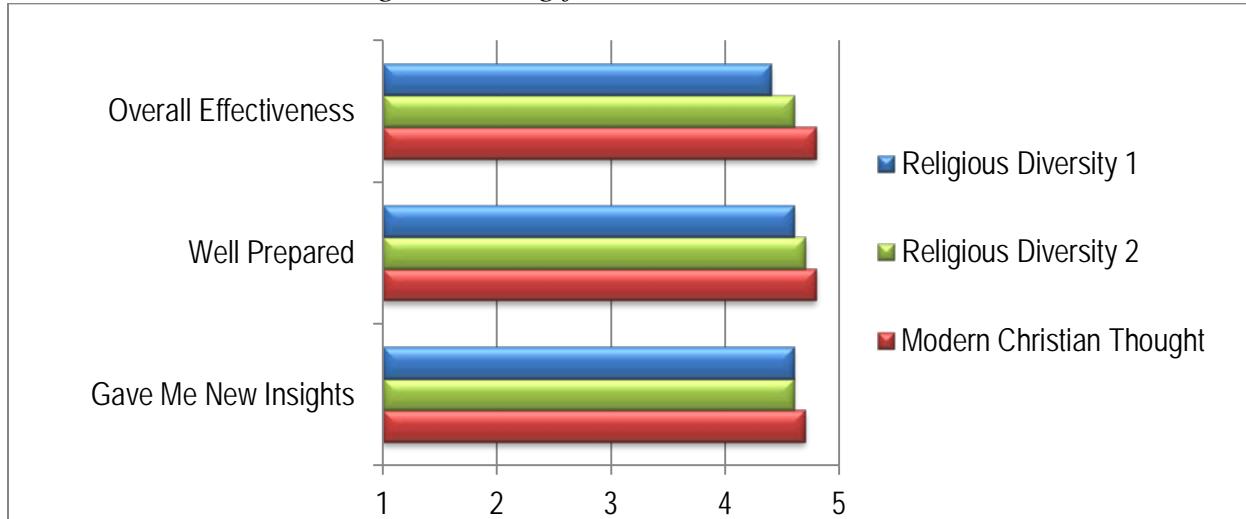


Teaching Evaluations - Quantitative

Kristy L. Slominski, PhD

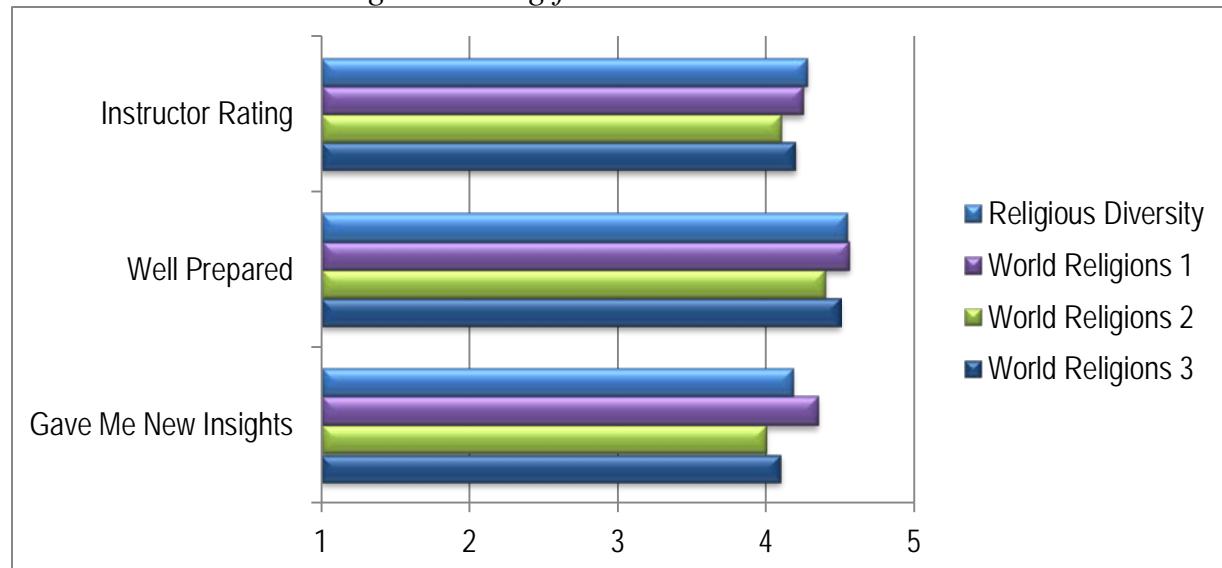
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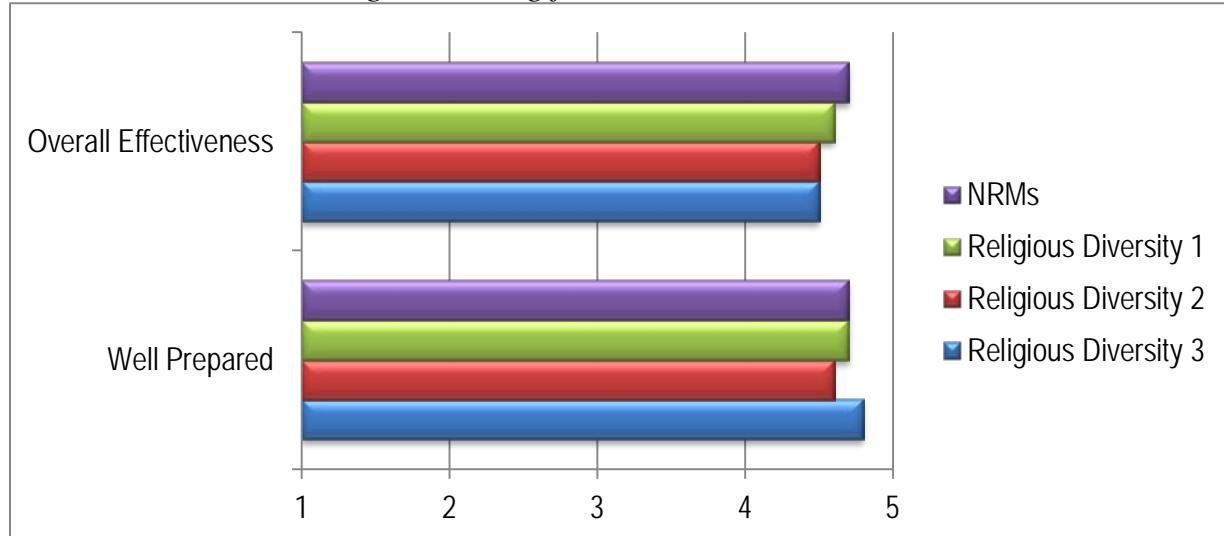
