

## OVERALL QUALITY

4.0

WOULD TAKE AGAIN

92%

LEVEL OF DIFFICULTY

3.3

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<p>03/09/2019</p> <p><b>AWESOME</b></p> <p>5.0 OVERALL QUALITY</p> <p>4.0 LEVEL OF DIFFICULTY</p>	<p><b>PL210</b>For            Credit: YesAttendance: MandatoryTextbook            Used: YesWould Take Again: YesGrade            Received: A</p>	<p><b>CLEAR GRADING CRITERIAACCESSIBLE OUTSIDE            CLASSRESPECTED</b></p> <p>Professor Simoncini is one of the best Professors I've had at JCU!            He likes to lecture a lot, but he makes it really interesting. He is            really accessible and organized. Also, he has a website where he has            all the information and documents required to understand his course            and for the student to feel familiarized with his grading policy.            Amazing!</p> <p>0 people found this useful0 people did not find this useful            report this rating</p>
<p>12/12/2018</p> <p><b>AWESOME</b></p> <p>5.0 OVERALL QUALITY</p> <p>3.0 LEVEL OF DIFFICULTY</p>	<p><b>HST5820</b>For            Credit: YesAttendance: MandatoryTextbook            Used: NoWould Take Again: YesGrade            Received: N/A</p>	<p><b>RESPECTEDINSPIRATIONALAMAZING LECTURES</b></p> <p>Professor Simoncini is one of the most intelligent teachers I have            ever had. He knows his content and is very knowledgeable. Also            very easy to talk to and work with.</p> <p>0 people found this useful0 people did not find this useful</p>

12/11/2018

AWESOME

5.0 OVERALL QUALITY

3.0 LEVEL OF DIFFICULTY

05/09/2018

GOOD

4.0 OVERALL QUALITY

4.0 LEVEL OF DIFFICULTY

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**HST5820**For

Credit: YesAttendance: MandatoryTextbook

Used: NoWould Take Again: YesGrade

Received: A

**RESPECTEDLECTURE HEAVYCARING**

I took him at Richmond in Rome, so this my be different from JCU. He was a great professor, definitely my favorite of the semester. I took his Globalization and history of the Mafia courses and both were amazing, I learned a lot in both. He is truly a caring professor and he will do anything to make sure you get a good grade in his class.

0 people found this useful0 people did not find this useful

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**PL210**For

Credit: YesAttendance: MandatoryTextbook

Used: YesWould Take Again: YesGrade

Received: N/A

**RESPECTEDINSPIRATIONAL**

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.

05/08/2018

AWESOME

5.0 OVERALL QUALITY

4.0 LEVEL OF DIFFICULTY

PL215For

Credit: YesAttendance: MandatoryTextbook

Used: YesWould Take Again: YesGrade

Received: N/A

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CLEAR GRADING CRITERIAPARTICIPATION MATTERSCARING

Classes are interesting. We got to have a few "special guests" and we went to a field trip to the Parliament.

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05/03/2018

AWESOME

5.0 OVERALL QUALITY

3.0 LEVEL OF DIFFICULTY

PL228For

Credit: YesAttendance: MandatoryTextbook

Used: YesWould Take Again: YesGrade

Received: A-

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

PL215For

Credit: YesAttendance: MandatoryTextbook

Used: YesWould Take Again: YesGrade

Received: N/A

RESPECTEDINSPIRATIONALHILARIOUS

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4.0 LEVEL OF DIFFICULTY

05/03/2018

AWESOME

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4.0 LEVEL OF DIFFICULTY

PL210For

Credit: YesAttendance: MandatoryTextbook  
Used: YesWould Take Again: YesGrade  
Received: Not sure yet

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

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LECTURE HEAVYINSPIRATIONALCARING

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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AWESOME

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PL228For

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

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05/01/2018

GOOD

4.0 OVERALL QUALITY

4.0 LEVEL OF DIFFICULTY

PL210For

Credit: YesAttendance: MandatoryTextbook

Used: YesWould Take Again: YesGrade

Received: N/A

LECTURE HEAVYGRADED BY FEW THINGSTOUGH GRADER

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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03/27/2018

