

COURSE AND FACULTY EVALUATION FORM

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Program: Political Studies

Instructor: David O'Connell

Course No: 122

Course name: Intro to American Politics

Part I. Student Information

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Strongly disagree disagree neutral agree strongly agree

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7. Overall rating of course.	Very poor	Poor	Good	Very Good	Excellent
8. Further elaboration on your responses or additional commentary is encouraged: <p>This course was fantastic! It thoroughly introduced me to a number of facets of American politics that I had not ever dedicated thought to. I am glad that this course is a Core Class, for it not only introduces students to U.S. politics, but it prepares all political studies students, regardless of concentration, for future study.</p>					

Part III: Evaluation of the Instructor

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Professor O'Connell is by far one of the most capable instructors under which I have studied. I really appreciated the enthusiasm he brought to every day's class; he made every lesson, even those with somewhat duller course material, exciting and engaging. Most of all, I was very impressed by his availability. Not only was he willing to meet with me to make up notes I missed outside of class, but he was also available to read drafts of my papers, offer me feedback, and guide me towards further pieces of research. I wish more Bardonia instructors incorporated his methods and dynamic attitude to his lessons, and I sincerely hope to not only use him on my moderation board for political studies, a switch in my major that I made partly because of the interest his course cultivated in me, but also study with him in the future.

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I am not a Political Science major, but I had been curious about politics and decided to take this course. I'm really glad I did because I learned a lot and found the course to be very interesting!

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I like how the course was broken into main topics and that the projects were spaced out about every 3 weeks.

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Course No: 122

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9. Further elaboration on your responses or additional commentary is encouraged: Dr. O'Connell is one of a kind. Never before have I had a teacher more prepared, passionate, and helpful. Bard is lucky to have Professor O'Connell and I will surely miss my time with him.					

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9. Further elaboration on your responses or additional commentary is encouraged: A real Cool dude. I wish there had been more in-class discussion about the readings Perhaps more smaller projects as opposed to a few large in order to encourage reading.					

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I'm a Senior Music Major taking my Social Science requirement. I did the minimum amount of work needed to ~~get~~ pass.