# Allison L. Quatrini: Quantitative and Qualitative Teaching Evaluations from GWU

George Washington University evaluations use a scale of 1 to 5, with 5 being the highest score. Students also have the opportunity to provide written feedback, and to that end, I include a sample of their comments below. China Foreign Affairs University did not share student evaluations with me, thus I cannot report them here.

# I. Introduction to Comparative Politics (PSC 001: Professor Kimberly Morgan)

# Average Quantitative Scores (Fall 2011)

- 1. My TA was knowledgeable about the subject matter covered in the course: 4.29
- 2. My TA was able to stimulate discussion on the subject matter covered in the course: 4.10
- 3. My TA was accessible and helpful during regularly scheduled office hours: 4.20
- 4. My overall assessment of my TA is: 3.59

# Average Quantitative Scores (Fall 2012)

- 1. My TA was knowledgeable about the subject matter covered in the course: 4.21
- 2. My TA was able to stimulate discussion on the subject matter covered in the course: 3.83
- 3. My TA was accessible and helpful during regularly scheduled office hours: 3.71
- 4. My overall assessment of my TA is: 3.76

#### **Qualitative Comments**

#### Fall 2011:

- 1. "I loved my TA and thought she was very knowledgeable and passionate."
- 2. "Allison did a great job. Though she is a TA, I think I learned the most from her this semester. Perfect balance of being professional and down to earth. Very impressed. Wish I could have her again."
- 3. "I liked my TA! She was great at creating incentives for learning!"
- 4. "She was very professional, understanding, and helpful. She did a great job."
- 5. "I really enjoyed our discussion section. You were always excellent at answering questions and helping me with my papers! Someday soon you will make a wonderful professor!"

#### Fall 2012:

- 1. "Allison is an amazing teaching assistant."
- 2. "Loved discussions, it was <u>very</u> helpful. The essay workshop we did before the first paper was extremely useful."
- 3. "I learned more from Allison than I did from the professor."
- 4. "My TA was very helpful and helped my success in this class."
- 5. "My TA was great! She definitely furthered my understanding of the topics."

# II. Introduction to International Relations: A Washington Perspective (IAFF 1005: Professor Susan Sell)

# Average Quantitative Scores (Spring 2012)

- 1. My teaching assistant was knowledgeable about the subject matter covered in the course: 4.64
- 2. My teaching assistant was able to stimulate discussion on the subject matter covered in the course: 4.45
- 3. My teaching assistant was accessible and helpful during regularly scheduled office hours: 3.75
- 4. My overall assessment of my teaching assistant is: 4.3

# Average Quantitative Scores (Fall 2015)

The format of evaluations has changed since my scores were last reported in 2012

1. My overall assessment of my teaching assistant is: 4.35

#### **Qualitative Comments**

Spring 2012:

- 1. "She was great! She was so prepared and an excellent teacher. The activities were so interesting, and I learned a lot."
- 2. "My TA was great. My favorite part of the class was the discussion section—our conversations and debates were very helpful."
- 3. "My teaching assistant did an outstanding job clarifying and reinforcing the material. The discussion section really helped enhance the course overall."
- 4. "My teaching assistant was great. Very knowledgeable, organized, and her comments on my Take a Stand Papers were helpful."

### Fall 2015:

- 1. "Great discussion section, provided very helpful activities such as debates, games, writing prompts, and discussions. Allison Quatrini is an extremely intelligent and highly passionate woman about the area. She provided great support."
- 2. "Allison Quatrini has been my favorite TA at GWU thus far. She pushes me to think beyond what is natural for me and has greatly increased my critical thinking skills. She made International Affairs my favorite class all semester."
- 3. "My discussion TA was excellent in helping explain concepts to students and bringing the material into a real-world context."
- 4. "Discussion with Allison was very well run. The section definitely increased my knowledge of the topics studied in lecture."
- 5. "Thank you so much for your efforts this semester. I really enjoyed the discussions we had every week as they really opened my mind and allowed me to think in new ways. Part of this was because of the environment you created and the questions you posed. Thank you for making us all better students."