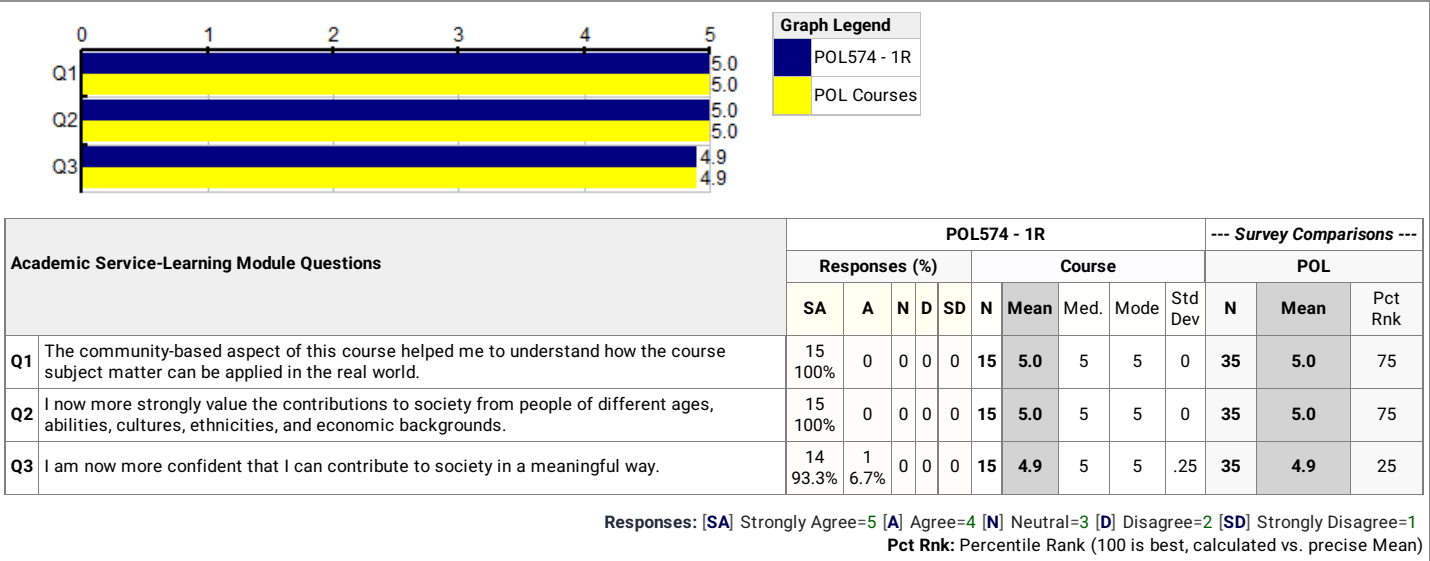
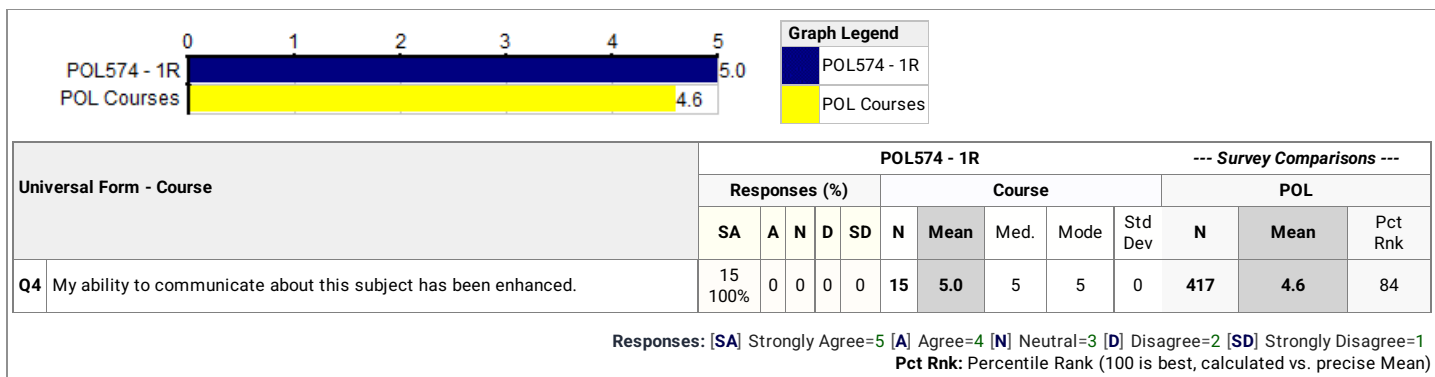
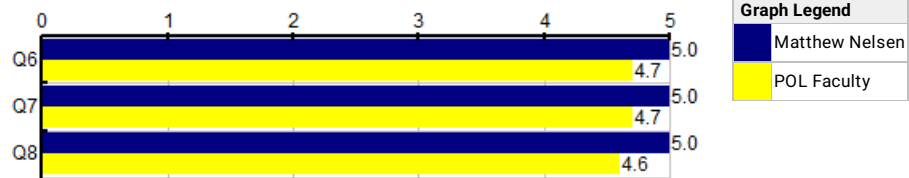


