

Gabriele Simoncini

Professor in the Political Science department

at [John Cabot University](#), Dover, DE

OVERALL QUALITY

4.0

WOULD TAKE AGAIN

91%

LEVEL OF DIFFICULTY

3.3

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<p>05/09/2018</p> <p>GOOD</p> <p>4.0 OVERALL QUALITY</p> <p>4.0 LEVEL OF DIFFICULTY</p>	<p>PL210For Credit: YesAttendance: MandatoryTextbook Used: YesWould Take Again: YesGrade Received: N/A</p>	<p>RESPECTEDINSPIRATIONAL</p> <p>Aside Prof. Simonci's admired personality as a tutor, he represents a unique modern pattern of instruction. He substitutes the classical way of teaching with useful materials and rhetoric to broaden the minds of students, to think about the current day demands and opportunities available for them. This is unlikely with most professors.</p> <p>1 person found this useful0 people did not find this useful report this rating</p>
<p>05/08/2018</p> <p>AWESOME</p> <p>5.0 OVERALL QUALITY</p> <p>4.0 LEVEL OF DIFFICULTY</p>	<p>PL215For Credit: YesAttendance: MandatoryTextbook Used: YesWould Take Again: YesGrade Received: N/A</p>	<p>CARINGCLEAR GRADING CRITERIAPARTICIPATION MATTERS</p> <p>Classes are interesting. We got to have a few "special guests" and we went to a field trip to the Parliament.</p>

05/03/2018

AWESOME

5.0 OVERALL QUALITY

3.0 LEVEL OF DIFFICULTY

PL228For

Credit: YesAttendance: MandatoryTextbook Used: YesWould Take Again: YesGrade Received: A-

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INSPIRATIONALRESPECTEDHILARIOUS

The professor is well-prepared for the class and presents the information very well. Out of class we had two field trips to Italian Parliament and Jewish Ghetto in Rome which were very interesting and informative

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05/03/2018

AWESOME

5.0 OVERALL QUALITY

4.0 LEVEL OF DIFFICULTY

PL215For

Credit: YesAttendance: MandatoryTextbook Used: YesWould Take Again: YesGrade Received: N/A

RESPECTEDHILARIOUSINSPIRATIONAL

Professor Simoncini is a great professor, as he provides information which is intriguing and provokes us as students to think about reality in a practical manner. With his use of humor, easy-going attitude, and overall approach towards society, politics, and life. His use of irony, humor, and sharpness allows students to learn. Highly recommendable

05/03/2018

AWESOME

5.0 OVERALL QUALITY

4.0 LEVEL OF DIFFICULTY

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Again: YesGrade Received: Not sure yet

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INSPIRATIONALCARINGLECTURE HEAVY

Simoncini presented thoughtful material that he applied his own experience to (very enriching). I was not naturally 'good' in this field, but he did not hold it against me. He used tactics of support and encouragement, rather than fear or stress, to help me improve my grade. Intelligent & interesting professor who cultivates intellectual thinking.

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Credit: YesAttendance: MandatoryTextbook Used: YesWould Take

Again: YesGrade Received: N/A

RESPECTEDAMAZING LECTURESGRADED BY FEW THINGS

Professor Simoncini is a really great professor! I would definitely recommend him to any student that will be attending John Cabot University. He is extremely well versed and has a very good structure in his class that makes it easier to follow along. I definitely enjoyed

05/01/2018

GOOD

4.0 OVERALL QUALITY

4.0 LEVEL OF DIFFICULTY

03/27/2018

AWESOME

5.0 OVERALL QUALITY

4.0 LEVEL OF DIFFICULTY

the way he structured his class because it allowed us to focus more broadly.

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PL210For

Credit: YesAttendance: MandatoryTextbook Used: YesWould Take Again: YesGrade Received: N/A

GRADED BY FEW THINGSTOUGH GRADERLECTURE HEAVY

Love this professor, really funny guy. quiet voice, and sometimes a little bit hard to follow, but doesn't mind students asking him to repeat things they didn't understand.

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PL250For

Credit: YesAttendance: MandatoryTextbook Used: NoWould Take Again: YesGrade Received: A

INSPIRATIONALRESPECTED

Prof. Simoncini loves lectures, but they are made interesting because he also tells his own experiences and has a great sense of humor. Totally loved the field trips and the guest speaker (Parliament, and

Carabinieri Intelligence Chief). He is very fair in grading and not too tough.

