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Report: Course Evaluation to the Instructors

Dear Schoenherr,

This email contains evaluation results for POLI452-001-FALL-2021 / PoliScienc:

Global values are indicated first, including the average values, consisting of the following:

- MANDATED QUESTIONS (Please mark one box within the scale per question)
- POLITICAL SCIENCE QUESTIONS (Please mark one box within the scale per question)
- MISCELLANEOUS QUESTIONS (Please mark one box within the scale per question)

In the next part of the analysis, the average values of all individual questions are indicated, consisting of the following:

- DEMOGRAPHICS
- MANDATED QUESTIONS
- POLITICAL SCIENCE QUESTIONS
- MISCELLANEOUS QUESTIONS
- PROFILE

Finally, the last part of the analysis is indicated, consisting of the following:

- OPEN-ENDED COMMENTS

SPECIAL NOTE:

1) Within the DEMOGRAPHICS area, the options indicated on your respective summary are only those that were actually selected by the students. For example, if all of your students indicated they were expecting either an A or B for the course, only A or B would be indicated as options - although C, D, or F were options as well; however, if none of your students answered a particular question, that question will not appear at all.

2) You will receive a separate report regarding "comparison results" which compares your respective course to others within its course level (100-200, 300-400, 500, and 700-800).

Jessica Schoenherr

POLI452-001-FALL-2021 (POLI452-001-FALL-2021)

No. of responses = 26

No. of enrolled = 76

% returned = 34.21



Overall indicators

Global Index

2. MANDATED QUESTIONS (Please mark one box within the scale per question)



av.=4.81
dev.=0.38

3. POLITICAL SCIENCE QUESTIONS (Please mark one box within the scale per question)



av.=4.84
dev.=0.35

5. MISCELLANEOUS QUESTIONS (Please mark one box within the scale per question)

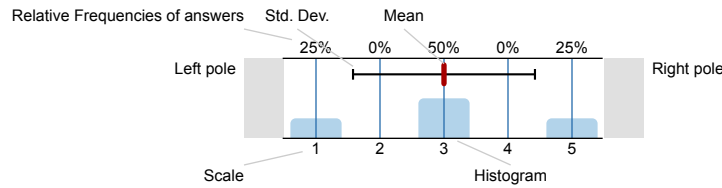


av.=4.72
dev.=0.46

Survey Results

Legend

Question text



n=No. of responses
av.=Mean
dev.=Std. Dev.
ab.=Abstention

1. DEMOGRAPHICS (Please mark one box per question)

1.1) What is your gender?

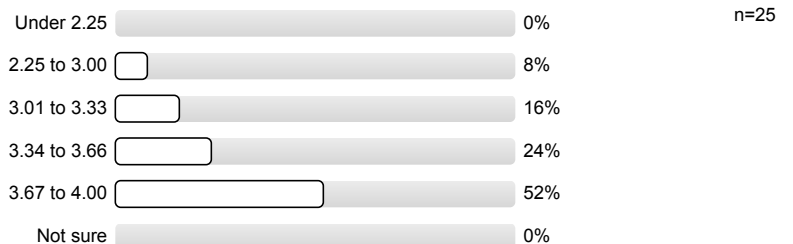


1.2) What is your current class rank?

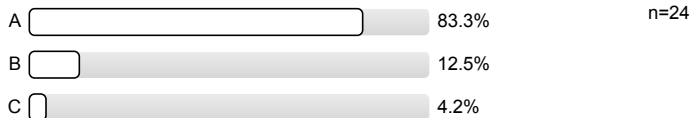


1.3) If you are a graduate student, what is your standing? The evaluation will not be displayed due to low response rate.

1.4) What is your current grade point average?



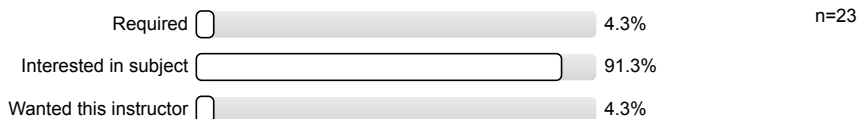
1.5) What grade do you expect to receive in this course?



