

Columbia University: Arts & Sciences







A&S Fall 2019 Standard Evaluation

Course: POLSUN3720_001_2019_3-RESEARCHDESIGN: SCOPEANDMETHODS
Instructor: Abdullah Aydogan
TA: Simone Paci *,Seungyup Shin,Daniel Thomas
Response Rate: 66/100 (66.00 %)

1 - What are the strengths and weaknesses of Simone Paci (discussion section leader, lab section leader, grader) as an instructor, and how might Simone Paci's teaching be improved?

Response Rate	14/100 (14%)
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Simone is a very good teacher's assistant. He is very knowledgeable, quick to respond to questions and always ready to help. • He was an awesome TA. There were no bells and whistles during section - he got right to explaining that week's R material and did so in a clear and efficient way. • Great TA. Explained all the R concepts to me on the first day of Office Hours. Also was always super helpful during office hours when a problem set was due. • Simone is a great teacher. Very helpful in utilizing R studio and other analytic methods. He was always willing to lend a hand. • very enthusiastic • He acts like he is super passionate about R studio and polisci so he makes things interesting. He's great. • Discussion sections were a lot of fun and so helpful for the assignments! I loved having Simone as my TA • He sometimes taught extraneous information that we never needed to know/use. Approachable and helpful, fair grader • Simone was a great TA. He was very enthusiastic about political science research and he conveyed that in our discussion sections. He had a great capacity to connect the discussion section material (which were software-based) with what we had covered in class and gave examples to better illustrate the process. Simone was always very clear and engaging, and available to answer any questions (in person and by email) and help with problems we might have. • Simone made coding interesting and exciting for me. His passion for the material made section enjoyable and entertaining, and because of him, I paid much more attention to a topic I don't consider myself to be particularly interested in generally . • Great TA, very helpful • Simone Paci leads a really interactive class. His comments on the assignments are always encouraging. • Mr. Paci's sections kept well in sync with the lecture material, which was pretty helpful in keeping up. He was always available online and otherwise for questions and quickly responsive, and always invested and useful. He kept the sections environment engaging and his animated deportment kept us enthused. All in all, a great TA. • Very nice! 	

2 - What is the overall teaching effectiveness of Simone Paci?

Response Option	Weight	Frequency	Percent	Percent Responses	Means			
Excellent	(5)	24	72.73%			4.64		
Very Good	(4)	7	21.21%					
Good	(3)	1	3.03%					
Fair	(2)	1	3.03%					
Poor	(1)	0	0.00%					
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Response Rate				Mean	STD	Median		
33/100 (33.00%)				4.64	0.70	5.00		