UC San Diego

GPCO 454 - Quantitative Methods II (Winter 2018)
(Taught with Professor Jen Burney)

In Winter 2018, I taught Quantitative Methods II (Linear Models) in the Graduate School of Global Policy and Strategy at UC San Diego, which is the first code intensive course that students encounter in the program. 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, Winter 2018

Question	Mean
Shane is well organized and prepared for class.	89.61%
Shane is genuinely interested in and enthusiastic about teaching.	85.53%
Shane is accessible to students outside of class.	89.61 %
I would recommend Shane to other students.	83.12%

Selected Student Comments

- If he can be set as the benchmark for a good/excellent TA when selecting QM2 TAs, students next year will be very lucky. He is excellent and professional in his position.

- We can always receive timely responses from Shane no matter by email or on the TED discussion board.

- The answers were direct and thorough and the points were easy to catch. Shane is excellent at solving problems.

- Shane is the best TA of the course. I think I don't need to add anything because other students will lists all his advantages and how awesome he is.

- Shane obviously is very interested in teaching and puts a lot of time into supplemental materials. I also appreciate that he adds extra office hours when necessary and is straightforward in his explanations. He also preemptively put suggestions on the discussion board for a homework when he was going to be out of town and not monitoring the discussion board – that's above and beyond.

- Shane has greatly improved from QM1. He has been very accessible whenever we are in need of help. He is clear in his explanations and speed. He has been very helpful.

- His work is really a kind of encouragement for me to keep progress in studying quantitative research methods of political sciences as well as econometrics in the future.

- The greatest TA I've ever met. I mean all around.