



# UC RIVERSIDE - Student Evaluation of Instructor, Discussion Courses - Spring 2011

Course: MATH 009C Section: 031  
Instructor: Soheil Safii

Enrollment: 25  
Respondents: 21  
Response Rate: 84%

Enrollment: 3830  
Respondents: 3077  
Response Rate: 80%

Enrollment: 37305  
Respondents: 30140  
Response Rate: 81%

Questions	Course								Department			Campus				
	<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.	12	6	-	1	-	-	-	2	6.5	0.8	81	6.1	1.3	86	6.1	1.3
2 Is well prepared and clearly organized.	16	3	1	-	-	-	-	1	6.8	0.6	93	6.1	1.3	95	6.1	1.3
3 Thoroughly understands the subject matter.	18	2	-	-	-	-	-	1	6.9	0.3	96	6.3	1.2	97	6.2	1.2
4 Explains the relevancy of the material.	17	4	-	-	-	-	-	-	6.8	0.4	93	6.1	1.3	95	6.1	1.3
5 Clarifies lecture and readings	18	3	-	-	-	-	-	-	6.9	0.4	97	6.1	1.3	97	6.1	1.4
6 Encourages my participation through questions and/or classroom activities.	17	3	-	1	-	-	-	-	6.7	0.7	90	6.0	1.4	92	6.1	1.4
7 Creates a classroom atmosphere where I feel free to ask questions.	19	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	6.9	0.3	96	6.1	1.3	97	6.1	1.3
8 Uses language appropriate to the level of the course.	19	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	6.9	0.3	95	6.3	1.1	97	6.2	1.2
9 Gives useful feedback on assignments and exams.	16	5	-	-	-	-	-	-	6.8	0.4	93	6.0	1.4	95	6.0	1.4
10 Effectively manages the classroom environment	18	3	-	-	-	-	-	-	6.9	0.4	96	6.2	1.3	97	6.1	1.3
11 Motivates me to do my best.	15	5	1	-	-	-	-	-	6.7	0.6	94	5.9	1.5	92	5.9	1.5
12 Is accessible and helpful during office hours.	16	3	-	-	-	-	-	2	6.8	0.4	91	6.2	1.2	94	6.2	1.3
13 Is approachable - his/her demeanor encourages interaction.	19	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	6.9	0.3	96	6.2	1.3	97	6.1	1.3
14 Respects the role of each student in a diverse environment.	16	3	-	1	-	-	-	1	6.7	0.7	86	6.3	1.1	90	6.2	1.2
15 Encourages and respects diverse perspectives.	16	3	-	-	-	-	-	2	6.8	0.4	90	6.3	1.2	94	6.2	1.2
16 Appropriately handles sensitive situations and/or inappropriate student comments.	13	4	-	-	-	-	-	4	6.8	0.4	90	6.3	1.2	94	6.2	1.2
17 Creates and maintains a tolerant learning environment.	17	4	-	-	-	-	-	-	6.8	0.4	91	6.3	1.2	94	6.2	1.2
18 Speaks clear, understandable English. (Not applicable in foreign language sections.)	19	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	6.9	0.3	96	6.5	1.1	98	6.3	1.2
19 Overall, is an effective teacher.	18	3	-	-	-	-	-	-	6.9	0.4	96	6.1	1.3	97	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.

- Great TA helped a lot with my understanding of the course
- You were truly very helpful. You made things easy to understand and you were always willing to explain everything. I liked how you walked us through the steps and didn't skip a thing. Also, you have a lot of available office hours, which is great! I really enjoyed this discussion class. Thank you.
- I wish you had more input on test. You teach really well and have a different manner of answering from our teacher, that I like as well.
- Very willing and helpful during office hours. He goes out of his way to help his students and arrange extra time when needed.
- great TA
- Soheil is an outstanding teacher, and encourages everyone to come for help. In class and emails, he always encourages us to come to office hours and for us to contact him in case we need extra office hours, unlike previous teachers. Furthermore, he treats us with the most respect and makes us feel as if we were the boss. Soheil also explains the material clearly and writes everything step by step which makes the material seem easy. I would definitely recommend Soheil.
- Great TA. Very efficient with problems and helpful to all students.
- He was the best TA I've ever had, in any course. It seems like he knows the material he is teaching like the back of his hand. He answered all the questions that were asked by the students, without any problems, therefore he was extremely helpful. Also, he has so many office hrs of which we can take advantage of to get help from him. Not to mention, that he sacrifices his own time for extra office hrs in order to help students, and that is very much appreciated. Finally, he is a great teacher/instructor, I hope to have him as a TA again in the future, and if not, his future students will be lucky to have him as a TA.
- When I could not understand the material from lecture he would be able to clarify the information that I could not understand. He would prepare us for our weekly quizzes with by going over homework questions thoroughly.
- great TA, makes the learning calculus fun, the only thing i can really comment on is that he should be a bit more enthusiastic. but other than that he is a good TA
- Great TA for math. He was very helpful during discussion. Answered all my concerns and problems in math.
- He is very helpful in going over any homework problems and shows all the work to reach the solution so that everyone can understand how to solve the problem. I have no complaints, he was a wonderful TA.
- A very good TA. He clarifies the homework problems perfectly and makes an effort to make sure that all the students understand the material before taking the quizzes. Keep doing the great job.
- you are awesome!