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## Fall 2018 report for PUBPOL 495-006: Policy Seminar (Andrew Kerner)

Project Title: **Central Campus Fall 2018 Evaluation**

Course Audience: **10**  
Responses Received: **8**  
Response Ratio: **80.0%**

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### Report Comments

This detailed report displays individual student ratings and comments from the Fall 2018 teaching evaluation of PUBPOL 495-006: Policy Seminar.

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## Responses to the University-wide questions about the course:

	SA	A	N	D	SD	N/A	Your Median	University-Wide Median	School/College Median
This course advanced my understanding of the subject matter.	7	1	0	0	0	0	4.9	4.5	4.6
My interest in the subject has increased because of this course.	4	4	0	0	0	0	4.5	4.1	4.3
I knew what was expected of me in this course.	3	5	0	0	0	0	4.3	4.4	4.5
Overall, this was an excellent course.	7	1	0	0	0	0	4.9	4.2	4.4
I had a strong desire to take this course.	2	4	1	1	0	0	4.0	4.0	4.1
As compared with other courses of equal credit, the workload for this course was... (SA=Much Lighter to SD=Much Heavier)	0	0	8	0	0	0	3.0	3.0	3.0

## Responses to the University-wide questions about the instructor:

	SA	A	N	D	SD	N/A	Your Median	University-Wide Median	School/College Median
Overall, Andrew Kerner was an excellent teacher.	7	1	0	0	0	0	4.9	4.5	4.6
Andrew Kerner seemed well prepared for class meetings.	7	1	0	0	0	0	4.9	4.8	4.8
Andrew Kerner explained material clearly.	6	2	0	0	0	0	4.8	4.6	4.7
Andrew Kerner treated students with respect.	7	1	0	0	0	0	4.9	4.8	4.8

## Responses to additional questions about the course:

	SA	A	N	D	SD	N/A	Your Median	University-Wide Median
I developed the ability to solve real problems in this field. (Q125)	3	3	1	0	0	1	4.3	4.3
I developed skills needed by professionals in this field. (Q180)	3	0	4	0	0	1	3.4	4.3

## Responses to additional questions about the instructor:

	SA	A	N	D	SD	N/A	Your Median	University-Wide Median
Andrew Kerner was willing to meet and help students outside class. (Q219)	6	2	0	0	0	0	4.8	4.7
Andrew Kerner appeared open to viewpoints besides her or his own. (Q249)	6	2	0	0	0	0	4.8	4.7
Andrew Kerner was sensitive to diversity issues in the classroom. (Q1396)	3	4	0	0	0	1	4.4	4.7

The medians are calculated from Fall 2018 data. University-wide medians are based on all UM classes in which an item was used. The school/college medians in this report are based on Ford School of Public Policy classes.

- ◊ Strongly Agree
5. **I had a strong desire to take this course.**
    - ◊ Strongly Agree
  6. **As compared with other courses of equal credit, the workload for this course was...**
    - ◊ Typical
  7. **Overall, Andrew Kerner was an excellent teacher.**
    - ◊ Strongly Agree
  8. **Andrew Kerner seemed well prepared for class meetings.**
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    - ◊ Strongly Agree
  15. **Andrew Kerner was sensitive to diversity issues in the classroom. (Q1396)**
    - ◊ Agree
  16. **Comment on the quality of instruction in this course. (Q900)**
    - ◊ Professor Kerner is an incredibly knowledgeable instructor who consistently elevated class discussion with ample opportunity for class participation and interesting class subjects. The class was well paced with a great selection of readings that thoroughly explored each topic.
  17. **How can this course be improved? (Q926)**
    - ◊ Perhaps by providing some rudimentary in-class slides would help a bit. There was no in-class materials, just discussion. This worked well with Professor Kerner's teaching style, but sometimes it could help.
  18. **What were the strengths of the course ? (Q953)**
    - ◊ Topic and reading selection and class discussion.

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2. **My interest in the subject has increased because of this course.**
  - ◊ Agree
3. **I knew what was expected of me in this course.**
  - ◊ Frequently
4. **Overall, this was an excellent course.**
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11. **I developed the ability to solve real problems in this field. (Q125)**

## Individual Response Sheets

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  - ◊ Frequently
4. **Overall, this was an excellent course.**
  - ◊ Strongly Agree
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  - ◊ Neutral
6. **As compared with other courses of equal credit, the workload for this course was...**
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  - ◊ Agree
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  - ◊ Strongly Agree
- 16. **Comment on the quality of instruction in this course. (Q900)**
  - ◊ I really enjoyed this class! It was challenging but rewarding.
- 17. **How can this course be improved? (Q926)**
  - ◊ I'm not sure, to be honest. It was a good course!
- 18. **What were the strengths of the course ? (Q953)**
  - ◊ I like the variety of topics, as well as the depth with which we analyzed those topics.

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  - ◊ Agree
3. **I knew what was expected of me in this course.**
  - ◊ Frequently
4. **Overall, this was an excellent course.**
  - ◊ Strongly Agree
5. **I had a strong desire to take this course.**
  - ◊ Disagree
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  - ◊ Agree
16. **Comment on the quality of instruction in this course. (Q900)**
  - ◊ Professor Kerner was extremely knowledgeable about the course topic but managed to make the topic accessible to people like me who did not know much about it coming into the class
17. **How can this course be improved? (Q926)**
  - ◊ Maybe having lecture slides
18. **What were the strengths of the course ? (Q953)**
  - ◊ I felt I was always able to ask questions or comment during class

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**16. Comment on the quality of instruction in this course. (Q900)**

- ◊ Amazing professor and interesting course

**17. How can this course be improved? (Q926)**

- ◊ Nothing to be improved!

**18. What were the strengths of the course ? (Q953)**

- ◊ Really interesting readings and in-class discussions.

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**16. Comment on the quality of instruction in this course. (Q900)**

- ◊ Fantastic! Professor Kerner is not just always incredibly prepared to teach, but comes prepared with probing and insightful questions that instigated robust and lively discussions about debt, which on its surface could be interpreted as a bland topic for a whole course to cover. But Professor Kerner engaged directly with students and forced the students to be thinking at a high-level.

**17. How can this course be improved? (Q926)**



- ◊ While the class conversations were always lively, the week-in, week-out of just having discussions at times felt a bit monotonous. Maybe the incorporation of movies or other ways of teaching could further bolster this class.

**18. What were the strengths of the course ? (Q953)**

- ◊ The quality and insight of the readings; the great conversations; and the panel events.

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- 16. Comment on the quality of instruction in this course. (Q900)**
  - ◊ This course was phenomenal — very interactive and informative.
- 17. How can this course be improved? (Q926)**
  - ◊ N/a
- 18. What were the strengths of the course ? (Q953)**
  - ◊ The class discussion & presentations were very informative.

