

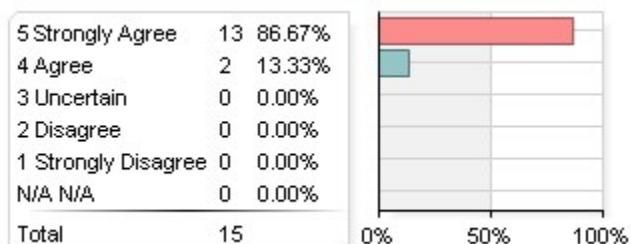
# Spring 2013 Course Evaluation Report for EC29501\_2013S INTL EC POL&POL EC SEM - Fabio Ghironi

## Response Table

Spring 2013	
Raters	Students
Responded	15
Invited	17
Response Ratio	88.24%

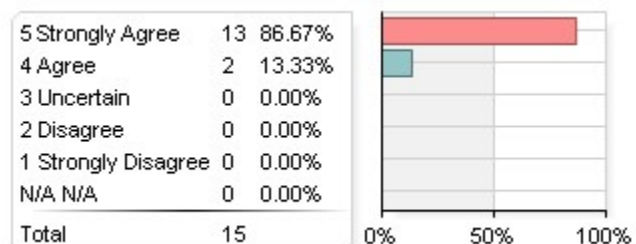
## Course Related Questions for EC29501\_2013S INTL EC POL&POL EC SEM- Distribution of Responses

1. The course was well organized.



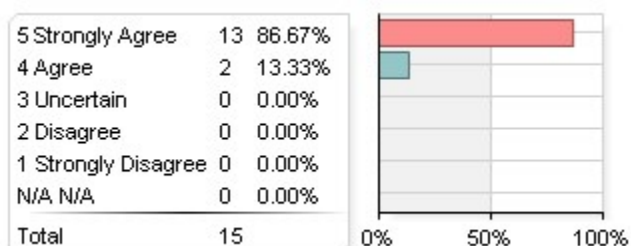
Statistics	Value
Mean	4.87
Median	5.00
Mode	5
Standard Deviation	+/-0.35

2. The course generally followed the syllabus.



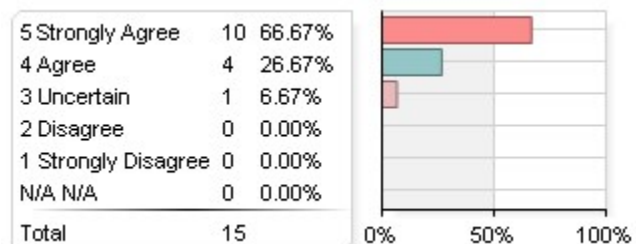
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3. Class attendance was necessary for learning course material.



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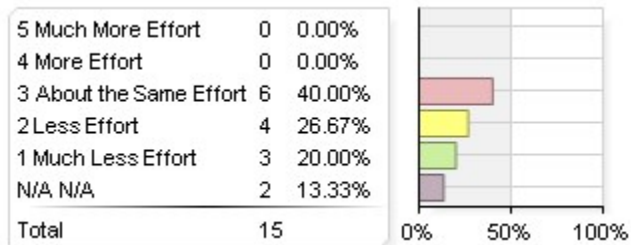
4. The course was intellectually challenging.



Statistics	Value
Mean	4.60
Median	5.00
Mode	5
Standard Deviation	+/-0.63

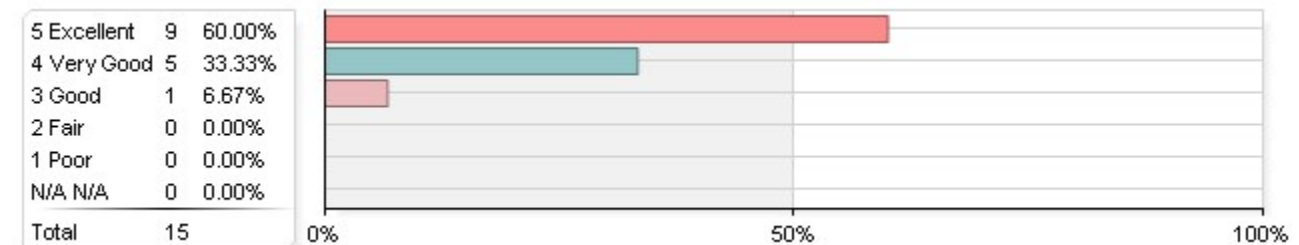
## Course Related Questions for EC29501\_2013S INTL EC POL&POL EC SEM- Distribution of Responses (continued)

Compared to similar courses (ie core, major, etc), this course required:



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Median	2.00
Mode	3
Standard Deviation	+/-0.83

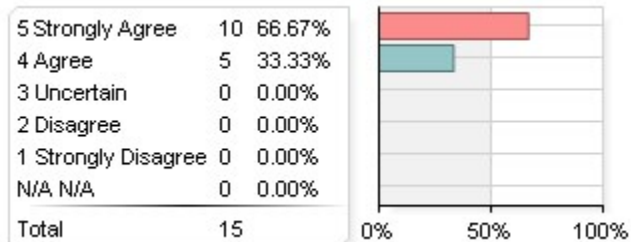
How would you rate this course overall?



Statistics	Value
Mean	4.53
Median	5.00
Mode	5
Standard Deviation	+/-0.64

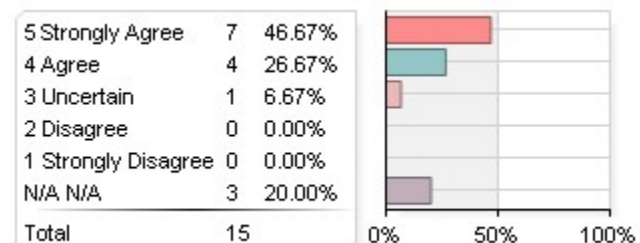
## Instructor Questions for (Fabio Ghironi)- Distribution of Responses

1. The instructor was prepared.



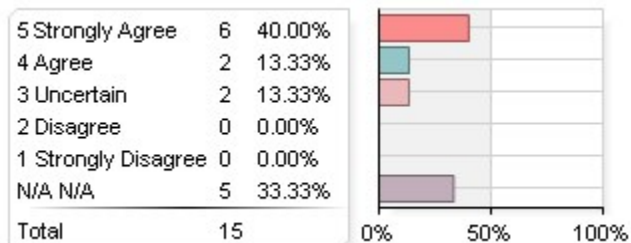
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Mode	5
Standard Deviation	+/-0.49

2. The instructor was available for help outside of class.



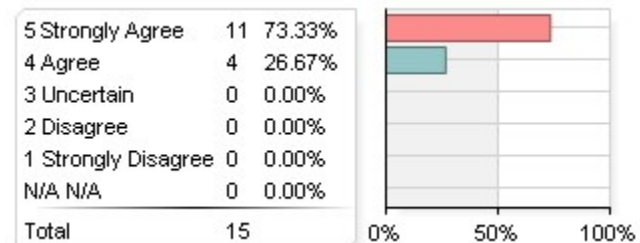
Statistics	Value
Mean	4.50
Median	5.00
Mode	5
Standard Deviation	+/-0.67

3. The instructor returned assignments/tests conscientiously.



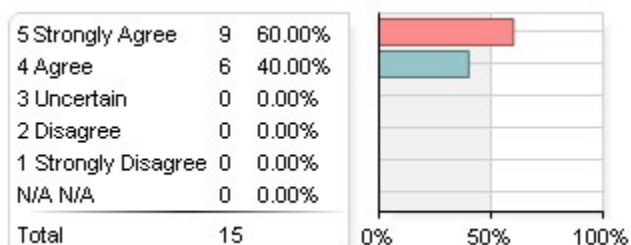
Statistics	Value
Mean	4.40
Median	5.00
Mode	5
Standard Deviation	+/-0.84

4. The instructor showed enthusiasm about the subject matter.



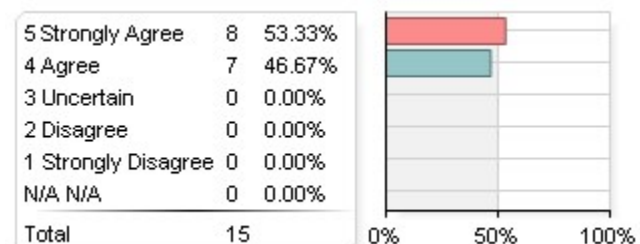
Statistics	Value
Mean	4.73
Median	5.00
Mode	5
Standard Deviation	+/-0.46

5. The instructor stimulated interest in the subject matter.



Statistics	Value
Mean	4.60
Median	5.00
Mode	5
Standard Deviation	+/-0.51

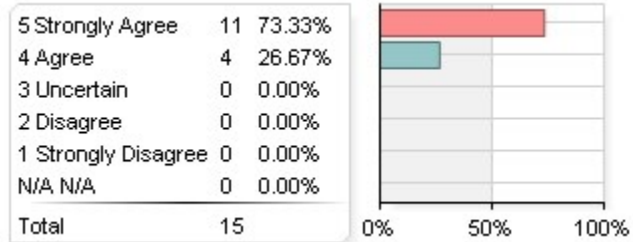
6. The instructor's explanations were clear.



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Median	5.00
Mode	5
Standard Deviation	+/-0.52

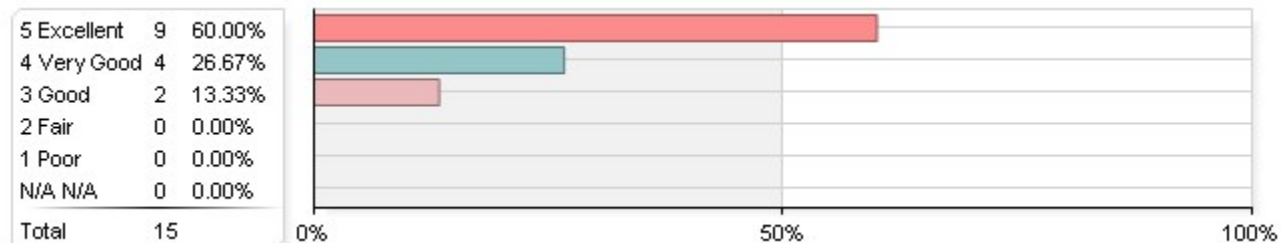
## Instructor Questions for (Fabio Ghironi)- Distribution of Responses (continued)

7. The instructor treated students with respect.



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Median	5.00
Mode	5
Standard Deviation	+/-0.46

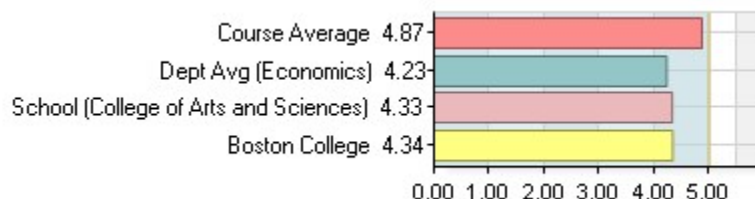
How would you rate this instructor overall as a teacher?



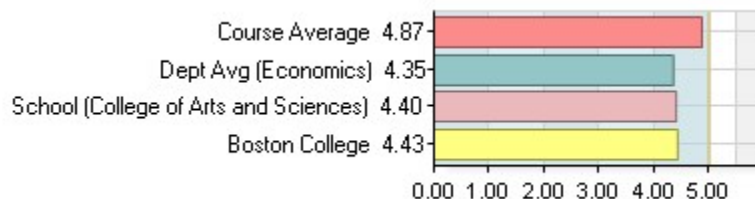
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Mode	5
Standard Deviation	+/-0.74

## Course Questions for EC29501\_2013S INTL EC POL&POL EC SEM - Benchmarks

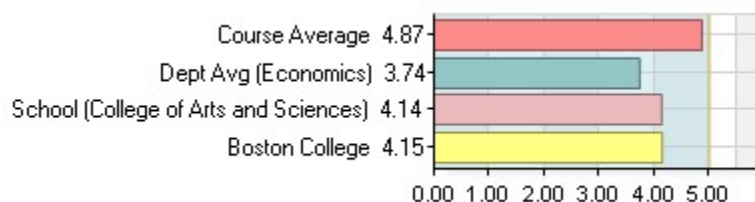
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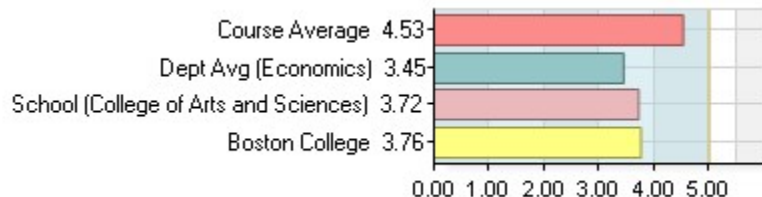
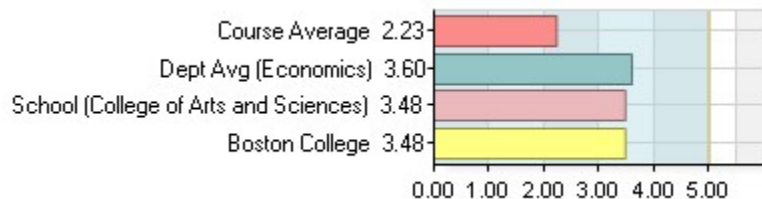
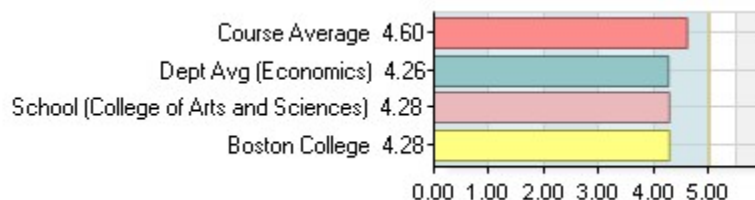
2. The course generally followed the syllabus.



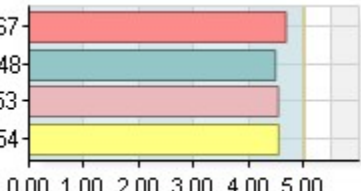
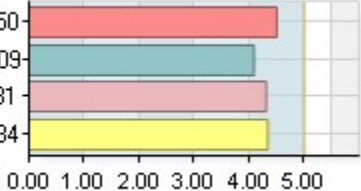

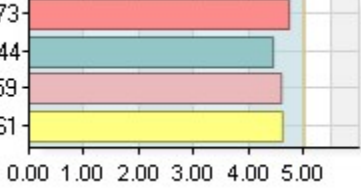
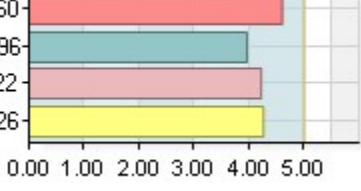

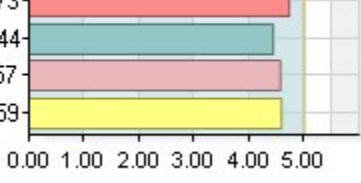
3. Class attendance was necessary for learning course material.



4. The course was intellectually challenging.

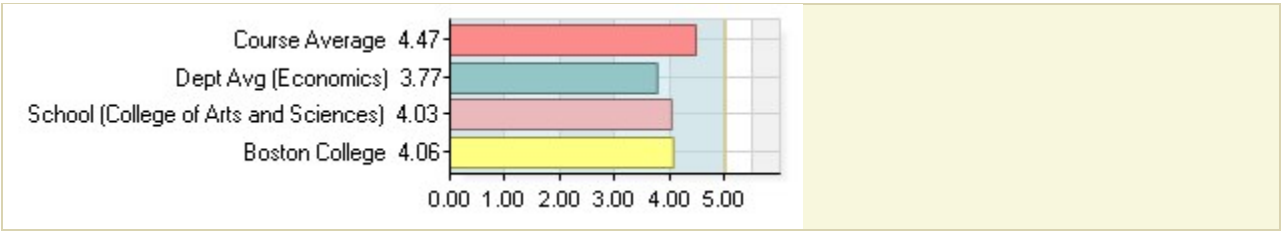


## Instructor Questions for (Fabio Ghironi) - Benchmarks

1. The instructor was prepared.	<p>Course Average 4.67</p> <p>Dept Avg (Economics) 4.48</p> <p>School (College of Arts and Sciences) 4.53</p> <p>Boston College 4.54</p> 
2. The instructor was available for help outside of class.	<p>Course Average 4.50</p> <p>Dept Avg (Economics) 4.09</p> <p>School (College of Arts and Sciences) 4.31</p> <p>Boston College 4.34</p> 
3. The instructor returned assignments/tests conscientiously.	<p>Course Average 4.40</p> <p>Dept Avg (Economics) 4.35</p> <p>School (College of Arts and Sciences) 4.33</p> <p>Boston College 4.37</p> 
4. The instructor showed enthusiasm about the subject matter.	<p>Course Average 4.73</p> <p>Dept Avg (Economics) 4.44</p> <p>School (College of Arts and Sciences) 4.59</p> <p>Boston College 4.61</p> 
5. The instructor stimulated interest in the subject matter.	<p>Course Average 4.60</p> <p>Dept Avg (Economics) 3.96</p> <p>School (College of Arts and Sciences) 4.22</p> <p>Boston College 4.26</p> 
6. The instructor's explanations were clear.	<p>Course Average 4.53</p> <p>Dept Avg (Economics) 3.96</p> <p>School (College of Arts and Sciences) 4.22</p> <p>Boston College 4.24</p> 
7. The instructor treated students with respect.	<p>Course Average 4.73</p> <p>Dept Avg (Economics) 4.44</p> <p>School (College of Arts and Sciences) 4.57</p> <p>Boston College 4.59</p> 

**Instructor Questions for (Fabio Ghironi) - Benchmarks (continued)**

**How would you rate this instructor overall as a teacher?**



## Comments for EC29501\_2013S INTL EC POL&POL EC SEM - Fabio Ghironi

### What are the strengths of this course?

Comment
Opened new perspective on economics and enlightened me on current crises.
Interesting speakers, lots of opportunity to learn for those who want to
Great variety of speakers, true exposure to graduate work in economics
Expert opinions every week.
It's a seminar series with opportunity to meet with smart people.
Very successful speakers. Very relevant and interesting presentations.
Great speakers came to the seminar series
Multiple perspectives on complex issues
I appreciated, as an undergraduate student, having the opportunity to listen to leading economists discuss current challenges, such as the debt crisis, health care reform, and more. I also enjoyed having the unique opportunity to speak privately with some of the guest speakers, such as David Cutler, in small group meetings or over lunch/dinner. I think it is necessary, as part of a liberal arts education, to engage those who are on the cutting edge of research and policy formation.

