us, making her more approachable. I value that in a teacher because it makes me want to study harder.

What advice would you give to another student who is considering taking this course?

- ◊ Just do Melanie tells you to do! She really wants you to succeed and she'll do whatever it takes to do that for you. It's really obvious that she cares because she's been in our position in recent years. She just understands, it's so incredibly comforting to know a Professor is on your side.

Considering both the limitations and possibilities of the subject matter and the course, how would you rate the overall effectiveness of this course?

- ◊ 7-Extremely Effective

On average, how many hours per week have you spent on this course, including attending classes, doing readings, reviewing notes, writing papers, and any other course-related work?

- ◊ 7-9

How many class (or section) sessions did you attend?

- ◊ All

How satisfied were you with your effort in this course (or section)?

- ◊ 7-Very

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Please identify what you consider to be the strengths of the course (or section).

- ◊ Organization and communication are two strong suits of the course. It was very clear to students what expectations were and what were the necessary requirements to excel in the class.

Please identify area(s) where you think the course could be improved.

- ◊ N/A. This course was wonderful

What advice would you give to another student who is considering taking this course?

- ◊ Attend lecture, they are all very interesting

Considering both the limitations and possibilities of the subject matter and the course, how would you rate the overall effectiveness of this course?

- ◊ 7-Extremely Effective

On average, how many hours per week have you spent on this course, including attending classes, doing readings, reviewing notes, writing papers, and any other course-related work?

- ◊ 4-6

How many class (or section) sessions did you attend?

- ◊ All

How satisfied were you with your effort in this course (or section)?

- ◊ 7-Very

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The instructor encouraged student questions and participation.

- ◊ 6

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- ◊ 6

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- ◊ 7-Very

The course developed my abilities and skills for the subject.

- ◊ 6

The course developed my ability to think critically about the subject.

- ◊ 6

Please identify what you consider to be the strengths of the course (or section).

- ◊ Melanie is super organized and is clearly knowledgeable on the subject. She is very approachable and reasonable, which is nice as many other Berkeley professors are not. I also found the reading and paper assignment to be enjoyable

Please identify area(s) where you think the course could be improved.

- ◊ She sometimes moved too fast through lecture material

What advice would you give to another student who is considering taking this course?

- ◊ Definitely do all of the readings and stay on top of it

Considering both the limitations and possibilities of the subject matter and the course, how would you rate the overall effectiveness of this course?

- ◊ 6

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Please identify what you consider to be the strengths of the course (or section).

- ◊ Organized great, super easy to follow. Prof. is helpful when you reach out. Very responsive to questions. She really cares about her students. Best prof I have ever had by far.

Please identify area(s) where you think the course could be improved.

- ◊ Sometimes prof. makes claims in lecture not backed by evidence.

What advice would you give to another student who is considering taking this course?

- ◊ Definitely take this course and take the time to engage with the prof. She is very approachable and helpful.

Considering both the limitations and possibilities of the subject matter and the course, how would you rate the overall effectiveness of this course?

- ◊ 7-Extremely Effective

On average, how many hours per week have you spent on this course, including attending classes, doing readings, reviewing notes, writing papers, and any other course-related work?

- ◊ 7-9

How many class (or section) sessions did you attend?

- ◊ All

How satisfied were you with your effort in this course (or section)?

- ◊ 7-Very