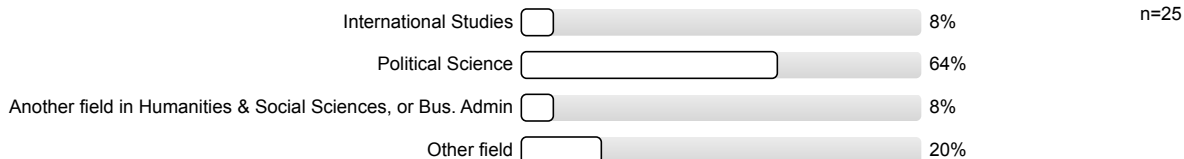
1.6) Is this course required for your degree program?



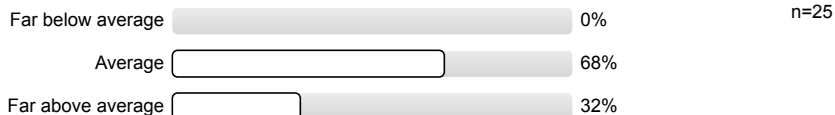
1.7) Why did you take this course?



1.8) What is your current major program?

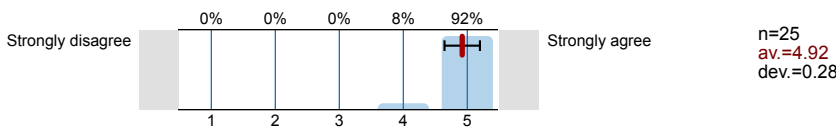


1.9) How do you think your performance in this course compares to other class members?

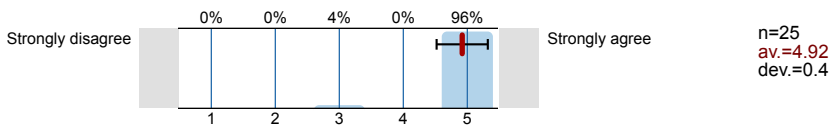


2. MANDATED QUESTIONS (Please mark one box within the scale per question)

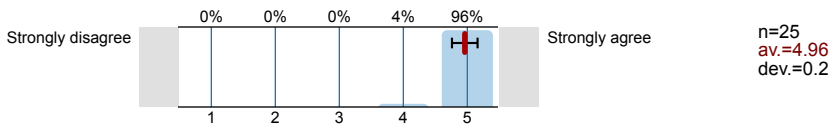
2.1) The instructor clearly stated the learning outcomes of the course.



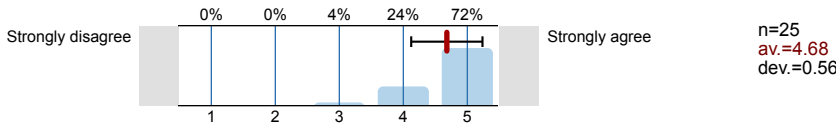
2.2) The instructor clearly stated the method by which your final grade would be determined.

