

**Human, Social, and Political Sciences Tripos Part IIA**  
**Soc 3: MODERN SOCIETIES AND GLOBAL TRANSFORMATIONS**  
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Of the 13 students supervised by me on the ‘Global Capitalism and American Power since 1945’ module over the 2015-2016 academic year, ten completed the assessment form and the results are presented in full below (output via Google Forms). Raw (anonymous) output available upon request.

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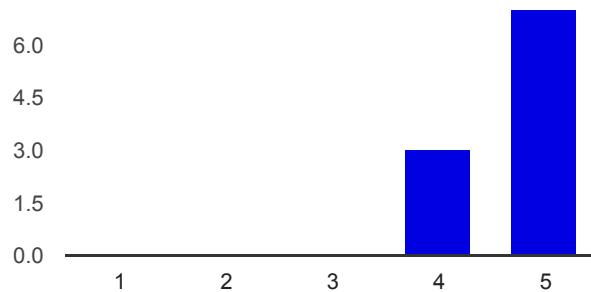
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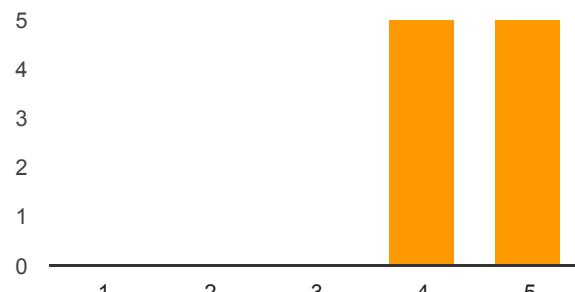
## Summary

### Overall, how helpful were these supervisions?



Not at all helpful:	1	<b>0</b>	0%
2	<b>0</b>	0%	
3	<b>0</b>	0%	
4	<b>3</b>	30%	
Very much helpful:	5	<b>7</b>	70%

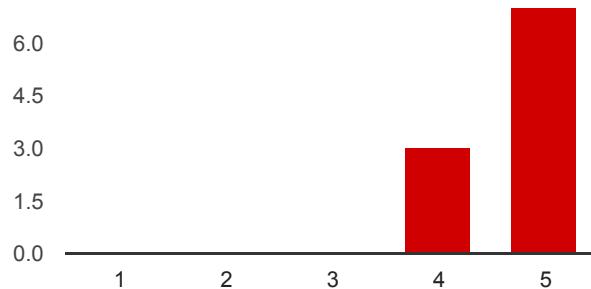
### Did the supervisions help clarify the main themes in the literature?



Not at all:	1	<b>0</b>	0%
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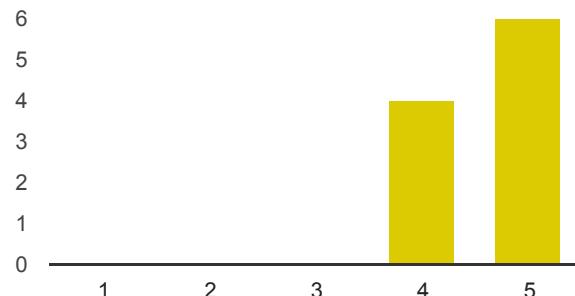
3    **0**    0%  
4    **5**    50%  
Completely: 5    **5**    50%

**Did the supervisions help move beyond the readings and expand knowledge on relevant issues?**



Not at all: 1    **0**    0%  
2    **0**    0%  
3    **0**    0%  
4    **3**    30%  
Very much: 5    **7**    70%

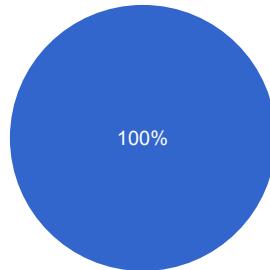
**On the basis of your experience with supervisions thus far, how did these compare?**



Among the worst supervisions I have had: 1    **0**    0%  
2    **0**    0%  
3    **0**    0%  
4    **4**    40%

Among the best supervisions I have had: 5    **6**    60%

**Was e-mail communication prompt and did I resolve any queries that you had?**



Yes	<b>10</b>	100%
Somewhat	<b>0</b>	0%
No	<b>0</b>	0%

**In a few words, what was best / most helpful in these supervisions?**

Essay critique, joint discussion to find more complex and nuanced explanations and arguments in order to understand the topic better- following supervisions sent supplementary material based on discussions had

It wasn't a lecture from Alex, or a presentation by me, but a seamless transition of ideas, current events and opinioned debate.

It wasn't a usual supervision where you sit down and are asked what questions you have. Rather, we would go through the essay and discuss ideas and general themes surrounding the topic. Alex would always recommend useful and relevant reading and would be very prompt in following up on supervisions, emailing an article or two.

A great deal of individual attention, allowing the supervisions to flow well and address lines of argument/ controversies beyond the immediate reading.

Very clear, in depth detail. Could tell he wanted to help us produce our best work.

Extent of specific literature emailed (above and beyond the reading list), helpful advice on structure which I found most difficult, Revision classes in a group setting, organised supervisions that could be signed up online

**In a few words, how do you think these supervisions can be improved in the future?**

In my opinion the current format works very well - the only thing that could be changed is to get a grade for each essay as that would have allowed me to see how

I was progressing.

No real suggestions.

Clearer topics (course in general).

Make them longer!

## Number of daily responses

