

**Sample Student Evaluations for José Vergara**  
**Russian 2160: Fourth-Semester Russian**

“When I reflect back to when I first entered in the fall, I have come a long way. Even since December I have grown a lot. I have especially seen this in my understanding written and [spoken] Russian.”

“Thanks for being an awesome teacher! I really appreciated the fun things you did like the days outside, push-ups, commanding-people-to-do-actions activity, and others. I always looked forward to and enjoyed your class.”

“The review games greatly assisted learning vocab.”

“One of the best teachers that I have had. The teaching style was excellent.”

“Inspired teaching.”

“Kahoot, games, open-ended questions, authentic Russian texts and websites. Kahoot prepared us well for exams and quizzes, while open-ended questions made us think on our feet and be creative. Authentic texts let us see real-life usage.”

“Потрясающий профессор.”

“Group work/mingling. I felt more comfortable speaking in small groups than speaking while everything was listening. It was also helpful to get student feedback / give student feedback on my speaking skills.”

“Very engaging and encouraging. Good explanation of everything and very patient in critiquing comprehension and speaking.”

“I felt like I was pushed to speak more in and out of class.”

“Definitely more challenging but it was my favorite course I’ve taken in Russian so far.”

“The Kahoot exercises were more useful for test preparation. It created friendly competition and made test prep into a game. Otherwise Russian-language materials (like устные экзамены [oral exams]) were the most effective for me, because they forced synthesis of materials learning in class.”

“All aspects of each unit were well explained and engaging. The class was very well taught.”

“Although I will readily say I did not devote enough time to the course, my understanding and comprehension has grown much since the beginning of the semester. The teaching style

helped the most. Russian can be complicated, but the way in which it was delivered truly made my progress in the language possible.”

“I would say the spacing of larger assignments in the course was appropriate, beyond nightly homework assignments. Each larger project complemented and augmented all of the things learned in the current units and reiterated things learned in previous ones.”

“Outstanding. Teacher was demanding but fair and kind.”

“The best.”

“I’m glad you give quick feedback on assignments.”

“The ability of the instructor to break down concepts if I could not understand them [helped].”

“Dialogue creation and conversations allowed us to freely use the language and test our skill/understanding.”

“The amount of review exercises done in class for each grammar concept in addition to all the handouts explaining the topics [were helpful]. I felt like we got several diverse methods to learn the content and learn it well.”

“It’s all good.”

“Moved at a good pace, solid review before each test, always answered questions in a simple yet explanatory way.”

“Great job grading quizzes and submitting them same day. Always prepared and knowledgeable. I appreciate when you answer random questions about the content. It’s really helpful. You speak at a great pace. Very fair and respectful. Always a professional.”

“The instructor is outstanding.”