

# Evaluations for POSC-339-01, Compare Pol Econ East Asia

(Wei-Ting Yen, Spring 2018)

## Summary

**Table 1. Summary: 11 responses**

	No Answer	1 (Poor)	2	3	4	5 (Excellent)
Prior interest	0	0 (0%)	1 (9.1%)	1 (9.1%)	5 (45.5%)	4 (36.4%)
Interest increased	0	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	2 (18.2%)	5 (45.5%)	4 (36.4%)
Effort	0	0 (0%)	1 (9.1%)	2 (18.2%)	5 (45.5%)	3 (27.3%)
Knowledge increased	0	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	2 (18.2%)	4 (36.4%)	5 (45.5%)
Challenge	0	0 (0%)	1 (9.1%)	1 (9.1%)	5 (45.5%)	4 (36.4%)
Overall rating	1	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	1 (10%)	4 (40%)	5 (50%)
Preparedness	0	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	4 (36.4%)	7 (63.6%)
Clarity	0	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	2 (18.2%)	4 (36.4%)	5 (45.5%)
Feedback	0	0 (0%)	1 (9.1%)	0 (0%)	2 (18.2%)	8 (72.7%)
Effectiveness	0	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	1 (9.1%)	3 (27.3%)	7 (63.6%)

## All responses

**Table 2. Response 1**

Gender	M
Year	2019
Major 1	International Studies
Major 2	
Minor 1	Political Science
Minor 2	
Reason to take course	
Prior interest	2
Prior interest fill-in	
Interest increased	4
Interest increased fill-in	
Effort	3
Effort fill-in	
Knowledge increased	4
Knowledge increased fill-in	
Challenge	4
Challenge fill-in	
Course strengths	Interesting topics and mix of case studies and concepts.
Ways to improve course	Having more concrete guidelines for readings and better class structure.
Overall rating	4
Overall rating fill-in	
Instructor strengths	knowledgable about the topic and very understanding and willing to help students. Wants everyone to do well.
Ways for instructor to improve	A little unorganized.
Preparedness	4
Clarity	3

Feedback	4
Effectiveness	4
Effectiveness fill-in	
Other comments	
Identify by name?	N
Student name and email	

**Table 3. Response 2**

Gender	M
Year	2018
Major 1	
Major 2	
Minor 1	
Minor 2	
Reason to take course	
Prior interest	5
Prior interest fill-in	
Interest increased	4
Interest increased fill-in	
Effort	4
Effort fill-in	
Knowledge increased	4
Knowledge increased fill-in	
Challenge	2
Challenge fill-in	
Course strengths	
Ways to improve course	
Overall rating	5
Overall rating fill-in	
Instructor strengths	
Ways for instructor to improve	
Preparedness	4
Clarity	4
Feedback	5
Effectiveness	5
Effectiveness fill-in	
Other comments	
Identify by name?	N
Student name and email	

**Table 4. Response 3**

Gender	M
Year	2018
Major 1	History
Major 2	Political Science
Minor 1	
Minor 2	
Reason to take course	
Prior interest	5

Prior interest fill-in	
Interest increased	4
Interest increased fill-in	
Effort	5
Effort fill-in	
Knowledge increased	4
Knowledge increased fill-in	
Challenge	5
Challenge fill-in	
Course strengths	Excellent coverage of topics, and adjustment of the schedule so that the semester flowed smoothly.
Ways to improve course	Perhaps slightly less lecture, more discussion, to allow students to flesh out certain concepts more deeply.
Overall rating	NA
Overall rating fill-in	
Instructor strengths	Visiting professors always seem to teach the best POSC courses I have taken. 10/10.
Ways for instructor to improve	Can't say.
Preparedness	5
Clarity	5
Feedback	5
Effectiveness	5
Effectiveness fill-in	
Other comments	Really good class. An excellent intro to CPE for those unfamiliar with the approach.
Identify by name?	N
Student name and email	

