



UC RIVERSIDE - Student Evaluation of Instructor, Discussion Courses - Spring 2012

Course: MATH 144 Section: 002
Instructor: Soheil Safii

Enrollment: 24
Respondents: 19
Response Rate: 79%

Enrollment: 3114
Respondents: 2328
Response Rate: 75%

Enrollment: 35122
Respondents: 28534
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.	16	2	1	-	-	-	-	-	6.8	0.5	96	6.1	1.3	94	6.1	1.3
2 Is well prepared and clearly organized.	17	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	6.8	0.5	93	6.1	1.3	94	6.1	1.3
3 Thoroughly understands the subject matter.	17	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	6.8	0.5	93	6.2	1.2	94	6.2	1.2
4 Explains the relevancy of the material.	16	1	1	-	-	-	-	1	6.8	0.5	93	6.1	1.3	94	6.1	1.3
5 Clarifies lecture and readings	16	2	1	-	-	-	-	-	6.8	0.5	92	6.1	1.3	94	6.1	1.4
6 Encourages my participation through questions and/or classroom activities.	16	2	1	-	-	-	-	-	6.8	0.5	96	6.0	1.4	94	6.1	1.4
7 Creates a classroom atmosphere where I feel free to ask questions.	17	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	6.8	0.5	92	6.2	1.3	94	6.1	1.3
8 Uses language appropriate to the level of the course.	17	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	6.8	0.5	91	6.3	1.1	94	6.2	1.2
9 Gives useful feedback on assignments and exams.	17	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	6.8	0.5	93	6.1	1.4	95	6.0	1.4
10 Effectively manages the classroom environment	17	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	6.8	0.5	93	6.2	1.3	94	6.1	1.3
11 Motivates me to do my best.	16	2	1	-	-	-	-	-	6.8	0.5	93	6.0	1.4	95	5.9	1.4
12 Is accessible and helpful during office hours.	17	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	6.8	0.5	91	6.2	1.2	94	6.2	1.3
13 Is approachable - his/her demeanor encourages interaction.	17	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	6.8	0.5	92	6.2	1.3	94	6.1	1.3
14 Respects the role of each student in a diverse environment.	17	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	6.8	0.5	91	6.3	1.1	94	6.2	1.2
15 Encourages and respects diverse perspectives.	17	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	6.8	0.5	90	6.3	1.1	93	6.3	1.2
16 Appropriately handles sensitive situations and/or inappropriate student comments.	17	-	1	-	-	-	-	1	6.9	0.5	95	6.3	1.1	97	6.2	1.2
17 Creates and maintains a tolerant learning environment.	17	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	6.8	0.5	91	6.3	1.1	94	6.2	1.2
18 Speaks clear, understandable English. (Not applicable in foreign language sections.)	17	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	6.8	0.5	90	6.5	1.0	95	6.3	1.3
19 Overall, is an effective teacher.	18	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	6.9	0.5	96	6.2	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 GRADUATE STUDENT INSTRUCTOR'S TEACHING SKILLS ARE EXTREMELY IMPORTANT. PLEASE WRITE YOUR COMMENTS IN THE TEXTBOX BELOW. PLEASE LIMIT YOUR COMMENTS TO 2000 CHARACTERS.

- Best T.A. I've had at UCR.
- Great TA
- Soheil was an excellent TA. He explained difficult concepts well and helped me to better understand things, usually in a way that I could follow easier than when the professor taught it. He had a lot of availability and always answered questions in a timely manner. He was just an overall good teacher and he seemed to thoroughly understand everything in this course.
- Always liked attending discussion because it was ALWAYS helpful. The feedback given on homeworks were always understandable. Thanks for all the help.
- Great TA, did a great job at explaining the homework and was extremely helpful.
- Best TA I have had yet! He is extremely helpful during both discussion and office hours. I felt bad for him because I think he made his office hours longer than they were intended to be.
- I am always pleased with the quality and caliber of math TAs at the UCR Math department. Soheil is no exception. He is a great guy who clearly loves math and is always willing to help his students. He is probably my favorite math TA. He's an asset to the math department and UCR should be lucky to have him. Plus, he's super cute.
- Was very helpful during discussion class. :)
- Soheil has been crucial to my success in Math 144. His patience towards students, knowledge in the material, and dedication to our education goes unparalleled. He has taken extra hours out of his personal time every week throughout the quarter to provide students with additional office hours. Soheil is an excellent instructor and I am grateful to have him as my TA.
- Soheil is the greatest TA ever!!! He is willing to help us out at all times, office hours or not. Great, great person and knows his stuff as well. Great TA overall, need more like him!!!!!!!!!!!!!!
- Keep up the good work, it was great having you as a TA hope we didnt cause too many head/aches though
- He was extremely helpful. He was very dedicated in helping the students and focused on the students' need. I really appreciate him.
- Man I cannot say how glad I am that you were our TA for this class. By far the best TA I have ever had at UCR. You knew what you were doing all the time. I think you could have taught this class at a different perspective than the professor and still get the same points across. You were just awesome!
- Really very helpful. He really tries to put in time to help us and make sure that we get the help we need. Also, the feedback or answers he puts on our hw for the ones we didnt really get are also very helpful.