

## **POLI 30D - Political Inquiry (Fall 2016)** **(Taught with Professor Scott Desposato)**

In Fall 2016, I taught Poli 30D, an undergraduate research methods and statistics class at UC San Diego. Here is a summary of selected teaching evaluations and student comments for this class. The numbers are the percentage of students who strongly agree or agree with the given statement. Missing data are dropped.

Table 1: Teaching Evaluation, Fall 2016

<b>Question</b>	<b>Mean</b>
Shane is well organized and prepared for class.	93.75 %
Shane is genuinely interested in and enthusiastic about teaching.	93.75 %
Shane is accessible to students outside of class.	100.00 %
I would recommend Shane to other students.	64.71 %

### **Selected Student Comments**

- Amazing TA, I went to a lot of his office hours and he helped me grasp the concepts taught in this class.
- Great interest in the material, taught with greater detail some concepts the professor taught in lecture, expanding my understanding of them.
- He is very smart and explains course work very well. He is also patient and understanding. He isn't even my TA but i go to his office hours because I appreciate the way he teaches.
- Shane did a great job of breaking down difficult processes that the professor didn't.
- Shane was extremely helpful, approachable, and made this class very enjoyable and feasible for myself. My success thus far has had a lot to do with Shane's helpfulness.
- Shane was very enthusiastic and he very clearly understands what he was teaching, he also made section a place to ask questions without fear of being embarrassed, which is really important.
- Shane was very knowledgeable of the material. Any question we asked in section he was able to either answer or direct us to a resource to get the answer. He was dedicated to our success in the class and regularly had us do evaluations so he knew what he should change.
- The TA had extra slides which I think were helpful as well as how fast he responded to emails pertaining to questions.