**Table 5. Response 4**

Gender	M
Year	2018
Major 1	Economics
Major 2	
Minor 1	Political Science
Minor 2	
Reason to take course	
Prior interest	3
Prior interest fill-in	
Interest increased	4
Interest increased fill-in	
Effort	4
Effort fill-in	
Knowledge increased	4
Knowledge increased fill-in	
Challenge	4
Challenge fill-in	
Course strengths	The scholarly readings were quite interesting
Ways to improve course	Take home exams were excessive relative to its weight in the final grade. Questions are also too vague and too generalized.
Overall rating	4
Overall rating fill-in	
Instructor strengths	Very enthusiastic in her teaching and quite knowledgeable in issues over China and Taiwan Provides very clear feedback on paper drafts

Ways for instructor to improve	Some of the comments made are contradictory in terms of teaching vs. answers on the take home exam.
Preparedness	5
Clarity	4
Feedback	5
Effectiveness	4
Effectiveness fill-in	
Other comments	
Identify by name?	N
Student name and email	

**Table 6. Response 5**

Gender	M
Year	2018
Major 1	Political Science
Major 2	
Minor 1	Economics
Minor 2	
Reason to take course	Major/Minor
Prior interest	4
Prior interest fill-in	
Interest increased	3
Interest increased fill-in	
Effort	2
Effort fill-in	only 2 take home tests and a paper
Knowledge increased	3
Knowledge increased fill-in	
Challenge	3
Challenge fill-in	
Course strengths	Interesting topics
Ways to improve course	Less of individual econ information and more on overall topic.
Overall rating	3
Overall rating fill-in	
Instructor strengths	excited about the topic
Ways for instructor to improve	struggles to get whole class involved. Easy to hide, struggled explaining econ stuff
Preparedness	4
Clarity	3
Feedback	2
Effectiveness	3
Effectiveness fill-in	
Other comments	
Identify by name?	N
Student name and email	

**Table 7. Response 6**

Gender	M
Year	2018
Major 1	Political Science
Major 2	
Minor 1	

Minor 2	
Reason to take course	Major/Minor
Prior interest	5
Prior interest fill-in	I love comparative politics and I feel like that it is a subject that the department does not offer enough classes of
Interest increased	3
Interest increased fill-in	My interest was really high to begin with, and now its still at that level, so I can't say it increased.
Effort	4
Effort fill-in	Did a decent job of keeping up with reading and participating in class. Also did a fairly good job with keeping up with weekly assignments
Knowledge increased	5
Knowledge increased fill-in	First time learning about the politics and economics of the East Asian region, and did so with a lot of depth
Challenge	4
Challenge fill-in	
Course strengths	Syllabus and the order of course content we were taught was constructed very well. I liked how it began with a historical account of economic growth and political action in the region, and then moved to focusing on specific political economy issues
Ways to improve course	
Overall rating	5
Overall rating fill-in	Good construction of syllabus, good presentation of course material, and very interesting readings that helped facilitate learning and class discussions.
Instructor strengths	Very knowledgeable, but doesn't let that interfere with her ability to teach basic material. Some teachers can be very knowledgeable and can expect their students to be close to their knowledge on the subject. This professor took time to see what kind of knowledge we had and adapted her syllabus and teaching style to accommodate that.
Ways for instructor to improve	
Preparedness	5
Clarity	5
Feedback	5
Effectiveness	5
Effectiveness fill-in	
Other comments	Please for the love of God keep Professor Yen around. The political science department has just had a revolving door of comparative politics teachers for the longest time. I feel like this has interfered with their ability to offer staple comparative classes in a consistent manner, like they do with the other concentrations. Its a field that I am very interested in and wish that there was more opportunity for me to study it. Professor Yen is a very good and entertaining teacher that would serve the department well.
Identify by name?	N
Student name and email	

**Table 8. Response 7**

Gender	M
Year	2019
Major 1	Political Science
Major 2	
Minor 1	Studio Art
Minor 2	
Reason to take course	Major/Minor
Prior interest	4
Prior interest fill-in	
Interest increased	5

