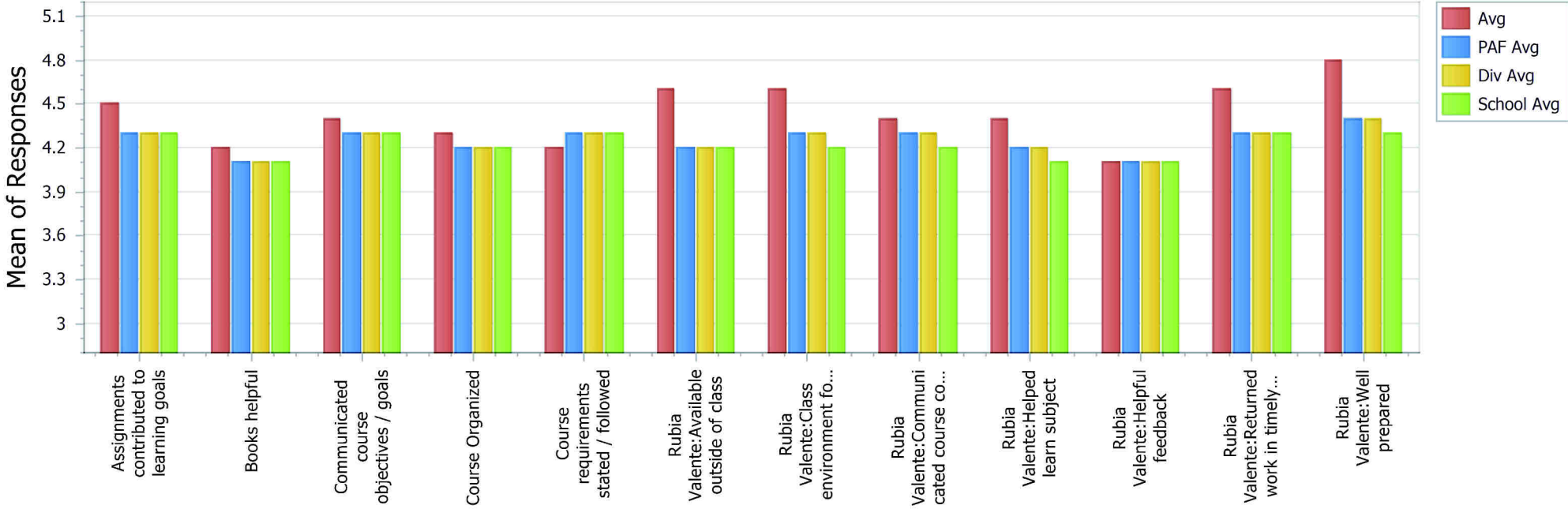


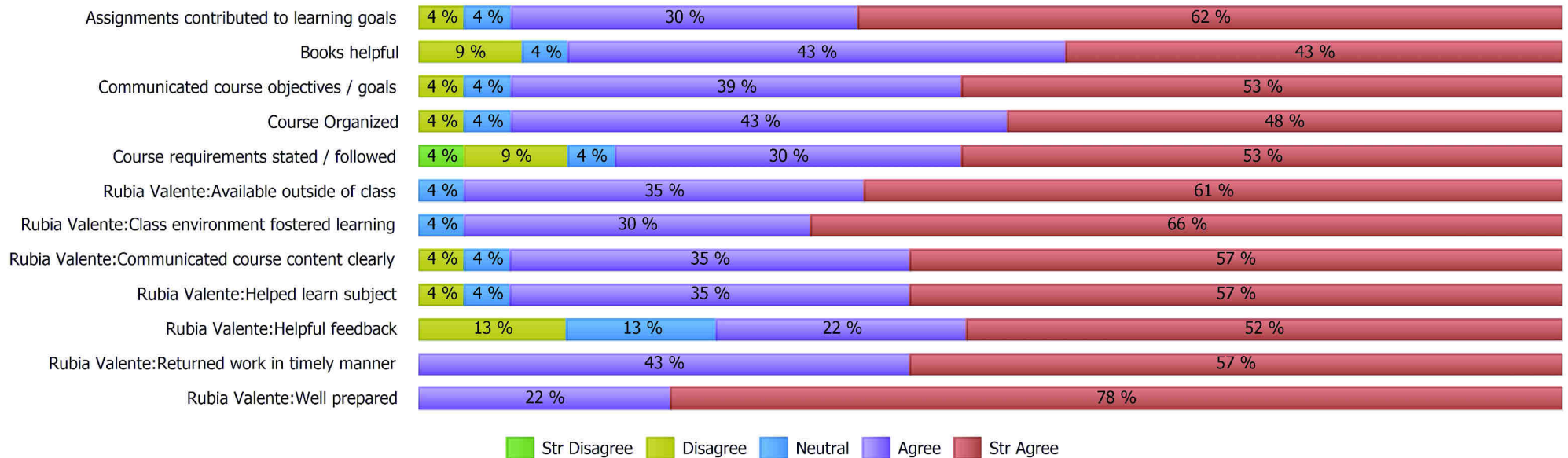
There were: 23 possible respondents.

