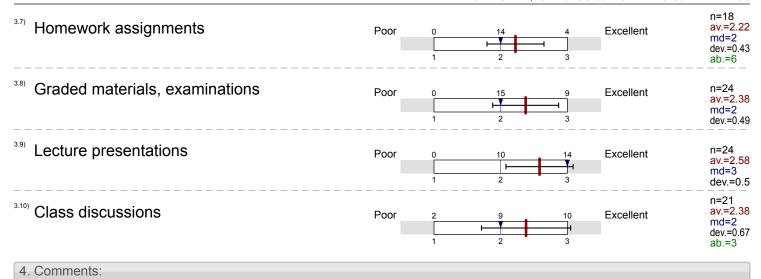


G.P. MURRAY
Evaluation of Instruction Program Report
161: POL SCI 50 LEC 2: INTRO-COMPRTV PLTCS
No. of responses = 24
Enrollment = 26
Response Rate = 92.31%

1. Background Information:		
Year in School:		
Freshman		3 n=24
Sophomore		6
Junior		11
Senior		3
Graduate		0
Other	0	1
<sup>1.2)</sup> UCLA GPA:		
Below 2.0		o n=23
2.0 - 2.49	Ο	1
2.5 - 2.99		3
3.0 - 3.49		7
3.5+		6
Not Established		6
Expected Grade:		
A		14 n=24
В		6
C		1
D		0
F		0
P		0
NP		0
?		3
What requirements does this course fulfill?		
' Major		19 n=24
Related Field		1
G.E.		3
None		1

### 2. To What Extent Do You Feel That: Instructor Concern – The instructor av.=7.38 was concerned about student md = 7.5learning. dev.=1.31 Organization – Class presentations n=24 av.=7.96 Very High or Very Low or were well prepared and organized. Never Always md=8 dev.=1.08 Interaction – Students felt welcome in n=24 Very Low or Very High or av.=7.63 seeking help in or outside of the Never Always md=8 dev.=1.31 class. Communication Skills - The n=24 Very Low or Very High or av.=7.75 instructor had good communication Never md=8skills. dev.=0.99 n=23 Value – You have learned something av.=8 Very High or md=8 Never Always vou consider valuable. dev.=1.09 ab.=1 Overall – Your overall rating of the n=24 Very High or Very I ow or av.=8.13 instructor. Never Always md=8 dev.=0.85 Overall – Your overall rating of the n=24 Very Low or Very High or av.=7.92 Never course. Always md=8 dev.=0.93 3. Your View of Course Characteristics: Subject interest before course av.=1.91 Low High md=2 dev.=0.79 ab.=1 Subject interest after course n=24 High Low av.=2.58 md=3dev.=0.58 Mastery of course material n=24 High Low av.=2.54 md=3dev.=0.51 n=23 Difficulty (relative to other courses) av.=2.17 md=2 Low High dev.=0.49 ab.=1 Workload/pace was n=24 Too Slow Too Much av.=2.13 md=2dev.=0.34 Texts, required readings n=24 Poor Excellent av.=2.33 md=2 dev.=0.48



- Please identify what you perceive to be the real strengths and weaknesses of this instructor and course.
- Galen's energy and passion is shown through his lectures and makes me want to know more about the topics covered. He helps students connect topics to real life situations which makes the class more enjoyable. I'm sad that this class will end so soon because I really enjoyed it and hope to have him for another course or at least have him teach others.
- Great professor! Powerpoints are very helpful and give the perfect amount of information, readings are doable and not too difficult, exams are fair, movie he played was very engaging and interesting. Overall, he is a very approachable, qualified, and captivating teacher. Enjoyed his class very much.
- Great professor, especially the smile Professor Murray has during topics that the professor is obviously very passionate about! Good luck with your future endeavors and I wish you much success! You will be an excellent full professor one day.
- Great, engaging lecturer! I think more class discussion would be beneficial
- I enjoyed the lecture and discussion component of this class: even though it was a 2 hour long lecture, I felt like I learned a lot and that the lecture really worked to reinforced the reading. The assigned reading was very helpful, as we were not only reading textbook chapters-- like in many other lower division political science classes that I have taken-- but we were also reading research work, in contemporary political science research. Reading this research helped to supplement my knowledge of the work and provided a rewarding challenge in attempting to draw out the main assertions of the piece. The main weakness I saw with the course was that it was REALLY fast paced, but this is understandable because of the fact that this is a summer class with only 6 weeks of time to cover a lot of material. Overall, this was a very enjoyable lower division Political Science course and Professor Murray was really determined in answering all of my questions and helping me outside of class, so that I could better understand the material.
- I loved the fact that he was really passionate about his work in Indian politics and consistently interwove his knowledge in that area to what he taught in lecture. Best teacher ive had yet.
- I really enjoyed the lecture formats. I liked the powerpoint presentation format because it was easy to follow and the lectures weren't straying away from the lessons of the lectures. I really enjoyed this class!
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- I truly enjoyed learning under Galen's instruction. His master of the subject and his focus on the welfare of the students was evident in everything he did. Amazing human and an amazing professor
- My first college class, so my comments may be squewed.

