

East Tennessee State University
2022 Fall: Full & Second 7-weeks

Course: 82234.202280: PSCI-3050-001 - Intrst Groups In Amer Polit
Instructor: David Miller *
Response Rate: 8/20 (40.00 %)

1 - I expect to earn the following grade in this course.

Response Option	Weight	Frequency	Percent	Percent Responses	Means													
A	(5)	2	25.00%		4.13	4.50	4.45	4.52										
B	(4)	5	62.50%															
C	(3)	1	12.50%															
D	(2)	0	0.00%															
F	(1)	0	0.00%															
					0	25	50	100	Question	University			College			Department		
Response Rate	Mean	STD	Median	University	Mean	STD	Median	College	Mean	STD	Median	Department	Mean	STD	Median			
8/20 (40.00%)	4.13	0.64	4.00	23335	4.50	0.75	5.00	10282	4.45	0.78	5.00	167	4.52	0.70	5.00			

2 - I devoted the following number of hours per week to this course (including class time attended, online assignments and activities, and/or time preparing for this course).

Response Option	Weight	Frequency	Percent	Percent Responses	Means													
3	(3)	1	12.50%		5.63	5.29	4.93	4.91										
4	(4)	2	25.00%															
6	(6)	3	37.50%															
7	(7)	1	12.50%															
9	(9)	1	12.50%															
					0	25	50	100	Question	University			College			Department		
Response Rate	Mean	STD	Median	University	Mean	STD	Median	College	Mean	STD	Median	Department	Mean	STD	Median			
8/20 (40.00%)	5.63	1.92	6.00	22987	5.29	2.59	5.00	10097	4.93	2.38	5.00	164	4.91	2.19	5.00			

3 - I completed the assigned preparatory class activities (readings, videos, discussions, etc.).

Response Option	Weight	Frequency	Percent	Percent Responses	Means													
All of the Time	(4)	5	62.50%		3.50	3.64	3.62	3.63										
Most of the Time	(3)	2	25.00%															
Some of the Time	(2)	1	12.50%															
None of the Time	(1)	0	0.00%															
					0	25	50	100	Question	University			College			Department		
Response Rate	Mean	STD	Median	University	Mean	STD	Median	College	Mean	STD	Median	Department	Mean	STD	Median			
8/20 (40.00%)	3.50	0.76	4.00	23213	3.64	0.58	4.00	10224	3.62	0.59	4.00	166	3.63	0.62	4.00			

4 - How satisfied are you with your effort in this course?

Response Option	Weight	Frequency	Percent	Percent Responses	Means													
Very Satisfied	(4)	1	12.50%		3.13	3.47	3.43	3.45										
Satisfied	(3)	7	87.50%															
Unsatisfied	(2)	0	0.00%															
Very Unsatisfied	(1)	0	0.00%															
					0	25	50	100	Question	University			College			Department		
Response Rate	Mean	STD	Median	University	Mean	STD	Median	College	Mean	STD	Median	Department	Mean	STD	Median			
8/20 (40.00%)	3.13	0.35	3.00	23182	3.47	0.64	4.00	10204	3.43	0.65	4.00	167	3.45	0.63	4.00			

5 - I could have done the following to improve my performance in this course:

Response Rate	5/20 (25%)
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • I could of talked more, as it would of helped me correct myself when I was wrong or misled. Could of also conferenced more after-class, as some students done. • Read more. • participated more in class • Read more • participation 	

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6 - The course content was consistent with the course description.

Response Option				Weight	Frequency	Percent	Percent Responses	Means							
Strongly Agree				(4)	4	50.00%		3.38		3.64		3.67		3.68	
Agree				(3)	3	37.50%									
Disagree				(2)	1	12.50%									
Strongly Disagree				(1)	0	0.00%									
								0	25	50	100	Question	University	College	Department
Response Rate	Mean	STD	Median	University	Mean	STD	Median	College	Mean	STD	Median	Department	Mean	STD	Median
8/20 (40.00%)	3.38	0.74	3.50	23157	3.64	0.59	4.00	10186	3.67	0.55	4.00	168	3.68	0.57	4.00

7 - Please identify what you consider to be the strengths of this course.

Response Rate	7/20 (35%)
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dr. Miller is a great professor who is always willing to engage and help on any aspect of the class. • Engaging readings, clever mix of readings (some good, some bad) - we learn how to write an article through reading various failures/successes • If you don't wait until the last minute to do them and do it while you still have options, the article summaries are good supplements to understanding in-class discussion that aren't too hard to get through. • Straight forward from the syllabus • The content of this course is engaging and very relevant • provides an alternative method of studying the content (a more scientific approach) • The few assignments actually due and the sparse group work. 	

8 - Please identify areas where you think this course could be improved.

Response Rate	5/20 (25%)
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Seminar style does not fit class well • Clearer reading materials. • none • replace some of the assigned literature with more subjective content to allow for better class participation. make more of a point to allow students to have open-ended discussions in tandem with scientific. • Why is there SO much reading? It's an absurd amount of reading to do every single week if you want to keep up with the discussions in class. I gave up after my week of presenting the articles because screw reading 4, 5, or 6 articles every week. 	

9 - What advice would you give to another student who is considering taking this course?

Response Rate	7/20 (35%)
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Do the readings. • Read the stuff • Take research methods first. • Do the readings and the assignments • Participate in class, you will learn more. • come to class prepared. participate. ask questions. show interest. • It's easy and soul draining at the same time. 	

10 - The instructor made course expectations clear (e.g. objectives, policies, and assignments).