Interest increased fill-in	
Effort	5
Effort fill-in	
Knowledge increased	5
Knowledge increased fill-in	
Challenge	5
Challenge fill-in	
Course strengths	Very interesting learning about economic and political policies of Asian countries, since you don't always get to hear about this in other classes. Really informative - sparked in interest in asian politics for me
Ways to improve course	maybe show more visuals
Overall rating	5
Overall rating fill-in	
Instructor strengths	Dr. Wei-Ting Yen is really knowledgeable on political economies of many nations she is clear and concise with directions she brings a positive energy to class Really effective feedback and really helpful in office hours She challenges us academically while providing high support
Ways for instructor to improve	Maybe show more visuals
Preparedness	5
Clarity	5
Feedback	5
Effectiveness	5
Effectiveness fill-in	
Other comments	Dr. Wei-Ting Yen is an amazing professor! Give her a raise!!
Identify by name?	Y
Student name and email	

**Table 9. Response 8**

Gender	M
Year	2018
Major 1	Economics
Major 2	
Minor 1	
Minor 2	
Reason to take course	GE
Prior interest	4
Prior interest fill-in	
Interest increased	4
Interest increased fill-in	
Effort	4
Effort fill-in	
Knowledge increased	3
Knowledge increased fill-in	
Challenge	4
Challenge fill-in	
Course strengths	
Ways to improve course	
Overall rating	4
Overall rating fill-in	
Instructor strengths	
Ways for instructor to improve	

Preparedness	4
Clarity	4
Feedback	4
Effectiveness	4
Effectiveness fill-in	
Other comments	
Identify by name?	N
Student name and email	

**Table 10. Response 9**

Gender	F
Year	2020
Major 1	Political Science
Major 2	
Minor 1	Studio Art
Minor 2	
Reason to take course	Major/Minor
Prior interest	4
Prior interest fill-in	
Interest increased	5
Interest increased fill-in	
Effort	4
Effort fill-in	
Knowledge increased	5
Knowledge increased fill-in	
Challenge	5
Challenge fill-in	
Course strengths	
Ways to improve course	
Overall rating	5
Overall rating fill-in	
Instructor strengths	
Ways for instructor to improve	
Preparedness	5
Clarity	5
Feedback	5
Effectiveness	5
Effectiveness fill-in	
Other comments	
Identify by name?	N
Student name and email	

**Table 11. Response 10**

Gender	F
Year	2020
Major 1	Political Science
Major 2	
Minor 1	
Minor 2	

Reason to take course	
Prior interest	5
Prior interest fill-in	
Interest increased	5
Interest increased fill-in	
Effort	5
Effort fill-in	
Knowledge increased	5
Knowledge increased fill-in	
Challenge	5
Challenge fill-in	
Course strengths	
Ways to improve course	
Overall rating	5
Overall rating fill-in	
Instructor strengths	
Ways for instructor to improve	
Preparedness	5
Clarity	5
Feedback	5
Effectiveness	5
Effectiveness fill-in	
Other comments	
Identify by name?	N
Student name and email	

**Table 12. Response 11**

Gender	F
Year	2020
Major 1	Philosophy/PoliSci/Economics
Major 2	
Minor 1	
Minor 2	
Reason to take course	Major/Minor
Prior interest	4
Prior interest fill-in	
Interest increased	5
Interest increased fill-in	It's exciting to know what's going on in East Asia, I feel like I have a much better understanding.
Effort	3
Effort fill-in	
Knowledge increased	5
Knowledge increased fill-in	
Challenge	4
Challenge fill-in	
Course strengths	
Ways to improve course	
Overall rating	4
Overall rating fill-in	
Instructor strengths	
Ways for instructor to improve	

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Preparedness	5
Clarity	4
Feedback	5
Effectiveness	5
Effectiveness fill-in	
Other comments	
Identify by name?	N
Student name and email	

