

**Instructional Assistant Student Evaluation of Teaching for Duong Thi Thuy Pham
Department of Political Science**

POLI 11D - Intro/Poli Sci:Compar Politics (Desposato, Scott)
Winter 2025

Number of Evaluations Submitted: 11
Number of Students Enrolled: 194

1. The Instructional Assistant used instructional methods in section and/or office hours that helped me learn and engage with the course material.

9 (81.8%): Strongly Agree
2 (18.2%): Agree
0 (0.0%): Neither Agree Nor Disagree
0 (0.0%): Disagree
0 (0.0%): Strongly Disagree
0 (0.0%): Not Applicable

2. The sections led by this Instructional Assistant were well-coordinated with other components of this class (e.g., lecture, lab, assignments, etc.).

9 (81.8%): Strongly Agree
2 (18.2%): Agree
0 (0.0%): Neither Agree Nor Disagree
0 (0.0%): Disagree
0 (0.0%): Strongly Disagree
0 (0.0%): Not Applicable

3. The Instructional Assistant communicated effectively.

9 (81.8%): Strongly Agree
2 (18.2%): Agree
0 (0.0%): Neither Agree Nor Disagree
0 (0.0%): Disagree
0 (0.0%): Strongly Disagree
0 (0.0%): Not Applicable

4. The Instructional Assistant provided constructive feedback on my work.

9 (81.8%): Strongly Agree
2 (18.2%): Agree
0 (0.0%): Neither Agree Nor Disagree
0 (0.0%): Disagree
0 (0.0%): Strongly Disagree
0 (0.0%): Not Applicable

5. The Instructional Assistant created a welcoming and supportive learning environment.

9 (81.8%): Strongly Agree
2 (18.2%): Agree
0 (0.0%): Neither Agree Nor Disagree
0 (0.0%): Disagree
0 (0.0%): Strongly Disagree
0 (0.0%): Not Applicable

6. The Instructional Assistant generally began and ended section/lab/office hours on time.

8 (80.0%): Strongly Agree
2 (20.0%): Agree
0 (0.0%): Neither Agree Nor Disagree
0 (0.0%): Disagree
0 (0.0%): Strongly Disagree
0 (0.0%): Not Applicable
1: [No Response]

7. Please describe any practices that the Instructional Assistant specifically used that created or interfered with a welcoming and supportive learning environment.

- Really nice and always emphasized how much they appreciated our questions, never made us feel dumb
- She is easy to talk to and very friendly.
- Super kind and always eager to help. Incorporated games and discussion with other students to help us develop our understanding of the material in a fun way.
- TA Doung Pham was very kind and caring during each discussion and created an environment that invited students to ask questions for clarification. TA Doung was easily my favorite TA this quarter due to their positive attitude and the comfort in which I felt in asking questions about the content. Such a genuinely nice person to have as my TA.
- would ask us questions and made sure we understood the course materials

8. Please describe any practices that the Instructional Assistant specifically used that particularly helped you to learn the material and/or encouraged you to feel that you could succeed in the course.

- Communicating in groups during activities helped a lot.
- TA Doung created a very welcoming environment that encourages students to participate and ask questions about the course content. TA Doung was also very vocal about being accommodating to students who felt uncomfortable to speak to the class and ask questions and created anonymous question forms for these people. Overall, the care and empathy Doung Pham carried when teaching this discussion was very supportive and understanding during this course.
- Very flexible office hours, also continuously let us know that we were free to email them with any questions we had, or that we could post questions anonymously on a google form if we would rather stay anonymous. Detailed explanations of the course content that I personally found much more digestible than the professor's.
- worksheets and Kahoot were helpful to understand the material more

9. Please offer constructive suggestions that might help the Instructional Assistant improve their contribution to your learning of the course material.

- More kahoots, because they helped a lot, and are fun and stimulating.
- The questions that would be asked to prompt discussion were often very broad and overarching, and the Instructional Assistant would often not get the desired response due to the vagueness of the questions. A better approach could be asking more pointed questions, and encouraging students to expand.

10. Is there anything else you would like to share about your experience with this Instructional Assistant?

- I really enjoyed Doung's sections! Amazing TA!
- No, everything was good.
- very friendly and considerate, answered me a lot of confusion about the class, willing to share ideas

11. What was/were your reason(s) for taking this course?

8 (66.7%): Major/Program Requirement
0 (0.0%): Minor
2 (16.7%): College General Education
1 (8.3%): Elective
1 (8.3%): Interest
0 (0.0%): American History and Institutions (AHI) Requirement
0 (0.0%): Undergraduate Diversity, Equity and Inclusion Requirement (DEI) Requirement
0 (0.0%): Jane Teranes Climate Change Education Requirement (JTCCER)

12. How frequently did you interact with the Instructional Assistant **IN THE SECTION?**

4 (36.4%): Frequently
7 (63.6%): Sometimes
0 (0.0%): Seldom
0 (0.0%): Never
0 (0.0%): Not Applicable

13. How frequently did you interact with the Instructional Assistant **DURING OFFICE HOURS** ?

1 (9.1%): Frequently
3 (27.3%): Sometimes
3 (27.3%): Seldom
2 (18.2%): Never
2 (18.2%): Not Applicable

14. How frequently did you interact with the Instructional Assistant **VIA EMAIL?**

1 (9.1%): Frequently
3 (27.3%): Sometimes
4 (36.4%): Seldom
2 (18.2%): Never
1 (9.1%): Not Applicable

15. How frequently did you interact with the Instructional Assistant **VIA THE COURSE DISCUSSION BOARD?**

0 (0.0%): Frequently
1 (9.1%): Sometimes
2 (18.2%): Seldom
6 (54.5%): Never
2 (18.2%): Not Applicable

16. How often did you receive feedback from this instructional assistant on assignments/exams/papers?

10 (90.9%):	Frequently
1 (9.1%):	Sometimes
0 (0.0%):	Seldom
0 (0.0%):	Never
0 (0.0%):	Not Applicable

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