



UC RIVERSIDE - Student Evaluation of Instructor, Discussion Courses - Fall 2010

Course: MATH 009B Section: 101
Instructor: Soheil Safii

Enrollment: 23
Respondents: 15
Response Rate: 65%

Enrollment: 4335
Respondents: 3331
Response Rate: 77%

Enrollment: 39980
Respondents: 31007
Response Rate: 78%

| Questions | Course | | | | | | | | Department | | | Campus | | | | |
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| | <u>7</u> High | <u>6</u> | <u>5</u> | <u>4</u> | <u>3</u> | <u>2</u> | <u>1</u> Low | <u>N/A</u> | Mean | SD | % tile | Mean | SD | % tile | Mean | SD |
| 1 Provides goals and objectives in his/her presentations. | 5 | 2 | 5 | - | 1 | - | - | 2 | 5.8 | 1.2 | 57 | 6.1 | 1.3 | 72 | 6.0 | 1.3 |
| 2 Is well prepared and clearly organized. | 10 | 3 | 2 | - | - | - | - | - | 6.5 | 0.7 | 84 | 6.1 | 1.3 | 89 | 6.0 | 1.3 |
| 3 Thoroughly understands the subject matter. | 11 | 4 | - | - | - | - | - | - | 6.7 | 0.5 | 88 | 6.3 | 1.2 | 92 | 6.2 | 1.2 |
| 4 Explains the relevancy of the material. | 6 | 4 | 3 | 1 | - | - | - | 1 | 6.1 | 1.0 | 70 | 6.1 | 1.3 | 79 | 6.0 | 1.3 |
| 5 Clarifies lecture and readings | 8 | 6 | 1 | - | - | - | - | - | 6.5 | 0.6 | 83 | 6.1 | 1.3 | 88 | 6.0 | 1.4 |
| 6 Encourages my participation through questions and/or classroom activities. | 6 | 3 | 2 | 1 | 2 | - | - | 1 | 5.7 | 1.5 | 54 | 6.0 | 1.4 | 70 | 6.0 | 1.4 |
| 7 Creates a classroom atmosphere where I feel free to ask questions. | 9 | 2 | 3 | 1 | - | - | - | - | 6.3 | 1.0 | 73 | 6.2 | 1.2 | 83 | 6.1 | 1.3 |
| 8 Uses language appropriate to the level of the course. | 9 | 6 | - | - | - | - | - | - | 6.6 | 0.5 | 86 | 6.3 | 1.1 | 89 | 6.2 | 1.2 |
| 9 Gives useful feedback on assignments and exams. | 7 | 5 | - | 2 | - | - | - | 1 | 6.2 | 1.1 | 75 | 6.1 | 1.3 | 82 | 5.9 | 1.5 |
| 10 Effectively manages the classroom environment | 8 | 5 | 1 | 1 | - | - | - | - | 6.3 | 0.9 | 73 | 6.2 | 1.2 | 84 | 6.1 | 1.3 |
| 11 Motivates me to do my best. | 5 | 3 | 5 | - | 1 | - | - | 1 | 5.8 | 1.2 | 63 | 5.9 | 1.4 | 73 | 5.8 | 1.5 |
| 12 Is accessible and helpful during office hours. | 6 | 2 | 2 | 1 | - | - | - | 4 | 6.2 | 1.1 | 68 | 6.3 | 1.1 | 80 | 6.1 | 1.3 |
| 13 Is approachable - his/her demeanor encourages interaction. | 8 | 4 | 2 | 1 | - | - | - | - | 6.3 | 1.0 | 75 | 6.3 | 1.2 | 82 | 6.1 | 1.3 |
| 14 Respects the role of each student in a diverse environment. | 7 | 6 | 2 | - | - | - | - | - | 6.3 | 0.7 | 65 | 6.3 | 1.1 | 80 | 6.2 | 1.2 |
| 15 Encourages and respects diverse perspectives. | 7 | 2 | 3 | 1 | - | - | - | 2 | 6.2 | 1.1 | 62 | 6.3 | 1.1 | 77 | 6.2 | 1.2 |
| 16 Appropriately handles sensitive situations and/or inappropriate student comments. | 6 | 2 | 2 | 2 | - | - | - | 3 | 6.0 | 1.2 | 52 | 6.3 | 1.1 | 72 | 6.2 | 1.3 |
| 17 Creates and maintains a tolerant learning environment. | 8 | 4 | 2 | - | - | - | - | 1 | 6.4 | 0.8 | 70 | 6.3 | 1.1 | 84 | 6.2 | 1.2 |
| 18 Speaks clear, understandable English. (Not applicable in foreign language sections.) | 14 | 1 | - | - | - | - | - | - | 6.9 | 0.3 | 96 | 6.5 | 1.1 | 98 | 6.3 | 1.3 |
| 19 Overall, is an effective teaching assistant. | 8 | 6 | 1 | - | - | - | - | - | 6.5 | 0.6 | 81 | 6.2 | 1.2 | 88 | 6.1 | 1.3 |

* The number of N/A is not included in the Mean and S.D. calculation.



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Question # 20: YOUR CONSTRUCTIVE COMMENTS ON YOUR TA'S TEACHING SKILLS ARE EXTREMELY IMPORTANT. PLEASE WRITE YOUR COMMENTS IN THE TEXTBOX BELOW. PLEASE LIMIT YOUR COMMENTS TO 2000 CHARACTERS.

- He understood the material and made sure we understood it too. Overall was very nice.
- I really liked Soheil a lot. He was able to help me with anything I had a problem with in math. Whenever I did not understand something from the lecture, Soheil would clarify for me and allow me to push forward into the quarter. I hope to have him as a TA again if I could!
- Any material that is unclear is covered during these discussion classes, which I think the whole purpose of the discussions is. So overall he was very effective in teaching and clarifying difficult concepts.
- Encourages to ask questions. Has great explanation skills. Made calculus very understandable. Very Satisfied!
- TA explains topics clearly.
- Mr. Safii was very kind and organized. He allowed us to ask as many questions as we wanted about the course work which was very helpful in my understanding of the material.
- The TA was knowledgeable and helpful when asked questions.
- He did a good job at explaining the material we covered in lecture. He went over homework problems i didn't understand. He gave us feedback on the exams we took. For example he went over the whole midterm to see what we did wrong in our exam.
- extremely helpful and understanding.
- The discussions were very helpful to clarify much of the material introduced in lectures. During discussions, while practicing problems, I understood the concepts much better.
- The TA was very knowledgeable in the material being taught in lecture and was able to further explain it to us or help us whenever we ran into a problem in our homework. He also guided us in what do to so that we would be able to do better in the class. Great TA. No complaints.