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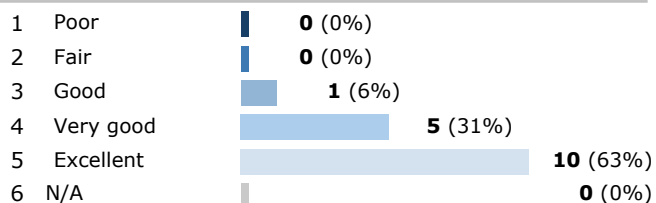
Instructors: **Jennifer La'O, Xavier Sala-I-Martin**

Number of Participants: **33**

Enrollment of All Students: **33**

TA Graph Report for: **Paul Bouscasse**

1 What is your overall assessment of the effectiveness of the teaching assistant? N=16



Median **5** Interpolated Median **4.70** Mean **4.56** Std Dev **0.63**

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Q1 What are the strengths and weaknesses of your teaching assistant (discussion section leader, lab section leader, grader, or other assistant) as an instructor, and how might his or her teaching be improved?

- The TA was really good for this course. Generally the course content was loaded and some sections which were not discussed during the main class were handled during the recitation. These were delivered well to my understanding. In addition the TA provided a lot of clarification on any doubts from the class and responded promptly to questions sent by email with relevant responses. Also, the TA drew our attention to other macro related programs such as the workshop on programming with continuous data which were very helpful.
- Very helpful, always available, produce great studying materials, interesting classes
- Paul was a wonderful TA. His recitations were well structured, he answered questions with great respect, and he regularly supplemented lessons with real world analysis.
- Great teaching assistant. Enjoyed his sections and thought he explained concepts very well. Held useful office hours. Provided detailed notes to accompany section.
- Well prepared. Good lecture notes. Good structure of the sessions. Good availability.
- Paul was an excellent TA for this course. Always readily available to answer questions, and his mastery of the material helped us understand the models better. His tips on Matlab were very useful, as were his notes. The fact that he took the time at the beginning of each recitation to review the material learned in the previous lectures was very effective in solidifying our understanding of the models.
- Paul has been an amazing TA. He is always well-prepared and his explanations are clear. He has put in a lot of effort in writing weekly recitation notes and has gone far beyond his responsibilities by holding extra office hours and review sessions.
- Paul is helpful, makes good handouts that are extremely useful. Could perhaps give out more practice problems.

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- Superb. Honestly, he gave it his all and I really valued his desire to calmly work with me during office hours and during recitation sessions. He was very approachable and creative in how he sought to "say it another way," such that it was learned as well as possible. And he put together many thoughtful Matlab exercises and guides to help us further our abilities.

He was also straight-forward about what to prioritize from his recitation sessions and meticulously written-out lecture notes. I'm very thankful for his support this semester.

His weakest points were when he was asked to do something requested by a professor that was math-intensive and intuition-light. He gave it his all, but the material was very dense and intensive mathematical proofs are not a specialty among economists. But then he made up for that by being the first -- and only(?)-- person to solve a Macroeconomics problem set question related to an AD economy with and without capital.

- Paul is a caring and responsive TA. It's clear he put a substantial amount of work into preparing for recitation, and it's appreciated.
 - Paul was an effective lecturer, and made things really clear. His section notes also complemented the lectures well.
 - Excellent, he manages very well the topics and always elaborate some material to improve the understanding of the topics in class.
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