

# Columbia University: Arts & Sciences

## A&S Fall 2019 Standard Evaluation




**Course:** ECONGU4438\_001\_2019\_3-ECONOMICSOFRACEINTHEU.S.  
**Instructor:** Brendan O'Flaherty  
**TA:** Roman Rivera \*  
**Response Rate:** 23/44 (52.27%)

### 1 - What are the strengths and weaknesses of Roman Rivera (discussion section leader, lab section leader, grader) as an instructor, and how might Roman Rivera's teaching be improved?

**Response Rate** 14/44 (31.82%)

- Roman was actually very good. Helped with problem sets and explained complex concepts in an easy-to-understand manner
- Roman Rivera is the sole reason I am doing well in this course. He is extremely helpful in office hours and provides helpful and constructive feedback on our assignments. [REDACTED] Roman seems to care about the students. He explains the material way better than [REDACTED] does.
- Great TA, puts in time and responds to students promptly and efficiently. Sends you notes if you missed classes, helps you through tough problem sets.
- Roman was extremely efficient in grading and going over problem sets and making sure that our work was returned in a timely manner.
- Roman was always able to help and even always responded very quickly via email.
- Roman was excellent, he communicated information exceedingly well and was very helpful during office hours. He was kind and patient with students and ensured everyone felt their question was sufficiently answered.
- Roman is very attentive, dedicated and hard-working. He will answer emails promptly and to the best of his ability.
- Roman was very helpful and entertaining at office hours.
- Roman returned grades in a timely manner. I appreciate his affable personality.
- Roman always got assignments back on time and was good at answering questions.
- Roman was a great TA! He was extremely available and helpful both over email and in person. He is great at explaining things without giving the answer away too easily.
- Roman was great - one of the best TAs I've had. He offered flexible hours, asked questions to help us understand, and brought a great amount of energy and positivity. I looked forward to OH because I would learn something new and surprising that I hadn't thought of. He is good at communicating in different ways and for his first time TAing, I think did a really great job.
- He was a fast grader and good communicator. I found him very helpful.
- Roman was very responsive to my emails and willing to meet outside of his office hours. He sometimes confused himself during office hours but overall he was very kind, understanding, and willing to explain things to me.

### 2 - What is the overall teaching effectiveness of Roman Rivera?

Response Option	Weight	Frequency	Percent	Percent Responses	Means		
Excellent	(5)	14	63.64%			4.64	
Very Good	(4)	8	36.36%				
Good	(3)	0	0.00%				
Fair	(2)	0	0.00%				
Poor	(1)	0	0.00%				
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<b>Response Rate</b>				<b>Mean</b>	<b>STD</b>	<b>Median</b>	
22/44 (50.00%)				4.64	0.49	5.00	