



Columbia University: Arts & Sciences
A&S Fall 2018 Standard Evaluation

Course:	ECONGU4850_001_2018_3-COGNITIVEMECH&ECONBEHAVIOR: ECONGU4850_001_2018_3 - COGNITIVE MECH & ECON BEHAVIOR
Instructor:	Michael Woodford
TA:	Silvio Ravaoli *
Response Rate:	19/28 (67.86 %)

1 - What are the strengths and weaknesses of Silvio Ravaoli (discussion section leader, lab section leader, grader) as an instructor, and how might Silvio Ravaoli's teaching be improved?	
Response Rate	7/28 (25%)
<p>• Fantastic. Extremely helpful. Gave me a great deal of suggestions. Recitations would be perfect if mathematical and statistical derivations of the models introduced in the lecture could be included.</p> <p>• Silvio was GREAT. Reliable, always there to help, a nice person in general. And he seems to know the subject as good as the Professor, but has a more engaging lecturing style. I wouldn't mind him teaching the same class.</p> <p>• Very helpful and seemed to genuinely care about his students' learning. Quick to respond to emails/Piazza posts.</p> <p>• Silvio was an excellent TA. He was very knowledgeable, helpful, and kind.</p> <p>• Silvio has been excellent. He provides timely responses to any and all questions on Piazza, and is always ready to offer help on the problem sets or to clarify our doubts during his recitations, office hours or after lectures. He also carried out the lab experiments effectively. As an grader, he grades very fairly and carefully, and is always ready to explain where you have gone wrong in your response.</p> <p>• In my opinion, Silvio is a great TA. He is very enthusiastic about the material and also does a great job at explaining the especially pertinent parts that we learned during lecture in his recitation. The two labs that he led were facilitated very well and he was effective at explaining how we were to proceed with each experiment. Silvio was also willing to devote his time to ensure that the students were able to understand the material. It would have been easy to leave us out in the cold with a very difficult course-load but Silvio did the opposite by making sure that we were capable of learning it.</p> <p>• Silvio may be the best TA I have ever had. He clearly spends a lot of time preparing, and his recitations are always very well-organized. He also held very helpful review sessions for the midterm and final. Whenever I had missed something in lecture, Silvio's recitations made it very clear what the key ideas were and how to apply them. He is a very engaging and enthusiastic lecturer, and he is clearly passionate both about the material from this class and about teaching.</p>	

2 - What is your overall assessment of the effectiveness of Silvio Ravaoli?						
Response Option	Weight	Frequency	Percent	Percent Responses	Means	
Excellent	(5)	17	89.47%			4.84
Very Good	(4)	1	5.26%			
Good	(3)	1	5.26%			
Fair	(2)	0	0.00%			
Poor	(1)	0	0.00%			
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Response Rate				Mean	STD	Median
19/28 (67.86%)				4.84	0.50	5.00