

**Student IA Evaluation for Marco Alcocer
Department of Political Science**POLI 30D - Political Inquiry (Galderisi, Peter)
Spring 2020**Number of Evaluations Submitted: 14
Number of Students Enrolled: 170**

1. The Instructional Assistant was well organized and prepared for class.

14 (100.0%): Strongly Agree
0 (0.0%): Agree
0 (0.0%): Neither Agree Nor Disagree
0 (0.0%): Disagree
0 (0.0%): Strongly Disagree
0 (0.0%): Not Applicable

2. The Instructional Assistant consistently arrived at lecture, section/lab, office hours and exams on time.

12 (85.7%): Strongly Agree
2 (14.3%): Agree
0 (0.0%): Neither Agree Nor Disagree
0 (0.0%): Disagree
0 (0.0%): Strongly Disagree
0 (0.0%): Not Applicable

3. The Instructional Assistant presented course material clearly and answered questions accurately in class.

11 (78.6%): Strongly Agree
3 (21.4%): Agree
0 (0.0%): Neither Agree Nor Disagree
0 (0.0%): Disagree
0 (0.0%): Strongly Disagree
0 (0.0%): Not Applicable

4. The Instructional Assistant helped develop my thinking skills on the subject.

11 (78.6%): Strongly Agree
2 (14.3%): Agree
1 (7.1%): Neither Agree Nor Disagree
0 (0.0%): Disagree
0 (0.0%): Strongly Disagree
0 (0.0%): Not Applicable

5. Feedback from the Instructional Assistant on assignments, exams and/or papers was helpful and constructive.

9 (64.3%): Strongly Agree
2 (14.3%): Agree
2 (14.3%): Neither Agree Nor Disagree
0 (0.0%): Disagree
0 (0.0%): Strongly Disagree
1 (7.1%): Not Applicable

6. The Instructional Assistant's explanations were appropriate, being neither too complicated nor too simple.

10 (71.4%): Strongly Agree
3 (21.4%): Agree
1 (7.1%): Neither Agree Nor Disagree
0 (0.0%): Disagree
0 (0.0%): Strongly Disagree
0 (0.0%): Not Applicable

7. The Instructional Assistant answered questions clearly and effectively, helping students to make connections among the course readings, assignments, and lectures.

10 (71.4%): Strongly Agree
4 (28.6%): Agree
0 (0.0%): Neither Agree Nor Disagree
0 (0.0%): Disagree
0 (0.0%): Strongly Disagree
0 (0.0%): Not Applicable

8. The Instructional Assistant was genuinely interested in and enthusiastic about teaching.

10 (71.4%): Strongly Agree
4 (28.6%): Agree
0 (0.0%): Neither Agree Nor Disagree
0 (0.0%): Disagree
0 (0.0%): Strongly Disagree
0 (0.0%): Not Applicable

9. The Instructional Assistant was accessible to students outside of class (office hours, e-mail, etc.).

9 (69.2%):	Strongly Agree
3 (23.1%):	Agree
0 (0.0%):	Neither Agree Nor Disagree
0 (0.0%):	Disagree
0 (0.0%):	Strongly Disagree
1 (7.7%):	Not Applicable
1:	[No Response]

10. The Instructional Assistant effectively connected the section/lab exercises with the material covered in lecture.

11 (78.6%):	Strongly Agree
3 (21.4%):	Agree
0 (0.0%):	Neither Agree Nor Disagree
0 (0.0%):	Disagree
0 (0.0%):	Strongly Disagree
0 (0.0%):	Not Applicable

11. In terms of communication skills, did the Instructional Assistant demonstrate any of the following? (check all that apply)

13 (92.9%):	No issues
0 (0.0%):	Too quiet
0 (0.0%):	Too loud
1 (7.1%):	Too fast
0 (0.0%):	Too slow
0 (0.0%):	Poor grammar and/or English language skills
0 (0.0%):	Used filler words such as "um"
0 (0.0%):	Other (please describe)

12. I would recommend this Instructional Assistant to other students.

12 (85.7%):	Strongly Agree
2 (14.3%):	Agree
0 (0.0%):	Neither Agree Nor Disagree
0 (0.0%):	Disagree
0 (0.0%):	Strongly Disagree

13. Please describe this person's greatest strengths as a Instructional Assistant.
Please keep your comments constructive and professional, abiding by the Principles of Community

- Explained and dissected material really well, usually helped more than lecture.
- He is very patient with students we even after being asked the same question. He comes up with his own examples so we can be more engaged in class.
- He made the topics really clear to understand.
- Marco clearly has a lot of passion for this class and he does well in making it interesting and engaging for students (including the memes). I know that a lot of people are really scared to take this class (because it's a math class for poli majors), but Marco did a really good job in explaining the concepts, clarifying any points that may have been confusing in the lectures, and highlighting key points (which is especially helpful for quizzes). Also, he was quick and helpful when responding to emails about the assignments.
- Marco is a very smart person, very knowledgeable of the material and always accessible to students outside of lecture
- Marco is incredibly kind and helpful, despite struggling with this material he never made me feel bad. He's funny and personable and I do enjoy the sections.
- Marco is supportive of the challenging material and has us do relevant practice problems to improve. The memes are also most appreciated.
- Marco was extremely helpful!! I was generally confused after just watching lectures, especially since math is not my strong suit, but after discussions I had a way better handle on what was going on. I really appreciate how he goes over not only what we are learning for the week but how it fits into the bigger picture. I also appreciate his interesting poll questions and the memes each discussion.
- Marco was very good at simplifying material for individuals who were having a hard time understanding. He was also very passionate and engaging.
- Marco's greatest strengths as an Instructional Assistant were in the way that he explained the material very clearly and in a way that was easy to understand. He always had good examples. He was also an engaging lecturer with fun quizzes and examples.
- Marcos ability to transmit the information for the students in a way that they could understand really helped me. The professor would have a million ways to describe one simple concept and Marco was able to simplify what ever the professor covered in lecture and describe the concepts so students could easily understand them.

14. Please describe this person's greatest weaknesses as a Instructional Assistant.
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- If there was any lack of understanding it was from me. He would explain everything I just took more time understanding the concepts.
- none really

- Some times he could go through the slides too quickly, but he always slowed down when we asked.
- The calling on people thing makes me uncomfortable.
- The speed at which Marco moved through the slides was a tiny bit too fast, but it was manageable.
- There are sometimes some minor errors in the slides but they are quickly corrected
- While he was very good at simplifying the difficult aspects that we had to learn, sometimes this made individuals learn process while not learning the reasoning.

15. Do you have any other comments to add to your evaluation?

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- Good slides and presentation
- He is very professional and creative.
- He's really good
- Marco is a great instructor
- Without Marco I would have not understood most of what was going on because I could not follow along with the professor. I depended heavily on his sections to understand the material. If this class was in person the experience would have been much more enjoyable. I would recommend Marco to other students.

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