Course:	POL574 1R - URBAN POLITICS	Department:	POL
Responsible Faculty:	Matthew Nelsen	Responses / Expected:	15 / 21 (71.43%)
Overall Mean:	5.0 5 - Point Likert Scale (UM) (105 responses)		





Q5 - Please identify what you consider to be the strengths of the course (or section) and/or areas for improvement.														
Response Rate:		93.33% (14 of 15)												
1	This course is beautifully structured. Each week, the topics are different, yet they flow so well in the grand scheme of Urban Politics. The Milestones give you a push to go out and experience and understand the city in which we are and even be able to compare it to other cities in the country. It shows how local government is critical to everyday life.													
2	This course is extremely informative and engaging. My favorite by far all semester. I have learned so much about local level politics and how much it impacts the smallest of things in my daily life. The course is an ENGAGING 3hour class which is imperative for us as students. The assignments allow us to slowly work towards building our final project which has been amazing and helpful. Each lecture had a purpose and was fulfilled. I could always walk out of class each day being able to communicate about the topic much better than when I went in. More importantly, I have RETAINED that information since the class is discussion and writing based. NOT EXAMS haha. One thing I wish we got to spend more time on was our lecture about green cities! It seemed so interesting and I think especially living in a city in Miami I'd love to learn how we can make our home better for the future.													
3	This Professor is the best Poli Sci Professor I have had at this school. Smart passionate and understanding. Love him and his classes.													
4	The proffessor and his lectures were extremely helpful. The assignments were enriching and valuable.													
5	The milestone project is something tagt really helped my understanding of urban politics with initiative in the community.													
6	The main assignment of the class is broken down into multiple sections making it incredibly easier for students to not only complete the work, but truly understand what is being written so that we are not cramming the week before it is due.													
7	The discussion based aspect and the current relavant topics used to teach this course material are the strenghts. There is no need for improvement this class is perfect.													
8	The course information is very substantial and informational. Also, Dr. Nelsen is an excellent educator. He is very approachable and knowledgeable.													
9	Professor Nelsen is always a joy to have class with. His passion and deep knowledge about both Miami and Chicago is so insightful. I appriciate his flexibility in knowing that we are humans outside of the classroom. His willingness to accomodate things happening outside of class did not go unnoticed. Overall, Dr. Nelsen's class is one I will continue to take during my time here at UM. I always leave having learned so much and having a deep understanding of the subject.													
10	Professor Nelsen prepares an engaging agenda each class. I have never (and probably will never) actually looked forward to coming to a three hour class but Professor Nelsen makes it worth it. He is so knowledgeable in this area and I appreciated how he incorporated his own research into our lessons- not only was it interesting but it is up-to-date and very much prevalent to some of today's crises. I have absolutely no improvements for this course, I wish he offered more classes, he is down to earth.													
11	I believe that the real world aspect of this class is extremely beneficial and helps students learn the material much more effectively. The weekly readings always are related to the out of class assignments which helps to write effective papers. I would love to see more of an emphasis on the history/policy of city planning and how it ties into climate issues, modern segregation, and gentrification.													
12	I appreciated how everyone's opinions were valued and supported. It felt like a safe space to learn and grow! The professor made all the course content enjoyable and interesting. I learned a lot about Urban and local politics and will use this knowledge in the future.													
13	Great course structure, engaging lecture slides, clear assignment guidelines, all around 10/10 professor!													
14	Everything on blackboard is well organized. The professor posts the readings ahead of class which makes it easier for us as students to review them over the week. This professor is easy to talk to and brings interesting topics to class													



Universal Form - Instructor		Matthew Nelsen										--- Survey Comparisons ---		
		Responses (%)					Individual					POL		
		SA	A	N	D	SD	N	Mean	Med.	Mode	Std Dev	N	Mean	Pct Rnk
Q6	My overall evaluation of the instructor is positive.	15 100%	0	0	0	0	15	5.0	5	5	0	418	4.7	77
Q7	The instructor is available and is responsive to the students.	15 100%	0	0	0	0	15	5.0	5	5	0	418	4.7	77
Q8	The instructor stimulates interest in the course.	15 100%	0	0	0	0	15	5.0	5	5	0	418	4.6	80

Responses: [SA] Strongly Agree=5 [A] Agree=4 [N] Neutral=3 [D] Disagree=2 [SD] Strongly Disagree=1  
 Pct Rnk: Percentile Rank (100 is best, calculated vs. precise Mean)