

**Marymount University**  
**Student Evaluation of Course Effectiveness**  
**Fall 2012**

**Course and Instructor:** Rector POL-220-A Response Rate: 81% Average Course Grade: 2.06

	Excellent	Good	Fair	Poor	Very Poor	Totals	Mean	Std Dev	Mean	
									1	5
1) How would you rate this course as a learning experience?	14.0 53.8%	10.0 38.5%	0.0 0.0%	1.0 3.8%	1.0 3.8%	26.0 100.0%	4.35	0.98		
2) What is your rating of this instructor's teaching?	17.0 65.4%	7.0 26.9%	0.0 0.0%	2.0 7.7%	0.0 0.0%	26.0 100.0%	4.50	0.86		

	Much more than most courses	More than most courses	About the same as other courses	Less than most courses	Much less than most courses	This is my first course at Marymount	Totals	Mean	
								1	5
3) How much do you feel you have learned in this course compared to other courses you have taken at Marymount?	5.0 19.2%	13.0 50.0%	5.0 19.2%	1.0 3.8%	1.0 3.8%	1.0 3.8%	26.0 100.0%		

	Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Neither Disagree Nor Agree	Agree	Strongly Agree	Totals	Mean	Std Dev	Mean	
									1	5
4) The instructor was well prepared for each class with lectures, exercises, assignments, handouts	0.0 0.0%	0.0 0.0%	0.0 0.0%	8.0 30.8%	18.0 69.2%	26.0 100.0%	4.69	0.47		
5) The instructor explained course content in a way that I could understand.	1.0 3.8%	0.0 0.0%	1.0 3.8%	8.0 30.8%	16.0 61.5%	26.0 100.0%	4.46	0.90		
6) The instructor was responsive to student questions.	0.0 0.0%	0.0 0.0%	2.0 7.7%	7.0 26.9%	17.0 65.4%	26.0 100.0%	4.58	0.64		
7) The instructor used the class time well (employed a balance of teaching methods, handled student	0.0 0.0%	1.0 3.8%	0.0 0.0%	9.0 34.6%	16.0 61.5%	26.0 100.0%	4.54	0.71		
8) The instructor encouraged me to take responsibility for my own learning.	0.0 0.0%	0.0 0.0%	2.0 7.7%	8.0 30.8%	16.0 61.5%	26.0 100.0%	4.54	0.65		
9) The instructor encouraged students to participate actively in class.	0.0 0.0%	1.0 3.8%	1.0 3.8%	8.0 30.8%	16.0 61.5%	26.0 100.0%	4.50	0.76		
10) The feedback I received on my work in this course helped me learn.	0.0 0.0%	0.0 0.0%	4.0 15.4%	11.0 42.3%	11.0 42.3%	26.0 100.0%	4.27	0.72		
11) The standards for evaluating my work were consistently applied.	0.0 0.0%	0.0 0.0%	2.0 7.7%	7.0 26.9%	17.0 65.4%	26.0 100.0%	4.58	0.64		

15) Is this course:			
	Counts	Percents	Percents
			0 100
A required course for your major/program	22	84.6%	
An elective	2	7.7%	
A gen ed core requirement	1	3.8%	
Other	1	3.8%	
Totals	26	100.0%	

16) On average, how many hours per week have you spent on this course outside of class?			
	Counts	Percents	Percents
			0 100
Fewer than 2	4	15.4%	
2 to 4	20	76.9%	
5 to 9	2	7.7%	
10 to 12	0	0.0%	
More than 12	0	0.0%	
Totals	26	100.0%	

17) How many sessions of this class have you missed this semester?			
	Counts	Percents	Percents
			0 100
0 to 2	14	53.8%	
3 to 5	12	46.2%	
6 or more	0	0.0%	
Totals	26	100.0%	

18) What grade do you expect to receive in this class?			
	Counts	Percents	Percents
			0 100
A	3	11.5%	
A-/B+	7	26.9%	
B	9	34.6%	
B-/C+	4	15.4%	
C/C-	2	7.7%	
D or below	1	3.8%	
Not Applicable	0	0.0%	
Totals	26	100.0%	

19) What is your current class level?			
	Counts	Percents	Percents
			0 100
Freshman	7	28.0%	
Sophomore	7	28.0%	
Junior	8	32.0%	
Senior	3	12.0%	
Graduate	0	0.0%	
Other	0	0.0%	
Totals	25	100.0%	

12) What did you like about this course and/or the instructor's teaching of it?