AWESOME

PL250For

Credit: YesAttendance: MandatoryTextbook

Used: NoWould Take Again: YesGrade

Received: A

RESPECTEDINSPIRATIONAL

5.0 OVERALL QUALITY

4.0 LEVEL OF DIFFICULTY

12/07/2017

AWESOME

5.0 OVERALL QUALITY

3.0 LEVEL OF DIFFICULTY

12/07/2017

PL215For

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

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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LECTURE HEAVYCARINGGIVES GOOD FEEDBACK

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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PL334For

Credit: YesAttendance: MandatoryTextbook

GIVES GOOD FEEDBACKINSPIRATIONALAMAZING LECTURES

AWESOME

5.0 OVERALL QUALITY

4.0 LEVEL OF DIFFICULTY

Used: YesWould Take Again: YesGrade  
Received: N/A

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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12/07/2017

AWESOME

5.0 OVERALL QUALITY

4.0 LEVEL OF DIFFICULTY

PL334For  
Credit: YesAttendance: N/ATextbook  
Used: YesWould Take Again: YesGrade  
Received: N/A

AMAZING LECTURESINSPIRATIONAL

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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11/29/2017

GOOD

PL334For  
Credit: YesAttendance: N/ATextbook  
Used: YesWould Take Again: YesGrade  
Received: N/A

INSPIRATIONALGIVES GOOD FEEDBACKPARTICIPATION  
MATTERS



4.0 OVERALL QUALITY

4.0 LEVEL OF DIFFICULTY

11/29/2017

AWESOME

5.0 OVERALL QUALITY

3.0 LEVEL OF DIFFICULTY

One unique feature of John Cabot University is their choice of professional, experienced and qualified Instructors. Daniele 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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**PL334**For  
Credit: YesAttendance: MandatoryTextbook  
Used: YesWould Take Again: YesGrade  
Received: A

**AMAZING LECTURESHILARIOUS**

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

3.0 LEVEL OF DIFFICULTY

HST5820 For Credit: Yes Attendance: Not  
Mandatory Textbook Used: Yes Would Take  
Again: Yes Grade Received: A

RESPECTED GIVES GOOD FEEDBACK AMAZING LECTURES

Professor Simoncini is one of the most knowledgeable and respected professors I have ever had. His lectures are very clear and interesting. 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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04/28/2017

AWESOME

5.0 OVERALL QUALITY

3.0 LEVEL OF DIFFICULTY

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

RESPECTED INSPIRATIONAL AMAZING LECTURES

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

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04/26/2017

AWESOME

PL250 For  
Credit: Yes Attendance: Mandatory Textbook

GIVES GOOD FEEDBACK RESPECTED INSPIRATIONAL

5.0 OVERALL QUALITY

4.0 LEVEL OF DIFFICULTY

04/26/2017

AWESOME

5.0 OVERALL QUALITY

3.0 LEVEL OF DIFFICULTY

04/26/2017

AWESOME

5.0 OVERALL QUALITY

3.0 LEVEL OF DIFFICULTY

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

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PL228For  
Credit: YesAttendance: N/ATextbook  
Used: YesWould Take Again: YesGrade  
Received: Not sure yet

GRADED BY FEW THINGSRESPECTEDCARING

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 knowledgable 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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PL228For Credit:YesAttendance:  
MandatoryTextbook Used: YesWould Take  
Again: YesGrade Received: B-

RESPECTED

amazing, understanding, funny, dedicated.

04/26/2017

GOOD

4.0 OVERALL QUALITY

3.0 LEVEL OF DIFFICULTY

**PL228**For Credit: YesAttendance: MandatoryTextbook Used: NoWould Take Again: YesGrade Received: N/A

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**CARINGHILARIOUSACCESSIBLE OUTSIDE CLASS**

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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04/26/2017

AWESOME

5.0 OVERALL QUALITY

3.0 LEVEL OF DIFFICULTY

**PL228**For 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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12/12/2016

AWESOME

5.0 OVERALL QUALITY

3.0 LEVEL OF DIFFICULTY

**HIST112**For 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 write fast). The lectures are very detailed and give you most of what you need to know for the exams.

