

Department of Politics
Juniors Independent Work Evaluation – Spring JP 2010

1. Did you find your Spring Term Independent Work intellectually satisfying, overall?

1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10

Not very satisfying

Somewhat

Very satisfying

2. Was the unstructured approach currently used by the Politics Department in selecting Spring JP topics and advisors satisfactory to you? Should we provide more structure, as we do for the Fall JP?

3. Was your JP advisor helpful to you at all stages--in selecting a topic, identifying sources, commenting on drafts, etc.?

4. Are there changes in the role of your advisor this Spring that might have made the JP effort more satisfying?

5. How often did you see your advisor?

6. Did you turn in:

_____ an outline?

_____ a partial draft?

_____ a complete draft by the Department due date?

_____ a complete draft but after the Department due date with the advisor's agreement?

_____ Other

(Please describe) _____

(OVER)

7. In your view, which of these departmental policies would most help students with their Spring JP's:

_____ The current policy (a draft due in late March)

_____ A later draft deadline

_____ An outline due in late March

_____ An outline due in early/mid-March and a draft due in early April _____

_____ Other (*Please specify*)

8. Are there changes in your own approach to work on your JP that would have improved your sense of satisfaction at the end of the term?

9. How would you compare your personal experience in the Fall and the Spring?

1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10

My Fall JP experience
was much more satisfying

About the same

My Spring JP experience
was much more satisfying

Comments:

10. Based on your own experience and that of other students you know (in the Politics Department and in other departments), are there changes that you believe we should consider in the current approach to the Spring Junior Independent Work?

11. Which Fall Junior Workshop did you take?

12. Did your experience in your Fall Workshop help you in doing your Spring Independent Work? Why or why not?

13. Name of your Spring JP advisor: _____