- Pretty cool dude.
- Professor Murray is a good Professor. Sometimes the readings are just too broad and hard to understand. I prefer to learn from the lectures rather than readings.
- Professor Murray made Comparative Politics, an obviously extensive and far-ranging field within Political Science, understandable and palatable within the six week time restraint--and so, much praise is certainly due. I sincerely appreciated Professor Murray's approachability and more importantly, appreciated his efforts to make a summer class engaging and worthwhile. Overall, a great professor.
- Professor Murray made us feel welcome in speaking out in class. One thing that helped me to do well in his class was his clarity in communication as well as his highly organized lecture presentations. I like that he integrated his work that he does outside of teaching because not only was he passionate and well knowledgeable about it, but it helped us to see the material that he was teaching in practice. I hope that Professor Murray will teach future courses because it he is able to make very dense concepts simple so that we could gain a better understanding.
- Professor Murray possesses exceptional knowledge in the Political Science field. His youth may shed some sense of shyness towards the class, but Murray's quick responses to emails and in-class questions will blanket any idea of his being timid. I enjoy this professor's lectures and hope he continues to share his ideas and creativity to more students.
- Really good course and very well taught would love to take another class with Murray!
- The instructor didn't really address many of the conflicting subjects in the course material adequately. He also was sometimes confusing in lecture.
- The pace of the class was fairly quick but that is to be expected when 10 weeks of information is crammed into a 6 week summer session. The instructor did a good job at presenting key information in a easy to understand way given the time limitations. The class was structured well with organized in class lectures that were supplemented by an understandably lengthy amount of outside readings. Outside readings were relevant to course material for the most part and provided real world context to in class concepts. I did feel that a lot of outside material focused on India and was very interesting, but it would have been better to read material from different parts of the world to gain a better understanding of politics around the globe. However, given that the instructor is pursuing research in India, it is understandable that these sources come from a familiar subject area that the Instructor was very knowledgeable about and willing to share his experiences. Tests and quizzes were fair and fairly tested students' knowledge of what was taught in the course.

Bonus for understanding the struggles of students sitting through a two hour lecture and allowing a quick 5 minute break to allow students to stretch and refocus on the second half of lecture.

Very well spoken and engages the class very well.

# Profile

Subunit: POL SCI G.P. MURRAY Name of the instructor:

Name of the course:

(Name of the survey)

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Values used in the profile line: Mean

## 2. To What Extent Do You Feel That:

2.1)	Instructor Concern – The instructor was concerned
	about student learning.

- Organization Class presentations were well prepared and organized.
- Communication Skills The instructor had good communication skills.
- Value You have learned something you consider
- $^{2.6)}\,\,$  Overall Your overall rating of the instructor.
- <sup>2.7)</sup> Overall Your overall rating of the course.

Very Low or Never	<del>                                     </del>		Very High or Always	n=24	av.=7.38
Very Low or Never		}	Very High or Always	n=24	av.=7.96
Very Low or Never			Very High or Always	n=24	av.=7.63
Very Low or Never			Very High or Always	n=24	av.=7.75
Very Low or Never		+	Very High or Always	n=23	av.=8.00
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Very Low or Never		+	Very High or Always	n=24	av.=7.92

## 3. Your View of Course Characteristics:

3.1)	Subject interest before course
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- 3.2) Subject interest after course
- 3.3) Mastery of course material
- Difficulty (relative to other courses)
- Workload/pace was
- Texts, required readings
- 3.7) Homework assignments
- Graded materials, examinations
- Lecture presentations
- 3.10) Class discussions

