



UC RIVERSIDE - Student Evaluation of Instructor, Discussion Courses - Fall 2011

Course: MATH 010A Section: 002
Instructor: Soheil Safii

Enrollment: 26
Respondents: 19
Response Rate: 73%

Enrollment: 5215
Respondents: 4021
Response Rate: 77%

Enrollment: 41820
Respondents: 33068
Response Rate: 79%

Questions	Course									Department			Campus			
	<u>7</u>	<u>6</u>	<u>5</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>N/A</u>	Mean	SD	% tile	Mean	SD	% tile	Mean	SD
	High						Low									
1 Provides goals and objectives in his/her presentations.	14	3	1	-	-	-	-	1	6.7	0.6	90	6.0	1.3	92	6.0	1.3
2 Is well prepared and clearly organized.	16	3	-	-	-	-	-	-	6.8	0.4	94	6.0	1.4	94	6.1	1.3
3 Thoroughly understands the subject matter.	17	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	6.9	0.3	96	6.3	1.2	97	6.3	1.1
4 Explains the relevancy of the material.	15	2	1	1	-	-	-	-	6.6	0.8	86	6.1	1.3	89	6.1	1.3
5 Clarifies lecture and readings	16	3	-	-	-	-	-	-	6.8	0.4	94	6.0	1.4	95	6.0	1.3
6 Encourages my participation through questions and/or classroom activities.	14	3	-	1	-	-	-	1	6.7	0.8	91	5.9	1.5	92	6.0	1.4
7 Creates a classroom atmosphere where I feel free to ask questions.	15	2	2	-	-	-	-	-	6.7	0.7	89	6.1	1.3	92	6.1	1.3
8 Uses language appropriate to the level of the course.	16	2	1	-	-	-	-	-	6.8	0.5	91	6.3	1.1	94	6.3	1.2
9 Gives useful feedback on assignments and exams.	14	3	-	1	-	-	-	1	6.7	0.8	90	6.0	1.4	92	6.0	1.4
10 Effectively manages the classroom environment	15	3	1	-	-	-	-	-	6.7	0.6	90	6.1	1.3	92	6.1	1.3
11 Motivates me to do my best.	13	3	1	2	-	-	-	-	6.4	1.0	84	5.8	1.5	85	5.9	1.4
12 Is accessible and helpful during office hours.	14	4	-	-	-	-	-	1	6.8	0.4	93	6.2	1.2	94	6.2	1.2
13 Is approachable - his/her demeanor encourages interaction.	15	4	-	-	-	-	-	-	6.8	0.4	93	6.2	1.3	94	6.2	1.3
14 Respects the role of each student in a diverse environment.	15	3	1	-	-	-	-	-	6.7	0.6	88	6.3	1.1	91	6.3	1.2
15 Encourages and respects diverse perspectives.	14	2	2	1	-	-	-	-	6.5	0.9	78	6.3	1.1	84	6.3	1.1
16 Appropriately handles sensitive situations and/or inappropriate student comments.	14	3	2	-	-	-	-	-	6.6	0.7	83	6.3	1.2	88	6.3	1.2
17 Creates and maintains a tolerant learning environment.	15	3	1	-	-	-	-	-	6.7	0.6	88	6.3	1.2	91	6.3	1.1
18 Speaks clear, understandable English. (Not applicable in foreign language sections.)	17	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	6.9	0.3	96	6.5	1.1	98	6.3	1.3
19 Overall, is an effective teacher.	16	3	-	-	-	-	-	-	6.8	0.4	94	6.1	1.3	95	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 GRADUATE STUDENT INSTRUCTOR'S TEACHING SKILLS ARE EXTREMELY IMPORTANT. PLEASE WRITE YOUR COMMENTS IN THE TEXTBOX BELOW. PLEASE LIMIT YOUR COMMENTS TO 2000 CHARACTERS.

- Probably one of the best TA's I have had for math. He knows his material and is very approachable. He has immense amounts of office hours and is always there to help his students. Very helpful TA. KEEP HIM AROUND!
- VERY GOOD TA, he is very nice, and answer our question very clearly. ALOT BETTER THAN PROFESSOR HERSELF. HE SHOULD JUST TEACH THE LECTURE.
- One of the best TAs I have ever had. Every class he would go over what the professor covered but he will explain it better.
- Soheil is a wonderful TA who has a knack for teaching. I probably learned more from his discussions than the lecture. One of the best TAs I've had
- You can really tell that he cares about what he does. I felt that he was so much better and helped ten times more than the actual professor. He would go out of his way for our class.
- Thank you very much for your help! I sincerely think that you have talent in teaching. I think you are the best teaching assistant I have ever met. Wish you good luck in your study.
- Very great TA! Always helpful! Learned a lot more from him than the actual instructor.
- Very effective TA. Does everything step by step as to not cause any confusion. He goes over everything at a steady pace and is clear on any misunderstandings. Is very helpful in understanding the current material and is concise in his explanation.
- was REALLY helpful regarding homework and always made it a point to be there for the students whenever and with whatever they needed
- Soheil was an excellent TA for Math10A. He was very knowledgeable and his explanations were very clear and simple. He used the class time very efficiently and I had the opportunity to ask him all my questions almost every single time. He was very approachable as well during his office hours and it helped me solidify my understanding of the material in the course. Overall, Soheil was a great TA that I would recommend for any course!!
- Always had problems relating to the homework and quizzes ready, should we not ask for help on any specific problems. If the discussion ended before he could finish a problem, he would e-mail us the solution. He was easy to approach and answered all of our questions, and would even go over formulas/methods from the MATH009 series should we need to use them. His explanations were easy to understand and made homework easier.
- I'm so glad you were there to address any homework questions and e-mailed us useful resources. The only thing I regret is not having taken more advantage of that. Great instructor.