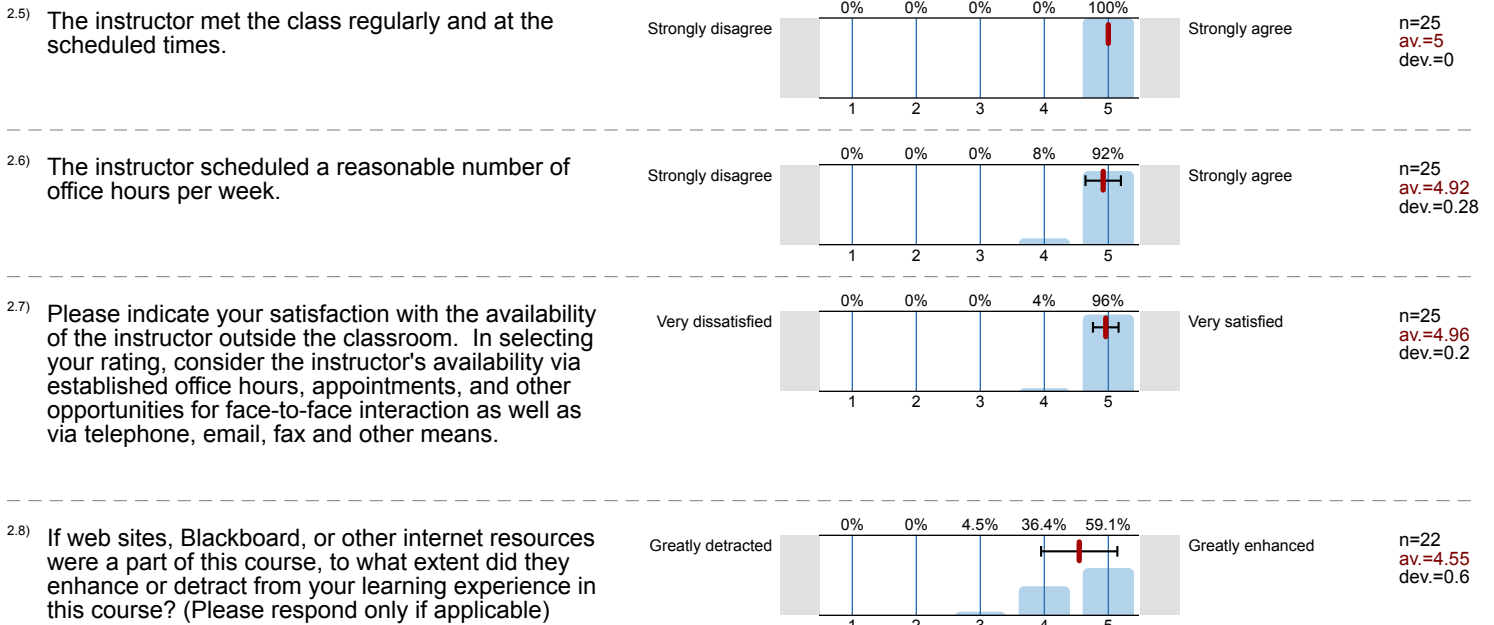


2.3) The instructor clearly explained any special requirements of attendance which differ from the University attendance policy.