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12/07/2017

AWESOME

5.0 OVERALL QUALITY

3.0 LEVEL OF DIFFICULTY

PL215For

Credit: YesAttendance: N/ATextbook
Used: YesWould Take Again: YesGrade
Received: Not sure yet

CARINGGIVES GOOD FEEDBACKLECTURE HEAVY

Classes consist mostly of his lectures, but he makes them interesting with his own stories and great sense of humor. Organizes amazing guest speakers and field trips (Parliament for us) which are invaluable experiences. Not an easy A, but he's very fair and you WILL learn a lot. Absolutely recommend him for both PL215 and PL334!

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12/07/2017

AWESOME

5.0 OVERALL QUALITY

PL334For

Credit: YesAttendance: MandatoryTextb
ook Used: YesWould Take
Again: YesGrade Received: N/A

AMAZING LECTURESGIVES GOOD FEEDBACKINSPIRATIONAL

4.0 LEVEL OF DIFFICULTY

12/07/2017

AWESOME

5.0 OVERALL QUALITY

4.0 LEVEL OF DIFFICULTY

11/29/2017

GOOD

4.0 OVERALL QUALITY

Professor Simoncini is highly knowledgeable about the class material he teaches. He further students to achieve more and he is very available.

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PL334For

Credit: Yes Attendance: N/A Textbook
Used: Yes Would Take Again: Yes Grade
Received: N/A

AMAZING LECTURES INSPIRATIONAL

JCU professors are amazing just as Simoncini. his class was very educative. I learned a lot about islamist and fundamentalists all over the world in four months. Enough info that breaks prejudices and ignorance I had about terrorism. Class materials were clearly explained in course syllabus. He teaches from experience. He is inspirational and nice

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GIVES GOOD FEEDBACK PARTICIPATION
MATTERS INSPIRATIONAL

One unique feature of John Cabot University is their choice of professional, experienced and qualified Instructors. Daniele

4.0 LEVEL OF DIFFICULTY

11/29/2017

AWESOME

5.0 OVERALL QUALITY

3.0 LEVEL OF DIFFICULTY

PL334For

Credit: YesAttendance: MandatoryTextbook Used: YesWould Take Again: YesGrade Received: A

Simoncini clearly explained and delivered his lectures as he highlighted on the course syllabus. His grading policy, the academic policy and attendance policy was well explained in class and in the syllabus. I learned a lot.

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AMAZING LECTURES
HILARIOUS

Ive enjoyed the class and the readings. Ive absolutely loved the manner of teaching, the jokes and the anecdotal examples. Prof also brought a great speaker to one of the classes and have me valuable advices on my future career. Would have taken the class again!

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05/10/2017

AWESOME

5.0 OVERALL QUALITY

HST5820For

Credit: YesAttendance: Not MandatoryTextbook Used: YesWould Take Again: YesGrade Received: A

AMAZING LECTURES
GIVES GOOD FEEDBACK
RESPECTED

Professor Simoncini is one of the most knowledgable and respected professors I have ever had. His lectures are very clear and interesting.

3.0 LEVEL OF DIFFICULTY

04/28/2017

AWESOME

5.0 OVERALL QUALITY

3.0 LEVEL OF DIFFICULTY

04/26/2017

AWESOME

5.0 OVERALL QUALITY

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The trips outside of the class are also fantastic. Our class went to a federal prison in Rome, two Carabinieri events, a museum gallery, and had a guest speaker from the Carabinieri. My highest recommendation!

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PL228 For Credit: Yes Attendance: Not Mandatory Textbook Used: Yes Would Take Again: Yes Grade Received: A

AMAZING LECTURES INSPIRATIONAL RESPECTED

Professor Simoncini is a good professor! His rich experience makes classes even more interesting.

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PL250 For Credit: Yes Attendance: Mandatory Textbook Used: No Would Take Again: Yes Grade Received: N/A

INSPIRATIONAL RESPECTED GIVES GOOD FEEDBACK

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04/26/2017

AWESOME

5.0 OVERALL QUALITY

3.0 LEVEL OF DIFFICULTY

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PL228For

Credit: Yes**Attendance:** N/A**Textbook Used:** Yes**Would Take Again:** Yes**Grade Received:** Not sure yet

GRADED BY FEW THINGS CARING RESPECTED

Professor Simoncini is an excellent instructor and genuine guy. I really enjoyed this class and he is very passionate about this field. He is very knowledgeable and his class is straightforward and not difficult if you attend lecture and read the material. He is very engaging and casual in the classroom environment. Highly recommend him !!

