Seminar Assessment Report

Title:	Statistics and Econometrics 1: Introduction to Econometrics and Regression

Professor(s):	Prof. Andrea ICHINO

Teaching Assistant(s):	Zheng Wang

Year:	2019	**Term:**	BLOCK 1	**Department:**	ECO

Participants:	23	**Forms returned:**	24	**Return:**	104.35%

	Answers	**%**
Q1. In overall terms I am satisfied with the professor?		
5 - Very much	11	45.83%
4 - Considerably	11	45.83%
3 - Average	1	4.17%
2 - Not Very much	1	4.17%
1 - Not at all	0	0.00%
NA / No Answer	0	0.00%
Q2. The professor was well organised and well prepared?		
5 - Very much	14	58.33%
4 - Considerably	9	37.50%
3 - Average	1	4.17%
2 - Not Very much	0	0.00%
1 - Not at all	0	0.00%
NA / No Answer	0	0.00%
Q3. The professor was clear in his/her presentations and explanations?		
5 - Very much	18	75.00%
4 - Considerably	5	20.83%
3 - Average	0	0.00%
2 - Not Very much	1	4.17%
1 - Not at all	0	0.00%
NA / No Answer	0	0.00%

5 - Mandatory course for departmental teaching credits	18	75.00%
4 - Mandatory course no credits	5	20.83%
3 - Optional / elective course taken for departmental	0	0.00%
2 - Optional / elective course taken fully without credits	0	0.00%
1 - Auditing for several sessions only	0	0.00%
NA / No Answer	1	4.17%

Q14. To what extent does this course/seminar overlap "in terms of content" with others?

5 - Very much	0	0.00%
4 - Considerably	3	12.50%
3 - Average	9	37.50%
2 - Not Very much	9	37.50%
1 - Not at all	3	12.50%
NA / No Answer	0	0.00%

Which course(s)/seminar(s) overlap with others?

Response 1: Background Course in Probability and Statistics
Response 2: NA
Response 3: Statistics
Response 4: Statistics
Response 5: Micro I

Q15. To what extent did the central themes of this course/seminar match your expectations?

5 - Very much	7	29.17%
4 - Considerably	10	41.67%
3 - Average	7	29.17%
2 - Not Very much	0	0.00%
1 - Not at all	0	0.00%
NA / No Answer	0	0.00%

Q16. Practical classes have been very useful for the learning and understanding of the subject?

5 - Very much	2	8.33%
4 - Considerably	7	29.17%
3 - Average	11	45.83%
2 - Not Very much	4	16.67%
1 - Not at all	0	0.00%
NA / No Answer	0	0.00%

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Q17. If this course was co-taught, Do you agree that co-teaching improved the course?

5 - Very much	0	0.00%
4 - Considerably	2	8.33%
3 - Average	5	20.83%
2 - Not Very much	4	16.67%
1 - Not at all	4	16.67%
NA / No Answer	9	37.50%

Q18. Please provide your open comments and feedback in relation to individual professor co-teaching the course.

Response 1: Prof Ichino provides really good insights on how useful what we learn is and its applications in real life research. Although I really like that we take the opportunity to discuss these topics in class, it would be helpful if he could provide more specific references for the computational part of the course.
Response 2: Knew the contents very well.

Q19. Do you think the teaching assistant (Doctoral Researcher or Post-Doctoral Fellow) was well organised and prepared?

5 - Very much	2	8.33%
4 - Considerably	10	41.67%
3 - Average	11	45.83%
2 - Not Very much	1	4.17%
1 - Not at all	0	0.00%
NA / No Answer	0	0.00%

Q20. Do you think the teaching assistant (Doctoral Researcher or Post-Doctoral Fellow) was available and approachable outside seminar hours?

5 - Very much	8	33.33%
4 - Considerably	12	50.00%
3 - Average	4	16.67%
2 - Not Very much	0	0.00%
1 - Not at all	0	0.00%
NA / No Answer	0	0.00%

Q21. In your opinion, what topics were omitted that should have been included?

Response 1: A broader, deeper and more formal coverage of statistics would bring a lot of benefits, in my opinion.
Response 2: Explaining more the prodges between the traditional approach and the approach seen in class would have been helpful to facilitate making the link between past knowledge and what we saw.

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32. Were the slides/lecture notes well connected with the actual lecture?

5 - Very much	12	50.00%
4 - Considerably	10	41.67%
3 - Average	0	0.00%
2 - Not Very much	1	4.17%
1 - Not at all	0	0.00%
NA / No Answer	1	4.17%

33. Did the Professor provide references to other sources for deepening your understanding (e.g. textbooks, related articals, supplemental material)?

