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#10 Summarize the strengths and weaknesses of the Teaching Fellow. In what ways was their teaching effective and in what ways could their teaching be improved?

Instructor: Casavilca Silva, Pedro

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Declined to Answer Question: 8

Respondent	Answer	
1608981	Pedro is awesome	
1616681	Pedro is the best TF I've ever had, in any class. We all loved him, and I've had so many conversations with other students in the class says the same thing. He was a wonderful lecturer in the discussion sections, and his slides were very clear and concise. Even though he's clear super smart, he explained things in terms we could understand and made sure we understood everything before moving on. He also took care to carefully grade all our problem sets and leave helpful comments, and went above and beyond in office hours to help us with our contained understanding our results. Even though he graded everything himself, he did it very fast and thoroughly. Most importantly, however, he made us all feel welcome and cared for in every single office hours, section, and exam. He always greeted each of us by name from the verbeginning of the semester, thanked us for coming, asked us how we were doing, and encouraged us when the material was hard. I can't say enough good things about him, so I will stop here, but if he chooses to become a professor I know he will be the best professor ever!	
1618533	I can say with full confidence that Pedro is the best TF I have had at Yale. I was nervous going into this Intermediate Econometrics course after coming out of a particularly difficult Intermediate Macroeconomics course, but Pedro made this course feel so incredibly accessible. He attended every lecture and synthesized the most important information into really clear, helpful slides that he presented in section. It was so helpful to see the content said in a different way! He focused on building connections with me and my peers, even learning everyone's nameit curated a space that made it feel much easier to ask him about things you were struggling with.	
1622172	Pedro was the most incredible TF I have ever had. Not only was he an incredible teacher, but he was kind and truly cared about all of the students in this class. He summarized the material so well in section that concepts that I was so confused about made so much sense. He knew my name when I barely spoke. I wouldnt have passed this class without him.	
1622173	Pedro was great at leading sections and hosting office hours.	
1622184	Super helpful and dedicated	
1622186	Yale needs to pay this man as much as he wants Possibly the best teacher of any subject Ive ever had in my life	
1622206	Pedro is simply a great TA. His sections were well-prepared and a very helpful supplement to in-class material that was sometimes challenging to understand the first time through. Very approachable and clearly dedicated to his students' success, did an excellent job wit this class.	
1622303	I think Pedro was one of the best, if not the best, TF I have ever had at Yale so far. His discussion sections were had a very organized structure that emphasized and focused on the key ideas that we needed to takeaway from lecture topics. I also felt like he was very approachable, which made it very easy to ask questions when I was confused on a topic. Furthermore, while I of course do not have the expectation that TFs should respond to emails so fast, I was very surprised that Pedro responded to any emails I sent him extremely quickly, even late at night. Pedro would also always leave very helpful comments on our problem sets pointing out the main areas that we missed, which I found very helpful for figuring out what areas I needed to focus on when studying for exams and ensuring I understood the content fully. Pedro was also extremely friendly and encouraging of us, and I looked forward to his discussion section and office hours every week.	
1622402	Quick turnaround on grading and good level of feedback. However, sometimes overly harsh in marking questions wrong.	
1622412	Pedro is generally a pretty nice guy, and his sections and office hours are pretty useful. However, I found his grading to be pretty arbitrary and unfair at times. He grades assignments so quickly that sometimes I feel like he's not even reading them.	

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1622501	Pedro is the greatest TF Ive ever had. I cannot imagine my experience in this course without him. He worked so, so hard to support us throughout the course. Nothing was ever too big an ask - Pedro would gladly help you with anything you need with a big smile on his face. Pedro cares just as much about you as a person as he does about your success as a student. Im so sad this course is over primarily Because it means I wont see Pedro in section any more.	
1622515	Pedro was an incredible TF! He was very helpful and encouraging during office hours. He genuinely cares about his students. I'm really happy I got to do this course with Pedro as TF.	
1622535	Pedro was the best TA I've ever had. His regular office hours and discussion sections helped to reinforce the material taught in lecture. Without Pedro, I probably wouldn't have succeeded in this course.	
1622618	Pedro is the best TF on campus. He truly cares about all his students. He makes an effort to connect with all of the students. Pedro leaves great feedback on all assignments that helps us learn more. He also explains content at OHs/Section in an exceptional manner.	
1622661	Pedro is by far the best TA I've ever had. I would not have done half as well as I did in the course if he wasn't there. He's also just such an inspiring person because of how hard he works and how seriously he takes his work.	
1624371	Very helpful with psets and preparing for the exams	
1633927	This instructor has been one of the kindest, most hard-working, and most caring teaching assistants I have ever met. The way that he plans out all his TA sessions and office hours are so orderly, as well makes sure to get straight to the point of each of the lectures' lessons. He als takes notes during class, which I appreciate because he is trying to get a view of how the students are learning to make sure he knows what to address during his sessions and office hours. In terms of weaknesses, I have none, he is absolutely amazing.	

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#11 What is your overall assessment of the Teaching Fellow?

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Average and Standard Deviation

Question Average Dept School 4.7 ±0.8 4.2 ±1.0 4.2 ±1.0 4.3 ±1.0

Choice Label	Counts
poor	0
fair	2
good	0
very good	1
excellent	23

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