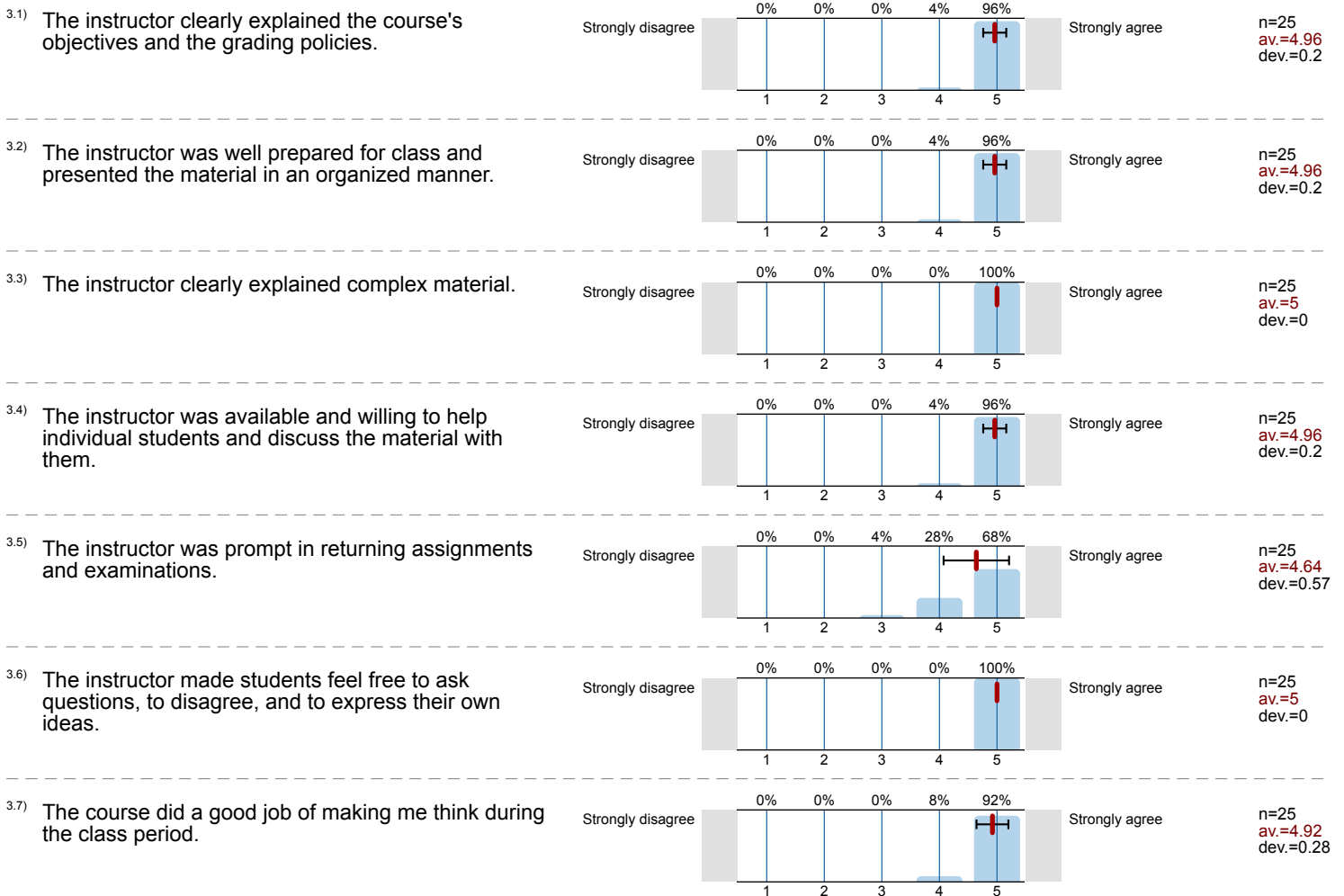


2.4) The instructor graded and returned your written work (e.g., examinations and papers) in a timely manner.



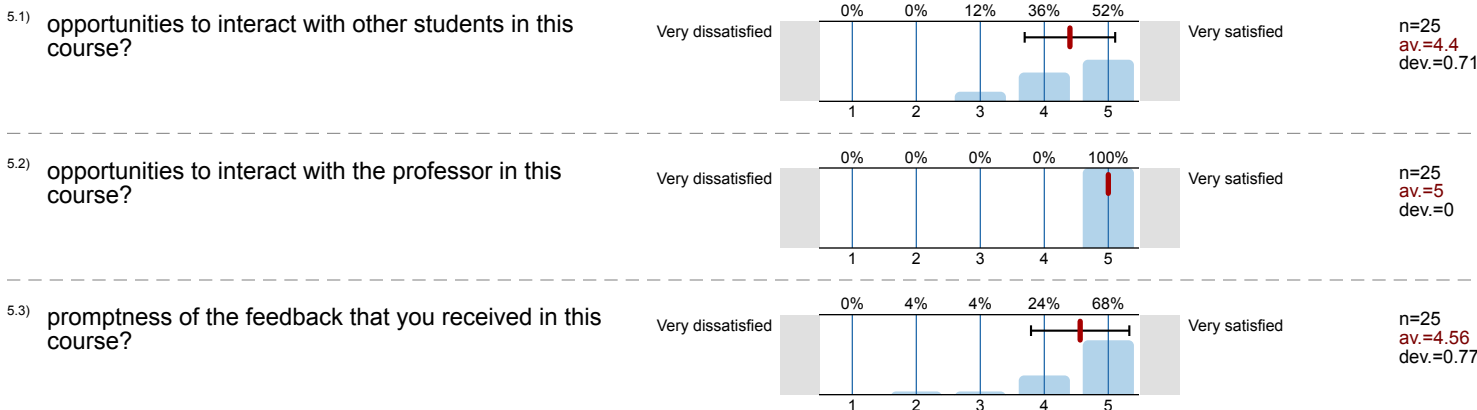


3. POLITICAL SCIENCE QUESTIONS (Please mark one box within the scale per question)

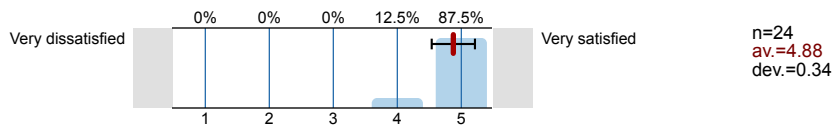




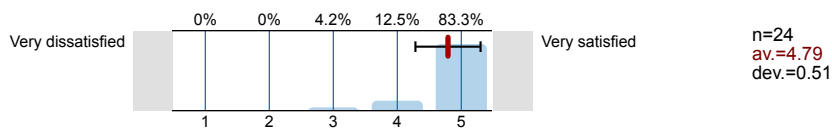
5. MISCELLANEOUS QUESTIONS (Please mark one box within the scale per question)



5.4) technology support required in this course?