Yes	24	100.00%
No	0	0.00%
NA / No Answer	0	0.00%

34. Were the slides/lecture notes well connected to these complementary sources?

5 - Very much	7	29.17%
4 - Considerably	11	45.83%
3 - Average	3	12.50%
2 - Not Very much	0	0.00%
1 - Not at all	0	0.00%
NA / No Answer	3	12.50%

35. Written Notes and References additional comments:

36. Did the problem sets help you deepen your understanding of the basic concepts covered in class?

5 - Very much	8	33.33%
4 - Considerably	13	54.17%
3 - Average	3	12.50%
2 - Not Very much	0	0.00%
1 - Not at all	0	0.00%
NA / No Answer	0	0.00%

37. Did the problem sets provide insights that went beyond the basics covered in class?

5 - Very much	5	20.83%
4 - Considerably	11	45.83%
3 - Average	4	16.67%
2 - Not Very much	4	16.67%
1 - Not at all	0	0.00%
NA / No Answer	0	0.00%

38. Was the material/references provided by the lecturer sufficient to solve the problem sets?

5 - Very much	4	16.67%
4 - Considerably	15	62.50%
3 - Average	3	12.50%
2 - Not Very much	2	8.33%
1 - Not at all	0	0.00%
NA / No Answer	0	0.00%

39. The level of difficulty of the problem sets were:

5 - Too easy	0	0.00%
4 - Easy	0	0.00%
3 - Neither easy nor hard	14	58.33%
2 - Hard	8	33.33%
1 - Too hard	2	8.33%
NA / No Answer	0	0.00%

40. Problem Sets additional comments:

41. Was there sufficient time to discuss the problem set in the T.A class?

5 - Very much	6	25.00%
4 - Considerably	8	33.33%
3 - Average	7	29.17%
2 - Not Very much	2	8.33%
1 - Not at all	1	4.17%
NA / No Answer	0	0.00%

42. Did the T.A. explain harder/trickier parts of the problem set well?

5 - Very much	2	8.33%
4 - Considerably	6	25.00%
3 - Average	10	41.67%
2 - Not Very much	6	25.00%
1 - Not at all	0	0.00%
NA / No Answer	0	0.00%

43. Did the T.A. respond to the problems and difficulties rasied by the class?

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4 - Considerably	11	45.83%
3 - Average	6	25.00%
2 - Not Very much	4	16.67%
1 - Not at all	0	0.00%
NA / No Answer	0	0.00%

44. Did you feel that the T.A. sessions were more useful than simply reading written solutions?

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3 - Average	10	41.67%
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45. Did you feel that the T.A. understood the material sufficiently better than the students?

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NA / No Answer	0	0.00%

46. T.A. Sessions additional comments:

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Title:	Statistics and Econometrics 3

Professor(s):	Prof. Michele BELOT

Teaching Assistant(s):	Zheng Wang

Year:	2018	Term:	BLOCK 3	Department:	ECO
Participants:	14	Forms returned:	14	Return:	100.00%

	Answers	%
Q1. In overall terms I am satisfied with the professor?		
5 - Very much	5	35.71%
4 - Considerably	9	64.29%
3 - Average	0	0.00%
2 - Not Very much	0	0.00%
1 - Not at all	0	0.00%
NA / No Answer	0	0.00%

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Q2. The professor was well organised and well prepared?		
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1 - Not at all	0	0.00%
NA / No Answer	1	7.14%

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5 - Very much	5	35.71%
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1 - Not at all	0	0.00%
NA / No Answer	0	0.00%

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Q13. Was the course mandatory for you and did you take the course for credits?

5 - Mandatory course for departmental teaching credits	9	64.29%
4 - Mandatory course no credits	5	35.71%
3 - Optional / elective course taken for departmental	0	0.00%
2 - Optional / elective course taken fully without credits	0	0.00%
1 - Auditing for several sessions only	0	0.00%
NA / No Answer	0	0.00%

Q14. To what extent does this course/seminar overlap "in terms of content" with others?

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NA / No Answer	0	0.00%

Which course(s)/seminar(s) overlap with others?

Response 1: Statistics and Econometrics 1
Response 2: Metrics I

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Q17. If this course was co-taught, Do you agree that co-teaching improved the course?

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NA / No Answer	9	64.29%

Q18. Please provide your open comments and feedback in relation to individual professor co-teaching the course.

Response 1: I really liked the course because Prof. Belot was very enthusiastic when teaching. She made a lot of connections between different topics and how they relate to each other. I really liked the application part of the course as well, in which we could see how the concepts we learnt apply in practice.
Response 2: -

Q19. Do you think the teaching assistant (Doctoral Researcher or Post-Doctoral Fellow) was well organised and prepared?

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NA / No Answer	1	7.14%

Q21. In your opinion, what topics were omitted that should have been included?

Response 1: Panel data
Response 2: I think the course had enough material.
Response 3: Panel data, in particular RE and FE: we practically didn't cover those in Metrics II, Prof. Dolado rushed through all panel data in about 15 minutes and we did not go into depth at all
Response 4: I think it would have been better to deepen the study of panel data model since they were covered very quickly by Prof. Dolado

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NA / No Answer	-1	-7.14%

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Yes	15	107.14%
No	0	0.00%
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35. Written Notes and References additional comments:

Response 1: Overall I am satisfied by the course and the professor. Michele Belot is an excellent and very caring professor. Overall I think the slides were good; but my view is that they got messier at the end, especially the two last topics (standard errors and quantile regression). My main criticism concerns the volume of the material. As is the case too often in this program, the amount of material we see and have to digest in 7 weeks is just insane.
Response 2: -

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1 - Too hard	0	0.00%
NA / No Answer	-1	-7.14%

40. Problem Sets additional comments:

Response 1: -
Response 2: I think these problem sets were really well-designed to understand the whole material

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46. T.A. Sessions additional comments:

Response 1: As in other courses, I do not really take advantage of the TA classes. The TA was very helpful with the problem sets, answering the questions we had before handing it in, and the written solutions were clear. Hence, besides some particular question I still had, I did not find it very useful to attend TA sessions, and even when I had some particular questions, I preferred discussing it during the TA's office hours.
Response 2: -

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