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## Evaluation Results

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Parush Arora

SOCIAL SCIENCES TA EVAL FORM

Responses: 15

Window: 11/21/21 12:00pm - 12/9/21 5:00pm

Assigned to: ECON 220A SEM A: STATS & ECONMTRCS I (62620)

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Departments and Instructors find students' written comments the most valuable element of course evaluations. Your evaluations are anonymous and not available until grades are posted.

Your feedback is important and matters. To help faculty get the most out of your feedback, please keep the following in mind:

\*Specific constructive suggestions that focus on your learning and instructional choices are central to your feedback. Offer examples when needed – both positive and negative.

\*Remember that you are writing to your instructor. When providing constructive feedback, be professional and respectful. Do not use offensive language or labels.

\*Comments that are not related to your learning diminish the value of your feedback. For example, it is not helpful to comment upon an instructor's appearance or to include personal insults in your feedback.

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Please compare this teaching assistant with others who have been your T.A. for courses taken at UCI. If a question does not apply to this course, choose the "0" or "Not Applicable" answer. All answers are anonymous.

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## ATTENDANCE

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Question #1 • Multiple Choice • 14 responses (93%)

How often did you attend discussion sections?

RESPONSE	COUNT	PERCENTAGE
Never	0	0%
Once	0	0%
2 - 3 times	0	0%
4 - 5 times	0	0%
6 - 7 times	0	0%
8 times	1	7%
More than 8 times	13	93%

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Question #2 • Multiple Choice • 14 responses (93%)

How often did you meet with the T.A., outside of the section time, to discuss the course material?

RESPONSE	COUNT	PERCENTAGE
Never	0	0%
Once	3	21%
2 - 3 times	4	29%
4 - 5 times	4	29%
6 - 7 times	1	7%
8 times	0	0%
More than 8 times	2	14%

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## PRESENTATION

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Question #3 • Grid Question • 15 responses (100%)

T.A. was competent in course material:

RESPONSES	COUNT	PERCENTAGE
0 (N/A or Unsure)	0	0%
1 (Among Worst)	0	0%
2	0	0%
3	0	0%
4 (OK or Average)	0	0%
5	0	0%
6	0	0%
7 (Among Best)	15	100%

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Question #4 • Grid Question • 15 responses (100%)

T.A. was able to make presentations clearly:

RESPONSES	COUNT	PERCENTAGE
0 (N/A or Unsure)	0	0%
1 (Among Worst)	0	0%
2	0	0%
3	0	0%
4 (OK or Average)	0	0%
5	0	0%
6	0	0%
7 (Among Best)	15	100%

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Question #5 • Grid Question • 15 responses (100%)

T.A. was responsive to students:

RESPONSES	COUNT	PERCENTAGE
0 (N/A or Unsure)	0	0%
1 (Among Worst)	0	0%
2	0	0%
3	0	0%
4 (OK or Average)	0	0%
5	0	0%
6	0	0%
7 (Among Best)	15	100%

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Question #6 • Grid Question • 15 responses (100%)

T.A. was able to integrate the lecture and discussion material:

RESPONSES	COUNT	PERCENTAGE
0 (N/A or Unsure)	0	0%
1 (Among Worst)	0	0%
2	0	0%
3	0	0%
4 (OK or Average)	0	0%
5	0	0%
6	0	0%
7 (Among Best)	15	100%

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Question #7 • Grid Question • 15 responses (100%)

T.A. was present and on time for discussion sections/office hours:

RESPONSES	COUNT	PERCENTAGE
0 (N/A or Unsure)	0	0%
1 (Among Worst)	0	0%
2	0	0%
3	0	0%
4 (OK or Average)	0	0%
5	0	0%
6	0	0%
7 (Among Best)	15	100%

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Question #8 • Grid Question • 15 responses (100%)

The discussion sections were useful to the success of the course:

RESPONSES	COUNT	PERCENTAGE
0 (N/A or Unsure)	0	0%
1 (Among Worst)	0	0%
2	0	0%
3	0	0%
4 (OK or Average)	0	0%
5	0	0%
6	1	7%
7 (Among Best)	14	93%

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Question #9 • Grid Question • 15 responses (100%)

I would expect another course with this T.A. to be:

RESPONSES	COUNT	PERCENTAGE
0 (N/A or Unsure)	0	0%
1 (Among Worst)	0	0%
2	0	0%
3	0	0%
4 (OK or Average)	0	0%
5	0	0%
6	0	0%
7 (Among Best)	15	100%

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## EFFECTIVENESS

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Question #10 • Multiple Choice • 15 responses (100%)

Please rate your T.A.'s general teaching effectiveness

RESPONSE	COUNT	PERCENTAGE
0 (N/A or Unsure)	0	0%
1 (Among Worst)	0	0%
2	0	0%
3	0	0%
4 (OK or Average)	0	0%
5	0	0%
6	2	13%
7 (Among Best)	13	87%

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## COMMENTS

Question #11 • Text Response • 12 responses (80%)

What were the strongest points of the TA in discussion section or office hours?

Results:

- Parush always knew what he was talking about, was willing to respond to student questions, and was proactive about adding context/revisiting what we learned in lectures. He was friendly and very helpful in offering specific guidance during office hours. His grading was quick and helpful, and when there was some ambiguity on the midterm, he offered to regrade everyone's tests to account for that problem. He communicated relevant information to us and was always on time for discussion.
- He is the best TA/Teacher that I've ever had. He is much more capable than most of the even professors in the department!  
He is very knowledgeable, comes to the class very well prepared, and is very patient with the students. He is such a nice guy! I don't know about his research, but in my opinion he will be one of the best teachers anywhere he goes!  
I am so happy that we will have him next quarter as our TA.
- Parush is the best TA I've ever had. He is very generous with his time, his discussions are well-prepared, well-organized, and enlightening. He thoroughly understands the material and his explanations are helpful. He is particularly good at explaining the big picture and connecting the dots between concepts.
- Parush is extremely competent. He demonstrated excellent understanding of the course material and pushed students to understand, rather than just memorize the material. Parush is very generous with his time and went above and beyond to help us prepare for exams.
- The way the discussion section is delivered is very effective. The concepts are made to be simple to understand. Office hours are flexible and helpful. The extra demonstrations/explanations with data provided with R and STATA are really informative.
- Super willing to make extra time for the students. Also had great explanations for things we covered in class, including intuitive reasoning for why we do what we do. Very important for actually understanding the problems.
- The material was presented in a very clear and structured way which was more effective than any other course I've had over these topics.  
The combination of intuition development and rigor was very helpful.

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Parush did a great job at looking at topics from a new angle/a different way than we learned in lecture that reenforced our understanding of the concepts.

- Well done clear explanations of material that complimented the lecture.
- create a nice environment for discussion
- Very professional and nice person.
- Very professional and patient

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Question #12 • Text Response • 6 responses (40%)

Do you have any recommendations for your TA that would help that person be a more effective TA in the future?

Results:

- I cannot think of anything honestly, since he is almost perfect!
- Nothing yet, and he is already very effective enough.
- maybe consider provide a copy of handout sometimes
- None. I think Parush did an excellent job.
- Keep up what you've been doing!
- None