### How could the instructor improve the course?

Comment
Nothing.
By continuing it next year
Get more attention drawn to each seminar
Too many presentations on European crisis.
The lectures were soemtimes incredibly boring towards the end

### Would you recommend this course to other students, majors, etc.? Why or why not?

Comment
Yes, it was insightful.
Absolutely, this is the most rewarding class I have ever taken at BC. I will be sad to see it go.
Absolutely! Best introduction to international economics I've taken - truly gives an idea of what economic research and studies can be used for. All of the speakers were fantastic and Ghironi required the perfect amount of work to engage students and ensure learning without too much pressure
Yes. It's interesting to meet/listen to the speakers.
Yes. Easy and interesting seminar for economics majors.
yes
Definitely, unfortunately this is the last one.
If the seminar series had continued, I would have definitely recommended this course to others.

### Additional Comments:

Comment
It is a shame that Fabio is leaving the department, more of an effort should have been made to convince him to stay.



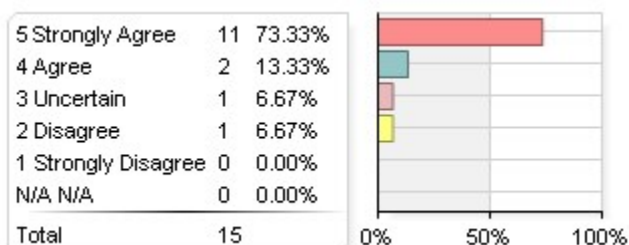
I was very sad to hear that other members in the department did not support Professor Ghironi. I hope he knows all of his hard work was appreciated by his undergraduate students! We're sad to see him go!

To BC, please work to find better economics professors that support endeavors such as this seminar.

Excellent to have seminar style with different speakers every week.

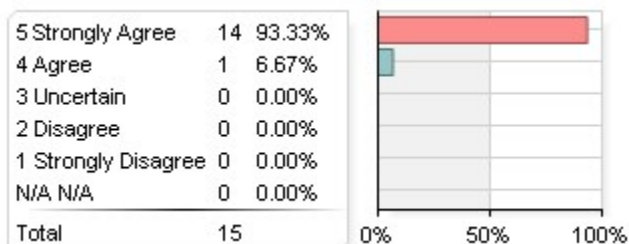
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**I enjoyed the opportunity to meet the seminar speakers in small-group conversations.**



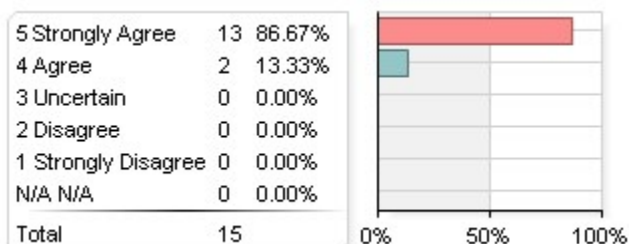
Statistics	Value
Mean	4.53
Median	5.00
Mode	5
Standard Deviation	+/-0.92

**Being able to join lunch or dinner groups was a valuable part of the experience.**



Statistics	Value
Mean	4.93
Median	5.00
Mode	5
Standard Deviation	+/-0.26

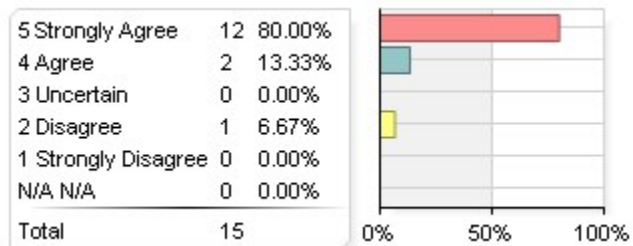
**Having speakers from different disciplines was important for the success of the course.**



Statistics	Value
Mean	4.87
Median	5.00

Mode	5
Standard Deviation	+/-0.35

## I valued the international perspective of the course.



Statistics	Value
Mean	4.67
Median	5.00
Mode	5
Standard Deviation	+/-0.82

## What was the most valuable aspect of the course?

Comment
Meeting the speakers.
Hearing speakers that are leaders in their fields come speak to us
The international aspect--I was not ever really exposed to that.
The ability to meet the speakers
Dinners and discussion meetings
Insight from each speaker; the variety of speakers
Variety of material.
Speakers
Meeting David Cutler was an awesome experience--the chance to have lunch with such esteemed economists was a real treat.
Having different speakers each week

## What would you change if you were organizing the course?

Comment
Nothing.
Nothing.
I would remove the requirement to add a question at the end of each summary, I think it makes people want to save their questions for the thing they are turning in instead of asking them.
nothing! there were plenty of opportunities to meet with the speakers, ask questions, and engage graduate students
More people at each seminar
Prepare a short introduction into the presentation.
Less on European crisis.
I would offer refreshments/snacks to attract more people so the audience would be bigger and more responsive.

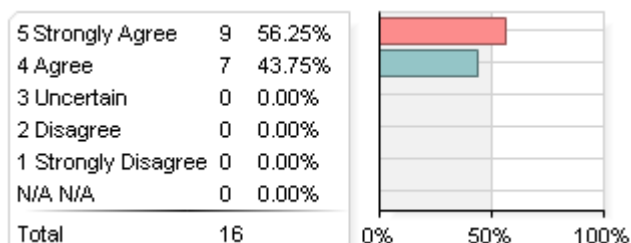
## Fall 2012 Course Evaluation Report for EC29501\_2013F INTL EC POL&POL EC SEM - Fabio Ghironi

### Response Table

<b>Fall 2012</b>	
<b>Raters</b>	<b>Students</b>
Responded	17
Invited	23

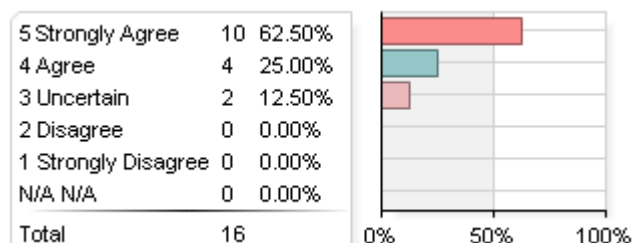
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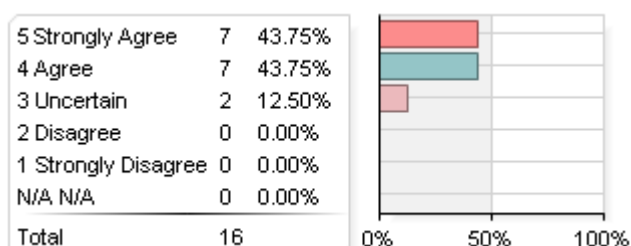
Statistics	Value
Mean	4.56
Median	5.00
Mode	5
Standard Deviation	+/-0.51

2. The course generally followed the syllabus.



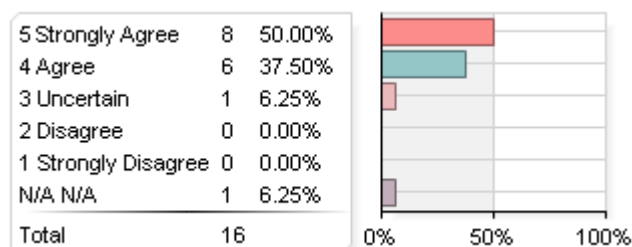
Statistics	Value
Mean	4.50
Median	5.00
Mode	5
Standard Deviation	+/-0.73

3. Class attendance was necessary for learning course material.



Statistics	Value
Mean	4.31
Median	4.00
Mode	5, 4
Standard Deviation	+/-0.70

4. The course was intellectually challenging.

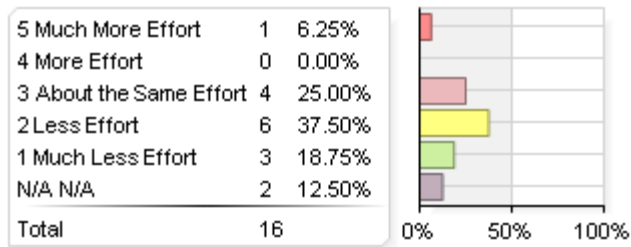


Statistics	Value
Mean	4.47
Median	5.00
Mode	5
Standard Deviation	+/-0.64



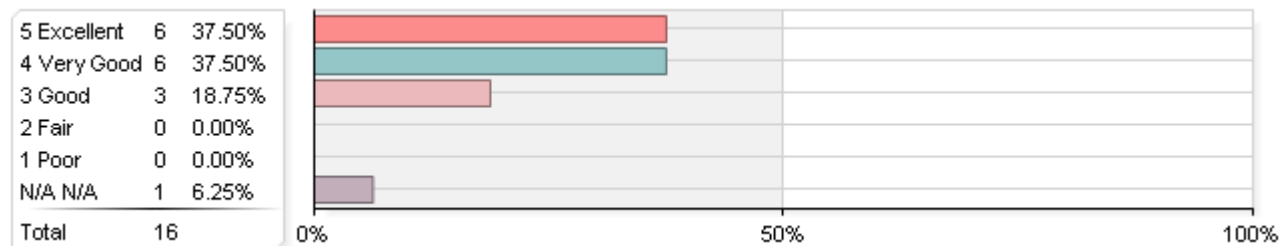
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Compared to similar courses (ie core, major, etc), this course required:



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Median	2.00
Mode	2
Standard Deviation	+/-1.07

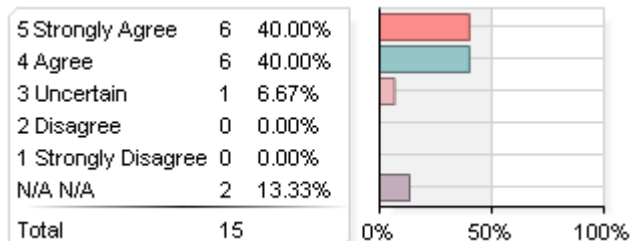
How would you rate this course overall?



Statistics	Value
Mean	4.20
Median	4.00
Mode	5, 4
Standard Deviation	+/-0.77

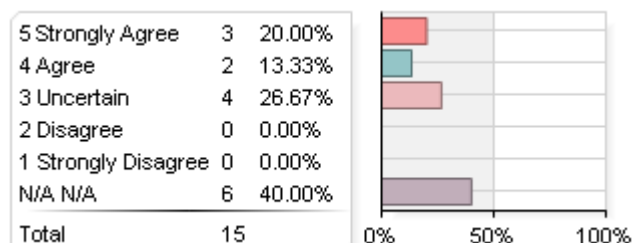
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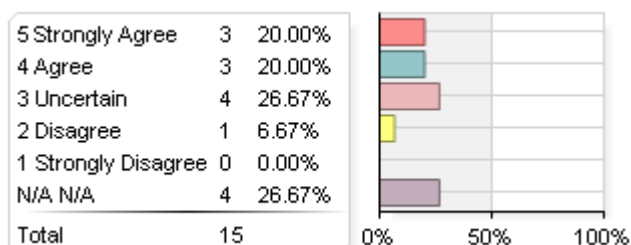
Statistics	Value
Mean	4.38
Median	4.00
Mode	5, 4
Standard Deviation	+/-0.65

2. The instructor was available for help outside of class.



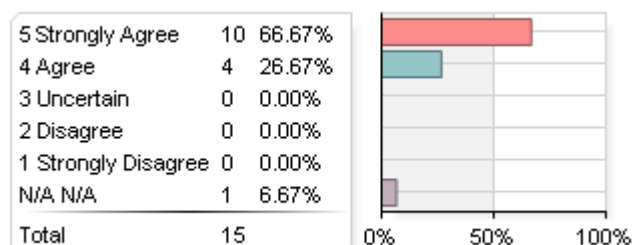
Statistics	Value
Mean	3.89
Median	4.00
Mode	3
Standard Deviation	+/-0.93

3. The instructor returned assignments/tests conscientiously.



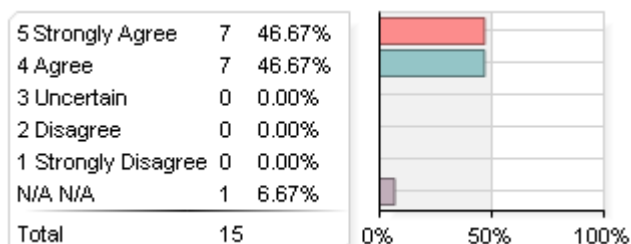
Statistics	Value
Mean	3.73
Median	4.00
Mode	3
Standard Deviation	+/-1.01

4. The instructor showed enthusiasm about the subject matter.



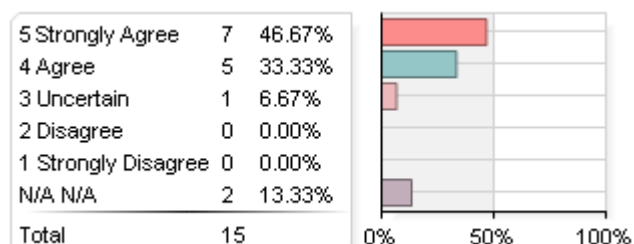
Statistics	Value
Mean	4.71
Median	5.00
Mode	5
Standard Deviation	+/-0.47

5. The instructor stimulated interest in the subject matter.



Statistics	Value
Mean	4.50
Median	4.50
Mode	5, 4
Standard Deviation	+/-0.52

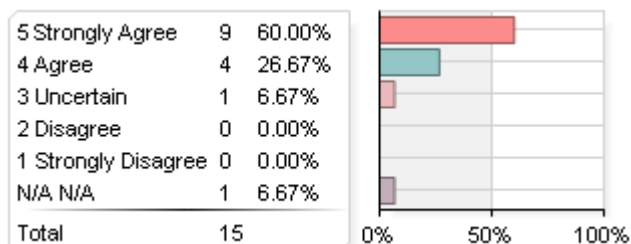
6. The instructor's explanations were clear.



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Mean	4.46
Median	5.00
Mode	5
Standard Deviation	+/-0.66

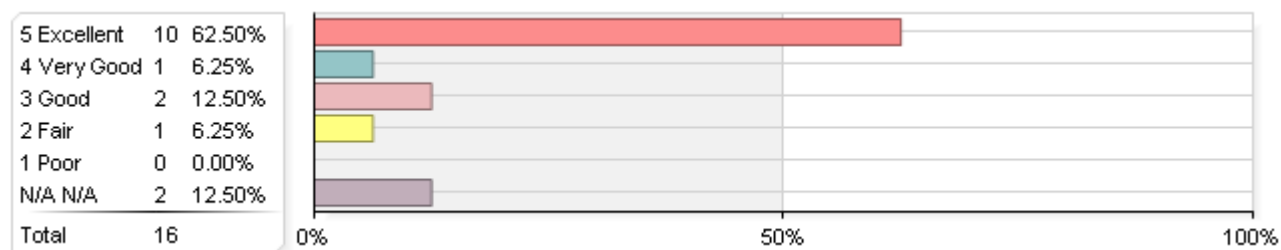
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7. The instructor treated students with respect.



Statistics	Value
Mean	4.57
Median	5.00
Mode	5
Standard Deviation	+/-0.65

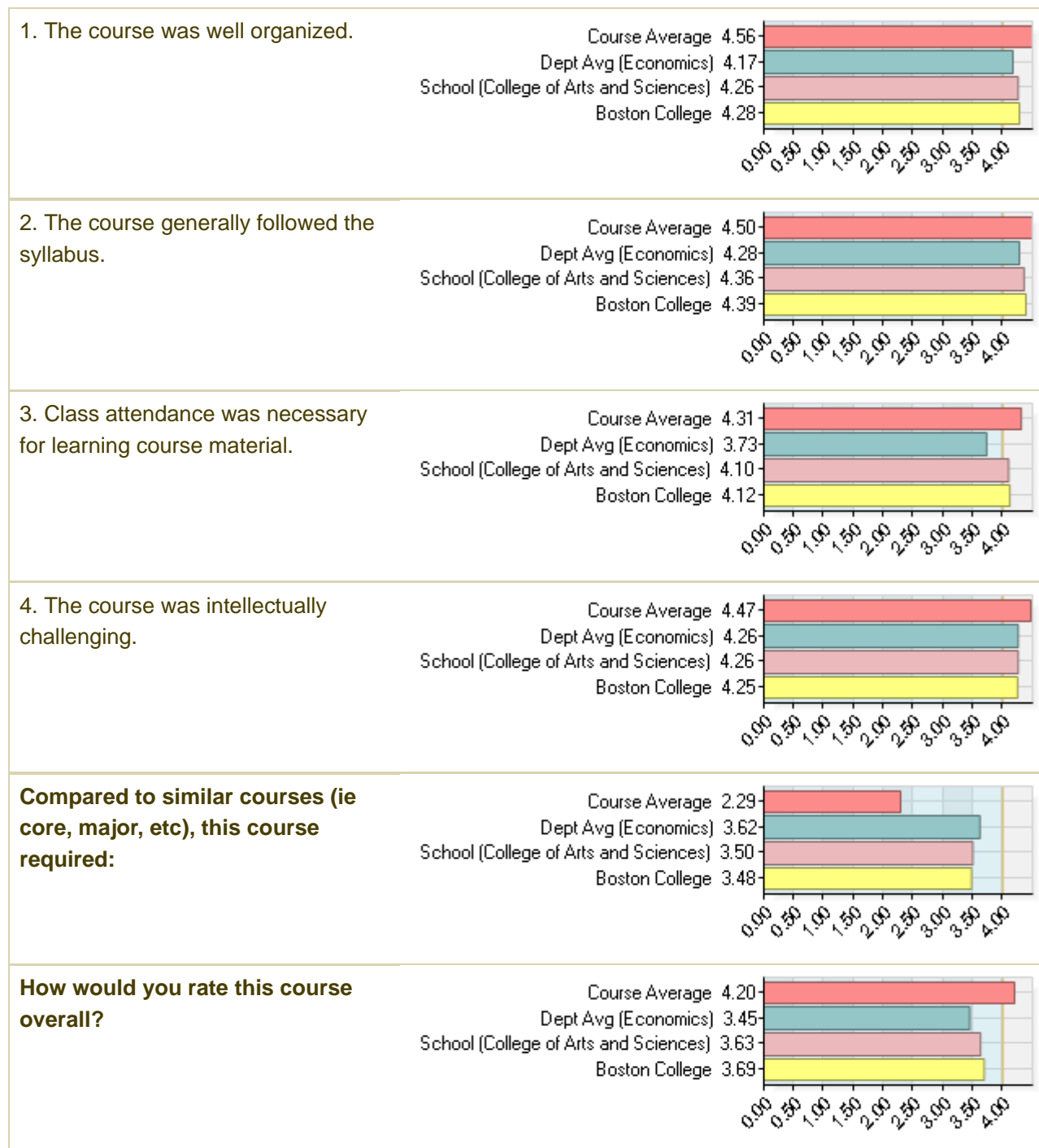
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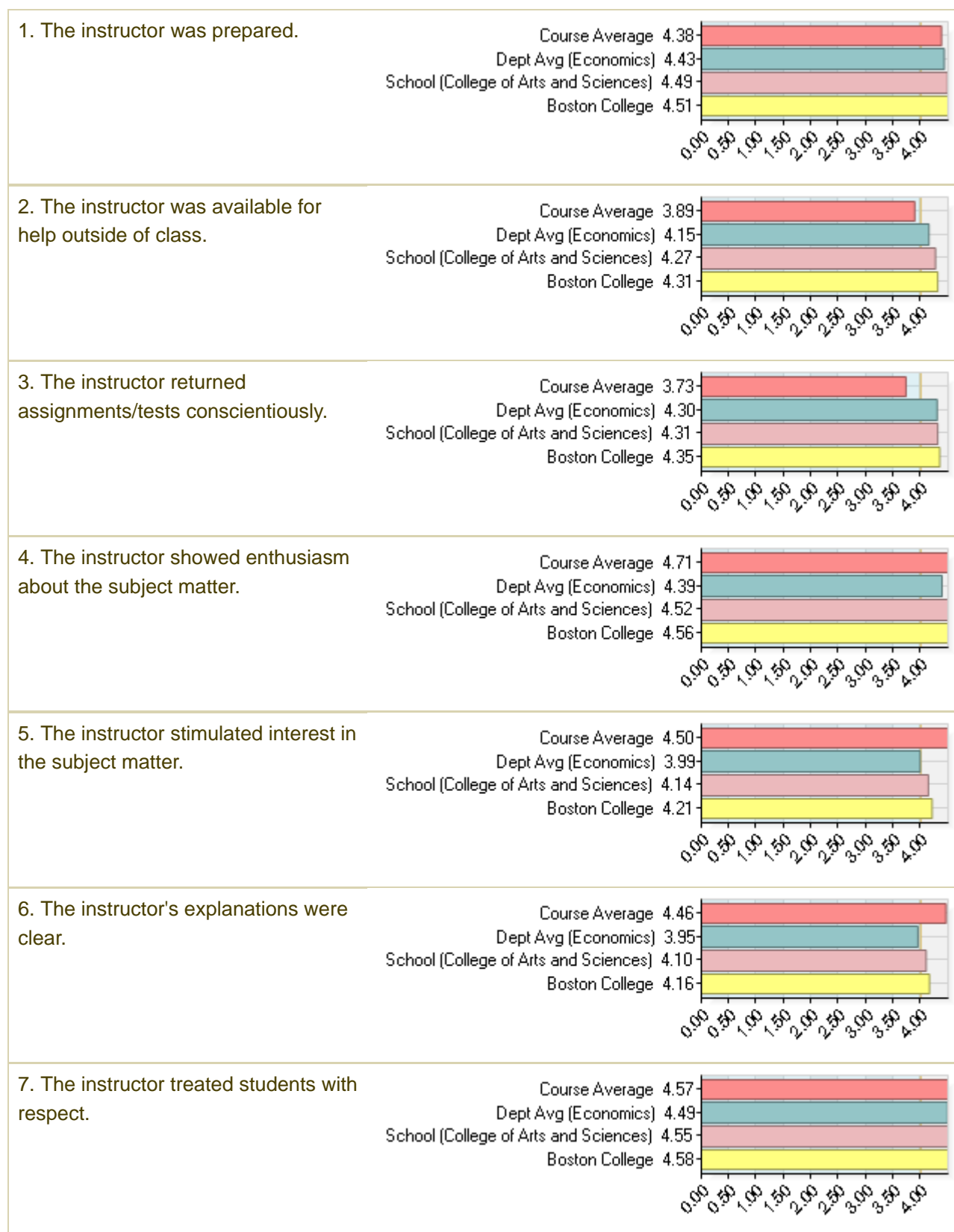
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Median	5.00
Mode	5
Standard Deviation	+/-1.02