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11/14/2016

AWFUL

1.0 OVERALL QUALITY

3.0 LEVEL OF DIFFICULTY

**GENOCPL22**For Credit: YesAttendance: MandatoryTextbook Used: YesWould Take Again: NoGrade Received: N/A

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

He is repetitive and terribly organized. Awful.

0 people found this useful0 people did not find this useful  
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08/29/2016

AWFUL

1.0 OVERALL QUALITY

**PL210**For Credit: YesAttendance: MandatoryTextbook Used: YesWould Take Again: NoGrade Received: WD

LECTURE HEAVYTOUGH GRADERSKIP CLASS? YOU WON'T PASS.

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

5.0 LEVEL OF DIFFICULTY

04/21/2016

AWESOME

4.5 OVERALL QUALITY

4.0 LEVEL OF DIFFICULTY

09/29/2015

AWESOME

5.0 OVERALL QUALITY

**PL210**For Credit: YesAttendance:  
MandatoryTextbook Used: YesWould Take  
Again: YesGrade Received: N/A

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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#### **PARTICIPATION MATTERSSO 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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**PL215**For 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 and it is very clear what is expected of you as a student

3.0 LEVEL OF DIFFICULTY

from the very first day of class. I highly recommend taking one of his courses.

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05/26/2015

AVERAGE

3.0 OVERALL QUALITY

3.0 LEVEL OF DIFFICULTY

**GENOCIDE**For Credit: YesAttendance:  
MandatoryTextbook Used: NoWould Take  
Again: N/AGrade Received: A

**LECTURE HEAVYTOUGH GRADER**

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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05/26/2015

AVERAGE

3.0 OVERALL QUALITY

**PL228**For Credit: YesAttendance:  
N/ATextbook Used: YesWould Take Again:  
N/AGrade Received: N/A

**EXTRA CREDITILARIOUSLECTURE 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.

3.0 LEVEL OF DIFFICULTY

I would recommend reading the book too because he expects a good 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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04/09/2015  
GOOD

3.5 OVERALL QUALITY

3.0 LEVEL OF DIFFICULTY

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

INSPIRATIONALGET READY TO READCLEAR GRADING  
CRITERIA

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

PL210For Credit:YesAttendance:  
N/ATextbook Used: YesWould Take Again:  
N/AGrade Received: N/A

INSPIRATIONALGROUP PROJECTSPARTICIPATION MATTERS

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 intimidate by his way of talking, but it



01/04/2015

## AVERAGE

3.0 OVERALL QUALITY

4.0 LEVEL OF DIFFICULTY

**PL210**For Credit: YesAttendance:  
N/ATextbook Used: NoWould Take Again:  
N/AGrade 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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### SKIP CLASS? YOU WON'T PASS.GET READY TO READGIVES GOOD FEEDBACK

Tough grader. Expects student to go above in beyond in projects and papers. His tests are not difficult a 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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04/14/2014

AVERAGE

3.0 OVERALL QUALITY

4.0 LEVEL OF DIFFICULTY

PL228For Credit:N/AArrival:  
MandatoryTextbook Used: YesWould Take  
Again: N/AGrade Received: N/A

Simoncini knows his material but is not a great professor

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05/01/2013

AWESOME

4.5 OVERALL QUALITY

2.0 LEVEL OF DIFFICULTY

PL210For Credit:N/AArrival:  
N/ATextbook Used: YesWould Take Again:  
N/AGrade Received: N/A

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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04/04/2012

AWESOME

5.0 OVERALL QUALITY

2.0 LEVEL OF DIFFICULTY

PL228For Credit:N/AArrival:  
N/ATextbook Used: YesWould Take Again:  
N/AGrade 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

02/08/2012

AWESOME

5.0 OVERALL QUALITY

3.0 LEVEL OF DIFFICULTY

05/04/2011

AWESOME

5.0 OVERALL QUALITY

3.0 LEVEL OF DIFFICULTY

**PL228**For Credit: N/A Attendance:  
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way of thinking to them. Possibly my best polisci professor in my 4 years at John Cabot.

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

5.0OVERALL QUALITY

3.0LEVEL OF DIFFICULTY

**PL228**For 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!

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04/27/2011

AWESOME

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**GENOCPL22**For Credit:N/AAttendance:  
N/ATextbook Used: YesWould Take Again:  
N/AGrade Received: N/A

a great course

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