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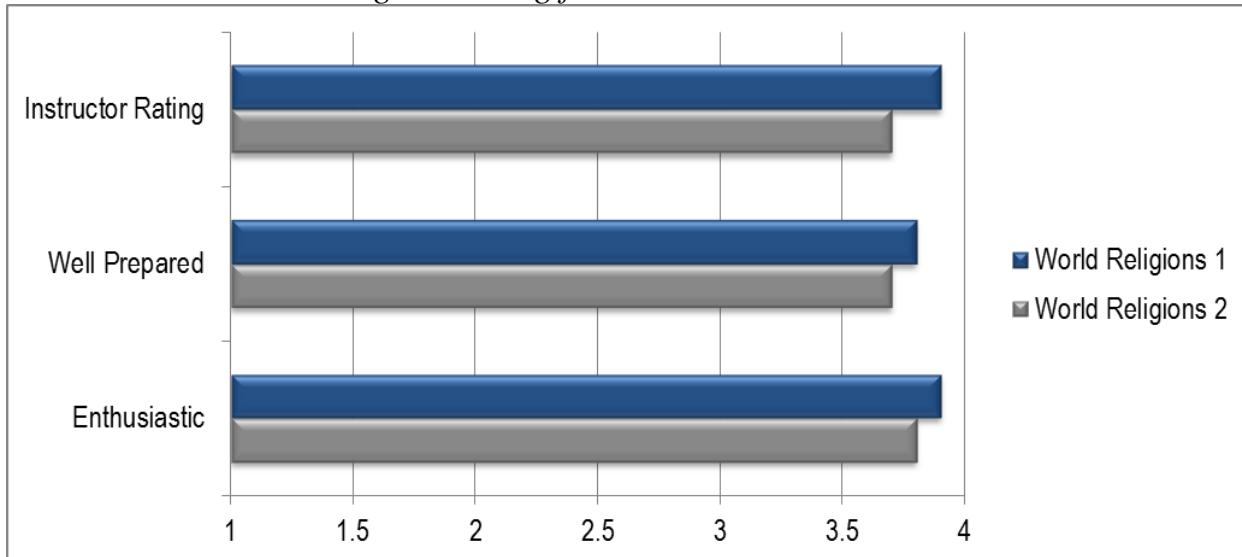
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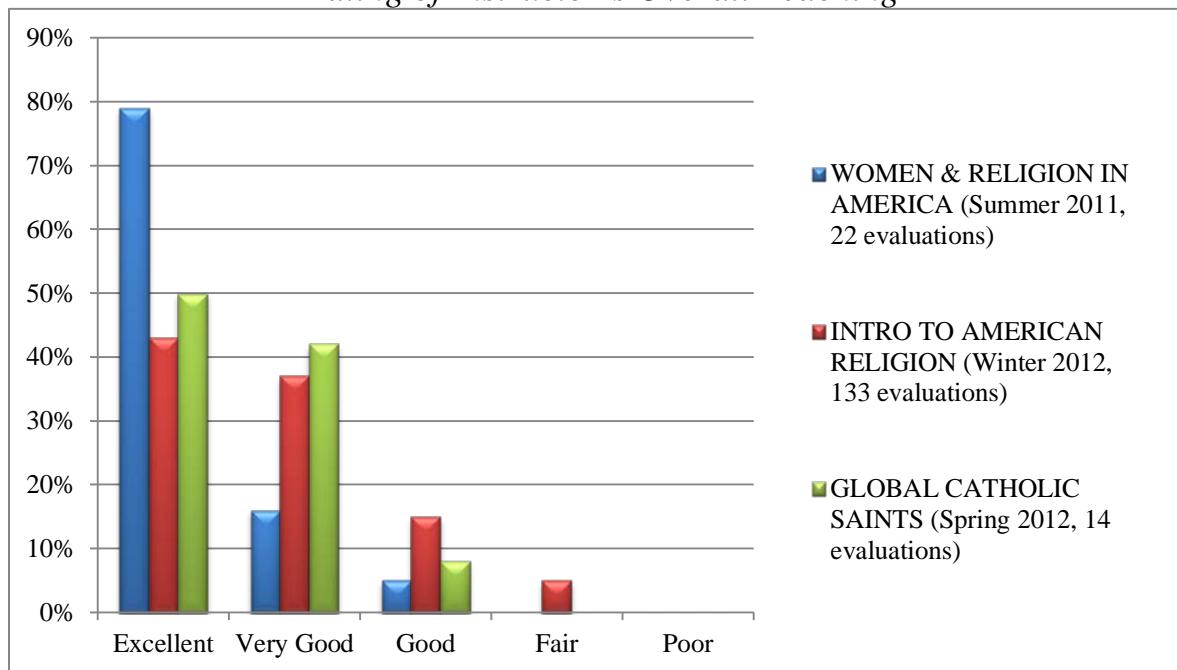
Fall 2014 Georgia Gwinnett College Instructor of World Religions

