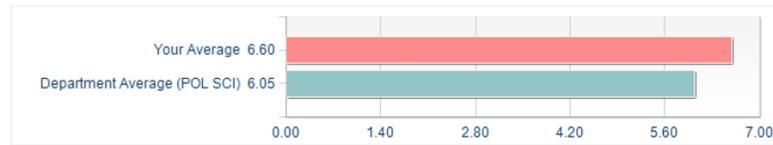
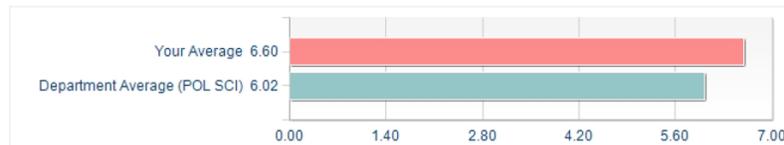


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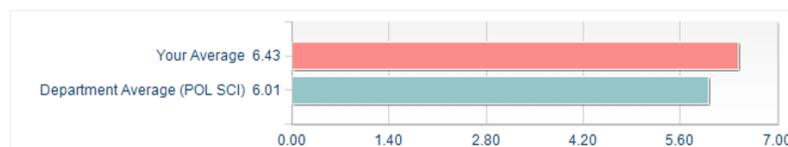
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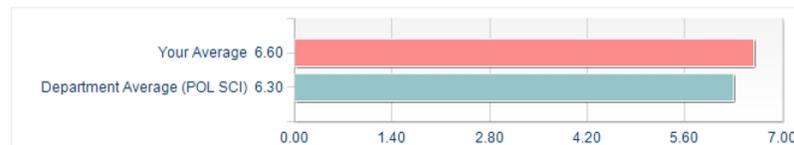
The instructor explained concepts clearly



The instructor was helpful when I had difficulties or questions



The instructor encouraged student questions and participation



Anonymous Comments

Melanie is objectively the best GSI I've ever had at Cal. She is everything you hope in a GSI: helpful, clear, willing to listen and learn from students, flexible in her lesson plans, doesn't purport to know more than she does (disclaimers her knowledge is derived from her research in Zambia), funny, approachable, honest, straightforward. Extremely intelligent, not condescending, and gets to know her students

Melanie was honest and very transparent about the demands of this class from the get-go. However, she didn't just stop at being clear about this, but rather was incredibly supportive in helping students to meet these. This is what helped me succeed most in this class and feel like I had a grasp on it. The discussion sections were so well organized and each one felt like it had such a direct impact on my learning and improved my performance in class. Outside of discussion too, Melanie was such an incredible resource for class, and even outside. She took out time for office hours and to provide feedback and guidance about class related topics. She was also really supportive and provided really useful advice about other academic and professional opportunities. Melanie's support and guidance significantly improved my semester!

Melanie has been the best GSI I've encountered. She is extremely helpful and explains concepts thoroughly and effectively. She also informs the students of opportunities and conferences outside of the classroom and is very upfront about her expectations. She also helps out with writing papers after they are graded so we can improve on our writing. She is also extremely professional and knowledgeable about both national and international politics.

Very clear, she always asks "Is this helpful?" All of her activities were so amazingly helpful, this class made me feel like I had two professors, since Melanie was incredibly competent with the content. She was very good in the ways she asked questions because it really made us think, and the answers that come from those questions were diverse and prompted discussion. Melanie also taught me how to CORRECTLY write. Amazing amazing GSI.