	Question Text	N	Avg	Str Disagree	Disagree	Neutral	Agree	Str Agree	
1	The course was well organized.	23	4.3	0%	4%	4%	43%	48%	
2	The instructor communicated course objectives and learning goals.	23	4.4	0%	4%	4%	39%	52%	
3	Assignments contributed to meeting the course objectives and learning goals.	23	4.5	0%	4%	4%	30%	61%	
4	Course requirements were clearly stated and followed.	23	4.2	4%	9%	4%	30%	52%	
5	Required materials and books were helpful.	23	4.2	0%	9%	4%	43%	43%	
6	The instructor came to class well prepared.	23	4.8	0%	0%	0%	22%	78%	
7	The instructor communicated course content clearly.	23	4.4	0%	4%	4%	35%	57%	
8	The instructor taught in a way that helped me learn the subject.	23	4.4	0%	4%	4%	35%	57%	
9	The instructor provided helpful feedback.	23	4.1	0%	13%	13%	22%	52%	
10	The instructor returned assignments and examinations in a timely manner.	23	4.6	0%	0%	0%	43%	57%	
11	The instructor was available outside of class (office hours, email, etc.).	23	4.6	0%	0%	4%	35%	61%	
12	The instructor established a class environment that fostered learning.	23	4.6	0%	0%	4%	30%	65%	
13	The instructor treated students and their contributions with respect.	23	4.8	0%	0%	0%	22%	78%	
14	The instructor generated enthusiasm for learning the subject matter.	22	4.7	0%	0%	5%	18%	77%	
15	The instructor clearly explained the grading system.	23	4.3	0%	0%	17%	30%	52%	
				Str Disagree	Disagree	Neutral	Agree	Str Agree	N/A
16	The course improved my oral communication skills.	23	3.5	0%	9%	22%	13%	13%	43%
17	The course improved my written communication skills.	23	4	0%	4%	17%	35%	30%	13%
18	The course challenged me intellectually.	23	4.6	0%	0%	4%	35%	61%	

Question Averages



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Text Responses

Comments to improve course

(PAF 9172) Thank you, Professor, for all of your passion. This class has enhanced my analytical thought process and versatility.

(PAF 9172) Professor Valente is an excellent instructor. She is extremely versed in the content she teaches. She avails herself to assist with any inquiries needed to improve understanding of the subject. I really appreciate her as an educator.

(PAF 9172) Professor Valente is an incredible asset to the Baruch community. She is not only knowledgeable and passionate about her subject matter, but truly cares about and is invested in the success of Baruch students. It's clear she really wants to be at Baruch. She truly wants us to learn and it shows, and people respond to that. It is, by far, the most engaging quant class I took throughout my time at the Marxe school. That said, there's one thing I found particularly challenging, which was the lack of objectivity in how she grades assignments. Despite the detailed rubric, I found that professor Valente was inconsistent in her approach to grading, seemingly not wanting anyone's grade to be too high or too low. For example, I handed in an assignment that I was extremely proud of and that I know was quite strong. I handed in another with several errors that I felt far less good about. The difference in those grades was 4 points, which is not an accurate measure of the quality of work. I found this demoralizing. And it makes me wonder how the lack of consistency plays out on an even larger scale.

(PAF 9172) I would have liked if she did not have so many problem sets even though they aren't graded high percentage. She gave them every week and with blackboard and assignments it was overwhelming. We had work every week of the class and some was tedious and did not help to strengthen my knowledge in the class. I would like quizzes with more questions like 10, especially if it would mean less black board assignments. Plus more questions on a quiz helps to do better.