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04/26/2017

AWESOME

5.0 OVERALL QUALITY

3.0 LEVEL OF DIFFICULTY

PL228For

Credit: Yes**Attendance:** Mandatory**Textbook Used:** Yes**Would Take Again:** Yes**Grade Received:** B-

RESPECTED

amazing, understanding, funny, dedicated.

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04/26/2017

GOOD

PL228For

Credit: Yes**Attendance:** Mandatory**Textbook Used:** Yes**Would Take Again:** Yes**Grade Received:** B-

HILARIOUS CARING ACCESSIBLE OUTSIDE CLASS

4.0 OVERALL QUALITY

3.0 LEVEL OF DIFFICULTY

04/26/2017

AWESOME

5.0 OVERALL QUALITY

3.0 LEVEL OF DIFFICULTY

12/12/2016

AWESOME

5.0 OVERALL QUALITY

3.0 LEVEL OF DIFFICULTY

ook Used: NoWould Take
Again: YesGrade Received: N/A

Simoncini is a very fair professor! He really tries to connect the classroom to the real world through field trips, movies, and other useful content. He structures his class very interesting because he doesn't want you to give textbook answers and copy one another answers! Ask to see his website! He is so cool.

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PL228For Credit: YesAttendance: Not
MandatoryTextbook Used: YesWould
Take Again: YesGrade Received: N/A

As long as you are familiar with the syllabus the class is simple. Not too much work is required. If you show up to class and write down the key terms you should be fine.

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HIST112For Credit: YesAttendance:
MandatoryTextbook Used: YesWould
Take Again: YesGrade Received: A

LECTURE HEAVYCLEAR GRADING CRITERIACARING

Very good professor: highly qualified, extremely knowledgeable, and a passionate teacher. He lectures at a steady but quick pace, so make sure to pay close attention and take lots of notes (it helps if you can

11/14/2016

AWFUL

1.0 OVERALL QUALITY

3.0 LEVEL OF DIFFICULTY

08/29/2016

AWFUL

1.0 OVERALL QUALITY

5.0 LEVEL OF DIFFICULTY

write fast). The lectures are very detailed and give you most of what you need to know for the exams.

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GENOCPL22 For
Credit: Yes Attendance:
Mandatory Textbook Used: Yes Would
Take Again: No Grade Received: N/A

GET READY TO READ LECTURE HEAVY SKIP CLASS? YOU WON'T PASS.

He is repetitive and terribly organized. Awful.

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PL210 For Credit: Yes Attendance:
Mandatory Textbook Used: Yes Would
Take Again: No Grade Received: WD

TOUGH GRADERSkip CLASS? YOU WON'T PASS. LECTURE HEAVY

Simoncini is the worst professor I ever had! His instructions are not clear. The exams are ridiculously hard even if you do all the work and

don't miss a single class. He does not offer any extra credit. There is no chance of redeeming yourself.

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04/21/2016

AWESOME

4.5 OVERALL QUALITY

4.0 LEVEL OF DIFFICULTY

PL210For Credit: YesAttendance: MandatoryTextbook Used: YesWould Take Again: YesGrade Received: N/A

PARTICIPATION MATTERSSSO MANY PAPERS

Even though at first his class might seem intimidating, Professor Simoncini is very knowledgeable and teaches in a way that makes you remember what he says. Taking notes in his classes is essential since most of the things he says will actually be on the exam; plus, to keep students engaged he organizes interesting field trips and film screenings

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09/29/2015

AWESOME

5.0 OVERALL QUALITY

PL215For Credit: YesAttendance: MandatoryTextbook Used: YesWould Take Again: N/AGrade Received: N/A

Professor Simoncini is a fantastic professor. I took his courses on Genocide and Italian Politics & Society. Both courses were extremely organized and I learned a great deal. He is an extremely fair grader

3.0 LEVEL OF DIFFICULTY

05/26/2015

AVERAGE

3.0 OVERALL QUALITY

3.0 LEVEL OF DIFFICULTY

05/26/2015

AVERAGE

3.0 OVERALL QUALITY

and it is very clear what is expected of you as a student from the very first day of class. I highly recommend taking one of his courses.

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GENOCIDE For
Credit: Yes Attendance:
Mandatory Textbook Used: No Would
Take Again: N/A Grade Received: A

TOUGH GRADER LECTURE HEAVY

He's a very nice professor. He's extremely knowledgeable about the material and talks all throughout the lecture about it. The books aren't exactly necessary but they could add to what he says in lecture. The paper and presentation along with 2 exams are the majority of the grade as well as participation in class and many field trip opportunities

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PL228 For Credit: Yes Attendance:
N/A Textbook Used: Yes Would Take
Again: N/A Grade Received: N/A

HILARIOUS EXTRA CREDIT LECTURE HEAVY

Professor Simoncini is a funny guy, and the material is interesting. Reading is helpful but most of the stuff on the exam is from lecture. I would recommend reading the book too because he expects a good

3.0 LEVEL OF DIFFICULTY

04/09/2015

GOOD

3.5 OVERALL QUALITY

3.0 LEVEL OF DIFFICULTY

amount of writing on exams. Lots of movies and field trips offered, which are interesting and they help your grade if you go.

