

Report Comments

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Please review and evaluate your work in this course overall.

Comments	
I think my work can be evaluated as 9 out of 10	
A very well-designed course that allowed us to understand a framework that helps us diagnose country-wide situations very comprehensively. Assignments build upon each other, culminating in a final report worthy of being shared.	
There were concepts that were harder for me to understand but I devoted time to understanding them with the readings and doing the Problem Sets. In my team I believe I did a great team work, just as the others. I enjoyed the readings and participating in class. Overall I believe I did a good job.	
I was strongly involved in the course and material	
This is the best course in Harris because it addresses one of the most important topics in public policy: Productivity in developing countries	
This was an enriching, challenging and amazing experience overall. Thank you both to Professor Santos and the TAs for it.	
I was actively involved in this course, through the readings, class participation, and assignments.	
Great overall.	
Easily the best class I took at Harris. The professor does really well in teaching the growth diagnostic framework.	
Excellent course. Well structured and personalized treat from the professor and TAs.	
Amazing. I have nothing but praise for this course. The content was well taught, seems awfully relevant for future policy practitioners, and was delivered with wonderful elegance.	
Amazing class to learn about macroeconomics, but also about project management and having a consulting role	

Please review and evaluate the course on the following:

1. I took away useful tools, concepts, knowledge, or insights from this course.											
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Please review and evaluate the faculty on the following:

1. Conveyed the course material clearly and in an organized fashion.	
2. Communicated learning objectives effectively, including on the syllabus.	
3. Made effective use of class time, remote learning resources, and/or supplemental materials that enhanced learning.	
4. Successfully generated and sustained productive participation as appropriate.	
5. Responsive and available via office hours, email, discussion boards, and other tools.	

Please elaborate on any of your responses above.

Comments	
The best course I've taken in my life. Best professor ever!	
Miguel Santos is one of the best Professors at Harris School of Public Policy and I am glad I have taken the class he teaches.	
Professor Santos was fantastic and thoughtful around the design and delivery of his classes.	
It is the best class I have taken at Harris. Miguel Santos explains concepts that are very difficult for someone without a background in economics in an interesting and comprehensible manner. I loved his classes and the material we saw throughout the course. It is also a very practical course, it gives you tools that you can use in a job. It was amazing.	
Miguel was great!	
Great class. We can tell how well prepared it was	
Miguel Santos has a great experience at Harvard, and he has accumulated knowledge to offer the best course in Harris.	
The course was extremely well designed, well-thought and prepared.	
It was a very great class overall! The topics covered have useful real-life applications and were not just theoretical. It was also really nice to have some guest lecturers.	
You can tell Miguel puts time and effort on the course. Excellent class.	
Professor Santos was one of the best professors I had at Harris. He was very thoughtful regarding students' participation and was always well prepared for class. Every session was constructive to our learning experience	

What aspects of the instructor's teaching contributed most and least to your learning?

Comments	
I think that the inclusion and applicability of the subject and the class is something that triggered my contribution.	
Willingness to draw on his experience as a researcher and consultant.	
Miguel Santos took the time to get to know who his students were and would find ways to relate to each one with concepts and case studies. He made the class dynamic and entertaining and brought very interesting speakers.	
Most: The course content was well constructed. Everything was there for a reason	
The slides are well organized	
His ability to keep us engaged despite the challenging content, his excellent guests to the course, and the way the course was designed overall for making us gain not just theoretical but also practical skills	
The instructor's motivation and passion encouraged me to push myself and try to do as best as I could in this course.	
The professor was very engaging and all of his lectures were really interesting.	
Personalized comments and feedback.	
Professor Santos delivered the most well-prepared and constructive classroom experience I have had at Harris.	
He was always willing to answer questions and had prepared the class material before class.	
Professor Santos was always extremely well prepared for class. Even the practitioners he invited were very constructive for our learning. Professor Santos also always made an effort to include everyone who wanted to participate in class and was always available for office hours	
Professor Santos' class was incredibly well prepared and everything contributed a lot to the way I learned	
I value a lot the fact that the professor complements the classes with guest speakers. Additionally, I also find it useful that the professor relied on examples from other growth diagnostics to teach the tool.	

Please suggest any changes that could improve this course (e.g., class material, class structure, assignments, inclusive pedagogy).

Comments	
TAs - For many times I don't think they get the question that I am asking - and they respond to the questions quite slow	
In my opinion, this class is as good as it can be and there is no necessity to change anything.	
The supplemental workshops happened outside of regularly scheduled class times and made it difficult for me to attend live. Maybe it's worth blocking time for those in advance through Canvas or the UChicago class registration.	
Nothing, it is a great course and you can see that there has been a lot of time devoted to it.	
I think a more inclusive course material would be helpful. The current course material (examples, cases, etc.) focus too much in a Latin America contexts. We do have a lot of other developing countries other than Latin American ones.	
Nothing, it was a great course	
Provide more training about productive development policies, in particular, how to peak sectors (industries). In some countries, those policies can bring benefits.	
Nothing	
It would be great to learn more about the interaction between growth and social (social diversity, cohesion, trust etc.) and political (institutional arrangements, democracy, accountability etc.) factors.	
The examples/ case studies were mostly Western focused. Having more Eastern/ Asian examples would have been nice.	
Probably a bit I would like the content to be a bit more theoretical. But overall I think is well structured.	
None whatsoever.	
I got a little confused about the connection between the first classes (Malthusian growth) and the rest. I'm not sure why the first set of classes were relevant.	
NA	
None	
I would change some of the readings. In some cases they were very similar to the lectures, so attending classes after reading them seemed repetitive. And in other cases, the readings disrupt the line of discussion in class as we had to go over them while the discussion in class was focused on other issues	

Please comment on how respected, valued, and included you felt as a participant in the course.

Comments	
I think that Professor Santos and TA team made the classroom a perfect environment for all students to be engaged in, coursework and conversations.	
Very respected, valued, and included. Nothing more to say on this.	
I felt very comfortable in the course. As I mentioned before, Miguel Santos took the time to get to know his students and include them in the course. I loved participating because I felt respected and the feedback was valuable.	
I felt respected and included	
The course was excellent, it was inclusive and help me to express my opinion	
I felt respected valued and included in the course	
I felt well respected, valued, and included.	
The environment was inclusive. The professor gave everyone an opportunity to speak up.	
10/10	
He was very inclusive and used Teachly to ensure class participation was taking place from all sections of the class.	
For sure.	
Miguel Santos was very aware of participation and students' backgrounds, which made me feel very included in class	
My opinion was very well valued, and the professor strove so that everyone else's was	
I think the professor put a lot of effort into including everyone. I think that given the professor's experience and formation he will have a bias towards developed states in Latin America. But at least in my case, it felt like a balance compared to other courses that solely concentrate on cases related to the United States	