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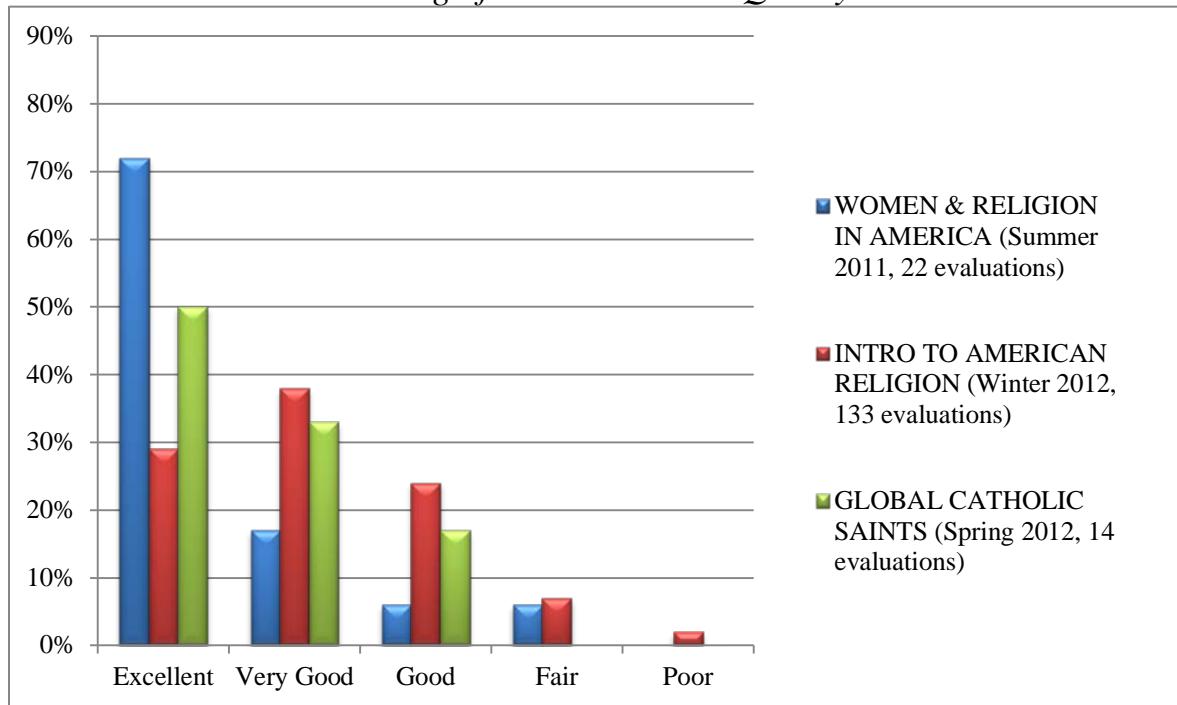


