

This report shows single course assessment questions and responses for courses with five or more enrolled.

Term 202503 - Spring Term 2025 Subject GOVT-Government Course 30.11-Policy Implementation Section 01

COURSE ASSESSMENT SUMMARY - SINGLE COURSE

Course: GOVT 30.11 Policy Implementation
Section: 01
Term: 202503 - Spring Term 2025
Instructor: Sean J. Westwood

Total Enrollment: 8
Eligible to Complete Assessment: 8
Completed Assessment: 8
Did Not Complete Assessment: 0

Individual Responses Student Background

Year at Dartmouth (8 Responses)	<u>1</u> 50%	<u>2</u> 0%	<u>3</u> 25%	<u>4</u> 25%	<u>5</u> 0%	<u>B.E.</u> 0%	<u>Masters</u> 0%	<u>Ph.D.</u> 0%			
Reason(s) for taking course (8 Responses)	<u>Distributive Requirement</u> 0	<u>Major</u> 4	<u>Minor</u> 3	<u>Professor</u> 2	<u>Interest</u> 4	<u>Masters/PhD Elective</u> 0	<u>Masters/PhD Requirement</u> 0	<u>Other</u> 0			
Attendance in this course (8 Responses)	<u>< 20%</u> 0%	<u>20-40%</u> 0%	<u>40-60%</u> 0%	<u>60-80%</u> 0%	<u>80-100%</u> 100%						
Expected Grade (8 Responses)	<u>A</u> 100%	<u>B</u> 0%	<u>C</u> 0%	<u>D</u> 0%	<u>E</u> 0%	<u>NRO</u> 0%	<u>CT</u> 0%	<u>NC</u> 0%	<u>LP</u> 0%	<u>P</u> 0%	<u>HP</u> 0%
Hrs/wk spent on coursework outside class (7 Responses)	<u>< 1</u> 0%	<u>1-5</u> 0%	<u>5-10</u> 57.1%	<u>10-15</u> 42.9%	<u>> 15</u> 0%						

Individual Responses Course Design and Effectiveness

I think the overall quality of the course was (8 Responses)	<u>Median</u> 1 (Excellent)	<u>Mean</u> 1.3 (Excellent)	<u>Excellent</u> 75%	<u>Very Good</u> 25%	<u>Good</u> 0%	<u>Fair</u> 0%	<u>Poor</u> 0%	<u>N/A</u> 0%			
I learned a lot in the course. (7 Responses)	<u>Median</u> 1 (Strongly Agree)	<u>Mean</u> 1.3 (Strongly Agree)	<u>Strongly Agree</u> 71.4%	<u>Agree</u> 28.6%	<u>Neutral</u> 0%	<u>Disagree</u> 0%	<u>Strongly Disagree</u> 0%	<u>N/A</u> 0%			
I put a great deal of effort into the course. (7 Responses)	<u>1</u> (Strongly Agree)	<u>1.1</u> (Strongly Agree)	85.7%	14.3%	0%	0%	0%	0%			
I was intellectually engaged in the course. (7 Responses)	<u>1</u> (Strongly Agree)	<u>1.4</u> (Strongly Agree)	57.1%	42.9%	0%	0%	0%	0%			
The objectives of the course were clear to me. (7 Responses)	<u>1</u> (Strongly Agree)	<u>1.7</u> (Agree)	57.1%	14.3%	28.6%	0%	0%	0%			
I found the course to be well organized (7 Responses)	<u>1</u> (Strongly Agree)	<u>1.3</u> (Strongly Agree)	71.4%	28.6%	0%	0%	0%	0%			
The assignments reinforced my understanding of the course material (6 Responses)	<u>1</u> (Strongly Agree)	<u>1.3</u> (Strongly Agree)	83.3%	0%	16.7%	0%	0%	0%			
Comment on the aspects of the course that you think were most effective: (4 Responses)	View Responses										
Comment on 1-3 aspects of the course that could be improved or enhanced: (4 Responses)	View Responses										
How did you contribute to your own learning experience? (4 Responses)	View Responses										

Individual Responses Faculty (Sean J. Westwood)

