

Fall 2002: Precept in Introduction to American Politics

The following is a verbatim recording of the student comments on the Narrative Course Evaluation Forms that I received. Every response is included (i.e., no “cherry-picking” to include only the best responses) and there is no order to the recorded responses.

Please comment on the specific components of the course: Precepts

“Ok.”

“Good review of readings. Good atmosphere.”

“Great.”

“Precepts were great. Josh Clinton is tremendous. Learned a lot in precepts; clarifies material as well.”

“Josh tried really hard to get us to talk, but you can’t always get all of the reading done b/c there was a lot of it. He was v. helpful at giving us a good overview.”

“Good—could have discussed issues more.”

“Clinton posted thought-provoking questions.”

“Helped to understand material.”

“Josh cut through the crap and told us what was and wasn’t significant. That was nice, as it didn’t allow for too much mindless chatter on the part of students and instead allowed us to only speak about salient issues. That was good.”

“Precepts were not helpful in stimulating any discussion. Only ok for strictly answering questions.”

“Good, we didn’t contribute much so they were pretty short. Josh was very helpful to prepare for tests and papers.”

“My precept was wonderful! Josh effectively and efficiently discussed the readings every week and really focused on the important matters. Great job !!”