

STUDENT EVALUATIONS AND COMMENTS

USSC2602: Introduction to US Politics
Coordinator and lecturer: Brendon O'Connor
Semester 1, 2011

Evaluation of Unit

Quantitative Results:

"Overall I was satisfied with the quality of this unit of study" 4.78 out of 5 (with a 98% satisfaction rate)

Student comments:

The Materials in the outline were very clear, well organized and the readings just really helpful.

The lectures were terrific - engaging for the full two hours.

I loved the readings- their diversity, currency and spread of opinion. Text was also a good underpinning for the basics.

Terrific extra materials. Brendon's contributions weekly were really great.

Great resources. Clips, readings and notes were really good.

Fantastic lecturer

Great overall coverage of US politics

Great reader and textbook

Brendon's lectures are excellent, they were the reason I came to uni on Wednesday.

Learning materials were excellent, interesting and informative.

One of the best subjects I've ever done

The lectures were very engaging drawing on wide source of materials. I also love the extra readings and sources provided for each lecture.

Student commendation:

He is extremely knowledgeable in the field of American Studies, he offers interesting and engaging courses. His lectures are clear and concise which makes learning a pleasure. He is young and enthusiastic. He is a treasure to Syd uni and I commend his outstanding efforts in providing a course that steps outside the box.

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Evaluation of teaching in lectures

Quantitative results:

"Overall my lecturer effectively supported my learning" 4.73 out of 5 (with a 96% satisfaction rate)

Student comments:

Wonderful unit

Excellent lecturer

Perfect lecturer. Couldn't have asked for a better lecturer.

Brendon gets an 11 out of 10 as a lecturer - he is enthusiastic, knowledgeable, an impressive lecturer and approachable teacher. Best yet.

His clear passion and interest 'bounced off' between him and us, the students.

I like how additional material for each lecture was provided to support extra reading/learning. Overall a wonderful highly enjoyable course.

One of the best lecturers I've ever had

Brendon was a wonderful lecturer-very knowledgeable and a great teacher.

Supported lecture notes on-line.

Great lectures, thanks Brendon! Very interesting, well prepared and packed full of knowledge and insight into US and politics.

The concepts were really explained well. It was great to understand.

One of the best units I have studied. It was awesome, his lectures every week were great.

Brendon's on line links were helpful in finding more information.