I think the overall effectiveness of the teaching was (8 Responses)	<u>Median</u> 1 (Excellent)	<u>Mean</u> 1.1 (Excellent)	<u>Excellent</u> 87.5%	<u>Very Good</u> 12.5%	<u>Good</u> 0%	<u>Fair</u> 0%	<u>Poor</u> 0%	<u>N/A</u> 0%			
The professor set high standards (7 Responses)	<u>Median</u> 1 (Strongly Agree)	<u>Mean</u> 1.3 (Strongly Agree)	<u>Strongly Agree</u> 71.4%	<u>Agree</u> 28.6%	<u>Neutral</u> 0%	<u>Disagree</u> 0%	<u>Strongly Disagree</u> 0%	<u>N/A</u> 0%			
The professor explained central concepts clearly (7 Responses)	<u>1</u> (Strongly Agree)	<u>1.1</u> (Strongly Agree)	85.7%	14.3%	0%	0%	0%	0%			
The professor challenged me to think critically about the course material (7 Responses)	<u>1</u> (Strongly Agree)	<u>1.3</u> (Strongly Agree)	71.4%	28.6%	0%	0%	0%	0%			

The professor was available for consultation outside of class (7 Responses)	1 (Strongly Agree)	1.4 (Strongly Agree)	71.4%	14.3%	14.3%	0%	0%	0%			
Comment on 1-3 things that the professor did well and should continue to do in the future: (4 Responses)	View Responses										
Comment on 1-3 things that the professor should focus on to improve their classroom effectiveness: (4 Responses)	View Responses										
Add any specific recommendations on how the professor is assessing the course work and giving feedback to students that you believe would be useful: (4 Responses)	View Responses										

Individual Responses Departmental/Program Questions

How would you rate the overall quality of this course compared to other classes you have taken in the Government Department? (7 Responses)	<u>Median</u> 1 (Excellent)	<u>Mean</u> 1.7 (Very Good)	<u>Excellent</u> 57.1%	<u>Very Good</u> 14.3%	<u>Good</u> 28.6%	<u>Fair</u> 0%	<u>Poor</u> 0%	<u>N/A</u> 0%			
How would you rate the overall quality of this course compared to other classes you have taken at Dartmouth OUTSIDE of the Government Department? (7 Responses)	1 (Excellent)	1.7 (Very Good)	57.1%	14.3%	28.6%	0%	0%	0%			
Have you declared a Government major or are you likely to declare one? Write "DECLARED" or "LIKELY" or "NO" to indicate your answer. (4 Responses)	View Responses										
What kinds of courses should the government department offer that it does not offer now? List up to 3 topics in order of their importance to you. (4 Responses)	View Responses										
If you had to predict now, what career are you most likely pursue after you graduate? (3 Responses)	View Responses										

Individual Responses Student Initiated Questions

Comment on the methods of evaluation chosen by the instructor, e.g. tests, papers and examinations and the workload expected of students: (2 Responses)	View Responses										
Comment on the structure of the class, for example the mix between lecture and discussion: (2 Responses)	View Responses										
How did this course influence your academic experience at Dartmouth? (2 Responses)	View Responses										

There are no course specific question responses.

COURSE ASSESSMENT REPORTS - My Specific Faculty Comments

Course: GOVT 30.11 Policy Implementation

Term: 202503 - Spring Term 2025

Instructor: **Sean J. Westwood**

Question: Comment on 1-3 things that the professor did well and should continue to do in the future:

1.00	I enjoyed the structure of the class, especially the emphasis on self-driven simulations that placed us within the context of realistic scenarios. I also enjoyed the communal nature of the class--it made it a lot easier to learn from one another as we chipped in our commentary.
2.00	I liked turning the 3a into one class and then having the x hour. That long block period made learning easier.
3.00	The professor did an excellent job introducing many relevant examples in order to defend his assertions in class, which I appreciated. His humor and interesting comparisons helped keep lectures engaging. He took full advantage of the small class size to foster a more conversational atmosphere; he was however still fully able to command respect.
4.00	n/a

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Question: Comment on 1-3 things that the professor should focus on to improve their classroom effectiveness:

1.00	Help manage poor group work better potentially?
2.00	I do prefer in-person office hours, but I understand that it may have been impractical to offer them. In terms of the actual class meetings themselves, I think they were engaging, informative, productive, and I have little to add.
3.00	n/a

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Question: Add any specific recommendations on how the professor is assessing the course work and giving feedback to students that you believe would be useful:

