# Social Sciences TA Evaluation for Bennett, Neil Marie ECON 140 DIS A2 (62182), Spring Qtr 2016

Responses: 22/50 (44%)

#### ATTENDANCE

- 1. How often did you attend discussion sections?
  - 0 Never
  - 1 Once
  - **2** 2 3 times
  - **2** 4 5 times
  - **0** 6 7 times
  - **6** 8 times
  - **11** More than 8 times
- How often did you meet with the T.A., outside of the section time, to discuss the course material?
  7 Never
  - 6 Once
  - **3** 2 3 times
  - **2** 4 5 times
  - **0** 6 7 times
  - 1 8 times
  - **3** More than 8 times

### PRESENTATION

- 3. T.A. was competent in course material:
  - $0 \quad 0 \text{ (N/A or Unsure)}$
  - **1** 1 (Among Worst)
  - **1** 2
  - 0 3
  - **3** 4 (OK or Average)
  - **1** 5
  - **7** 6
  - 9 7 (Among Best)
- 4. T.A. was able to make presentations clearly:
  - $0 \quad 0 \text{ (N/A or Unsure)}$
  - 0 1 (Among Worst)
  - **1** 2
  - **0** 3
  - **4** 4 (OK or Average)
  - **2** 5
  - **4** 6
  - **11** 7 (Among Best)
- 5. T.A. was responsive to students:
  - $0 \quad 0 \text{ (N/A or Unsure)}$
  - 1 1 (Among Worst)
  - 1 2
  - **0** 3
  - 4 4 (OK or Average)
  - 0 5
  - **5** 6
  - **11** 7 (Among Best)

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

- 0 (N/A or Unsure)
  0 1 (Among Worst)
  1 2
- 0 3
- **4** 4 (OK or Average)
- 1 5
- **7** 6
- 9 7 (Among Best)

### $7.\,$ T.A. was present and on time for discussion sections/office hours:

- 0 0 (N/A or Unsure)0 1 (Among Worst)  $\mathbf{2}$ 2 0 3 3 4 (OK or Average) 0 56 6 11 7 (Among Best)
- 8. The discussion sections were useful to the success of the course:
  - $0 \quad 0 \text{ (N/A or Unsure)}$ 
    - 0 1 (Among Worst)
    - **1** 2
    - 0 3
    - **5** 4 (OK or Average)
    - $\begin{array}{ccc} \mathbf{1} & 5 \\ \mathbf{4} & 6 \end{array}$
  - **11** 7 (Among Best)

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

- **0** 0 (N/A or Unsure)
- 0 1 (Among Worst)
- **1** 2
- **0** 3
- 4 4 (OK or Average)
- **2** 5
- **5** 6
- $10 \quad 7 \ ({\rm Among \ Best})$

## EFFECTIVENESS

- 10. Rate your T.A.'s general teaching effectiveness:
  - 0 Poor
  - 0 Inadequate
  - $0 \quad {\rm Less \ than \ adequate}$
  - **2** Adequate
  - 5 More than adequate
  - $10 \quad {\rm Very \ good} \quad$
  - **5** Excellent

## COMMENTS

11. <No question text>

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

- Did a good job explaining the homework questions.
- Every one in my discussion class respects her. She comes to the class with tremendous preparation, and she knows what students want to know and can make pleased responds. I hope she would become a professor someday. Having a teacher like her absolutely decrease the difficulty of the material.
- explanations of topics
- It was very helpful to understand the homework, which helped understand exam questions.
- no
- She clearly went over the homework and explained it thoroughly and answered all questions
- She explained the material well.
- The TA can clarify the difficult homework problems to the students and help us understand the material better, by actually doing the problem.
- 14 blank answer(s).
- 2. Do you have any recommendations for your TA that would help that person be a more effective TA in the future?
  - Dedicate more time in discussions before exams to review concepts rather than focus all on homework that week.
  - Honestly, I cannot think of any. I never have a thought of skipping her discussion session.
  - no
  - none
  - none
  - Perhaps, to stimulate more participation from the students, the TA can ask a specific student to help solving the problems on the board as well. I have noticed that it is quite difficult to get students to participate in the discussion section. By pointing to a specific student, he/she will feel obligated to participate in the discussion and perhaps, it will also motivate others to participate.
  - She needs to respond to emails and it seems like shed rather be anywhere else than in discussion.
  - Was not a very stimulating discussion section overall. I found the homework assignments to be very simple so I would have preferred more in depth work on the material itself and going over concepts.
  - 14 blank answer(s).