



# UC RIVERSIDE - Faculty Instruction Evaluation (iEval)

## Summer Session A 2020

Course: LNST 148 Section: A01 - POLITICS OF MEXICO

Instructor: Igor Palhares Acacio Cross Course: POSC 158 Section: A01 - POLITICS OF MEXICO

**Question # 20:** Please comment on how the instructor's teaching helped your learning of the material in this course. Please give serious thought to your comments. Your comments will be studied by the professor after the grade and performance evaluation of your work have been submitted and may be used in changing future offerings of the course. In addition, these comments are placed in the instructor's file and may be used for purposes of evaluating the instructor's teaching. The information collected will remain anonymous.

- I really enjoyed that lectures felt like regular lectures even in an online format. I had fun in every meeting talking about Mexico's politics but also culture, history, and society. You and Andrew Ivey make a great team! Thank you so much for one of the best summer class experiences ever!
- Although limited to online lectures, professor Igor was able to provide engaging content, handpicked material, and guest lectures who were able to provide and explain their work. He also included a hybrid approach in pre- recorded lectures and in class meetings.
- Igor was a really helpful instructor overall! He would always make sure we understood the material, he welcomed all questions, and explained in a way that wouldn't be difficult to understand. I liked how he would constantly compare Mexico with other countries, and would use examples to compare and better understand the political situations in Mexico. His lectures were also informational and the readings and assignments we had to do for class were also helpful. I learned a lot despite having classes be switched to a remote setting.
- I had waited 11 quarters to officially enroll in the course. When I found out Igor was teaching it I was ecstatic! I had only heard good things about him and how his office hours were super informative and worth making some time for. After having taken a class with Igor, I can agree with my colleagues that he is fantastic. His knowledge on the subject material was very helpful when answering my questions and I did not feel as though I was being lectured at like in other courses. I actually wanted to learn, and I thank Igor for his excitement toward the subject that actually motivated me to do research outside of the required readings.
- Professor Igor's class was great! The material taught was interesting and the guest speakers also contributed to the topics discussed. Professor Igor made the class more interesting with his enthusiasm. He made me want to learn more and was really helpful and understanding. The readings were interesting and went into more depth. His class was really organized and I really enjoyed the way it was taught under the circumstances. I would recommend Professor Igor's class to other students interested in the history and politics of Mexico. Overall 10/10!
- Excellent selection of textbook and readings. Instructor is extremely informative and knowledgeable in the subject. Instructor also does an excellent job engaging the class.
- Igor has done a fantastic job teaching and providing information about the Politics of Mexico. This is my second course with Igor and have nothing but fantastic things to say about him. He is very clear, coherent, understanding, and patient with each and every student. Additionally, he has challenged each of us by providing brief Research Assignments. Thank you for all your hard work as well as Andrew Ivey's! I look forward to taking another class with Igor.
- Igor was a very knowledgeable instructor in this course. He was always open to our thoughts and was more than happy to clarify any questions we had, whether they be about course logistics or course content. Although it was an online learning environment, Igor managed to keep students connected to the course content by implementing recitation sections where we discuss any questions regarding the course. The assignments I feel were very appropriate and I was able to learn a lot about social science writing because of them. All in all, Igor was a great instructor that I hope to have again in the future.
- Igor was an excellent instructor for this course and brought in a lot of extra supplemental material to help us solidify what we were learning. He cares a lot about this subject and teaching it.



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 Home Dept.: Political Science

Enrollment: 27  
 Respondents: 11  
 Response Rate: 41%

Enrollment: 292  
 Respondents: 82  
 Response Rate: 28%

Enrollment: 10014  
 Respondents: 3005  
 Response Rate: 30%

Questions	Course						Department				Campus						
	5 High	4	3	2	1 Low	N/A	Mean	Med	SD	% tile	Mean	Med	SD	% tile	Mean	Med	SD
1 I had a strong desire to take this course	7	3	1	-	-	-	4.55	5.0	0.7	94.44	4.02	4.0	0.9	80.29	4.10	4.0	1.0
2 I attended class regularly	9	2	-	-	-	-	4.82	5.0	0.4	58.33	4.59	5.0	0.6	78.66	4.65	5.0	0.7
3 I put considerable effort into this course	7	4	-	-	-	-	4.64	5.0	0.5	61.11	4.43	5.0	0.7	71.84	4.54	5.0	0.7
4 I gained a good understanding of the course content	9	2	-	-	-	-	4.82	5.0	0.4	92.86	4.44	5.0	0.6	86.41	4.38	5.0	0.8
5 I normally spent at least two hours preparing for each hour of class	7	3	-	1	-	-	4.45	5.0	0.9	75.00	4.13	4.0	1.0	78.42	4.14	4.0	1.0
6 Instructor was prepared and organized	10	1	-	-	-	-	4.91	5.0	0.3	95.00	4.54	5.0	0.8	92.53	4.52	5.0	0.8
7 Instructor used class time effectively	10	1	-	-	-	-	4.91	5.0	0.3	83.33	4.52	5.0	0.8	94.21	4.49	5.0	0.8
8 Instructor was clear and understandable	10	1	-	-	-	-	4.91	5.0	0.3	83.33	4.59	5.0	0.8	94.27	4.44	5.0	0.9
9 Instructor exhibited enthusiasm for subject and teaching	10	1	-	-	-	-	4.91	5.0	0.3	83.33	4.59	5.0	0.8	91.48	4.57	5.0	0.8
10 Instructor respected students; sensitive to and concerned with their progress	9	2	-	-	-	-	4.82	5.0	0.4	85.00	4.49	5.0	0.8	83.52	4.54	5.0	0.8
11 Instructor was available and helpful	9	2	-	-	-	-	4.82	5.0	0.4	83.33	4.52	5.0	0.8	84.48	4.56	5.0	0.8
12 Instructor was fair in evaluating students	9	2	-	-	-	-	4.82	5.0	0.4	83.33	4.52	5.0	0.8	89.18	4.49	5.0	0.8
13 Instructor was effective as a teacher overall	10	1	-	-	-	-	4.91	5.0	0.3	83.33	4.55	5.0	0.8	95.16	4.48	5.0	0.9
14 The syllabus clearly explained the structure of the courses	8	3	-	-	-	-	4.73	5.0	0.5	81.25	4.51	5.0	0.8	76.37	4.55	5.0	0.7
15 The examinations reflected the materials covered during the course	10	1	-	-	-	-	4.91	5.0	0.3	95.00	4.44	5.0	0.8	95.45	4.46	5.0	0.8
16 The required readings contributed to my learning	10	1	-	-	-	-	4.91	5.0	0.3	95.00	4.49	5.0	0.8	95.21	4.34	5.0	0.9
17 The assignments contributed to my learning	10	1	-	-	-	-	4.91	5.0	0.3	95.00	4.46	5.0	0.9	94.02	4.51	5.0	0.8
18 Supplementary materials were informative (e.g. films, slides, videos, demonstrations, guest lectures, iLearn, web pages, etc)	8	2	1	-	-	-	4.64	5.0	0.7	75.00	4.49	5.0	0.8	72.87	4.46	5.0	0.8
19 The course overall as a learning experience was excellent	10	1	-	-	-	-	4.91	5.0	0.3	95.00	4.51	5.0	0.7	94.09	4.41	5.0	0.9

\* The number of N/A is not included in the Mean, Median, and S.D. calculation.