1.00	His comments on completed projects were helpful, but in some cases I would have appreciated more specific examples of the parts of the projects to which his critiques applied. I would have appreciated more specific guidance on his expectations for using appropriate academic sources and for proper citation practices.
2.00	I appreciated the feedback after each simulation.
3.00	n/a

COURSE ASSESSMENT REPORTS - Student Initiated Comments

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Instructor: Sean J. Westwood

Question: Comment on the methods of evaluation chosen by the instructor, e.g. tests, papers and examinations and the workload expected of students:

1.00	I felt that at times assignments' size/length maximums were too low relative to the quantity of ideas we were expected to communicate: I often had significant difficulty compressing my sentiments to fit within the size limit and sometimes exceeded it. The workload was higher than I expected due to the size of the weekly projects, but I was able to handle it in part because I found the content especially interesting.
2.00	n/a

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Question: Comment on the structure of the class, for example the mix between lecture and discussion:

1.00	I liked the way in which we (usually) used the X-hour instead of the Wednesday session. We could conduct a deep dive into a subject and thoroughly investigate it in one session, and we would gain all the relevant information prior to beginning the week's project. The lectures were engaging and highly informative. I enjoyed how each would have a subject, but a significant amount of interaction took place between the weeks' topics in order to build a cohesive course.
2.00	n/a

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Question: How did this course influence your academic experience at Dartmouth?

1.00	I got significantly more comfortable with doing group projects; I can now delegate work, monitor peers, and inform others of my progress more effectively. Having to plan around others' schedules forced me to improve my own time management, and this will be useful for individual work in addition to group projects in the future. I also learned a great deal more about the subject area, which will be useful as I continue to take more classes within the Government department.
2.00	n/a

COURSE ASSESSMENT REPORTS - Non-Faculty Specific Comments

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Question Section: Course Design and Effectiveness

Question: Comment on the aspects of the course that you think were most effective:

1.00	Framing projects as "simulations" made them especially interesting and allowed them to more effectively give a sense of what working within or around the government is actually like. I really enjoyed and appreciated the small size of the class and the extent to which it facilitated a closer connection to the other students and to the professor.
2.00	I enjoyed the overall structure of the course with its topics.
3.00	The group projects made engagement and learning fun. Good classroom environment.
4.00	n/a

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Question Section: Course Design and Effectiveness

Question: Comment on 1-3 aspects of the course that could be improved or enhanced:

1.00	Although I loved the group work it was also sometimes very frustrating because some people didn't pull enough weight I think.
2.00	I liked that groups for projects changed frequently, since it allowed me to work with each of the other students in the class on various tasks. However, some weeks I had more work for other classes than others, and if groups stayed together for consecutive weeks it would have allowed me to accept more work in one week in anticipation of playing a smaller role during another or vice versa.
3.00	m/a
4.00	n/a

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Question Section: Course Design and Effectiveness

Question: How did you contribute to your own learning experience?

1.00	I made sure to do all my work well in advance and I communicated with my group.
2.00	I paid careful attention in class, I contributed to discussions wherever I felt I was able, and I tried to build atop the ideas and contributions of others. I was involved in my project groups both through helping to plan and brainstorm and through spending a considerable quantity of time trying to ensure my portions of projects were of sufficient quality.
3.00	I reviewed the posted readings and sought help from classmates when I felt unsure about something.

4.00	n/a
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Departmental/Program Questions

Question
Section

Have you declared a Government major or are you likely to declare one? Write "DECLARED" or "LIKELY" or "NO" to indicate your answer.

1.00	LIKELY
2.00	NO
3.00	n/a

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What kinds of courses should the government department offer that it does not offer now? List up to 3 topics in order of their importance to you.

1.00	I would like to see an in-depth exploration of the government and politics of the United Kingdom: I'm quite interested in the similarities and differences relative to the United States. Religion and Politics is quite interesting to me. Checking the ORC, I see that REL 19.33 is a class much like what I would like to take, but I would really appreciate it if it were cross-listed with Government. I might enjoy a class centered around how American political parties build coalitions and the causes and effects of major party realignments.
2.00	More theory courses. I've loved them.
3.00	US-Iran Affairs
4.00	n/a

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If you had to predict now, what career are you most likely pursue after you graduate?

1.00	Consulting
2.00	Quite likely something in Patent Law, especially since I am also thinking of studying Physics.
3.00	n/a