5.5) opportunities to access library resources and library support services for this course?



Profile

Subunit: Political Science
 Name of the instructor: Jessica Schoenherr
 Name of the course: POLI452-001-FALL-2021
 (Name of the survey)

Values used in the profile line: Mean

2. MANDATED QUESTIONS (Please mark one box within the scale per question)

2.1) The instructor clearly stated the learning outcomes of the course.	Strongly disagree								Strongly agree	n=25	av.=4.92	md=5.00	dev.=0.28
2.2) The instructor clearly stated the method by which your final grade would be determined.	Strongly disagree								Strongly agree	n=25	av.=4.92	md=5.00	dev.=0.40
2.3) The instructor clearly explained any special requirements of attendance which differ from the University attendance policy.	Strongly disagree								Strongly agree	n=25	av.=4.96	md=5.00	dev.=0.20
2.4) The instructor graded and returned your written work (e.g., examinations and papers) in a timely manner.	Strongly disagree								Strongly agree	n=25	av.=4.68	md=5.00	dev.=0.56
2.5) The instructor met the class regularly and at the scheduled times.	Strongly disagree								Strongly agree	n=25	av.=5.00	md=5.00	dev.=0.00
2.6) The instructor scheduled a reasonable number of office hours per week.	Strongly disagree								Strongly agree	n=25	av.=4.92	md=5.00	dev.=0.28
2.7) Please indicate your satisfaction with the availability of the instructor outside the classroom. In selecting your rating, consider	Very dissatisfied								Very satisfied	n=25	av.=4.96	md=5.00	dev.=0.20
2.8) If web sites, Blackboard, or other internet resources were a part of this course, to what extent did they enhance or detract from your	Greatly detracted								Greatly enhanced	n=22	av.=4.55	md=5.00	dev.=0.60

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3.1) The instructor clearly explained the course's objectives and the grading policies.	Strongly disagree								Strongly agree	n=25	av.=4.96	md=5.00	dev.=0.20
3.2) The instructor was well prepared for class and presented the material in an organized manner.	Strongly disagree								Strongly agree	n=25	av.=4.96	md=5.00	dev.=0.20
3.3) The instructor clearly explained complex material.	Strongly disagree								Strongly agree	n=25	av.=5.00	md=5.00	dev.=0.00
3.4) The instructor was available and willing to help individual students and discuss the material with them.	Strongly disagree								Strongly agree	n=25	av.=4.96	md=5.00	dev.=0.20
3.5) The instructor was prompt in returning assignments and examinations.	Strongly disagree								Strongly agree	n=25	av.=4.64	md=5.00	dev.=0.57
3.6) The instructor made students feel free to ask questions, to disagree, and to express their own ideas.	Strongly disagree								Strongly agree	n=25	av.=5.00	md=5.00	dev.=0.00
3.7) The course did a good job of making me think during the class period.	Strongly disagree								Strongly agree	n=25	av.=4.92	md=5.00	dev.=0.28
3.8) The course improved my ability to analyze in a way which will be useful in the future.	Strongly disagree								Strongly agree	n=25	av.=4.96	md=5.00	dev.=0.20
3.9) The instructor's feedback and comments on papers and examinations were helpful and informative.	Strongly disagree								Strongly agree	n=25	av.=4.60	md=5.00	dev.=0.76
3.10) Examinations and assignments were a fair test of the material covered.	Strongly disagree								Strongly agree	n=25	av.=4.88	md=5.00	dev.=0.44
3.11) Examinations and assignments were graded fairly.	Strongly disagree								Strongly agree	n=25	av.=4.88	md=5.00	dev.=0.33
3.12) The workload was reasonable for a course at this level.	Strongly disagree								Strongly agree	n=25	av.=4.92	md=5.00	dev.=0.28