2011-2012 University of California, Santa Barbara Instructor of Religious Studies

Rating of Instructor's Overall Teaching



Rating of Overall Course Quality



**2008-2010 University of California, Santa Barbara
Teaching Assistant in Religious Studies**

**Based on 250 student evaluations across six courses as a teaching assistant.*

1. Please rate the TA's apparent enthusiasm for the subject matter.				
Highly enthusiastic	Enthusiastic	Lacks Enthusiasm	Unenthusiastic	
86.9%	12.4%	0.4%	0.4%	
2. How often does the TA answer students' questions adequately?				
Always	Usually	Sometimes	Never	Can't say – not enough experience
81.4%	17.2%	0.8%	0.4%	0.4%
3. How often does the TA adjust her explanations to the student's level of understanding?				
Always	Usually	Sometimes	Never	Can't say – not enough experience
73.3%	22.0%	2.4%	0.4%	1.9%
4. How well does your TA seem to know the subject matter of the course?				
Truly Exceptional Knowledge	Thorough Knowledge	Adequate Knowledge	Lacks Important Knowledge	Inadequate Knowledge
62.0%	35.2%	2.4%	0.4%	0.0%
5. Please grade your TA's overall performance in helping YOU master the course.				
A	B	C	D	F
82.2%	16.2%	1.2%	0.0%	0.4%

The official reports of my quantitative evaluations, as well as a complete transcript of my qualitative evaluations from my Religious Studies courses, are available upon request.

