

Evaluations Fall 2008

Course #	Course Name	Faculty	Responses	Enrolled	%
POL347 H	AMER FOREIGN POL	Parent, JM	16	30	53% <input type="checkbox"/>
POL570 KX	US INTL PERSPECTIVE	Parent, JM	6	13	46% <input type="checkbox"/>

Lecture Survey
FALL08 2008

University of Miami
Arts and Sciences

Course:	POL347 H - AMER FOREIGN POL	Department:	POL
Instructor:	Joseph Parent	Resp. Rec'vd / Expected:	16 / 30

Lecture Classes (Instructor Items)		Parent, Joseph M									
		Responses					Individual				
		[SA]	[A]	[N]	[D]	[SD]	Med.	Mode	S.D.	N	Mean
Q1	My overall evaluation of the instructor is positive.	12	3	1	0	0	5	5	.58	16	4.7
Q2	I would recommend this instructor to a friend.	11	3	1	0	1	5	5	1.06	16	4.4
Q3	The instructor presents course material effectively.	11	5	0	0	0	5	5	.46	16	4.7
Q4	The instructor stimulates interest in the course.	12	4	0	0	0	5	5	.43	16	4.8
Q5	The instructor is available and willing to meet with students.	9	6	1	0	0	5	5	.61	16	4.5

Responses: [SA] Strongly Agree=5 [A] Agree=4 [N] Neutral=3 [D] Disagree=2 [SD] Strongly Disagree=1

Lecture Classes (Course Items)		POL347									
		Responses					Course				
		[SA]	[A]	[N]	[D]	[SD]	Med.	Mode	S.D.	N	Mean
Q6	Exams and assignments reflect the goals and objectives of the course.	11	4	0	0	1	5	5	1.00	16	4.5

Q7	This course has challenged me to think.	15	1	0	0	0	5	5	.24	16	4.9
Q8	Exams and other graded material accurately assess what I have learned in this course.	10	5	1	0	0	5	5	.61	16	4.6
Q9	Grades are assigned fairly and impartially.	11	3	1	1	0	5	5	.87	16	4.5
<p>Responses: [SA] Strongly Agree=5 [A] Agree=4 [N] Neutral=3 [D] Disagree=2 [SD] Strongly Disagree=1</p>											

Q10 - Suggestions and comments about the course content:	
Faculty:	Parent, Joseph M
Response Rate:	62.50% (10 of 16)

-	Great class with an amazing amount of content. I learned a lot and the lectures were well worth listening to.
-	This was the best course I`ve had at the UM!
-	Incredibly interesting, learned a lot of new things
-	Course content is insightful
-	I liked how he brought in the outside sources of information rather than focusing on the traditional text book approach.
-	I think all the history we went over in the first half of the semester was relevant and necessary but at the same time this isn't a history class and I think we focused too much time on that aspect.
-	The course content is excellent and quite stimulating. As a political science major, the course proved to be one of my most challenging but most rewarding, given how much I have learned over the past semester, classes I have taken here at UM.
-	I enjoyed the class very much. The course load was fair. I did not think that there were too many readings, especially because we had no other responsibility in the course except for the two exams. I really appreciated being exposed to so many different authors for the readings - exposure to the different view points was very helpful for the class. Exams are fair, but very intimidating.
-	There is a lot of reading that is hard to keep on everything. However, certain readings like Gaddis are easier to get through than others. There is a lot covered in one class period, which sometimes makes it hard to understand everything. However, he presents it interestingly and makes class fun to attend.
-	Exams are scary.

Q11 - Suggestions and comments about the instructor:	
Faculty:	Parent, Joseph M
Response Rate:	75.00% (12 of 16)

-	I loved the class even though the grades were so challenging. The material was
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	presented in a way that made the class involve themselves.
-	Great work!
-	Knows the subject very well and conveys it
-	Instructor is possibly my favorite of the semester; stimulates interests in the course by relating to the students and getting on their level, but also positively challenging us throughout the semester. He challenged us to think and analyze factors that would influence foreign policy on the exams. He provided us with the necessary tools to properly analyze information and gave us excellent and constructive feedback. He clearly loves the subject and made topics that would otherwise be boring very entertaining and interesting.
-	Professor Parent comes off strong at first but he turned out to be a very clear and enjoyable professor. My opinion of him really changed after the midterm in that he wrote a full page of comments on every student's midterm. No other teacher would have taken the time to tell you how to write a better paper, what your strengths and weaknesses are, what you did wrong, etc. It just demonstrated his commitment to his students and to their grasping of the material, which I really appreciated. - He could speak a little slower but the class was great.
-	Very organized, well-informed, and concise in his arguments. Always provides unbiased insightful comments on historical analysis. Is able to relate course material to real life situations. Keeps it real. Cool guy.
-	Prof. Parent is an excellent and insightful instructor and presents the course content in a manner that is both intellectually stimulating and appealing. Given that this is his first semester at the university, I am amazed by his vast knowledge of the field of political science and his arguments/counter-arguments over the semester are productive to the students' participation in the course. I hope to take Prof. Parent again and would recommend that the university continue to recruit others of his caliber.
-	By far, the most informative and challenging class I've taken here, Professor Parent is overly knowledgeable and stimulates discussion and interest in his class.
-	Professor Parent is extremely knowledgeable which makes class interesting. He speaks a little quickly which can make note taking difficult especially since we cover so much per class. He makes himself very available and is very helpful in answering questions.
-	I really enjoyed the class and professor. He is not easy, but he is fun and the class is interesting. I actually wanted to go to class and enjoyed learning while i was there. - The tests were a lot of material though and definitely stressed me out. Overall, it was a positive experience.

Q12 - Additional comments:	
Faculty:	Parent, Joseph M
Response Rate:	25.00% (4 of 16)

-	You should teach more classes.
-	One of the best professors I've had at UM
-	Not a good class to skip ever! He was a great teacher just needs to slow down a little bit. There is a lot of reading, which would have been fine if I didnt have to read so

	much for my other classes.
-	See you next semester.

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Instructor:	Joseph Parent	Resp. Rec'vd / Expected:	6 / 13

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		Responses					Individual				
		[SA]	[A]	[N]	[D]	[SD]	Med.	Mode	S.D.	N	Mean
Q1	My overall evaluation of the instructor is positive.	1	3	1	1	0	4	4	.94	6	3.7
Q2	I would recommend this instructor to a friend.	1	3	0	1	1	4	4	1.37	6	3.3
Q3	The instructor presents course material effectively.	1	4	0	0	1	4	4	1.25	6	3.7
Q4	The instructor stimulates interest in the course.	2	1	0	3	0	2	2	1.37	6	3.3
Q5	The instructor is available and willing to meet with students.	1	3	2	0	0	4	4	.69	6	3.8

Responses: [SA] Strongly Agree=5 [A] Agree=4 [N] Neutral=3 [D] Disagree=2 [SD] Strongly Disagree=1

Lecture Classes (Course Items)		POL570									
		Responses					Course				
		[SA]	[A]	[N]	[D]	[SD]	Med.	Mode	S.D.	N	Mean
Q6	Exams and assignments reflect the goals and objectives of the course.	1	2	1	2	0	3	2,4	1.11	6	3.3
Q7	This course has challenged me to think.	1	4	1	0	0	4	4	.58	6	4.0
Q8	Exams and other graded material accurately assess what I have learned in this course.	0	1	3	1	1	3	3	.94	6	2.7
Q9	Grades are assigned fairly and	0	2	4	0	0	3	3	.47	6	3.3