3.13) The reading assignments added a great deal to what I learned in this course.	Strongly disagree		Strongly agree	n=24	av.=4.50	md=5.00	dev.=0.83
3.14) I worked very hard in this course.	Strongly disagree		Strongly agree	n=25	av.=4.52	md=5.00	dev.=0.65
3.15) This course made a valuable contribution to my education.	Strongly disagree		Strongly agree	n=25	av.=4.80	md=5.00	dev.=0.50
3.16) The instructor is an effective and successful teacher.	Strongly disagree		Strongly agree	n=25	av.=4.96	md=5.00	dev.=0.20

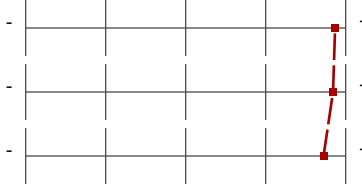
5. MISCELLANEOUS QUESTIONS (Please mark one box within the scale per question)

5.1) opportunities to interact with other students in this course?	Very dissatisfied		Very satisfied	n=25	av.=4.40	md=5.00	dev.=0.71
5.2) opportunities to interact with the professor in this course?	Very dissatisfied		Very satisfied	n=25	av.=5.00	md=5.00	dev.=0.00
5.3) promptness of the feedback that you received in this course?	Very dissatisfied		Very satisfied	n=25	av.=4.56	md=5.00	dev.=0.77
5.4) technology support required in this course?	Very dissatisfied		Very satisfied	n=24	av.=4.88	md=5.00	dev.=0.34
5.5) opportunities to access library resources and library support services for this course?	Very dissatisfied		Very satisfied	n=24	av.=4.79	md=5.00	dev.=0.51

Profile Line for Indicators

Subunit: Political Science
 Name of the instructor: Jessica Schoenherr
 Name of the course: POLI452-001-FALL-2021
 (Name of the survey)

2. MANDATED QUESTIONS (Please mark one box within the scale per question)



av.=4.87

dev.=0.31

3. POLITICAL SCIENCE QUESTIONS (Please mark one box within the scale per question)



av.=4.84

dev.=0.35

5. MISCELLANEOUS QUESTIONS (Please mark one box within the scale per question)



av.=4.72

dev.=0.46

Comments Report

4. OPEN-ENDED COMMENTS (Please keep comments within the box per question)

4.1) What were the best features of the course (e.g. readings, examinations, topics covered)?

The best feature was just having a professor that was very insightful about the subject + very knowledgeable.

I enjoyed the topics we covered. The way she gave out examinations was very fair. I love the way that she fielded students' questions in class easily. I loved reading *The Brethren* - it was a really good book. Overall, the topics covered in the class was very interesting and engaging.

Lectures posted on blackboard and readings to back up materials covered in class

The lectures were all very engaging and informative. I gained a lot from in class discussion and questions

The readings were great and enhanced my classroom experience and learning. The lecture slides were very well organized and informative

I really enjoyed the lectures and also reading *The Brethren*! Also the research papers covered in the class were also really interesting. I really liked learning about the court and judicial legitimacy.

the posted reading material on Blackboard really contributed to the understanding of each subject we covered.

The lectures were very informative and engaging.

Really think some of the topics like BOWW's research contributed greatly.

I really enjoyed the open-ended questions posed about upcoming course content before it was presented & explained in the lecture. It helped me to think more critically and prompted more formative questions about the material that allow me to work with & have a greater comprehension of

Power points, lectures, topics covered

- All the information needed for exams was given in class
- Posting the slides to Blackboard

I think that reading *The Brethren* has been the best look inside the Supreme Court I have ever had

Class instructions and the lectures were well put together and engaging

She lectures really well & efficiently... I have been genuinely interested in the material because she makes it interesting. The writing assignments & quizzes were challenging but rewarding!

professor!

I enjoyed reading the Brethren.

Interesting topics

The topics covered throughout the semester were as interesting as I expected and I could not ask for a better professor.

The Brethren, open-notes quizzes, topics covered

Topics covered and the lectures. I really enjoyed all of the assigned podcasts too.

