



Instructor with Comments Report

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Instructor: Kerner, Andrew Michael
POLSCI 498 001 - INTLSTD 401 008

	Responses from your Students**							Other Users of This Item*			School/College		
	5	4	3	2	1	Your	University Wide			75%	50%	25%	
	SA	A	N	D	SD	NA	Median	75% Above	50% Above	25% Above	75% Above	50% Above	25% Above
4 I had a strong desire to take this course.	9	0	1	1	0	0	4.89	3.75	4.19	4.64	3.94	4.25	4.63
891 As compared with other courses of equal credit, the workload for this course was (SA=Much Lighter, A=Lighter, N=Typical, D=Heavier, SD=Much Heavier).	1	2	2	5	1	0	2.40	2.83	3.13	3.42			
1631 This course advanced my understanding of the subject matter.	10	1	0	0	0	0	4.95	4.10	4.41	4.75			
1632 My interest in the subject has increased because of this course.	9	1	1	0	0	0	4.89	3.75	4.19	4.63			
1633 I knew what was expected of me in this course. (SA=Almost Always, A=Frequently, N=Sometimes, D=Occasionally, SD=Hardly Ever).	8	1	1	1	0	0	4.81	4.00	4.33	4.67			
230 The instructor seemed well prepared for class meetings. (SA=Almost Always, A=Frequently, N=Sometimes, D=Occasionally, SD=Hardly Ever)	9	2	0	0	0	0	4.89	4.50	4.80	4.92			
199 The instructor explained material clearly. (SA=Almost Always, A=Frequently, N=Sometimes, D=Occasionally, SD=Hardly Ever)	7	2	2	0	0	0	4.71	4.25	4.67	4.86			
217 The instructor treated students with respect.	9	2	0	0	0	0	4.89	4.69	4.86	4.95			
1 Overall, this was an excellent course.	7	3	1	0	0	0	4.71	3.88	4.31	4.71	4.00	4.38	4.70
2 Overall, the instructor was an excellent teacher.	9	2	0	0	0	0	4.89	4.33	4.73	4.90	4.37	4.75	4.90
3 I learned a great deal from this course.	9	1	1	0	0	0	4.89	4.00	4.36	4.71	4.15	4.50	4.73
121 I gained a good understanding of concepts/principles in this field.	9	2	0	0	0	0	4.89	3.96	4.25	4.63			
140 I deepened my interest in the subject matter of this course.	10	0	1	0	0	0	4.95	3.90	4.25	4.63			
143 I was stimulated to discuss related topics outside of class.	9	1	0	1	0	0	4.89	3.75	4.00	4.50			
163 I developed greater awareness of societal problems.	9	1	1	0	0	0	4.89	4.00	4.25	4.67			
165 I learned to value new viewpoints.	7	4	0	0	0	0	4.71	4.00	4.20	4.50			
173 I increased my awareness of my own interests and talents.	8	2	0	1	0	0	4.81	4.17	4.50	4.75			
360 Exams were reasonable in length and difficulty.	5	0	3	0	0	3	4.70	3.75	4.06	4.43			
363 The examinations were graded very carefully and fairly.	3	4	0	1	0	3	4.25	n/a	n/a	n/a			
394 I learned to apply principles to other problems and issues.	6	5	0	0	0	0	4.58	n/a	n/a	n/a			
892 Students felt comfortable asking questions.	8	0	2	1	0	0	4.81	4.28	4.63	4.83			
893 Graded assignments reflected the material covered.	8	2	1	0	0	0	4.81	4.17	4.50	4.75			
894 The grades in this course were fairly determined.	5	5	1	0	0	0	4.40	4.08	4.42	4.71			
895 Students' difficulty with the material was recognized.	6	3	2	0	0	0	4.58	3.95	4.25	4.58			
896 My expected grade in this course is (SA=A, A=B, N=C, D=D, SD=E).	9	2	0	0	0	0	4.89	4.42	4.75	4.89			
897 The course requirements were clearly defined.	7	2	1	1	0	0	4.71	4.17	4.50	4.75			
898 The instructor presented material clearly in lectures/discussions.	8	2	1	0	0	0	4.81	4.39	4.72	4.88			

Written Comments

900 Comment on the quality of instruction in this course.

Student 1

Interesting and challenging course! Learned a lot. Thanks for the great semester!

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Student 2

Post lecture notes after class. Be consistent in the enforcement of the no technology policy. Prof. Kerner is very intelligent and well-versed in all things debt and finance related. Not enough opportunities for questions from students.

Student 3

NA

Student 4

NA

Student 5

Prof. Kerner provides very clear and succinct explanations, being able to boil down complex papers to relatively clear-cut summaries. Reading load was possibly a bit heavy, but far from unmanageable.

Student 6

Professor Kerner is hands-down one of the best educators at this university. He manages to put together a curriculum that is appropriately challenging while still being engaging. He somehow makes an ostensibly dry topic deeply compelling, in terms of economic arguments as well as moral arguments. I feel like I have learned more from Professor Kerner's courses than any other in the Political Science department. If I could grade the professor, I'd give him an A+.

Student 7

Professor Kerner explains very complicated topics well. Although he uses jargon, he is willing to clarify any topic as long as you are willing to ask the question?he's always willing to answer questions. I learned much more about politics, debt, research design, and to look at things with a healthy level of healthy skepticism because of Professor Kerner. I believe those are all truly valuable.

Student 8

This was one of the best classes I ever took. Discussion based lectures in a setting such as this(smaller classroom with "lecture" done by professor who leads discussion, but doesn't control it; 70/30 split with him speaking/discussion) are much more beneficial than most lectures I have ever attended.

Student 9

Overall awesome course.

Student 10

Professor Kerner is interesting as a lecturer, though at some points I wish class was more than just a discussion of the readings and went more towards maybe a 30 minute base level lecture on the subject being discussed. Also at some points the amount of reading seemed overwhelming, especially when Monday and Wednesday didn't necessarily cover the same topics.

Student 11

I've taken 2 courses by Kerner now and both classes have been exceptional. Kerner is extremely helpful and clear and he consistently facilitates interesting and multifaceted group discussions.

* The quartiles are calculated from Fall 2016 data. The university-wide quartiles are based on all UM classes in which an item was used. The school/college quartiles in this report are based on upper division classes with an enrollment of 16 to 74 students in Division of Social Sciences in the College of LS&A.

** SA - Strongly Agree, A - Agree, N - Neutral, D - Disagree, SD - Strongly Disagree, NA - Not Applicable.