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PL210 For Credit: Yes Attendance: Mandatory Textbook Used: Yes Would Take Again: N/A Grade Received: A-

CLEAR GRADING CRITERIA INSPIRATIONAL GET READY TO READ

Very knowledgeable, always has great real-life examples to illustrate a given point. Straightforward, just do the assigned readings and enjoy the lectures!

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01/20/2015

AWESOME

4.5 OVERALL QUALITY

3.0 LEVEL OF DIFFICULTY

PL210 For Credit: Yes Attendance: N/A Textbook Used: Yes Would Take Again: N/A Grade Received: N/A

GROUP PROJECTS PARTICIPATION MATTERS INSPIRATIONAL

professor Simoncini, besides being a great professor with a deep knowledge of his topic, is also an amazing, interesting person. In a first moment you could get intimidated by his way of talking, but it

01/04/2015

AVERAGE

3.0 OVERALL QUALITY

4.0 LEVEL OF DIFFICULTY

04/14/2014

AVERAGE

3.0 OVERALL QUALITY

PL210 For Credit: Yes Attendance: N/A Textbook Used: No Would Take Again: N/A Grade Received: N/A

doesn't take much to realize that he has just a great respect for students and also a fantastic sense of humor. Good choice.

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GIVES GOOD FEEDBACK SKIP CLASS? YOU WON'T PASS. GET READY TO READ

Tough grader. Expects student to go above and beyond in projects and papers. His tests are not difficult as long as you write down what he wants you to say and what he said in class. Books are pointless, only for references if you need them. Slow talker and very boring.. Sit close so you can hear him and not fall asleep.

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PL228 For Credit: N/A Attendance: Mandatory Textbook Used: Yes Would Take Again: N/A Grade Received: N/A

Simoncini knows his material but is not a great professor

4.0 LEVEL OF DIFFICULTY

05/01/2013

AWESOME

4.5 OVERALL QUALITY

2.0 LEVEL OF DIFFICULTY

04/04/2012

AWESOME

5.0 OVERALL QUALITY

2.0 LEVEL OF DIFFICULTY

PL210 For Credit: N/A Attendance: N/A Textbook Used: Yes Would Take Again: N/A Grade Received: N/A

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You have to memorize the book to get an A on an exam. He's super nice but he moves at a glacial pace and likes to focus on the etymology of words, which is fine and interesting, but we barely made it through the material. TWO projects: Presentation and Paper. Luckily this can offset mediocre exam grades, so kill it on those projects.

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PL228 For Credit: N/A Attendance: N/A Textbook Used: Yes Would Take Again: N/A Grade Received: N/A

One of John Cabot and Italy's finest; Gabriele Simoncini works hard for the best interest of his students and introduces an entirely new way of thinking to them. Possibly my best polisci professor in my 4 years at John Cabot.

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02/08/2012

AWESOME

5.0 OVERALL QUALITY

3.0 LEVEL OF DIFFICULTY

PL228For Credit:N/AAttendance:
N/ATextbook Used: YesWould Take
Again: N/AGrade Received: N/A

Have taken Simoncini many times for Political Theory, Comparative Pol., and Genocide. Very smart! Gives you the information and if you do not pass it is your fault. Has great anecdotes and makes the class engaging. Lectures, but very interesting man. Adore him!

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05/04/2011

AWESOME

5.0 OVERALL QUALITY

3.0 LEVEL OF DIFFICULTY

PL228For Credit:N/AAttendance:
N/ATextbook Used: YesWould Take
Again: N/AGrade Received: N/A

Best professor at John Cabot by far! Very knowledgeable and interested in material. Incorporated his personal experience in the subject into the class material to introduce discussion over textbook lectures. Would definitely recommend!

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05/04/2011

AWESOME

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3.0 LEVEL OF DIFFICULTY

PL228For Credit:N/AAttendance:
N/ATextbook Used: YesWould Take
Again: N/AGrade Received: N/A

Simoncini was the man! Loved his course and him. Such a cute old man. Gonna miss him!

04/27/2011

AWESOME

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a great course

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