(PAF 9172) I enjoyed this course! Dr. Valente is really enthusiastic and her passion for research is really apparent. I enjoyed reading and hearing about her research - it helped to reinforce the topics covered. The structure of the class - lecture then worksheet - was interesting and helped to keep the material engaging. The reading responses did not add value to the course - most often I was struggling to just write something so that I could satisfy the requirement, not really internalizing the concepts. Maybe the reading responses could be guided by questions or some kind of prompt to help focus the response if the student wasn't inspired on their own. Otherwise the assignments were fair. It would be helpful to have a writing workshop or more examples of how to create a narrative around numeric results and other research writing conventions. I knew how to describe the numeric results but struggled with creating a larger story around the research topic in Assignments 3. I think this (and other issues based on the comments) could be avoided with more detailed training on how to write an analysis.

(PAF 9172) Professor Valente's class was challenging and it was a lot of work, but I learned a lot, and everything was useful. She is an expert at the material, and structures class sessions and assignments so that we are sure to understand and be able to apply important concepts. The class is well-structured and engaging. I would strongly recommend this professor to other students.

(PAF 9172) Sharing an excellent example of a paper connected to assignment 3 would have been helpful as it was difficult to understand what you really wanted done for this very complex assignment

(PAF 9172) Professor Valente is a wonderful professor and made the semester flow very well. The work load is a lot but I think that it's fair. I learned a lot and expanded on ideas from research 1 more thoroughly. Thanks for always making room for questions/comments even if they were kind of silly at points. It's been a great semester and I think we all really appreciate you keeping your doors open for us to make time and share your wealth of knowledge!

(PAF 9172) Excellent course - Dr. Valente is extremely committed to her student's success. I do think the lectures were rather long and should be split in two. Perhaps reviewing problems sets in another way or through video would allow for more time to focus on lectures and make them more dynamic. I would also structure the online posts a bit differently - perhaps making them less frequent but more interactive to promote dialogue between students.

(PAF 9172) It would be helpful to have the assignment directions clearly and concisely communicated with time dedicated in class to explaining them. It was sometimes difficult to know what quizzes or response papers were due since they were not on the syllabus. They just appeared on BlackBoard as due. The larger assignments were also difficult to understand. Directions were often confusing making it difficult to know what the professor was looking for. The rubric did not provide clarity and comments on returned paper were difficult to read. There were a lot of assignments for this course, often 2-3 per week. Unfortunately, with all these assignments I do not feel that I mastered the material but was just trying to complete them on time. A more focused approach to connecting lectures and topics to build master would be helpful instead of rushing through multiple assignments. It would also be great to see articles by different researchers. We receive the professor's perspective in the lecture so it would be helpful to gain exposure to other styles and topics by other researchers. There were also a lot of last minute changes and communications. I work and can't change my schedule at the last minute to accommodate. I often work the weekend before class to finish assignments since I have little to no time during the week. When lectures and materials relevant to due assignments are posted only 1-2 days before those assignments are due, did not provide me time to obtain and incorporate that new material into the nearly complete assignment.

(PAF 9172) Dr. Valente made statistics easier to comprehend and really changed my perception of what stats really is. She is very passionate about the subject and really ensures that her students understand the material. Dr. Valente is always available for help either via e-mail or in person whenever it is needed which I really appreciate. You can tell that she really wants her students to succeed. Dr. Valente has been one of my favorite professors at Baruch. This was a great class.

(PAF 9172) I believe that the grading should be splits 50%/50%; 50%_ for the weekly posts, quizzes, and problem sets, and 50%_ for the assignments. Although the posts, quizzes, and problem sets are shorter than the assignments, the questions asked are just as thought-provoking and challenging, requiring time to thoroughly answer and complete. The book is difficult to understand. I often found myself having to re-read paragraphs because I didn't understand the material. I feel it would be helpful if you include some examples from the book in the power points to explain the material. I appreciate assignment 2 being split into two different parts. Assignment 3 was not long but it was a very challenging project covering 3 important chapters (8, 9, and 10) of the book. It would be great if the assignment 3 deadline were pushed back a week, or if our review of the three chapters be completed prior to the assignment deadline. Finally, your class was great! Thank you so much for your support throughout the semester. This was a challenging, yet rewarding class.

(PAF 9172) Dr. Valente's intelligence and enthusiasm for what could be very dry subject matter is infectious. I learned a lot from her class and enjoyed the in-class exercises. I think the lecture was a little bit on the long side.

(PAF 9172) It would have been helpful if the syllabus stated the due dates for ALL assignments including the the quizzes and problem sets. I wasn't completely sure what was due on a given week. The grading on assignments could be explained more thoroughly. I found the grading system for assignments to not be clear enough. It wasn't clearly articulated what was needed to get a good grade. That being said, I really enjoyed the professors energy and interest in the subject and overall really enjoyed the class.