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			Responses from your Students**						University Wide			School/College		
		5 SA	4 A	3 N	2 D	1 SD	NA	Your Median	75% Above	50% Above	25% Above	75% Above	50% Above	25% Above
1	Overall, this was an excellent course.	12	6	0	0	1	0	4.71	3.95	4.33	4.72	3.83	4.10	4.50
2	Overall, the instructor was an excellent teacher.	20	0	0	0	0	0	5.00	4.15	4.61	4.85	4.00	4.50	4.72
3	I learned a great deal from this course.	13	6	0	0	0	0	4.77	4.00	4.40	4.75	3.88	4.17	4.50
4	I had a strong desire to take this course.	9	5	3	0	1	1	4.50	3.64	4.17	4.63	3.67	4.00	4.33
120	I learned a good deal of factual material in this course.	12	7	0	0	0	0	4.71	4.00	4.30	4.67			
121	I gained a good understanding of concepts/principles in this field.	12	7	0	0	0	0	4.71	3.96	4.22	4.57			
143	I was stimulated to discuss related topics outside of class.	9	6	1	3	0	0	4.42	3.75	4.17	4.62			
185	The instructor was sensitive to multicultural issues in the classroom.	17	1	0	0	0	2	4.97	4.25	4.56	4.79			
199	The instructor explained material clearly and understandably.	18	2	0	0	0	0	4.94	4.00	4.50	4.79			
200	The instructor handled questions well.	18	2	0	0	0	0	4.94	4.00	4.50	4.80			
206	σ	17	3	0	0	0	0	4.91	4.32	4.71	4.90			
209	The instructor was not confused by unexpected questions.	18	2	0	0	0	0	4.94	4.00	4.42	4.71			
210	The instructor was skillful in observing student reactions.	17	3	0	0	0	0	4.91	3.95	4.50	4.75			
215	The instructor maintained an atmosphere of good feeling in class.	15	4	1	0	0	0	4.83	4.27	4.68	4.88			
217	The instructor treated students with respect.	18	2	0	0	0	0	4.94	4.56	4.79	4.90			
219	The instructor was willing to meet and help students outside class.	17	2	0	0	0	1	4.94	4.50	4.73	4.88			
223	Students in this course were free to disagree and ask questions.	14	3	1	0	0	1	4.86	4.25	4.61	4.80			
230	The instructor seemed well prepared for each class.	18	2	0	0	0	0	4.94	4.33	4.69	4.86			
231	The objectives of the course were clearly explained.	11	7	0	0	0	0	4.68	4.05	4.38	4.67			
241	The instructor set high standards for students.	16	3	1	0	0	0	4.88	4.20	4.54	4.77			
327	Reading assignments were interesting and stimulating.	4	3	6	3	1	1	3.25	3.54	4.00	4.33			
330	Reading assignments were relevant to what was presented in class.	9	8	1	0	0	1	4.50	4.00	4.33	4.70			
340	The textbook made a valuable contribution to the course.	10	5	3	0	0	1	4.60	3.33	4.00	4.50			
350	Slides/overhead transparencies were a valuable part of this course.	7	7	3	1	0	1	4.21	4.00	4.25	4.60			
356	Examinations covered the important aspects of the course.	8	9	0	1	0	1	4.39	4.10	4.38	4.67			
360	Exams were reasonable in length and difficulty.	4	8	3	3	0	1	3.88	3.87	4.14	4.50			
364	The test items were adequately explained after a test was given.	5	5	4	4	0	1	3.70	3.80	4.08	4.45			
366	The grading system was clearly explained.	10	8	0	1	0	0	4.55	4.00	4.39	4.67			
370	I attended class regularly.	11	7	1	0	0	0	4.64	4.67	4.82	4.92			
371	I utilized all the learning opportunities provided in this course.	9	6	1	2	0	0	4.50	4.00	4.20	4.50			

# **Written Comments**

900 Comment on the quality of instruction in this course.

Student 1 discussion professor was great, lecture was boring

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Student 2

NA

Student 3

Max was incredibly helpful. Taught me more in 1 discussion a week than I did during lecture. Was very clear when explained concepts

Student 4

NA

Student 5

Although this has been a difficult course... max was amazing! he was so helpful and made the course enjoyable and clear.

Student 6

NA

Student 7

You were an amazing GSI! You did a great job with presenting the material and had the perfect balance of examples and content. I was able to fully understand class concepts after going to lecture. Thank you!

#### Student 8

Max reinforced lectures with his discussion classes; he would review the main concepts of the chapter, and used practice problems from other resources. Unfortunately we couldn't review all of the chapters covered in final exam during the final discussion class, because we had to finish covering 15 and 16, not Max's fault!!!, but still a pity!

#### Student 9

Max was the most helpful GSI I've had so far at Michigan. His discussion section ever week cleared up most confusing topics, and his review sessions during exam weeks were tremendously helpful.

#### Student 10

Max is a wonderful GSI. He is very knowledgable and is able to present the information in an intriguing manner.

Student 11

NA

#### Student 12

Although the instructor (Dudley) for the overall class was a poor lecturer, the GSI Max Kapustin was top notch. Out of all the GSI's I have had at the University, Kapustin has been the best by far. He has a firm understanding of what is being taught, does a fantastic job of going over the material in discussion, and answers any questions students might have in an expert fashion. I greatly detested ECON 102, however Kapustin's excellent teaching methods carried me through the course and helped me understand the material much better. I would not change anything about this GSI's teaching method as I believe there is very little that could improve the quality of his instruction. It is a tragedy that there are not more GSIs at the University who are as skilled at teaching as Kapustin.

### Student 13

Max did a great job breaking down what we learned in lecture and explaining complicated things in more detail. He is honestly the best GSI I have ever had. I learned so much from him. He always offers a ton of extra office hours right before exams. He is the best!

#### Student 14

Max was really helpful and a great GSI. He was always willing to meet and help out students. He was always prepared for class and really knowledgable about the topic.

## Student 15

Max did good job with discussion and I could actually understand what he was saying which is a plus

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Student 16

Really was a great supplement to Lecture. Very helpful in further understanding concepts. I usually do not single out my GSI, but Max Kapustin was easily the best GSI that i have ever had at this University, He was very open to help any question i had, and really made lecture worthwhile. Whoever is reading this, I know Max is a PhD student, and I would do anything to keep him within the University, as he would be a really great asset to the Economics department.

Student 17

Most beneficial discussion section I have been a part of

Student 18

Max was the best GSI I have had at Umich so far. He was very good at communicating material clearly. He has a natural talent for teaching. It was obvious that he prepped materials to be taught before discussion. He made himself approachable and available. Very, very excellent GSI.

Student 19 NA

Student 20

Max was awesome.

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<sup>\*</sup> The quartiles are calculated from Fall 2014 data. The university-wide quartiles are based on all UM classes in which an item was used. The school/college quartiles in this report are based on lower division classes with an enrollment of 16 to 74 students in Division of Social Sciences in the College of LS&A.

<sup>\*\*</sup> SA - Strongly Agree, A - Agree, N - Neutral, D - Disagree, SD - Strongly Disagree, NA - Not Applicable.