## Course Questions for EC29501\_2013F INTL EC POL&POL EC SEM - Benchmarks



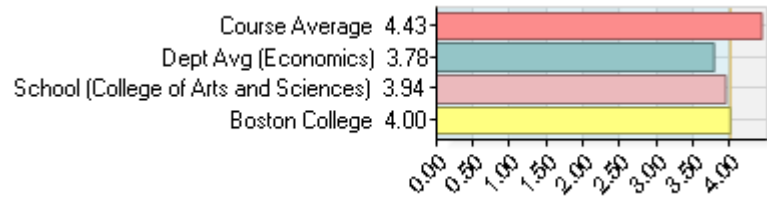
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## Instructor Questions for (Fabio Ghironi) - Benchmarks (continued)

How would you rate this instructor overall as a teacher?



## Comments for EC29501\_2013F INTL EC POL&POL EC SEM - Fabio Ghironi

### What are the strengths of this course?

#### Comment

1. w
2. Actually Learn Something by hearing about ongoing research. Definitely the most useful course in helping me find out what I want to continue studying.
3. The speakers
4. learned a lot of different topics
5. We heard many experts in the economics field provide their account of the many problems facing the international economy today. It made me understand the real-life situations and relate it to what I had learning in economics classes.
6. Very interesting speakers, good chance to learn real-world applications from leaders in world economic policy. Loved it. Especially interesting was hearing questions from professors and grad students, because they ask much better questions than undergrads would come up with for the most part, and draw out some really interesting issues.
7. Fabio brings in fantastic speakers. The lunch/ dinner meetings are really fun as well. Engaging and stimulating conversations.
8. Learn a good many concepts of macroeconomics and its employment in the real world.

### How could the instructor improve the course?

#### Comment

1. j
2. It's pretty great as is.
3. not really, only seminar
4. Perhaps a more diverse range of seminar topic/titles - the majority focused on the European Debt Crisis, all quite similar, the most interesting seminars were those that concerned themselves with other topics
5. None that I can think of. The summaries, lunch with the speaker and discussion with the speaker all had their purpose.
6. Maybe a little more variable areas of expertise? We had 3 or 4 people talk about the Euro crisis. I get that that's the biggest international economic policy/political economy issue in the world right now, but would have liked to have heard more about the US or China or India, etc. But that's just splitting hairs, this was a great class.
7. No complaints.
8. Its great-keep bringing in inspiring lecturers!

### Would you recommend this course to other students, majors, etc.? Why or why not?

#### Comment

1. a
2. Yes. I already have.
3. yes, if you need to make up points or if you love the material
4. yes

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5. Yes, because they can attain an understanding of problems from a wide range of economic problems.
6. Absolutely. I got my premed friend to take it with me this past semester.
7. Yes. Great to see the theories from class being tested and learn from some of the most brilliant economists around.
8. Yes-do learn a lot from the speakers.

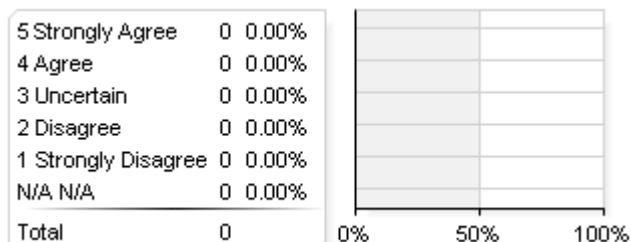
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## Additional Comments: Responses to Customized Questions for EC29501\_2013F INTL EC

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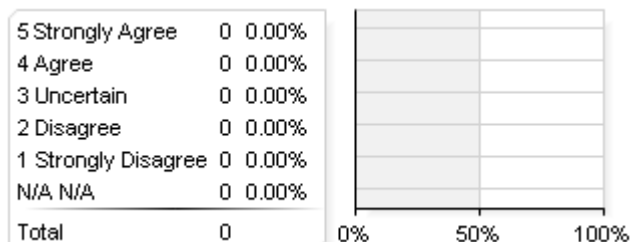
Comment

1. Ghironi and the TA were wonderful.  
I enjoyed the opportunity to meet the seminar speakers in small-group conversations.



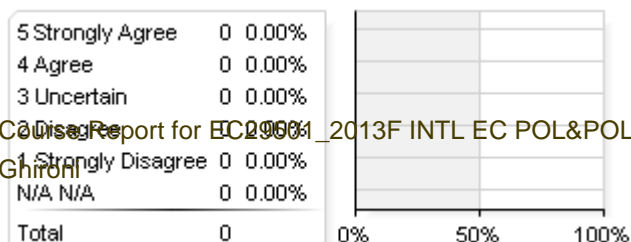
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Median	NRP
Mode	5, 4, 3, 2, 1
Standard Deviation	NRP

Being able to join lunch or dinner groups was a valuable part of the experience.

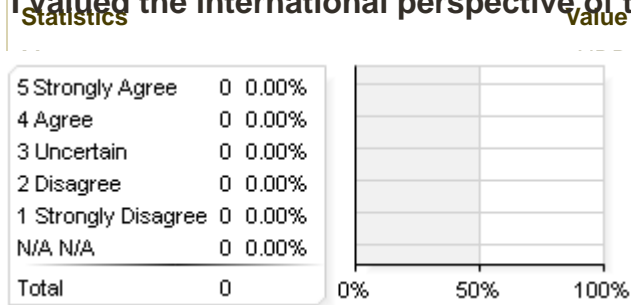


Statistics	Value
Mean	NRP
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Mode	5, 4, 3, 2, 1
Standard Deviation	NRP

Having speakers from different disciplines was important for the success of the course.



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**I valued the international perspective of the course.**

Statistics	Value
Mean	NRP
Median	NRP
Mode	5, 4, 3, 2, 1
Standard Deviation	NRP

**What was the most valuable aspect of the course?****Comment**

Not Answered

**What would you change if you were organizing the course?****Comment**

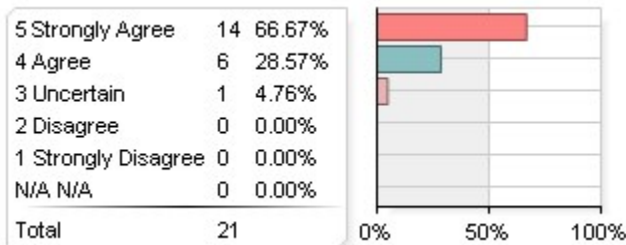
Not Answered

# BC2012S\_Spring2012 Course Evaluation Report for EC29501\_2012S\_INTL EC POL AND POL EC SEM - Fabio Ghironi

Enrolled: 26  
Responded: 22  
Response Rate: .85

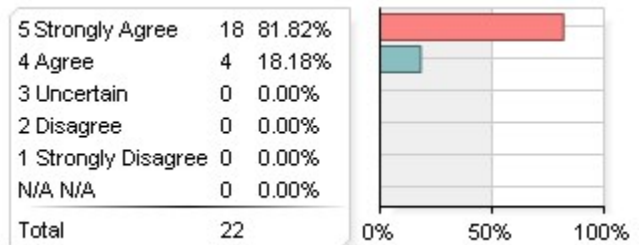
## Course Related Questions for EC29501\_2012S\_INTL EC POL AND POL EC SEM- Distribution of Responses

1. The course was well organized.



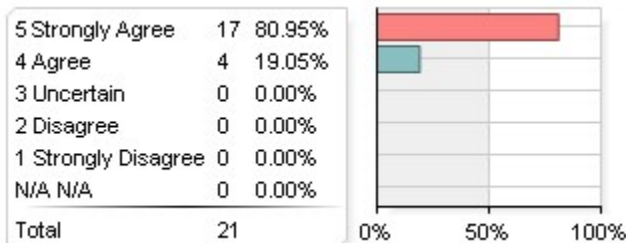
Statistics	Value
Mean	4.62
Median	5.00
Mode	5
Standard Deviation	+/-0.59

2. The course generally followed the syllabus.



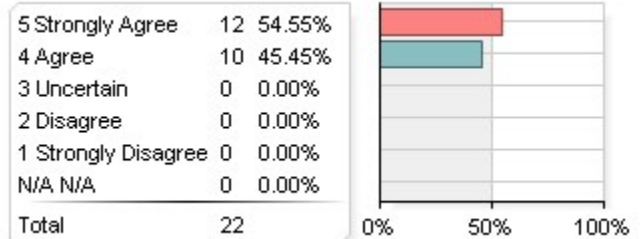
Statistics	Value
Mean	4.82
Median	5.00
Mode	5
Standard Deviation	+/-0.39

3. Class attendance was necessary for learning course material.



Statistics	Value
Mean	4.81
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Mode	5
Standard Deviation	+/-0.40

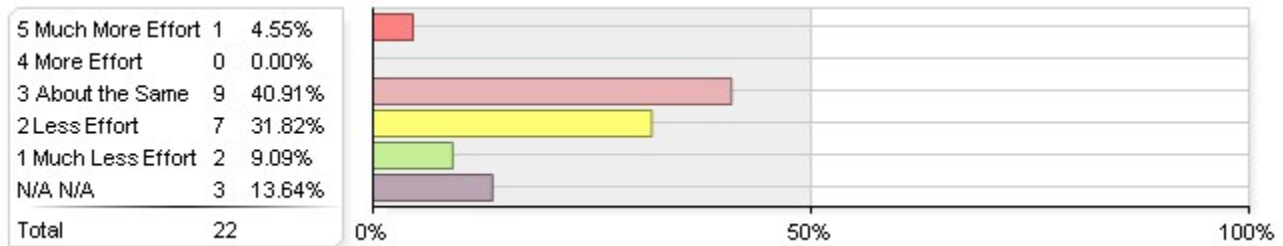
4. The course was intellectually challenging.



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Mode	5
Standard Deviation	+/-0.51

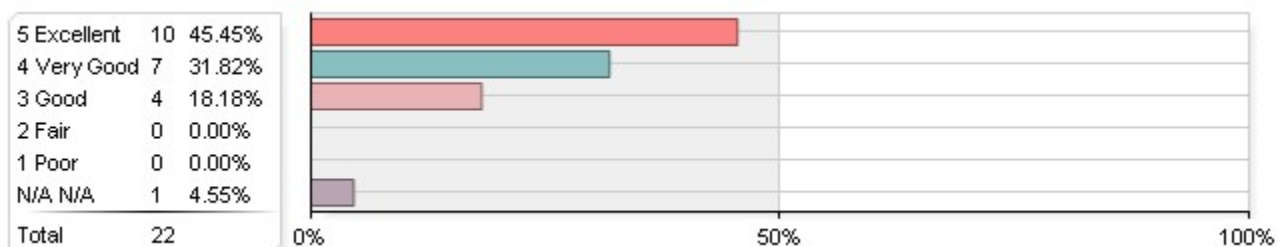
## Course Related Questions for EC29501\_2012S\_INTL EC POL AND POL EC SEM- Distribution of Responses (continued)

Compared to similar courses (ie core, major, etc), this course required:



Statistics	Value
Mean	2.53
Median	3.00
Mode	3
Standard Deviation	+/-0.90

How would you rate this course overall?

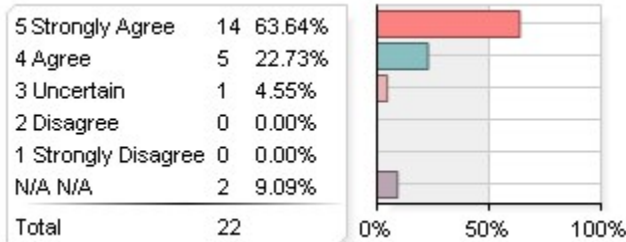


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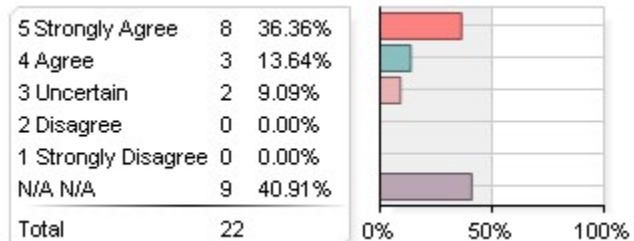
## Instructor Questions for (Fabio Ghironi)- Distribution of Responses

1. The instructor was prepared.



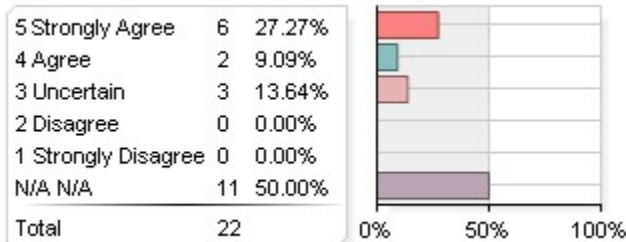
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Mode	5
Standard Deviation	+/-0.59

2. The instructor was available for help outside of class.



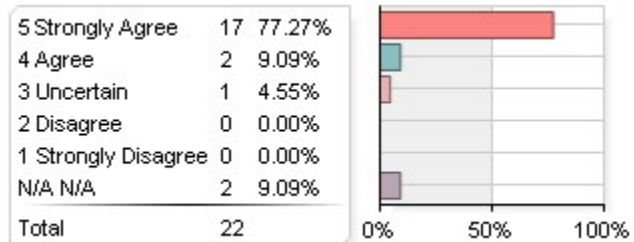
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Standard Deviation	+/-0.78

3. The instructor returned assignments/tests conscientiously.



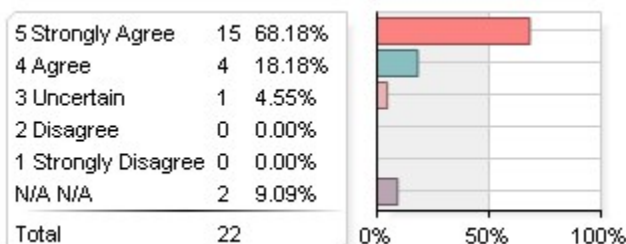
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Standard Deviation	+/-0.90

4. The instructor showed enthusiasm about the subject matter.



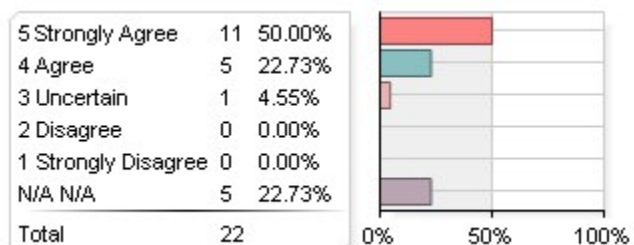
Statistics	Value
Mean	4.80
Median	5.00
Mode	5
Standard Deviation	+/-0.52

5. The instructor stimulated interest in the subject matter.



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Standard Deviation	+/-0.57

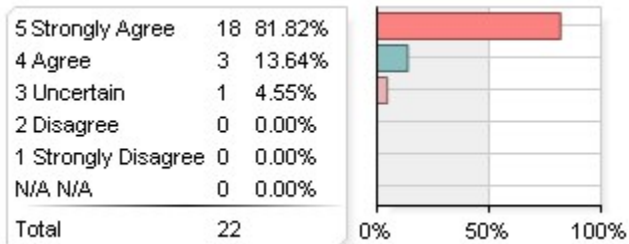
6. The instructor's explanations were clear.