David Miller

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Strongly Agree				(4)	4	50.00%		3.50		3.58		3.63		3.62	
Agree				(3)	4	50.00%									
Disagree				(2)	0	0.00%									
Strongly Disagree				(1)	0	0.00%									
								0	25	50	100	Question	University	College	Department
Response Rate	Mean	STD	Median	University	Mean	STD	Median	College	Mean	STD	Median	Department	Mean	STD	Median
8/20 (40.00%)	3.50	0.53	3.50	31364	3.58	0.68	4.00	11735	3.63	0.64	4.00	183	3.62	0.63	4.00

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11 - The instructor was well prepared.

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Strongly Agree	(4)	7	87.50%		3.88	3.57	3.60	3.66							
Agree	(3)	1	12.50%												
Disagree	(2)	0	0.00%												
Strongly Disagree	(1)	0	0.00%												
					0	25	50	100							
					Question	University	College	Department							
Response Rate	Mean	STD	Median	University	Mean	STD	Median	College	Mean	STD	Median	Department	Mean	STD	Median
8/20 (40.00%)	3.88	0.35	4.00	29869	3.57	0.69	4.00	11676	3.60	0.66	4.00	183	3.66	0.64	4.00

12 - The instructor managed course time effectively.

David Miller

Response Option	Weight	Frequency	Percent	Percent Responses	Means										
Strongly Agree	(4)	6	75.00%		3.75	3.55	3.57	3.60							
Agree	(3)	2	25.00%												
Disagree	(2)	0	0.00%												
Strongly Disagree	(1)	0	0.00%												
					0	25	50	100							
					Question	University	College	Department							
Response Rate	Mean	STD	Median	University	Mean	STD	Median	College	Mean	STD	Median	Department	Mean	STD	Median
8/20 (40.00%)	3.75	0.46	4.00	29436	3.55	0.71	4.00	11666	3.57	0.69	4.00	184	3.60	0.72	4.00

13 - The instructor clearly explained course content.

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Agree	(3)	3	37.50%												
Disagree	(2)	1	12.50%												
Strongly Disagree	(1)	0	0.00%												
					0	25	50	100							
					Question	University	College	Department							
Response Rate	Mean	STD	Median	University	Mean	STD	Median	College	Mean	STD	Median	Department	Mean	STD	Median
8/20 (40.00%)	3.38	0.74	3.50	29250	3.52	0.75	4.00	11662	3.54	0.73	4.00	184	3.51	0.71	4.00

14 - The instructor showed interest in my learning.

David Miller

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Agree	(3)	4	50.00%												
Disagree	(2)	0	0.00%												
Strongly Disagree	(1)	0	0.00%												
					0	25	50	100							
					Question	University	College	Department							
Response Rate	Mean	STD	Median	University	Mean	STD	Median	College	Mean	STD	Median	Department	Mean	STD	Median
8/20 (40.00%)	3.50	0.53	3.50	29071	3.55	0.73	4.00	11630	3.55	0.72	4.00	183	3.53	0.64	4.00

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15 - The instructor helped increase my knowledge and/or skills in the content of this course.																
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Strongly Agree		(4)	5	62.50%					3.50		3.53		3.54		3.57	
Agree		(3)	2	25.00%												
Disagree		(2)	1	12.50%												
Strongly Disagree		(1)	0	0.00%												
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Response Rate		Mean	STD	Median	University	Mean	STD	Median	College	Mean	STD	Median	Department	Mean	STD	Median
8/20 (40.00%)		3.50	0.76	4.00	29080	3.53	0.75	4.00	11634	3.54	0.73	4.00	181	3.57	0.65	4.00

16 - The instructor provided me with meaningful feedback.																
David Miller																
Response Option		Weight	Frequency	Percent	Percent Responses				Means							
Strongly Agree		(4)	6	75.00%					3.75		3.46		3.46		3.50	
Agree		(3)	2	25.00%												
Disagree		(2)	0	0.00%												
Strongly Disagree		(1)	0	0.00%												
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Response Rate		Mean	STD	Median	University	Mean	STD	Median	College	Mean	STD	Median	Department	Mean	STD	Median
8/20 (40.00%)		3.75	0.46	4.00	28976	3.46	0.80	4.00	11594	3.46	0.79	4.00	182	3.50	0.77	4.00

17 - The instructor was helpful when I had questions and/or sought assistance.																
David Miller																
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Strongly Agree		(4)	7	87.50%					3.88		3.55		3.56		3.57	
Agree		(3)	1	12.50%												
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Response Rate		Mean	STD	Median	University	Mean	STD	Median	College	Mean	STD	Median	Department	Mean	STD	Median
8/20 (40.00%)		3.88	0.35	4.00	28894	3.55	0.74	4.00	11567	3.56	0.71	4.00	182	3.57	0.65	4.00

18 - What suggestions do you have to improve the instructor's effectiveness?																
David Miller																
Response Rate		5/20 (25%)														
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dr. Miller is great. The way he approaches the class is great and I really enjoy the moments where the class really debates issues that the readings bring up. • More early-mid semester engagement with the final paper, helping each student create a good thesis/research question base to alleviate later double-guessing • This course content just does not lend itself well to a discussion format as it stands. While interest groups can be an interesting prompt for discussion, it's too easy to get bogged down in the details of the studies we read and can feel more like a course on reading and interpreting articles and understanding study design than on interest groups. It can also be hard to get through reading the articles for this course because they're usually not particularly intriguing and downright esoteric at times. • please stop using dropbox for course announcements. sometimes it just doesn't load and we can't access course information when we need it. • I don't know. But during every single class discussion, I felt like I had been poisoned. 																