Teaching Evaluations - Quantitative

The student evaluations transcribed below provide evidence of the following: my enthusiasm within the classroom; my passion for course material; my approachability and dedication to helping students; my use of effective classroom activities and discussions; my ability to present information in an interesting and clear manner; and my ability to get students interested in pursuing a Religious Studies major.

Spring 2015 Georgia State University Instructor of “Religious Diversity”

- “You were my favorite professor and subject of the semester! Which is sad because religion isn't related to my major at all. You really tried to encourage feedback from us throughout the semester about how you were teaching which made us know how much you care. You showed a lot of great videos that made me want to come to class even though it was kind of early! You were knowledgeable, friendly, approachable, and aware when we needed more explanation. I would definitely recommend both this class and you as a professor to a friend! Thanks for a great semester.”
- “Professor Slominski made religious studies very interesting. I was skeptical about taking a religious studies class, but Professor Slominski made the experience very enjoyable.”
- “This course was very engaging and I really enjoyed it.”
- “Dr. Slominski has been a great teacher this semester. I appreciate the fact that she presents no opinions about the religions we study, just the facts in an interesting way. I've really enjoyed the class.”
- “Explained everything really well. My lecture notes were more helpful than reading the textbook.”
- “Best instructor ever! I wish she could teach my other classes as well! She was great at assigning readings and daily quizzes for attendance. She explained material thoroughly and gave great study guides!”
- “Dr. Slominski is very passionate about teaching about religions. She made the class enjoyable and easy to understand.”
- “Kristy is a great teacher and she tried to spur on discussion. You can tell that she enjoys teaching.”
- “Ms. Slominski did well in her presentation of the materials and the various ways she went about those presentations. Considering it was a fairly large class, she was especially good about incorporating feedback on subjects and allowing students to share.”

Fall 2014 Georgia Gwinnett College Instructor of “World Religions”

- “The most valuable thing in this class was the professor. She used an amazing way of how to make religion interesting. She is very knowledgeable in religious movements and if she did not know an answer to a question she wrote it down and answered it the next class.”
- “I think the most valuable thing for me was that I got to learn about what religions are out there and other people's mode of worship. I knew a small amount about some religions and noticed that I was

ignorant in others. This course will help me in the future to understand other people's opinions and to avoid being disrespectful towards others."

- "Dr. Slominski went out of her way to ensure that, even though we met only once a week, we had every resource needed on D2L to study and complete coursework!"
- "This course wasn't easy but the instructor gave us all the tools we needed to be able to succeed"
- "Appreciated the way she asked for outage feedback. You could feel how much she actually care about her students."
- "Dr. Slominski is one of the best professors I've ever had! She's friendly and always responsive to emails and feedback. She also ensures that we have endless amounts of information to stay on track with coursework throughout the week and over holidays. Deadlines and what was expected of us, was laid out 100% which made me extremely satisfied! When it came to study guides and outlines for papers, she always asked our opinion which made me feel valued as a student! Because of her dedication to detail/teaching, I have an A going into my final!! :-)"
- "Mrs. Slominski is passionate about her subject of teaching. If she could, she would continue teaching about religion for days because she is so enthusiastic. It's refreshing to have a teacher that smiles while teaching and engages the class to participate. She keeps everything up to date in D2L like grades, reminders, and announcements and I thoroughly enjoyed her class."
- "I really enjoy this course the professor had Engaging, materials. I enjoy the visual that the videos provided. And all the effort that the professor made to try to involve the class into participating."