Statistics	Value
Mean	4.59
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Mode	5
Standard Deviation	+/-0.62

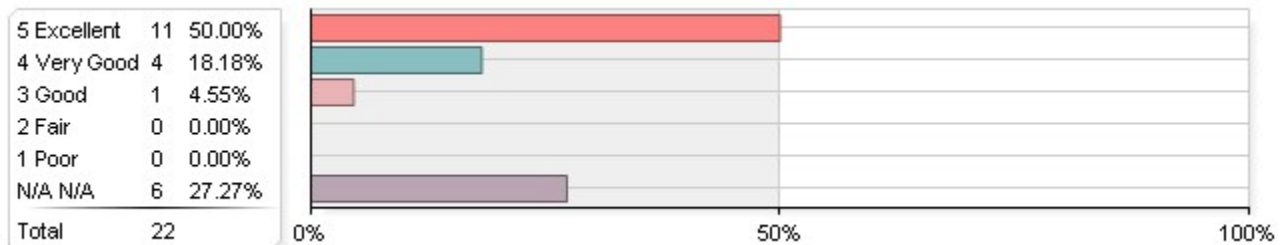
## Instructor Questions for (Fabio Ghironi)- Distribution of Responses (continued)

### 7. The instructor treated students with respect.



Statistics	Value
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Mode	5
Standard Deviation	+/-0.53

### How would you rate this instructor overall as a teacher?

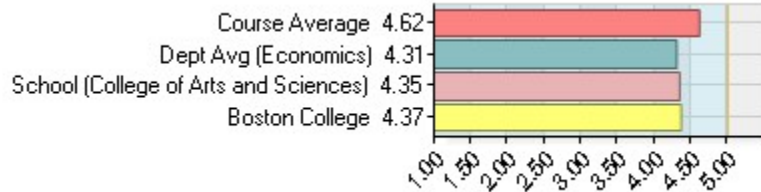


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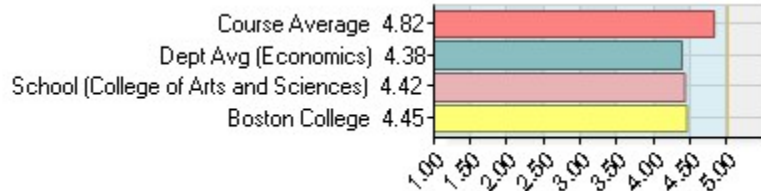
# Course Questions for EC29501\_2012S\_INTL EC POL AND POL EC SEM - Benchmarks

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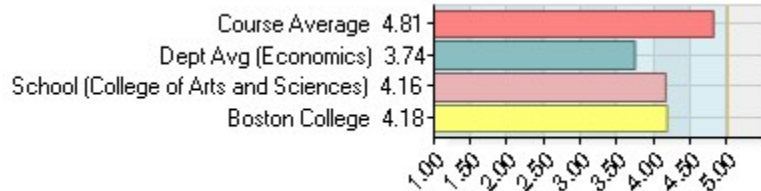
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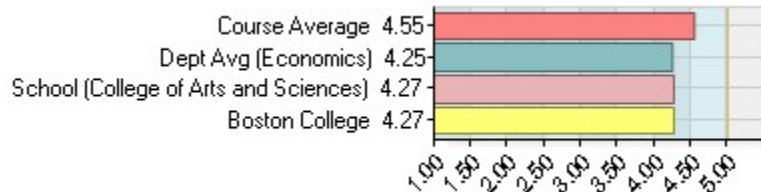
2. The course generally followed the syllabus.



3. Class attendance was necessary for learning course material.

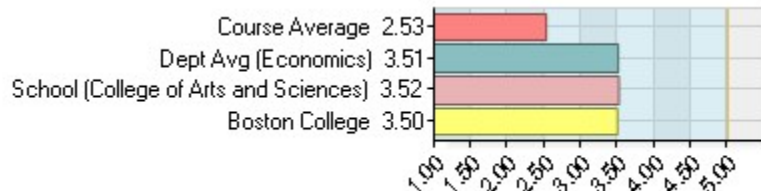


4. The course was intellectually challenging.



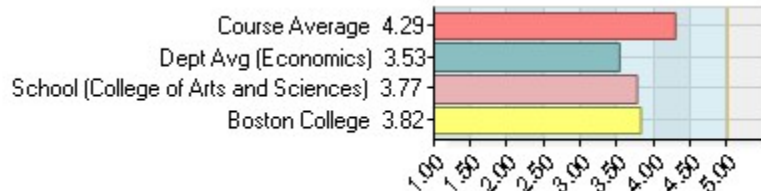
Compare to similar courses, this course required.

Compared to similar courses (ie core, major, etc), this course required:



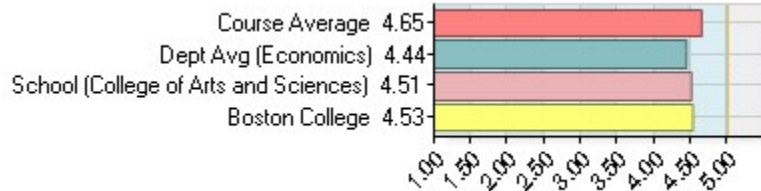
How would you rate this course overall?

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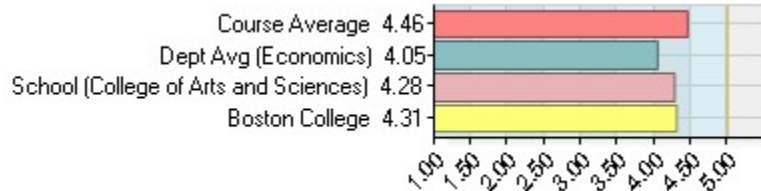


## Instructor Questions for (Fabio Ghironi) - Benchmarks

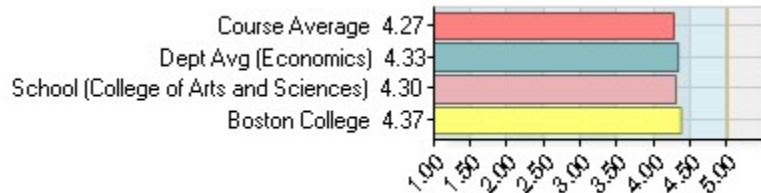
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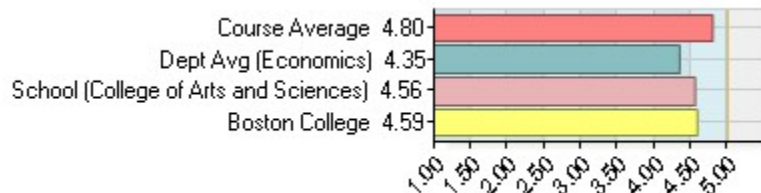
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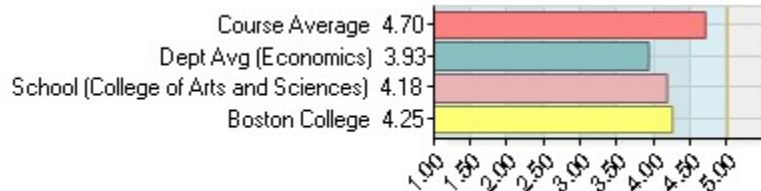
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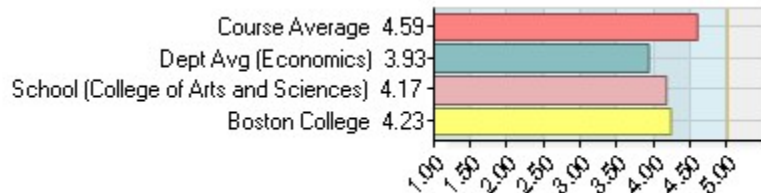
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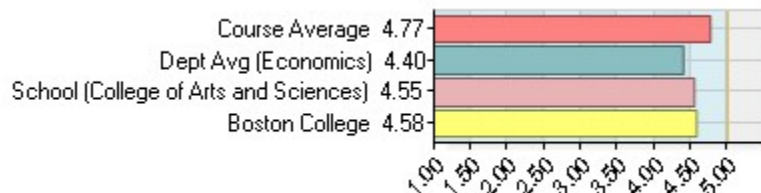
5. The instructor stimulated interest in the subject matter.



6. The instructor's explanations were clear.



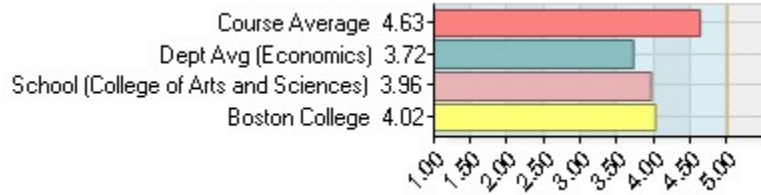
7. The instructor treated students with respect.



## Instructor Questions for (Fabio Ghironi) - Benchmarks (continued)

How would you rate this instructor overall as a teacher?

How would you rate this instructor overall as a teacher?



# Comments for EC29501\_2012S\_INTL EC POL AND POL EC SEM - Fabio Ghironi

## What are the strengths of this course?

### Comment

1. The profiles of various speakers and intellectually interesting topics throughout the semester.
2. get to learn a lot about real world issues
3. Great opportunity to meet an amazing array of people.
4. Really interesting speakers. I loved the wide range of speakers that came in. Having the opportunity to have dinner with these people/ talk to them one on one is simply amazing.
5. The speakers that attended the seminar were very interesting and knowledgeable. They
6. getting to learn from incredibly prepared and recognized professors.
7. It was really interesting to hear from different prominent economists about various topics in the field. A great interdisciplinary course.
8. Brought in interesting economists.
9. n/a
10. the course allows students to relate their knowledge with the most updated event.
11. Interesting different perspectives
12. Great to hear the perspectives of famous speakers in economics. Learned a great deal.
13. Opened my eyes to topics that are in current events

## How could the instructor improve the course?

### Comment

1. less technical
2. N/A I think it is fantastically successful at what it does.
3. I personally think we might have had a few too many people talking about the eurozone crisis. But then again, it is the biggest economic issue at the moment. Nonetheless, some more non-traditional speakers like John Perkins would be awesome.
4. I found it a bit difficult not knowing who was in the seminar full time and who was dropping by just to hear particular speakers. It might be helpful to meet with the EC295 students by themselves for discussion and review of the lectures at some point during the course.
5. it is fine the way it is
6. I didn't really see the point of the summaries since I don't think they helped me learn any more than just attending the lectures and taking notes did - seemed kind of like busy work.
7. Keep trying to bring in high profile speakers.
8. n/a
9. Because the course is open to everyone on campus. Some of the materials are quite tough for undergrads.
10. Perhaps try to have more general topics to form to everyone's unique interests and backgrounds
11. nothing
12. He did a great job

## Would you recommend this course to other students, majors, etc.? Why or why not?

### Comment

1. YES. It is not just a textbook college class, but the authors and policymakers actually visit students and talk about economy, history, and many other various topics.
2. yes, you learn a lot about real issues and get to apply what you learned in your other econ classes

3. I would recommend this course to any student interested in economics, political science or international relations.
4. I have and will continue to do so. This course has been one of my favorite academic experiences at BC. It is a small investment of time and I learn just as much if not more than I would in a normal class.
5. It's a really good course to take to stay current in what's going on in the economy now, since in a lot of the other econ classes here it's mostly theory and doesn't explain the current situation. I would recommend taking it because it gives you direct access to economists who know what they're talking about and that you might not be able to hear otherwise.
6. yes
7. Yes
8. Sure if students are interested in international economics.
9. yes
10. Yes. Awesome teacher, and I started to watch ice hockey.
11. Yes
12. yes I would
13. Yes

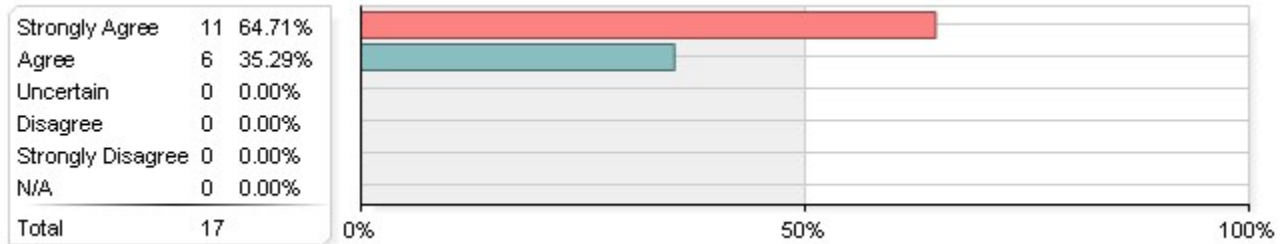
### Additional Comments:

#### Comment

1. I would love to see courses like this in other fields
2. My favorite part was meeting with the speakers

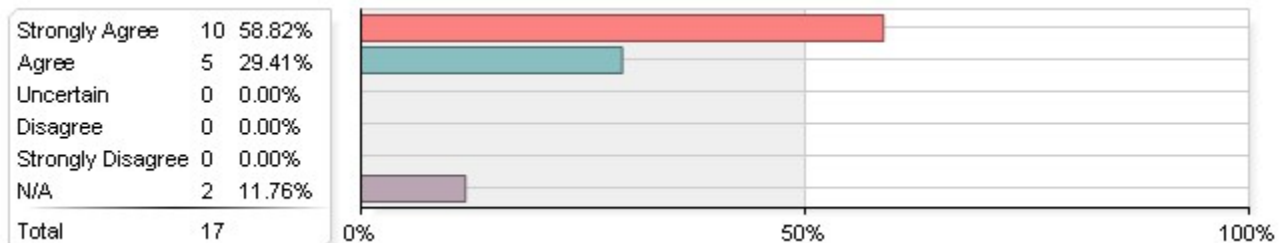
# Responses to Customized Questions for EC29501\_2012S\_INTL EC POL AND POL EC SEM - Fabio Ghironi

## Customized Question 1



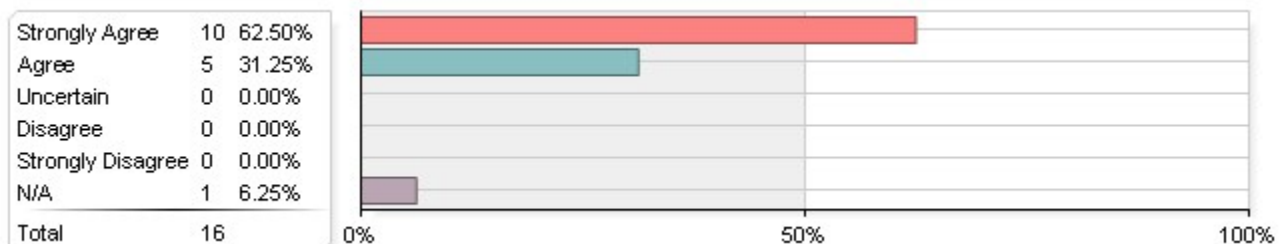
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## Customized Question 2



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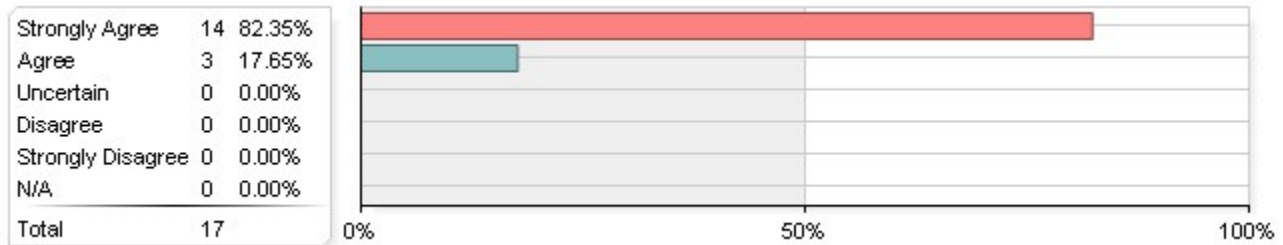
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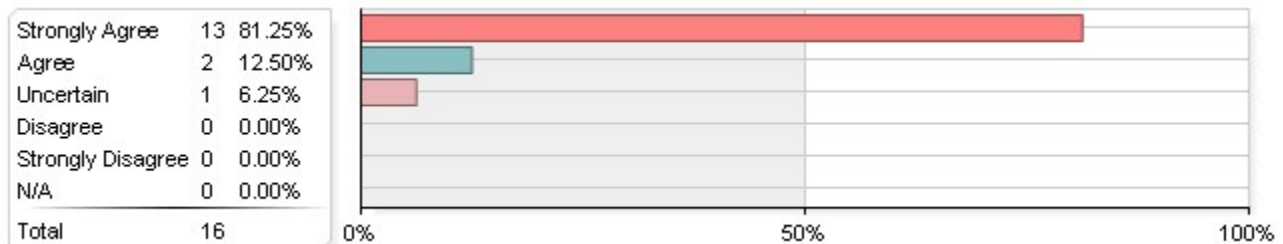


## Customized Question 4



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## Customized Question 5



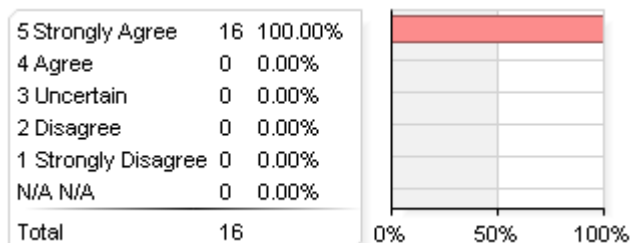
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Median	5.00
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Standard Deviation	+/-0.58

## BC2012F\_Fall2011 Course Evaluation Report for EC29501\_2012F\_INTL EC POL&POL EC SEM - Fabio Ghironi

Enrolled: 20  
Responded: 17  
Response Rate: .85

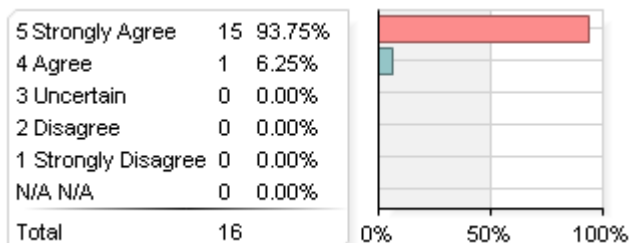
### Course Related Questions for EC29501\_2012F\_INTL EC POL&POL EC SEM- Distribution of Responses

1. The course was well organized.



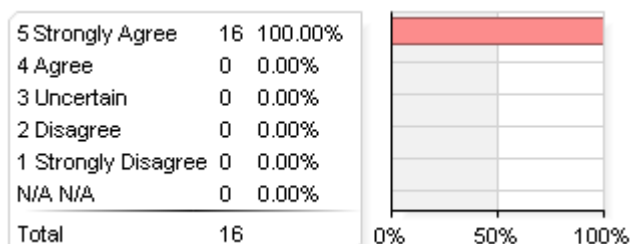
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2. The course generally followed the syllabus.