Topics covered

Reading The Brethren really added to the experience of this class I enjoyed it a lot. Also, the slides were engaging.

The professor was passionate about the course content, and is charismatic. She incentivizes interesting dialogue.

4.2) What were the worst features of the course?

The textbook (textbook) - It is very wordy and you have to read alot just to get small bits of info.

I wish that we could have had days where we would cover current goings-on at the Supreme Court, especially since it is such a tumultuous time for the Court.

Monday/Wed./Friday lectures

Long readings

MWF, I think the course would have been better in a 2 day class format. There was a lot of reading so this would give room for that.

Was a good course! The graphs maybe? The 5-8 line paragraph limit, always felt like too little

The early meeting time was an inconvenience considering how important the material was. Deterred students from coming to class as often.

The timed quizzes. 35 minutes for 15 multiple choice questions and 2 Short-Answer questions were not enough although it was open book.

None. Loved this class.

None

time

- Needed to read alot for written assignments to find specific information, most of the reading was unnecessary to answer questions

I think the podcasts that were assigned didnt add much.

Some of the reading material was excessive or somewhat overbearing. Not the amount of reading, but the content

Reading the Brethren book was a lot. It was just a large book & I feel like if I had "check-in" deadlines for certain chapters to be read at a certain time I would not have had to cram a lot of reading into a short amount of time.

Readings ... but I'm not a fan of reading in general.

35 minutes for quizzes was not enough. Felt rushed, would have done better with 5-10 more minutes.

N/A.

NO CLASSES WERE CANCELLED 😊

Some of the readings were pretty long but not ~~was~~ unreasonable for the course.

Readings were long & complex

Papers sometimes took a while to be graded, but then class sizes were fairly large this semester.

4.3) What were the best aspects of the instructor's teaching?

Just her overall knowledge about the subject

Dr. Schoenherr is one of the best professors I have ever had. She is so intelligent and conveyed the material in ways that were easy to understand. I am a public health major, so I knew nothing about this topic, and I left the course with so much new knowledge. She was so engaging and made me think throughout the entire class time. I cannot say enough good things about this class.

Super engaging, asked tough questions, covers all material very thoroughly, lectures/topics relevant and interesting

Availability and responsiveness outside of class

She was very passionate and enthusiastic about the subject. Her love for the topic reflected in her teaching style.

Engaging w/ us as a class and making sure to explain things thoroughly!

She presented all material clearly and made the class inviting for questions & concerns about the material. If we had more complex questions, we could email her after class & she provided an answer.

Dr. Schoenherr made the content/lectures fun, engaging, and relevant to current events of the law.

Very good at explaining the course material, pausing slides long enough for hand-written note-taking. Answered all questions perfectly.

The professor explained the course content very well, in a way that flowed and allowed for clarification that could not be achieved by simply reading the lecture slides by themselves.

everything. Dr. Schoenherr has been nothing but great. She truly cares for her students, makes all lectures engaging and can answer just about every question thrown at her.

- Reminder emails when things are due
- Gives a range of days to take tests

Instructor was accessible and readily answered questions.

She is interested in the topic, which makes me interested. She is witty & keeps your attention. Her slides are to the point & easy to understand.

very open & relatable

she was always happy to explain topics further & I loved that she included the class in discussions.

Powerpoint notes were very good at explaining the things on the quizzes, exams and writing assignments.

She was very efficient in class when lecturing and always was available for questions during and after class.

thorough, answered questions, good at explaining

Loved the lectures, always looking to help out, great personality.

Passion & Knowledge

She seems to really care for the students and their success. She was always understanding with my health problems.

Her instructing was unique and impactful. She made an effort to answer everyone's questions. She cares about her work.

4.4) What were the worst aspects of the instructor's teaching?

Honestly, I really cannot think of anything bad about the teaching of this course

sometimes hard to hear and understand with mask

Lectures stuck very closely to readings

n/a

Nothing to say here, she was great!

N/A.

None. Amazing teacher.

None.

Nothing - best prof. I have taken.

I had no issues with the teaching style.

I don't have any comments!

I think she's a great professor.

nothing

N/A.

N/A

Great prof!

would take
again

nothing.

Went through slides fast

N/A