Spring 2012 University of California, Santa Barbara Instructor of "Global Catholic Saints"

- "Kristy is a wonderful teacher who works hard to ensure that her students succeed. The material was interesting and presented in a way that kept everyone involved and accountable. From the process of Saint making to its influence around the world, every class sparked dynamic discussions that made me look forward to coming. I would recommend any class taught by Kristy."
- "The structure of the class was very helpful and effective. The research exercises forced me to slowly start researching on my topic early enough so that I was having enough time to get it done. The reading presentations by peers and handouts were extremely helpful in learning about the reading and being able to revisit the concepts. I wouldn't change anything about this course, it was great!"
- "Professor Slominski did a wonderful job being prepared, enthused, and respectful towards her students at all times. She was very knowledgeable in the field of Sainthood and Catholicism in general. Whenever she couldn't answer a question, she actively sought information to elaborate on the answer."
- "The readings were very helpful. Having us present the readings added to the understanding of the material. Thank you for your effort and enthusiasm throughout the quarter. There is nothing worse than a professor going through the motions. Thank you for being the opposite of that."
- "I really enjoyed taking this course because I was able to explore a religion that I knew almost nothing about. The readings on saints were very interesting, especially the ones during the second half of the quarter because they were very much focused on the global aspect of Catholicism. Discussions in class were also very informative. I also appreciate all the time you dedicated in class to help us through the paper—writing and research gathering process. Overall, it has been a great pleasure! Thank you so much!"

- “Overall this was a very helpful course where I not only learned more about Catholicism & the saint making process, but also learned how to be a better researcher.”

Winter 2012 University of California, Santa Barbara Instructor of “Intro to American Religion”

- “I really appreciated the clarity and organization of the lecture material. Very rarely was I every uninterested with the subject material. I loved all of the outside cultural references that were brought in. I see the ‘I am Mormon’ commercials all the time now!”
- “One of my favorite Religious Studies courses. I plan to take another course taught by Kristy Slominski because of this one. Possibly even pursue a 2nd major in Religious Studies. One of my favorite instructors at UCSB.”
- “Kristy did an amazing job of making this course interesting. Her enthusiastic way of teaching made lectures enjoyable. I could not have asked for a better teacher! Thanks for everything! =)”
- “Professor Slominski was very enthusiastic about the material and made it very clear. She also incorporated a few clips of video that were funny but helped me remember key ideas. Fun Class, Good Material, Keep doing it the same!”
- “Wonderful instructor. Explained concepts in a thorough way so every could understand. Always came with a positive and enthusiastic attitude. Pleasure to be in class. She was very nice and understanding when one had questions. Overall, I would take another course with Kristy :)”
- “Kristy has been a great teacher, and her inclusion of images and video clips into lecture was great. She was also incredibly helpful when I went to her office hours. She took the time to really help me understand the material. Thank you Kristy!”

Summer 2011 University of California, Santa Barbara Instructor of “Women and Religion in America”

- “By far, this has been one of the most interesting RS courses I've taken at UCSB. The course opened my mind in different ways and challenged me to think outside my beliefs. Thank you!”
- “Kristy was always extremely enthusiastic and always very prepared. She was always willing to answer any questions and help in any way she could. She always seemed like she knew exactly what she was talking about, yet she never turned down the opportunity to take our input. She was a great instructor!”
- “She was always more than willing to help us understand concepts and if she didn't know something she would research it and let us know the following class. You can easily see her passion for the material.”
- “Great class! You have so much enthusiasm and the broad range of religions in this topic kept the class interesting. Always available to students and had an extensive knowledge on every religion/topic discussed.”
- “I thoroughly enjoyed this class. I've never had a more prepared and enthusiastic teacher at this university. I hope to take classes with Kristy in the future.”

- “Kristy was great, I learned a lot. I love her enthusiasm and energy. There never was a dull moment in class. The lecture slides are fun to look at. The guiding questions helped.”