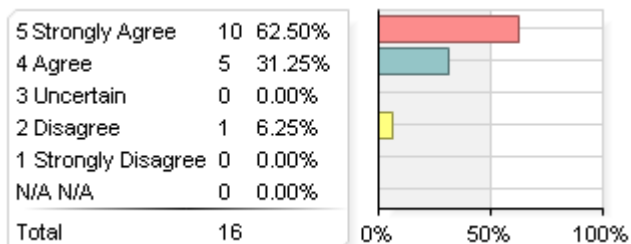
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Mode	5
Standard Deviation	+/-0.25

3. Class attendance was necessary for learning course material.



Statistics	Value
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Median	5.00
Mode	5
Standard Deviation	+/-0.00

4. The course was intellectually challenging.

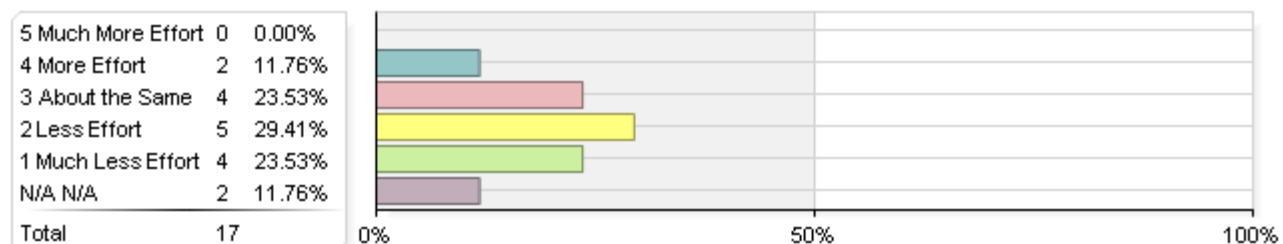


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Median	5.00
Mode	5
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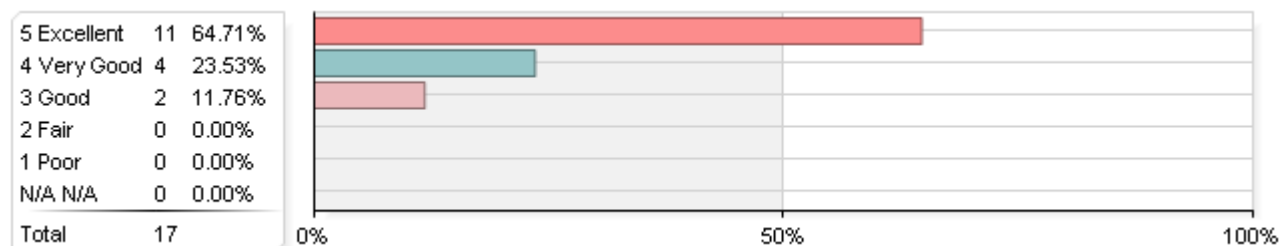
## Course Related Questions for EC29501\_2012F\_INTL EC POL&POL EC SEM- Distribution of Responses (continued)

Compared to similar courses (ie core, major, etc), this course required:



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Median	2.00
Mode	2
Standard Deviation	+/-1.03

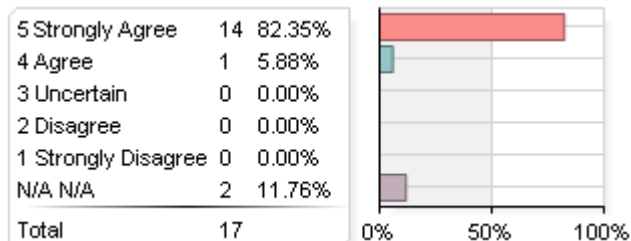
How would you rate this course overall?



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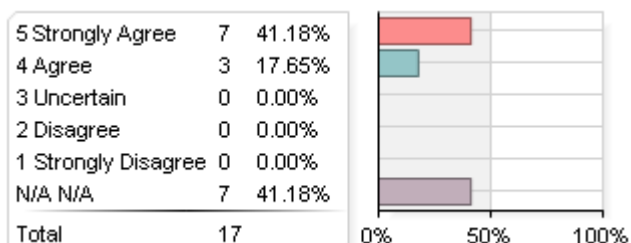
## Instructor Questions for (Fabio Ghironi)- Distribution of Responses

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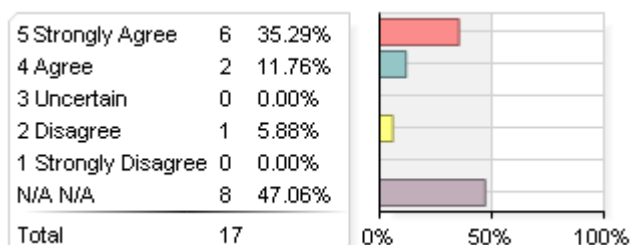
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Standard Deviation	+/-0.26

2. The instructor was available for help outside of class.



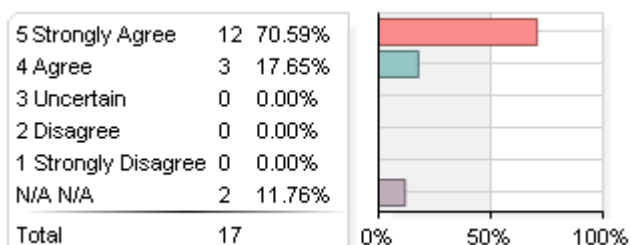
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3. The instructor returned assignments/tests conscientiously.



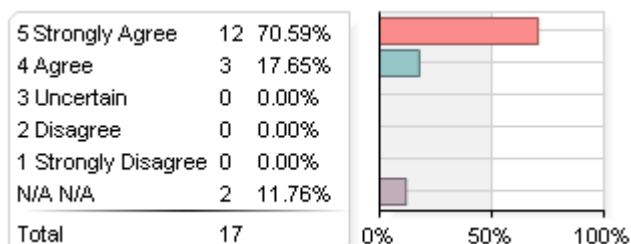
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4. The instructor showed enthusiasm about the subject matter.



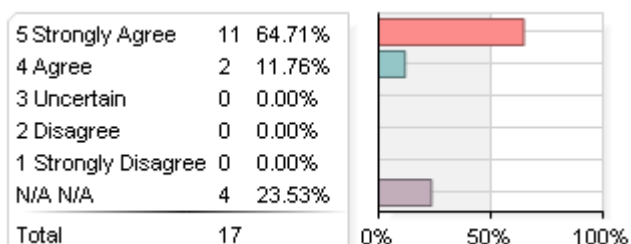
Statistics	Value
Mean	4.80
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Mode	5
Standard Deviation	+/-0.41

5. The instructor stimulated interest in the subject matter.



Statistics	Value
Mean	4.80
Median	5.00
Mode	5
Standard Deviation	+/-0.41

6. The instructor's explanations were clear.



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Mean	4.85
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Mode	5
Standard Deviation	+/-0.38

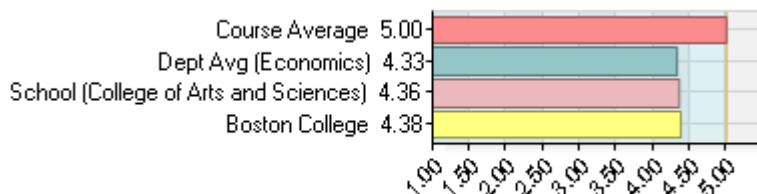
## Course Questions for EC29501\_2012F\_INTL EC POL&POL EC SEM - Benchmarks

### Instructor Questions for (Fabio Ghironi) - Distribution of Responses

Select your agreement level with the following statements about this course.

7. The instructor treated students with respect.

1. The course was well organized.



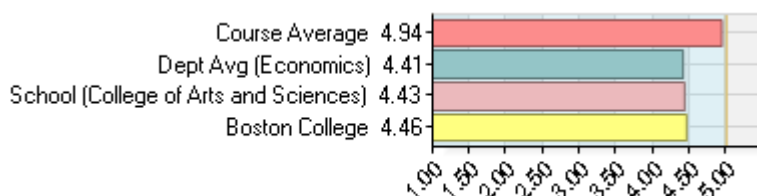
2. The course generally followed the syllabus.

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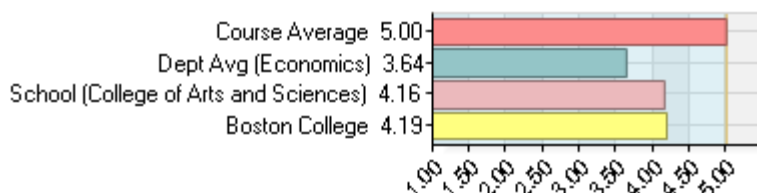
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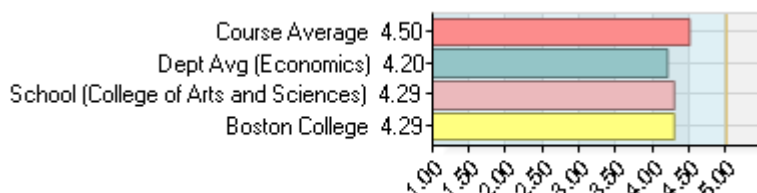
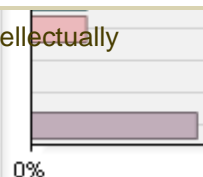


3. Class attendance was necessary for learning course material.



4. The course was intellectually challenging.

3 Good	1	5.88%
2 Fair	0	0.00%
1 Poor	0	0.00%
N/A N/A	3	17.65%
Total	17	



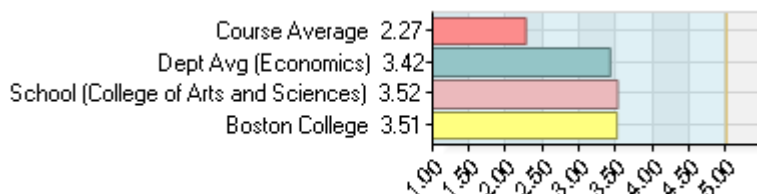
#### Statistics

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Compare to similar courses, this course required.

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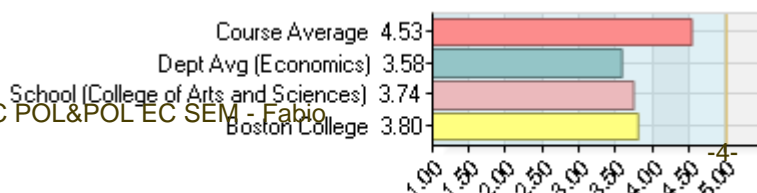
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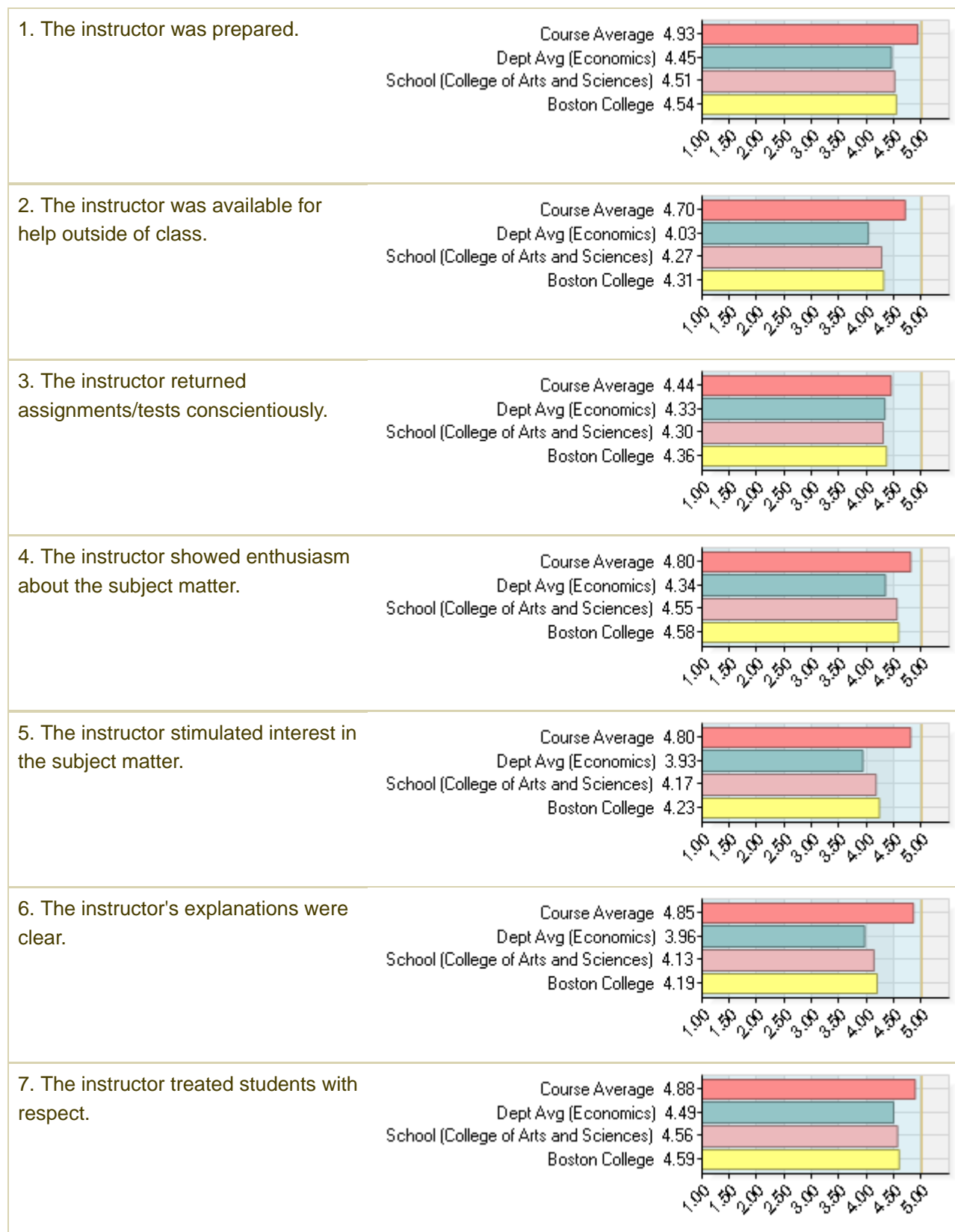
How would you rate this course overall?

How would you rate this course overall?

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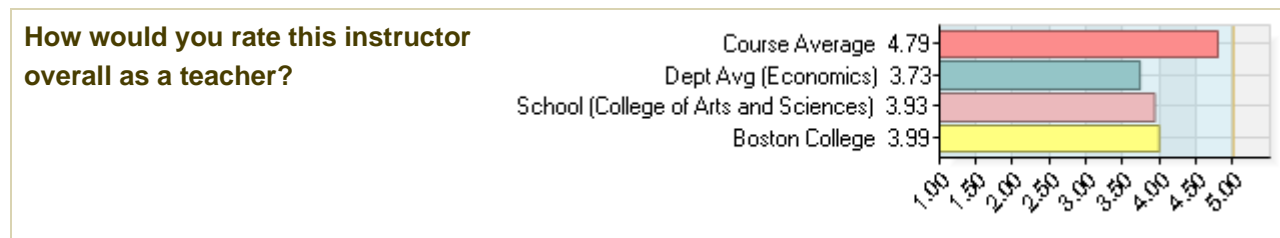
## Instructor Questions for (Fabio Ghironi) - Benchmarks



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## Instructor Questions for (Fabio Ghironi) - Benchmarks (continued)

How would you rate this instructor overall as a teacher?





## Comments for EC29501\_2012F\_INTL EC POL&POL EC SEM - Fabio Ghironi

### What are the strengths of this course?

#### Comment

1. Interdisciplinary seminar that promotes student discussion. Honestly one of the best academic experiences I have had at BC.
2. Great networking and learning experience.
3. Fabio brought amazing speakers to class. The opportunity to meet up with high profile speakers for lunch and discussions is unparalleled across any course that I've taken.
4. Gives great insight into practical applications of economic outside of classroom learning.
5. The variety of speakers was excellent- Professor Ghironi managed to cover a wide variety of topics with different speakers from different parts of the world. Also the lunches/dinners were a great way to go into more depth with a speaker
6. Some of the speakers are really terrific and the topics are usually relevant and interesting
7. Really enjoyed the speakers coming in to talk about econ.
8. A diverse group of interesting speakers and ample opportunity to meet them
9. Seminar- had great professors come and speak. Also provided great opportunities to speak with the guests before and after they spoke
10. Very interesting lectures about a variety of current economic issues from world-class scholars. Very little accompanying work; a great way to learn about problems that don't necessarily get mentioned in 3-credit classes.
11. Excellent opportunity to meet economists and gain insightful real-world knowledge about the field.
12. Taught students about various kinds of economic concerns throughout the world.

### How could the instructor improve the course?

#### Comment

1. N/A - Other than that the University should offer more interdisciplinary seminars.
2. Fabio did a great job. The seminar was always organized and the talks were amazing.
3. I really do not have any suggestions- I think it was very well done
4. Diversify the speakers and have more interesting speakers come as some of the speakers though incredibly qualified were a drag
5. Some lectures were really hard to understand and boring. Maybe it wasn't for undergrad level.
6. perhaps a few more speakers
7. N/A
8. Nothing. Great as it was!
9. By focusing in on a greater variety of economic issues.

### Would you recommend this course to other students, majors, etc.? Why or why not?

#### Comment

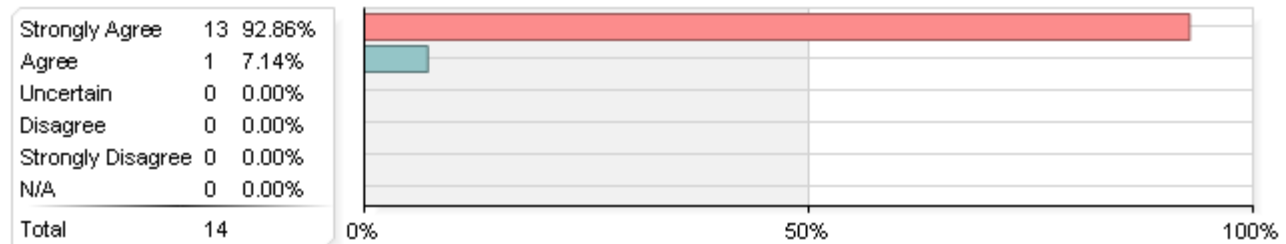
1. Yes - provides greater information about contemporary events trends etc.
2. If yo are interested in International Economics YES!
3. Definitely. It provides an interdisciplinary way with a focus on economics to understand current issues around the world.

