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**Department:** POLI\_SCI Political Science  
**Course:** 345-0-01 National Security  
**Quarter:** Spring 2005

## CTEC Online TA Report For Patrick Bruce Johnston

### Teaching Assistant Questions

Wording of Statement	Number of responses	6 (high)	5	4	3	2	1 (low)	Average
22. The lab teacher was able to answer the students' questions adequately	42	27	12	3	0	0	0	5.57
23. The lab teacher was well prepared for each session	42	30	11	1	0	0	0	5.69
24. The lab teacher communicated ideas in a clear manner	42	30	10	1	1	0	0	5.64
25. The lab teacher showed strong interest in teaching the course	42	30	12	0	0	0	0	5.71

**Comments:** / Patrick, you kick ass. / Great guy / Did an excellent job responding to student concerns. / TA actually helped me learn because he displayed a solid knowledge and interest in the subject, unlike the professor, making me interested and curious to learn more / / / great T.A. Really takes interest in the subject and shares his thoughts with the section. Easily approachable and creates a sense of discussion without having to force students to talk. / / Patrick was also very well-informed about the class's topic, and was very good at keeping the section interesting--most of our classes were debates about issues we'd talked about in class. It's one of the few discussion sections I've ever looked forward to going to. Also, he was very approachable after section for answering questions and was also very quick about responding to emails as well. / / / He's generally good. Nothing outstanding, but sections are organized, laid back, free forums that enhance the class. / / Very knowledgeable about the topic, very eager to help, and overall a really nice guy. / He was very good at engaging students and explaining important concepts. / Patrick was very interested in the subject, and his enthusiasm made class more enjoyable. Patrick is very knowledgeable, which was a great asset to his students. He encouraged various viewpoints. The only thing I would suggest for improvement is that he make more of an effort not to call on the same students. / / answers questions pretty well and does a good job facilitating discussion, and is very funny / / Patrick was really enthusiastic and had good incites into the topics. The only weakness he had was that the way he led the class didn't allow for much debate. / Patrick was very helpful and willing to answer questions and organized discussions well. / Patrick was knowledgeable and helpful. The discussion sections were run efficiently and his techniques (debates, discussions, etc) all helped put the information together. / / / Patrick was great. He encouraged discussion and was able to keep most of the class engaged throughout sections. / Patrick was a great TA, very knowledgeable, he ran a good discussion and actually encouraged most peopel to participate. Very relaxed yet effective as a TA. Helpful on my paper too! / Knowledgeable and engaging..something diff from lecture / / / Patrick did a good job connecting with students from day one. He was extremely effective at facilitating discussion and making students comfortable enough to express their opinions. / / / / Patrick is amazing! He has a cool musical taste, and is hands down one of the most approachable and sincere TAs I have every had. He kept students motivated during discussion. Awesome!

/ Patrick was well prepared and always willig to field questions about the class, lectures, etc. He did occasionally trail off topic and discuss music, but never for too long and it didn't interfere with the real discussion at hand. / Patrick is amazing. He is not only enthusiastic about the course, but also very intelligent. He communicates the ideas more clearly than the professor, and also stimulates better discussion of the subject material. / Patrick did a good job. He knew the material and knew how to lead discussion. / The TA was very enthusiastic and was always willing to help students understand course material and engage in discussion sections with debates and other exercises. / / Patrick was great at making discussion useful even though most of us didn't do the reading

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