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 Course: **ECONW3213_002_2016_3 / INTERMEDIATE
 MACROECONOMICS**
 Instructors: **Xavier Sala-I-Martin**

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 Responses: **160/344 - 46.51%**
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TA Graph Report for: **Wonmun Shin**

1 What is your overall assessment of the effectiveness of the teaching assistant? N=18

1	No basis for comment	0 (0%)
2	Poor	0 (0%)
3	Fair	0 (0%)
4	Good	0 (0%)
5	Very Good	4 (22%)
6	Excellent	14 (78%)

Median **6** Interpolated Median **5.86** Mean **5.78** Std Dev **0.43**

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Q1 What are the strengths and weaknesses of your teaching assistant (discussion section leader, lab section leader, grader, or other assistant) as an instructor, and how might his or her teaching be improved?

- he has great explanation skills and is willing to help students.
Can be a little too fast sometimes though.
- He is super genuine and engaging. Has a heavy English accent, but that is inconsequential because he truly cares that students learn the material. Does more/works longer than what is required of his job description.
- Strengths = 1) super super dedicated - you can tell he definitely spent a lot of time thinking about how to organize each TA session and that he really cares about helping his students. 2) Very thorough - he leaves no stone unturned in his explanations. 3) Massively helpful for the homeworks - he makes sure you have all the tools and background knowledge you need to do the homework (which is important because the homeworks don't align perfectly with the lectures). Wonmun is one of the best TAs I've had so far at Columbia and I would say he is the most dedicated TA I've had so far in all my classes. Weaknesses = 1) poor time management - Wonmun always packs a lot of material into each session and ends up going over time by an hour or more each week. This is ok if you don't have any other time commitments on a Friday night, but was still a bit of a nuisance nevertheless. 2) English was sometimes hard to understand - Wonmun was very frank about his English skills and it generally wasn't a problem, but sometimes it got in the way of his explanations. This probably was also a reason why he had trouble with time because he had to think through how to present his answers in English and not his native Korean.
- one and only weakness, his kryptonite: fluency in the English language
Strengths: literally everything else. He's fun, extremely smart, and engaging and a student who even spends a couple moments with him will realize that he's genuinely passionate about economics and teaching as well.
- He is really helpful but may not be very clear on some topics.
- Wonmun is a very effective TA. During his TA session, he dealt with important aspect of the class that wasn't emphasize during the lecture. I find it extremely useful.
- He is very helpful TA. He goes beyond what is expected of him to help his students. Thank you!
- He is always well prepared. Very helpful with homework and test previews. Willing to help. I can see that He enjoys teaching.
- Wonmun was a fantastic TA. He was well prepared and made the concepts and equations clear. He often stayed past the recitation time to make sure he got through all of the relevant material. I would be lost in this class without Wonmun's recitation.

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- He cares about his students and is willing to stay after recitation. He also is excited to teach his students and goes into his lectures and explanations very indepthley.
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