- Professor Rector was very engaging and enthusiastic in his lectures. Used very good examples of real life situations for students to comprehend certain aspects of the class better.
- Dr. Rector has great enthusiasm for teaching the content; this made the class more enjoyable and engaging.
- His powerpoints are helpful!
- He brought humor into the classroom and good real world application of the class content
- I liked how he talked to the class and made me people participate, rather than just lecturing.
- Dr. Rector has an amazing ability to explain things in a concise, step by step manner that always makes the big picture more understandable. Best professor I've had at Marymount
- His examples were interesting, his powerpoints were helpful.
- It was an interesting class and the papers helped apply the readings to the real world.
- I like professor Rector's teaching methods he has a way of boiling down information to generalities that make the world make sense.

- very interactive, encourages class participation, not boring
- His lectures were enthusiastic, funny, and memorable. I enjoyed his papers because they allow for extensive analysis.
- The topics discussed were interesting
- Enthusiastic about the topic, made the class fun.
- nothing.
- I like how there was a whole website based on the class which included everything, the lectures were nice.
- I enjoyed the way the instructor explained certain things by having different scenarios.
- I was not a huge fan of the lectures because I do not learn that way the best. But professor rector did make the class interesting and he knew a great wealth of knowledge about the topics he taught.
- the topic was interesting but he was not. Boring teaching style.
- Real life examples
- Professor Rector was always enthusiastic about teaching class and always gave great real world examples to go along with what we were learning. He always makes sure we understand how the material we learned was relevant to our lives. I felt like this class really helped me better understand the world we live in.
- his teaching style
- The willingness to answer questions. His ability to tie it in with more current events. The game was a good activity/ we had to explain which concepts we used to make the activity a success.
- interesting topics and the way we we're taught by Prof. Rector was brilliant!

13) Which teaching methods or strategies contributed most to your learning (lectures, technology, group activities, projects, textbooks, readings, handouts, etc.)?

- The lectures with his powerpoints went very well together and had a lot of flow.
- Lecture
- AMAZING POWERPOINTS!!!
- lectures and readings
- Student teacher interaction
- Lecture
- Lectures.
- The group activities and lectures were my primary source of learning
- lectures, he explains concepts very simple for anyone to grasp
- Lectures and papers to apply topics
- Lectures, papers
- lectures
- papers on the reading assignment.
- Teaching methods: Lectures, Technology, Readings, Discussions, Projects.
- Lectures and technology.
- He taught in a lecture method.
- readings
- Powerpoints Lectures
- The enthusiastic lectures.
- powerpoint explanations
- Lectures and readings. Some of the shorter readings were actually interesting. It was nice that all of the readings didn't come from the book.
- the fact that he used powerpoints and lectured in a fascinating way. never mono tone and always keeping the class awake.

14) What suggestions can you offer that would make this course a better experience?

- Offer more class participation or group activities to make class a little more engaging.
- Can not
- There's a lot of information to go through and learn and a study guide or something for the exams would be not helpful as to narrow down what to study for.
- Answer student questions more directly.
- Too many powerpoint presentations, they are well done and convey information properly but it would serve everyone involved if things were changed up a bit.
- Nothing
- No suggestions
- make the material more understandable somehow without it being a bore.
- Make sure students have some background knowledge of what the lectured are related to outside of the class. This was my first politics class so I do not know much of what I should know to help me understand the lectures/course better.
- I dont have any suggestions
- Maybe make the class a little more lively. Maybe some more videos or group works. But his class was good and he does keep the students engaged with his subtle jokes.
- more interaction with each other, group work.
- None, the class was awesome.

- n/a
- N/A
- nothing. Prof. Rector is by far one of my favorite professors!

If you have other comments about this course, please share them in the space below.

- he's a good teacher
- I enjoyed the class and writing the papers.
- Great teacher, loved the teaching methods, just didn't understand how i would apply it on my own.
- I do like professor Rector because he helped me to learn the material well. He is very knowledgeable and a good teacher.
- no
- Great teacher and great class. Loved it.
- oh yaaah! professor rector, yaaah! (PAULY D)
- Thank you for the wonderful semester!