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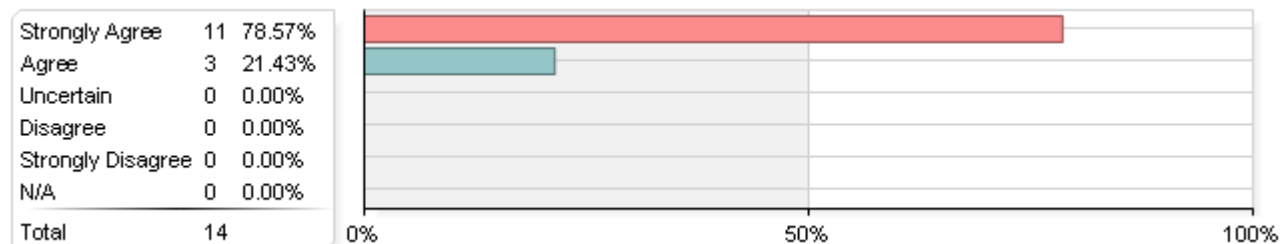
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5. Absolutely- It is informative and gives the student an exposure to many topics within the field of Political Economy  
 6. Yes it's a good seminar to take if you want to learn from powerful minds



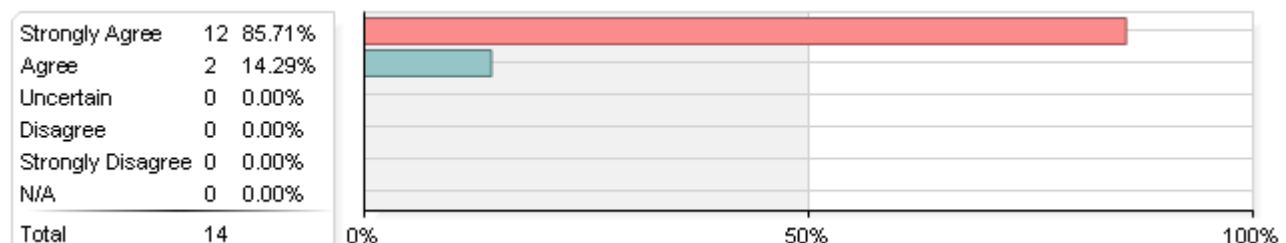
Statistics	Value
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Median	5.00
Mode	5
Standard Deviation	+/-0.27

3. I gave all N/A's for the instructor ratings because the course is composed of guest lecturers. That being said Fabio is an absolutely fantastic guy and I'd love to take a full class with him at some point. His organization of the class was also quite good.



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Mean	4.79
Median	5.00
Mode	5
Standard Deviation	+/-0.43

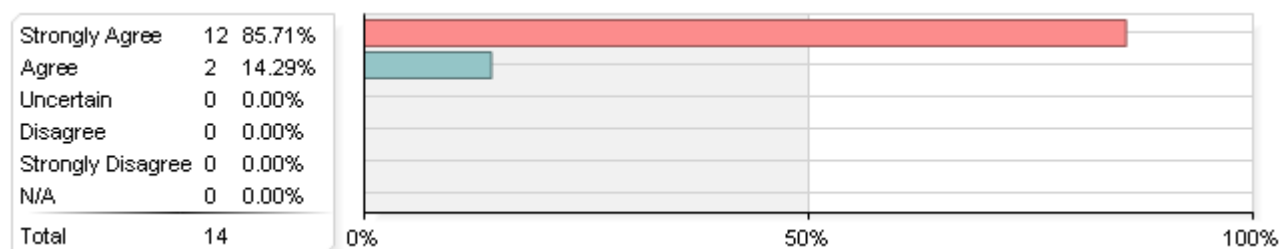
### Customized Question 3



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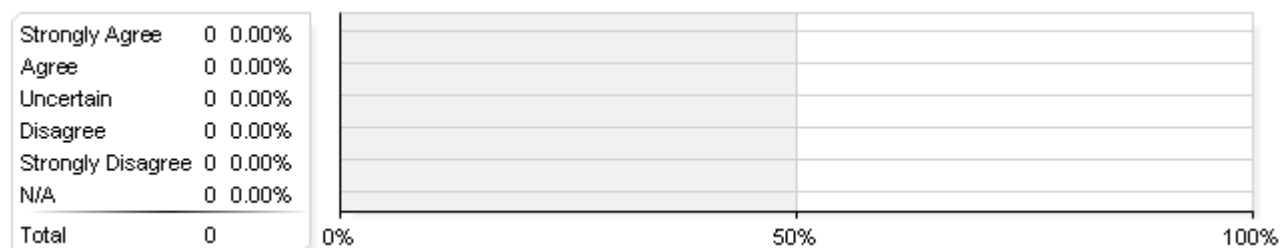
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## Customized Question 4



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## Customized Question 5



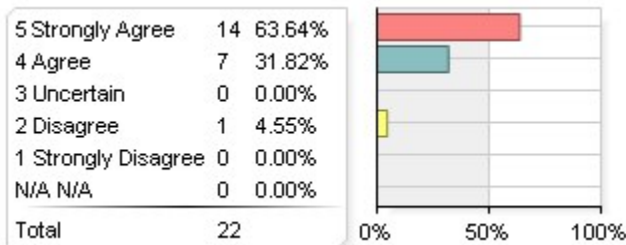
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Mode	5, 4, 3, 2, 1
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# BC2011S\_Spring2011 Course Evaluation Report for EC29501\_2011S\_INTL EC POL&POL EC SEM - Fabio Ghironi

Enrolled: 27  
Responded: 23  
Response Rate: .85

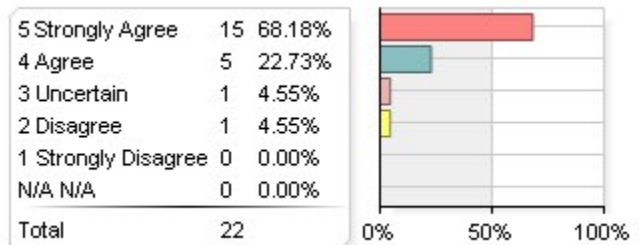
## Course Related Questions for EC29501\_2011S\_INTL EC POL&POL EC SEM- Distribution of Responses

1. The course was well organized.



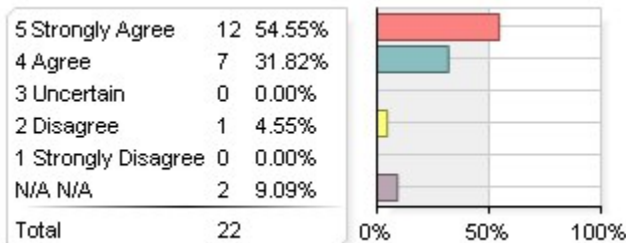
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2. The course generally followed the syllabus.



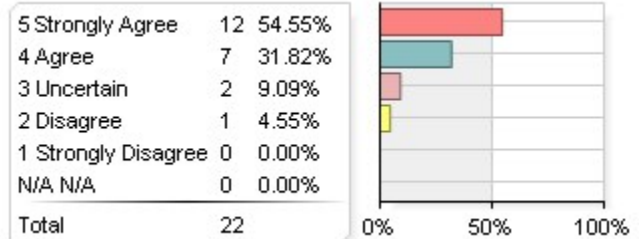
Statistics	Value
Mean	4.55
Median	5.00
Mode	5
Standard Deviation	+/-0.80

3. Class attendance was necessary for learning course material.



Statistics	Value
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Median	5.00
Mode	5
Standard Deviation	+/-0.76

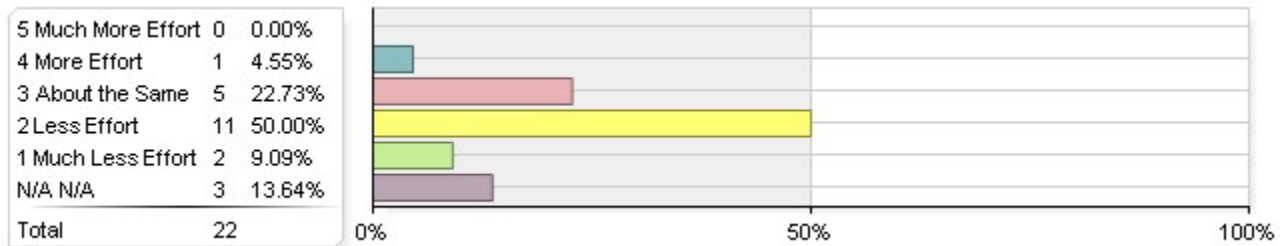
4. The course was intellectually challenging.



Statistics	Value
Mean	4.36
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Mode	5
Standard Deviation	+/-0.85

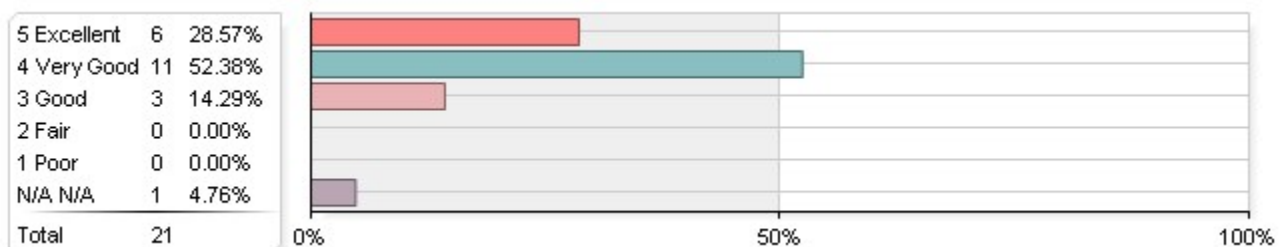
## Course Related Questions for EC29501\_2011S\_INTL EC POL&POL EC SEM- Distribution of Responses (continued)

Compared to similar courses (ie core, major, etc), this course required:



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Mode	2
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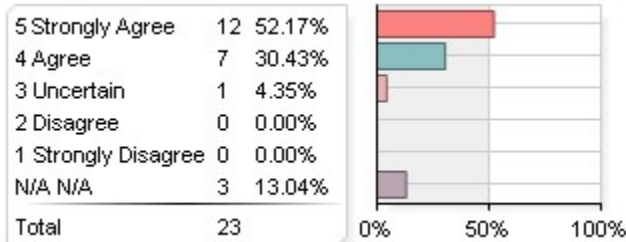
How would you rate this course overall?



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Mode	4
Standard Deviation	+/-0.67

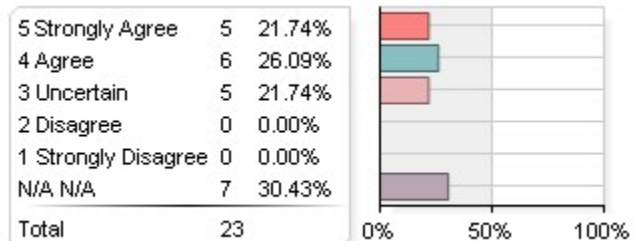
## Instructor Questions for (Fabio Ghironi)- Distribution of Responses

1. The instructor was prepared.



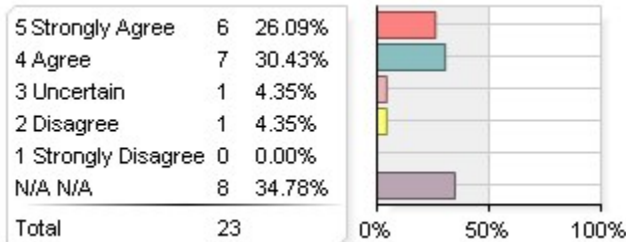
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Standard Deviation	+/-0.60

2. The instructor was available for help outside of class.



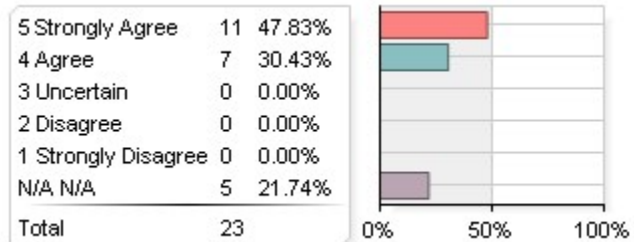
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Median	4.00
Mode	4
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3. The instructor returned assignments/tests conscientiously.



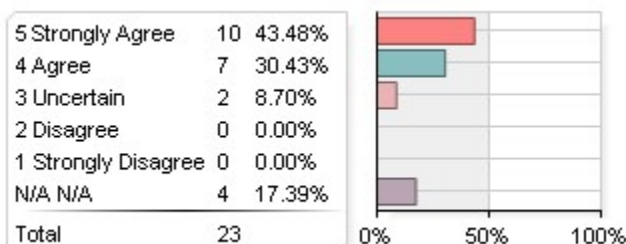
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Mean	4.20
Median	4.00
Mode	4
Standard Deviation	+/-0.86

4. The instructor showed enthusiasm about the subject matter.



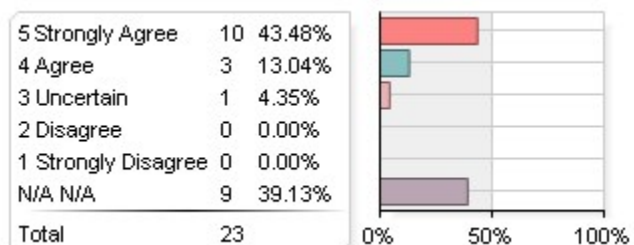
Statistics	Value
Mean	4.61
Median	5.00
Mode	5
Standard Deviation	+/-0.50

5. The instructor stimulated interest in the subject matter.



Statistics	Value
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Median	5.00
Mode	5
Standard Deviation	+/-0.69

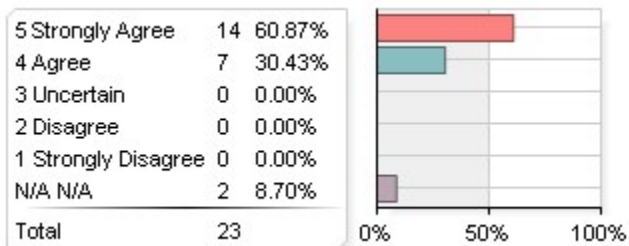
6. The instructor's explanations were clear.



Statistics	Value
Mean	4.64
Median	5.00
Mode	5
Standard Deviation	+/-0.63

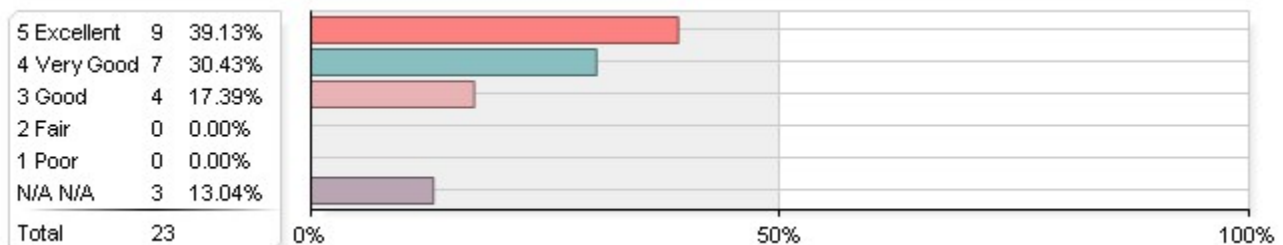
## Instructor Questions for (Fabio Ghironi)- Distribution of Responses (continued)

### 7. The instructor treated students with respect.



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Median	5.00
Mode	5
Standard Deviation	+/-0.48

### How would you rate this instructor overall as a teacher?

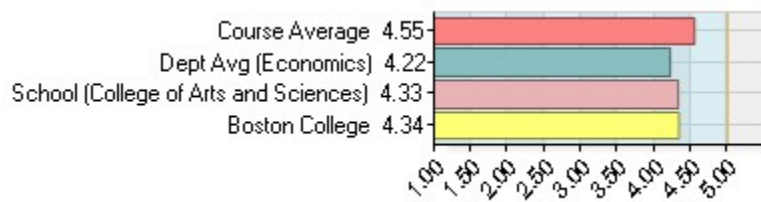


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Mode	5
Standard Deviation	+/-0.79

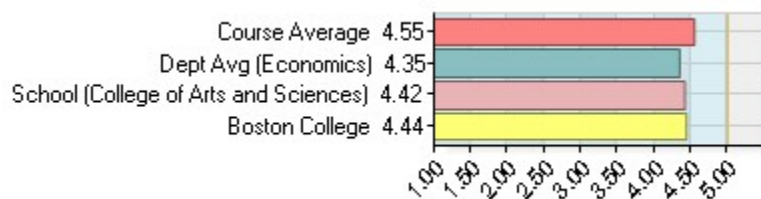
# Course Questions for EC29501\_2011S\_INTL EC POL&POL EC SEM - Benchmarks

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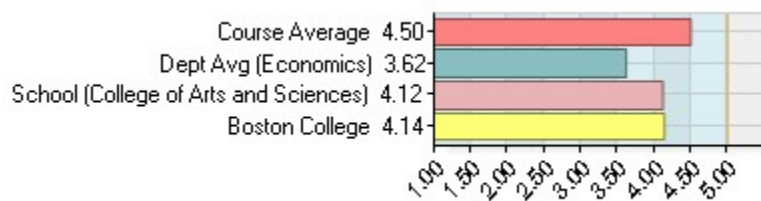
1. The course was well organized.



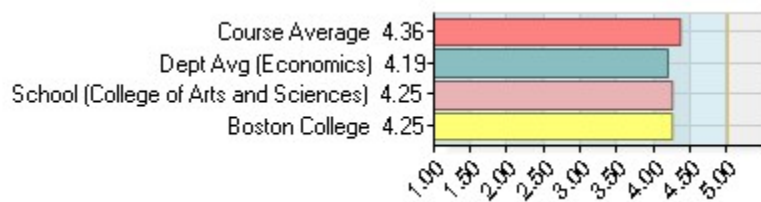
2. The course generally followed the syllabus.



3. Class attendance was necessary for learning course material.

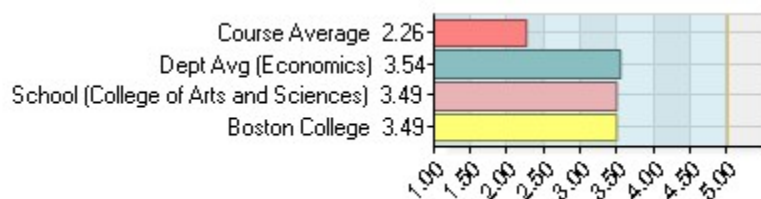


4. The course was intellectually challenging.



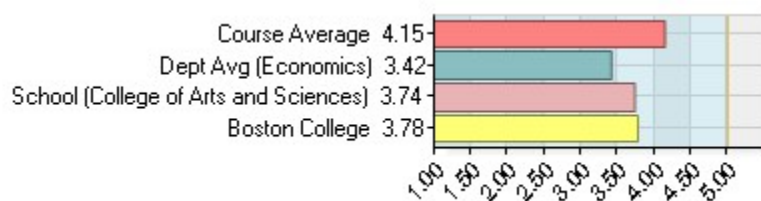
Compare to similar courses, this course required.

Compared to similar courses (ie core, major, etc), this course required:



How would you rate this course overall?