2012-2013 University of California, Santa Barbara Writing Program Instructor of “Academic Writing”

- “Kristy is wonderful! She is passionate about the material and makes me passionate about it. I especially appreciate her in-depth review and revision comments – it’s clear she takes time and care into her grading. Her willingness to look at writing from a non-formulaic point of view is refreshing, choosing instead to focus on the quality of writing rather than traditional ‘rules.’ Her revision workshops are outstanding. The resources provided allow students to examine their writing from a constructive perspective. Her openness and her class discussions of texts (silent, group, etc.) are helpful in better understanding the material. The most useful writing information I’ve ever learned involved structure, and Kristy is excellent at conveying these ideas, and her emphasis on it definitely helped the other students.”
- “Kristy was extremely helpful and encouraging in regards to both feedback and the writing process in general. She is not only an experienced writer, but she is able to communicate effectively with the class and pass on her knowledge of writing. She was also able to initiate interesting discussions that involved critical and analytical thinking about writing as a whole. The material was interesting and I felt the assignments were all useful and none served no purpose; every project built upon some previous concepts and worked towards a goal. I never felt as if there was nothing to do nor too much to do and I never felt as if I was just doing busy work.”
- “I thoroughly enjoyed reflecting on my work after each essay I wrote because it really helped me to discover more about my writing style and choices. This course really broke down the barrier of genre – we dissected it and analyzed every part of it. Now I feel confident to read all types of genres. One really helpful part for me was the revision process. Every time we had a revision day, I felt like I learned the most about writing during that time.”
- “She really had a passion for writing and it showed. The class is normally 2 hours long, but hardly ever felt like it. I loved how she involved the class a lot and gave them many opportunities for participation.”

2008- 2010 University of California, Santa Barbara Teaching Assistant for Six Courses in Religious Studies

- “Kristy was an amazing TA. She was so helpful and enthusiastic. I like how we were directed at main points/ themes to focus on because the material is so extensive. She went above and beyond to help us understand through handouts, assignments, etc. There is nothing more she could have done.”
- “Kristy is truly exceptional! Very thoroughly answers questions and engages students in meaningful discussion. Prepared us very well for exam, much better than other TAs!”
- “Without Kristy I wouldn’t have understood this course. She was incredibly helpful and saw really well the gaps the professor left in lecture that needed to be filled in. She was always there to answer questions and made a confusing class very simple. Plus that schedule (color-coded!) with all the due

dates was a lifesaver. She suggested the reader, by the way. I wouldn't take another Religious Studies class without Kristy.”

- “Loved the handouts. Enthusiastic about subject. Wants students to understand and think critically. Made class 10 times more interesting. No need to improve.”
- “Kristy was always available for help and graded papers quickly with very helpful marginalia. She was very helpful every time I needed extra help and I learned a lot in section, especially when it came to needing help with the papers or final. Kristy is a much bigger part of this course than any other TA I've had in other classes. She exemplified dedication and enthusiasm to her job, the students, and the subject.”
- “She's super passionate about the material and displays it to us in a way that's easy to understand. She goes above and beyond what she has to do to help us, and we really appreciate it. I wish every TA gave as much help to their students. We love Kristy!”
- “Kristy has been the most helpful TA I have ever had. She put a lot of effort into helping her students through setting up review sessions, making crossword puzzles, and games to help us learn the material better. Without her weekly review of the material in section, I would have been lost in this course.”
- “Very knowledgeable, passion for material makes class interesting. Able to bring in outside material relevant to the course. Very fair grading, very approachable and available. Truly an exceptional TA for this course. Creative methods of learning through crosswords and group activities.”
- “Kristy was awesome! Superior at getting us engaged in discussion and making sure that we understood readings and class material. She was very helpful and willing to meet outside of class to discuss anything. Definitely the most enjoyable section experience I've had in the history of my life as a student at UCSB.”
- “Kristy's creativity in helping us learn is appreciated. She had crossword puzzles (which were great) and a Buddhism(s) jeopardy one time... Quite fun! Kristy is very prompt with assignments. She grades our write-ups and has them ready for the next discussion – which is a great quality!”
- “You made the material we were studying come to life. I cannot thank you enough.”