Student IA Evaluation for Sung Lee
Department of Mathematics

MATH 20B - Calculus/Science & Engineering (Buskin, Nikolay)
Fall 2016

Number of Evaluations Submitted: 70
Number of Students Enrolled: 272

1. The Instructional Assistant was well organized and prepared for class.

29 (41.4%): Strongly Agree
31 (44.3%): Agree
8 (11.4%): Neither Agree Nor Disagree
2 (2.9%): Disagree
0 (0.0%): Strongly Disagree
0 (0.0%): Not Applicable

2. The Instructional Assistant presented course material clearly and answered questions accurately in class.

29 (41.4%): Strongly Agree
31 (44.3%): Agree
7 (10.0%): Neither Agree Nor Disagree
2 (2.9%): Disagree
1 (1.4%): Strongly Disagree
0 (0.0%): Not Applicable

3. The Instructional Assistant encouraged students to ask questions and participate in class/section.

28 (40.0%): Strongly Agree
31 (44.3%): Agree
7 (10.0%): Neither Agree Nor Disagree
3 (4.3%): Disagree
0 (0.0%): Strongly Disagree
1 (1.4%): Not Applicable
4. The Instructional Assistant interacted well with students and treated them with respect and courtesy.

41 (58.6%): Strongly Agree
27 (38.6%): Agree
2 (2.9%): Neither Agree Nor Disagree
0 (0.0%): Disagree
0 (0.0%): Strongly Disagree
0 (0.0%): Not Applicable

5. The Instructional Assistant did not just provide answers, but taught students how to solve problems.

31 (44.3%): Strongly Agree
28 (40.0%): Agree
10 (14.3%): Neither Agree Nor Disagree
1 (1.4%): Disagree
0 (0.0%): Strongly Disagree
0 (0.0%): Not Applicable

6. The section was useful and helped with the rest of the course.

29 (41.4%): Strongly Agree
29 (41.4%): Agree
6 (8.6%): Neither Agree Nor Disagree
6 (8.6%): Disagree
0 (0.0%): Strongly Disagree
0 (0.0%): Not Applicable

7. The sections were interesting and enjoyable.

19 (27.1%): Strongly Agree
26 (37.1%): Agree
18 (25.7%): Neither Agree Nor Disagree
6 (8.6%): Disagree
0 (0.0%): Strongly Disagree
1 (1.4%): Not Applicable

8. I would recommend this Instructional Assistant to other students.

27 (38.6%): Strongly Agree
31 (44.3%): Agree
10 (14.3%): Neither Agree Nor Disagree
2 (2.9%): Disagree
0 (0.0%): Strongly Disagree
9. Do you have any other comments to add to your evaluation?

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- A lot of the times, he would explain how to do the problem and would walk us through it but would oftentimes not finish it completely. I understand that he could have wanted us to solve the rest on our own, but most of the time I did not know how to do so, which was confusing. Overall, section did help after the lectures because every lecture was completely confusing and I felt lost afterwards, which was not the TA's fault but the professor. Please get rid of the professor. Please.

- Cool and funny guy. Knows his math (despite him saying he hates integration). Answers any and all questions. Honest about his skills.

- funny

- He is a nice person, it's not his fault that I don't like the discussion. I generally don't like the discussions from math department. I would say he is a solid TA, just not in a very solid discussion.

- He really helped clarify the course material. It was also nice that he made jokes to keep the class engaged

- He was always nice to people in and out of section and always strove to be as helpful as possible. He always kept us up to date on our assignments and how far the TAs were in grading midterms. He knew all the info very thoroughly and taught the material and reviewed student questions in a highly effective manner. Overall he was my absolute favorite TA this quarter.

- He was better prepared and had more knowledge than the Professor.

- He was extremely approachable and always helped lead us in the right direction without just giving us the answer.

- He was super funny during the discussion. He made the environment lighter for a very intense class. He was able to relate to the students a lot and was very honest on the work that he has done.

- I think it was more helpful to have backup questions (commonly asked for questions) to fall back on when the class didn't have any questions

- In the section, we went over homework problems the day after they were assigned. In reality, students do not have the time to start their homework that quickly, and thus section was almost useless. Instead of asking questions about homework, math TAs should go over what has been done in lecture in the past week, and sort of outline all the methods learned and how/why they are effective. The TA was also a little hard to understand.

- John is extremely nice and approachable!

- John was always prepared to explain a problem thoroughly. Sometimes he didn't know the answer, but would always find a way to guide toward the answer. The discussion sections seemed too short at times especially because of the complex material.

- Jonn was a nice TA, and was willing to answer any questions that students had from the homework. However, he was not the best at explaining concepts, which was unfortunate seeing that Professor Buskin did not explain concepts well either. Overall, I would say John did an adequate job at helping students with homework problems, but he was only really helpful if the student knew the concepts involved in the homework beforehand (which proved difficult seeing as neither he nor the professor did this at all).
My math TA is truly nice person. He is skillful and helpful, and kindly answers to all the questions. I strongly recommend him.

No, overall he was a fine TA.

Nope

Nope!

Satisfactory

Sung Lee (John) was a great TA who always wanted the best for his students. He always helped us with homework problems or concepts we were confused about.

The TA is very good with explaining the material. Most of the time, I learned from the TA rather than the professor himself because he is more connected with the students and be able to make the material easier to understand. The TA is very polite and very helpful during office hour.

This TA was extremely helpful. The professor for this class was difficult to understand, for me personally. He made everything easier to understand. Thank you for always answering our questions thoroughly, John!

Very clear in explanation. He did a better job teaching and presenting the content learned in class than the actual professor. He made the course more simple than what the professor made it to be, as in difficult.

Very responsible and interesting TA! Strongly recommend him as a TA!

While there is a minor communication barrier, sung lee is very earnest and friendly towards students.

Without the help from John/Sung Lee, the course would have been harder. Extremely helpful and friendly when you require help. Office hours may be hard for some to attend. For discussions, he helps with homework questions people have trouble doing on the chalk board, going step by step into how to solve them.

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