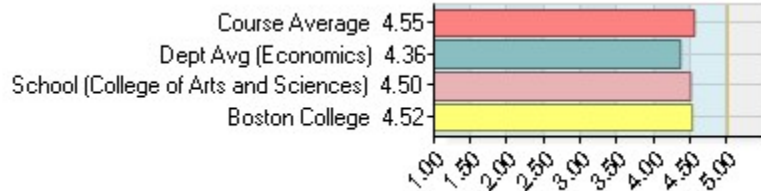
How would you rate this course overall?



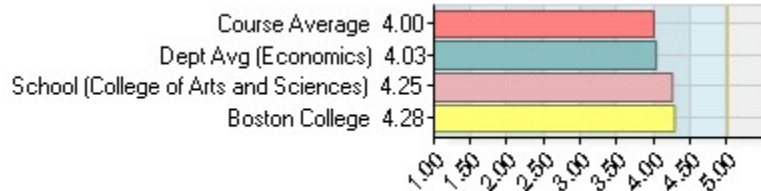


## Instructor Questions for (Fabio Ghironi) - Benchmarks

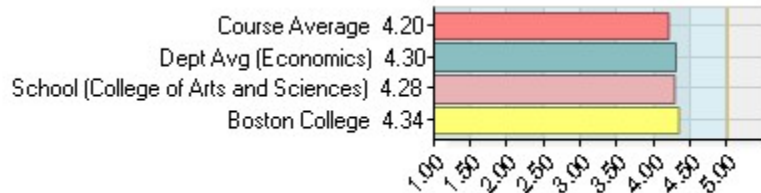
1. The instructor was prepared.



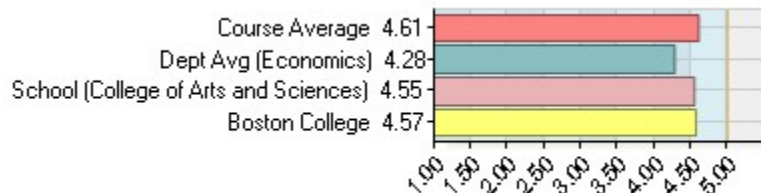
2. The instructor was available for help outside of class.



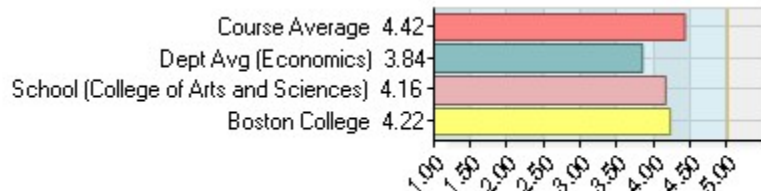
3. The instructor returned assignments/tests conscientiously.



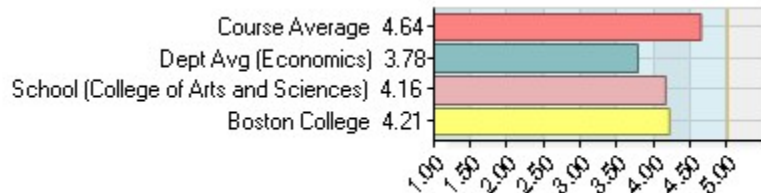
4. The instructor showed enthusiasm about the subject matter.



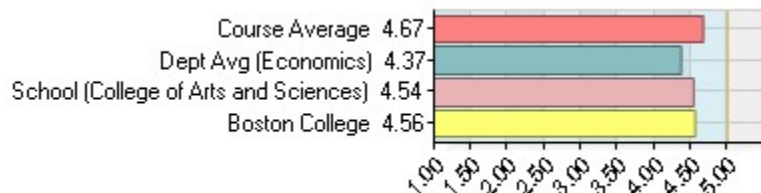
5. The instructor stimulated interest in the subject matter.



6. The instructor's explanations were clear.



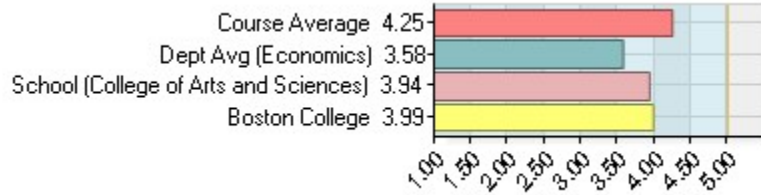
7. The instructor treated students with respect.



## Instructor Questions for (Fabio Ghironi) - Benchmarks (continued)

How would you rate this instructor overall as a teacher?

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# Comments for EC29501\_2011S\_INTL EC POL&POL EC SEM - Fabio Ghironi

## What are the strengths of this course?

Comment
1. The set-up was good
2. Interesting topics
3. Helped to apply economic principles learned in other courses into real-life situations and current macro-economic policies.
4. very interesting - I wouldn't have had the opportunity to listen to or meet these economists otherwise. I also liked the variety of different topics presented by the different professors.
5. The presentations were very interesting and I really enjoyed some of the speakers, though since I don't have much background in economics the more technical parts of some of the presentations were rather difficult for me to understand.
6. Really put into perspective the real issues and topics economics help solve, different way of engaging econ, truly learned a lot and got an invaluable experience from this course
7. Chance to interact with high-profile speakers
8. It was very stimulating especially since the lecturers were speaking on very pertinent issues.
9. Definitely an interesting course, and the students benefitted from hearing lectures from big names in the field of macroeconomics.
10. I really enjoyed having the opportunity to go listen to lectures by very accomplished economists and policy makers. The discussions were very interesting. Also, Fabio was a very approachable and friendly "teacher" of the class.
11. The guest speakers were distinguished experts
12. Nice to be exposed to several perspectives and projects in macroeconomics

## How could the instructor improve the course?

Comment
1. Bring in more speakers/ speakers who are able to dumb down the econ jargon for the kids who aren't econ majors/PhD students
2. It's such a random list of speakers Many of the speakers don't understand that they are speaking to undergraduates
3. It's probably fine as it is.
4. n/a
5. have a prespeaker discussion session to give background on speaker. The papers sent out to prepare us was extremely inaccessible to the reader, boring and difficult to understand while the speakers were all great, would like more help understanding the papers the speakers wrote
6. Bring in a speaker from the Austrian School
7. N/A
8. Include speakers from a wider range of fields, not just macroeconomic policy.
9. NONE

## Would you recommend this course to other students, majors, etc.? Why or why not?

Comment
1. Yes
2. No- the summaries are a huge pain
3. Yes, helps develop a real-world sense of economics that is sometimes difficult to gain from intro/intermediate

level econ classes.

4. Yes - very interesting and a great opportunity to learn more about a variety of different topics affecting our global economy. Thank you Professor Ghironi!

5. absolutely, you get to learn a lot about relevant issues ranging from the current financial crisis to climate change and the financial institutions and markets all over the world

6. yes, learned a lot, but could be a better course

7. Yes, applies to many majors, relevant topics

8. Yes!

9. Yes, it is an interesting course that doesn't require too much work, but is very rewarding.

10. I would definitely recommend this class to others. I had the opportunity to have a discussion with a European economist and dinner with another distinguished economist. It was a very interesting experience.

11. Yes, it is an excellent elective that is relevant to CSOM students and econ majors

12. Sure

### Additional Comments:

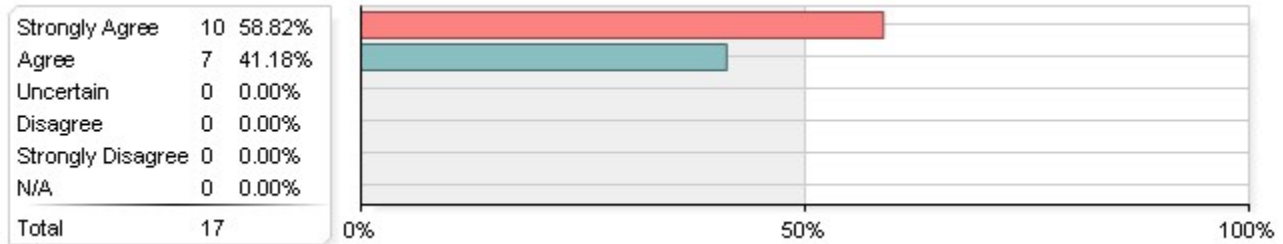
#### Comment

1. Marty Feldstein Rocked, the rest of the speakers were kind of boring

2. I know that some of the graduate students had been complaining about certain speakers who left out a lot of the in depth economics, but I really enjoyed the lecture by Frankel, who delivered more of a policy discussion. I think some of the people who signed up for the seminar wanted to hear policy-makers as well, so I think the mix of both was good.

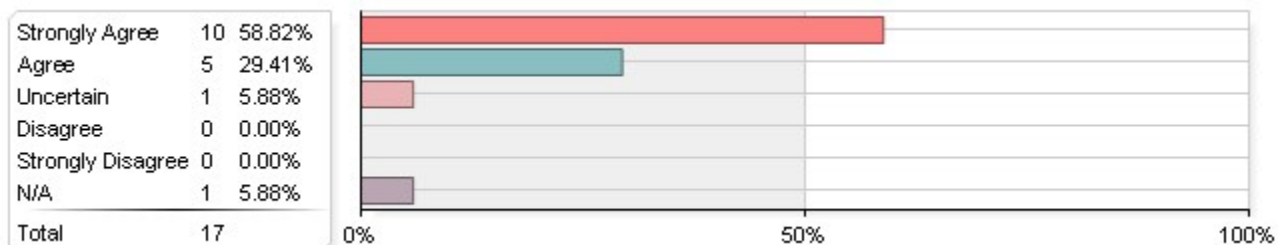
# Responses to Customized Questions for EC29501\_2011S\_INTL EC POL&POL EC SEM - Fabio Ghironi

## Customized Question 1



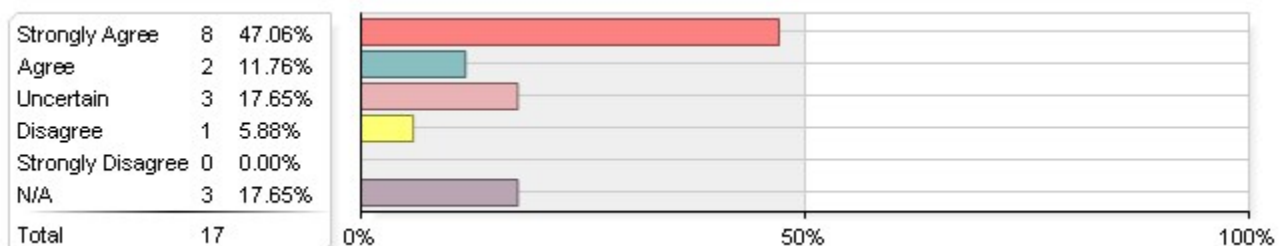
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Standard Deviation	+/-0.51

## Customized Question 2



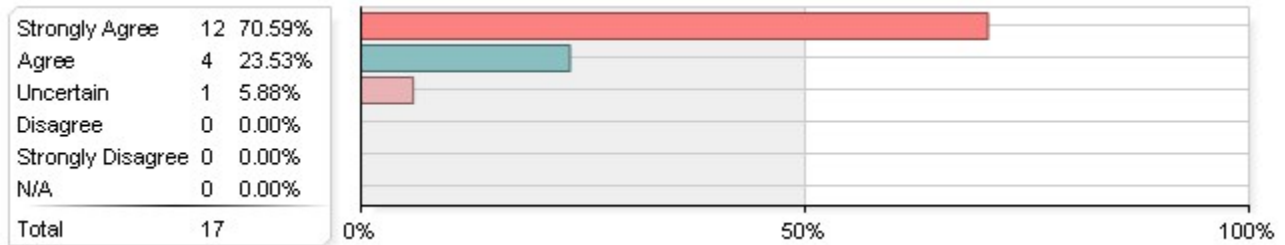
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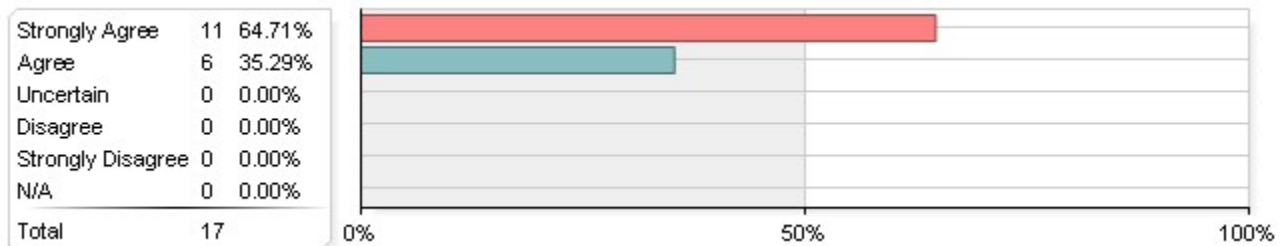
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## Customized Question 4



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## Customized Question 5



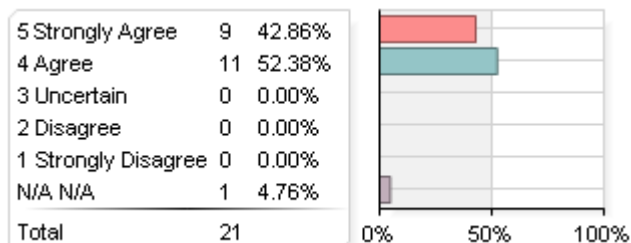
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## BC2011F\_Fall2010 Course Evaluation Report for EC29501\_2011F\_INTL EC POL&POL EC SEM - Fabio Ghironi

Enrolled: 25  
Responded: 21  
Response Rate: .84

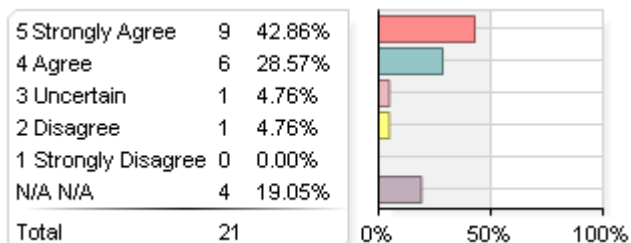
### Course Related Questions for EC29501\_2011F\_INTL EC POL&POL EC SEM- Distribution of Responses

1. The course was well organized.



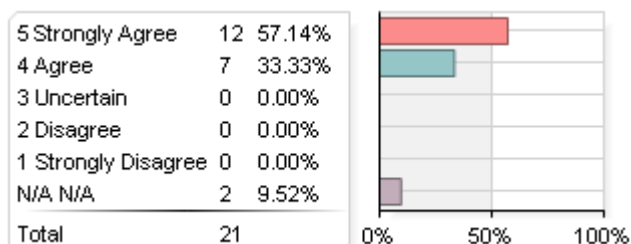
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Standard Deviation	+/-0.51

2. The course generally followed the syllabus.



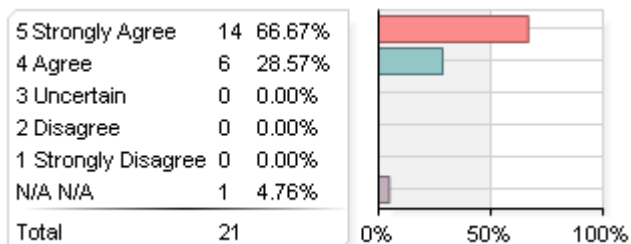
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Median	5.00
Mode	5
Standard Deviation	+/-0.86

3. Class attendance was necessary for learning course material.



Statistics	Value
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Mode	5
Standard Deviation	+/-0.50

4. The course was intellectually challenging.



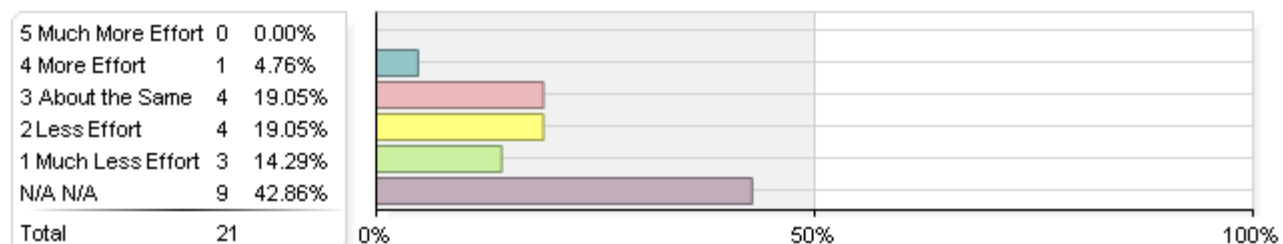
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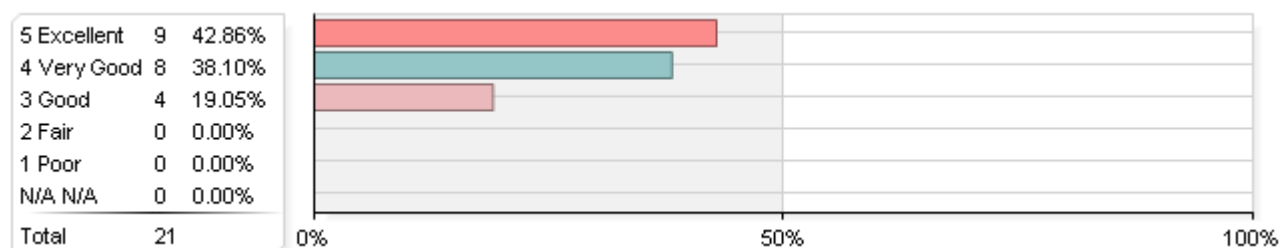
## Course Related Questions for EC29501\_2011F\_INTL EC POL&POL EC SEM- Distribution of Responses (continued)

Compared to similar courses (ie core, major, etc), this course required:



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Mode	3, 2
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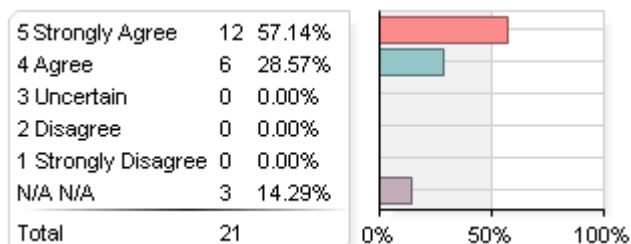
How would you rate this course overall?



