



S059 Zach Himmelsbach 2023 Spring 1 01 - HGSE Teaching Fellow Evaluation

Project Title: **GSE Course Evaluations Spring 2023**

Courses Audience: **8**

Responses Received: **8**

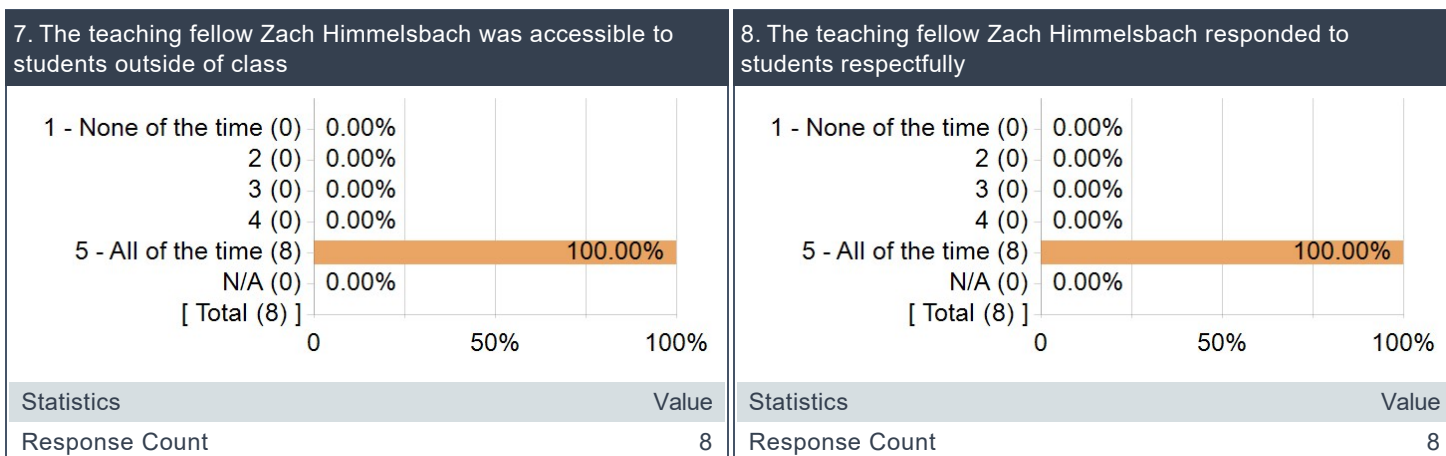
Response Ratio: **100%**

Creation Date: **Wednesday, September 13, 2023**

Raters	Students
Responded	8
Invited	8

Teaching Fellow Questions

1. The teaching fellow Zach Himmelsbach has a good understanding of the subject matter	2. The teaching fellow Zach Himmelsbach established an inclusive environment for students of all identities and backgrounds
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3. The teaching fellow Zach Himmelsbach effectively led class discussions	4. The teaching fellow Zach Himmelsbach was able to answer my questions
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5. The teaching fellow Zach Himmelsbach provided helpful feedback on course assignments	6. The teaching fellow Zach Himmelsbach provided timely feedback on course assignments
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Comments:

In what ways was the teaching fellow most effective? Why?

Comments
Zach taught us Base R, which is essential in text analysis. In SO22, Tidyverse is the approach to learning R.
Zach was so available to us— in class, on slack, in office hours, in section. He's so knowledgeable about this method and excited about it. He is really good at answering questions. His sections were really well planned and informative. He really helped deepen my learning and helped keep the course moving smoothly by answering logistical questions as well.
He was also knowledgeable of the subject and was extremely helpful with students.
While I was unable to attend sections due to a course conflict, I thought that Zach was a skillful and really knowledgeable teacher and facilitator for the embeddings class. His feedback on assignments was really helpful and led me to think of an exciting new project I may want to pursue in the coming years. He was also very generous with his time in office hours and was really good at explaining things in an alternate way to help unstick my understanding.
He was super smart (actually I think of him as the smartest TF at Harvard). His explanations were all thorough and I could understand so many hard things by following his steps of thinking. He was always willing to take questions and devote his time for supporting my learning, and I truly appreciate his guidance throughout the course.
Zach is an amazing teacher, and he knows so, so much about this area. When he finishes his PhD the school should retain him somehow. His clarity, patience, and knowledge have been a model for my own teaching.
Zach really understands the cutting edge of the subject matter and is an effective communicator of these complex ideas.

What recommendations would you make to the teaching fellow to strengthen their teaching and/or make the course more valuable?

Comments
Remove Jane Austen examples; substitute texts from the social sciences if possible.
I think more practice in labs would have been helpful.
n/a
If there's one thing, then it would be providing recordings for the lab sessions!