Statistics	Value
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Mode	5
Standard Deviation	+/-0.77

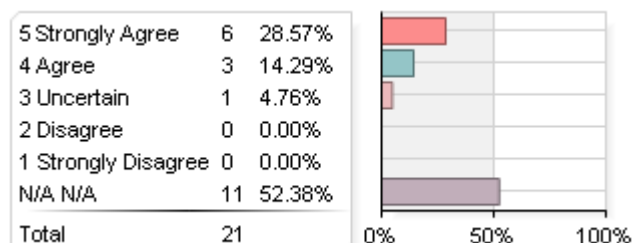
## Instructor Questions for (Fabio Ghironi)- Distribution of Responses

1. The instructor was prepared.



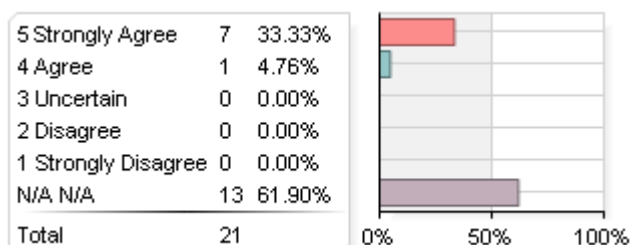
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Mode	5
Standard Deviation	+/-0.49

2. The instructor was available for help outside of class.



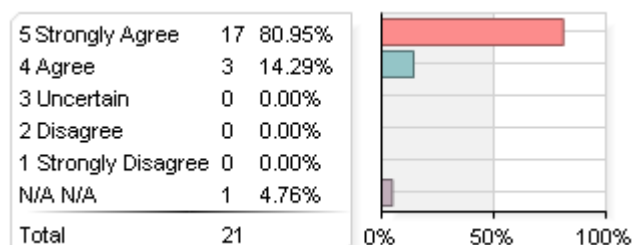
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Standard Deviation	+/-0.71

3. The instructor returned assignments/tests conscientiously.



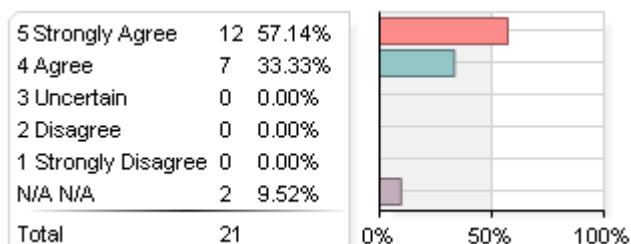
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4. The instructor showed enthusiasm about the subject matter.



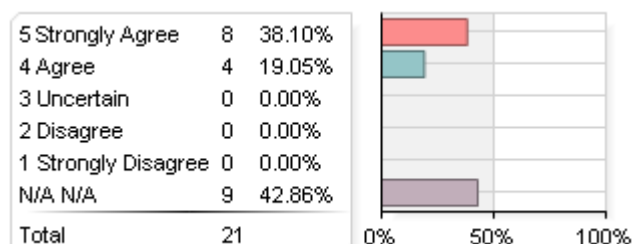
Statistics	Value
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Mode	5
Standard Deviation	+/-0.37

5. The instructor stimulated interest in the subject matter.



Statistics	Value
Mean	4.63
Median	5.00
Mode	5
Standard Deviation	+/-0.50

6. The instructor's explanations were clear.



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Mode	5
Standard Deviation	+/-0.49

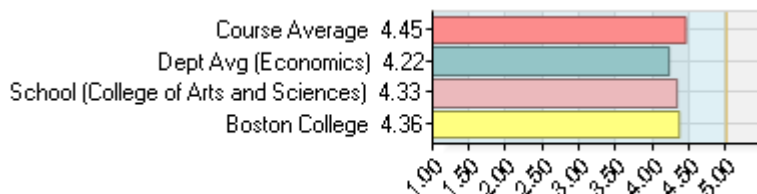
## Course Questions for EC29501\_2011F\_INTL EC POL&POL EC SEM - Benchmarks

### Instructor Questions for (Fabio Ghironi) - Distribution of Responses

Select your agreement level with the following statements about this course.

#### 7. The instructor treated students with respect.

1. The course was well organized.



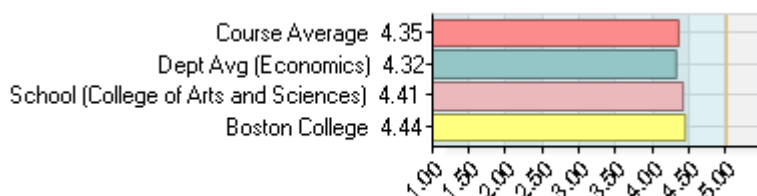
2. The course generally followed the syllabus.

#### Statistics

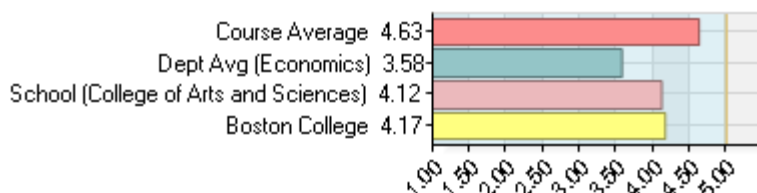
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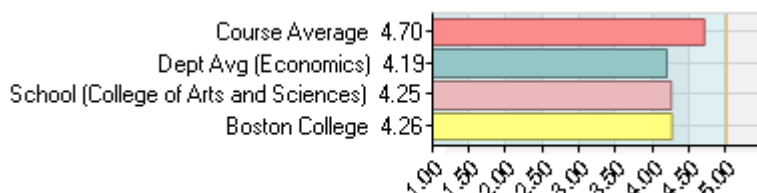
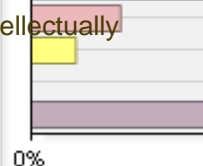


3. Class attendance was necessary for learning course material.



4. The course was intellectually challenging.

3 Good	2	9.52%
2 Fair	1	4.76%
1 Poor	0	0.00%
N/A N/A	4	19.05%
Total	21	



#### Statistics

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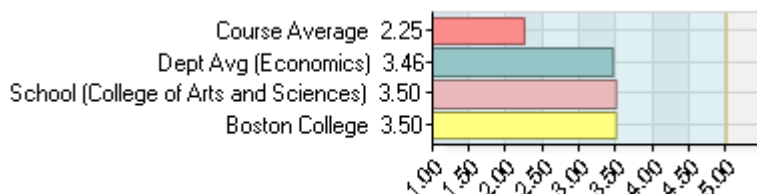
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Compare to similar courses, this course required.

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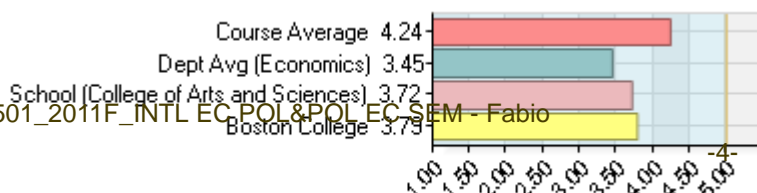
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Compared to similar courses (ie core, major, etc), this course required:



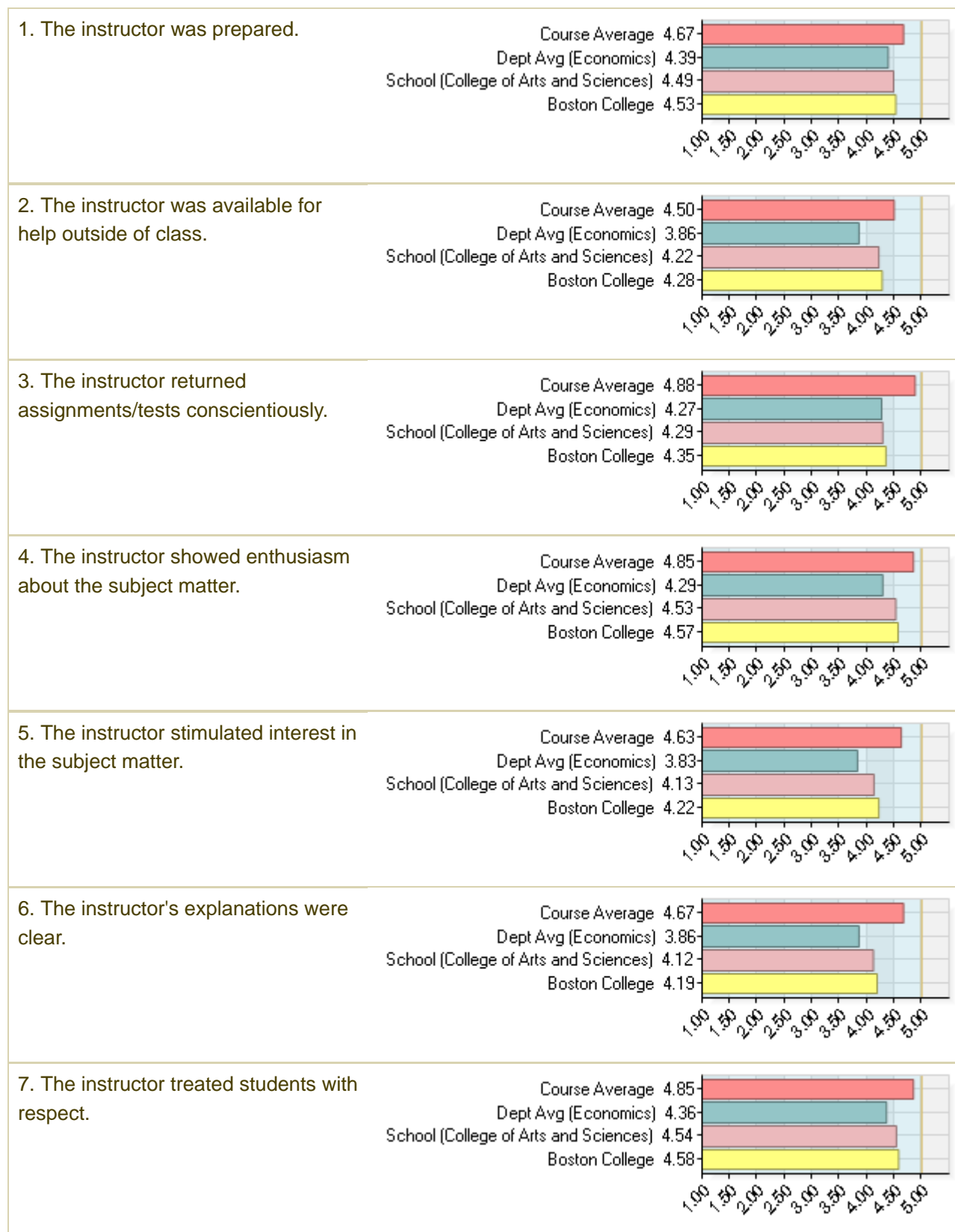
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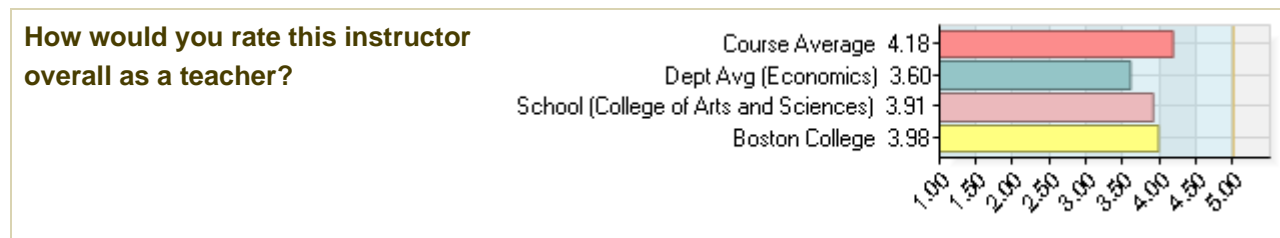
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## Instructor Questions for (Fabio Ghironi) - Benchmarks



## Instructor Questions for (Fabio Ghironi) - Benchmarks (continued)

How would you rate this instructor overall as a teacher?



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### What are the strengths of this course?

#### Comment

1. Well organized, very interesting speakers, useful for a greater understanding of macroeconomic issues.
2. Great idea and I plan to continue attending the seminar next semester even if I can't take it for a credit.
3. Getting acquainted with the policy issues of the day and meeting the policymakers who deal with them.
4. Very interesting speakers. Relevant topics. Great experience being able to meet with the speakers in small groups and hear them speak more thoroughly about their topic/job.
5. Great stimulating seminars in international economics
6. the relevant lectures from people who are well involved with world policies
7. great policy course
8. The variety of speakers and the different topics discussed were very interesting.
9. Great speakers, challenging ideas, accommodating professor.
10. Focus on current economic issues and upper level analysis pertaining to them
11. Excellent guest speakers, chance to interact w/ heavy-weights in the field.

### How could the instructor improve the course?

#### Comment

1. More time to spend with the speakers.
2. Fabio was a great moderator.
3. He could try to get a room that makes it easier to have discussions during the lectures.
4. Much of what the speakers discussed was too advanced for the undergraduate students. Maybe start off the course with a lecture or two just explaining a bit about international economics. Or ask the speakers to clarify their speeches a bit more.
5. Nothing
6. get more big name speakers
7. force a little more learning by the undergrads
8. He could have more structure, and try to have something in case of cancellations.
9. I found some of the lectures very deep and over my head. I wish that some of the lecturers were more engaging.
10. Maybe more background on the subject emailed or something (since it was a pass/fail seminar). This course was for undergraduates too but I felt like I had no idea what the speakers were talking about.
11. more speakers
12. I think Mondays are a bad day to have the seminar...too much going on. Also, increase the # of speakers if possible. Maybe even add an "orientation" seminar the first day to let students know what to expect/review.

### Would you recommend this course to other students, majors, etc.? Why or why not?

#### Comment

1. Yes, it is very useful with regard to the knowledge in macroeconomics it can provide to people from different fields.
2. Absolutely. We were able to get real world context from great speakers on all of the things we talk about in our classes.
3. Yes. It speaks of practical issues important to the world economy.

## Responses to Customized Questions for EC29501\_2011F\_INTL EC

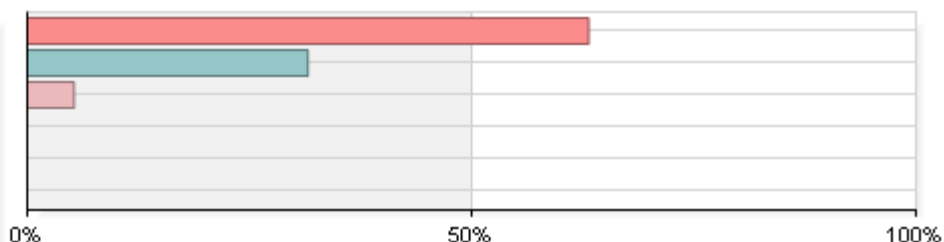
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5. Yes, learned a great deal in international economic policy

6. yes, it really supplements the theory courses

### Customized Question 1

Strongly Agree	12	63.16%
Agree	6	31.58%
Uncertain	1	5.26%
Disagree	0	0.00%
Strongly Disagree	0	0.00%
N/A	0	0.00%
Total	19	

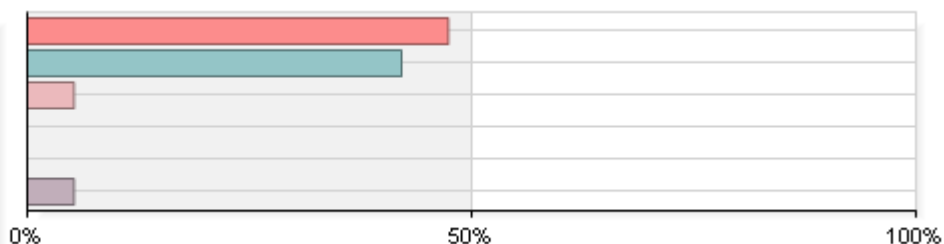


#### Comment

Statistics	Value
Mean	4.58
Median	5.00
Mode	5
Standard Deviation	+/-0.61

### Customized Question 2

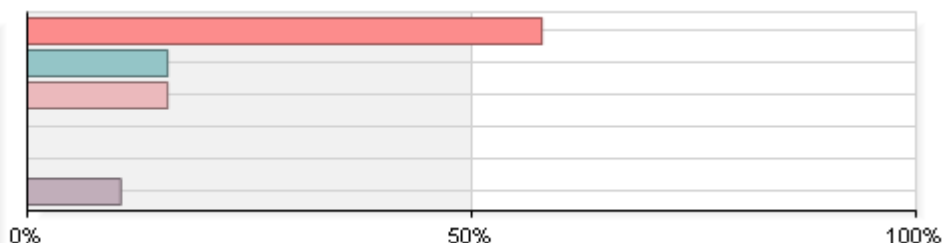
Strongly Agree	9	47.37%
Agree	8	42.11%
Uncertain	1	5.26%
Disagree	0	0.00%
Strongly Disagree	0	0.00%
N/A	1	5.26%
Total	19	



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Standard Deviation	+/-0.62

### Customized Question 3

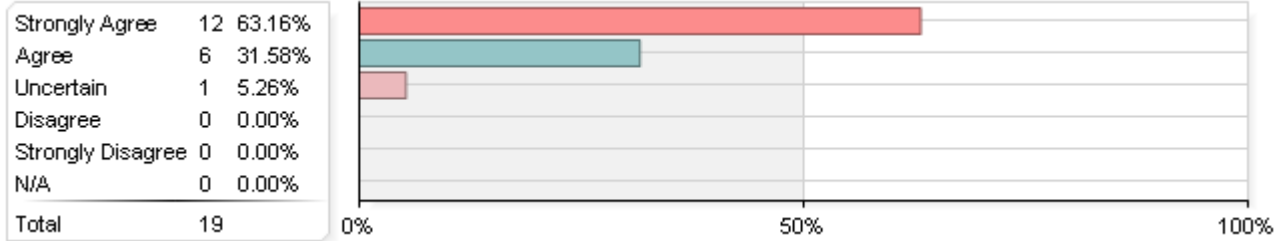
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Agree	3	15.79%
Uncertain	3	15.79%
Disagree	0	0.00%
Strongly Disagree	0	0.00%
N/A	2	10.53%
Total	19	



Statistics	Value
Mean	4.47
Median	5.00
Mode	5
Standard Deviation	+/-0.80

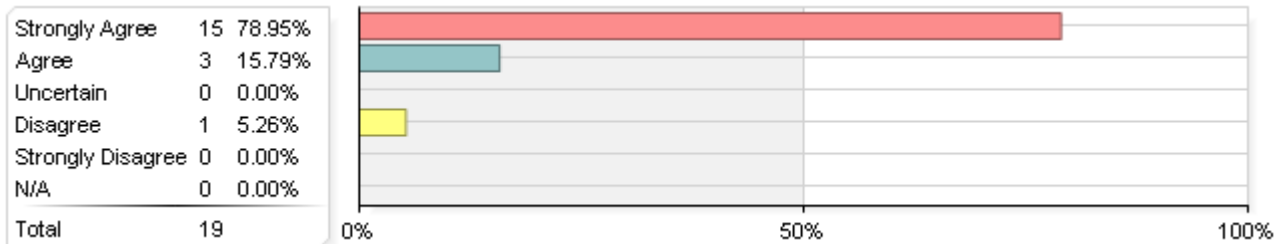
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### Customized Question 4



Statistics	Value
Mean	4.58
Median	5.00
Mode	5
Standard Deviation	+/-0.61

### Customized Question 5



Statistics	Value
Mean	4.68
Median	5.00
Mode	5
Standard Deviation	+/-0.75