



COURSE EVALUATIONS

Brief Responses for MATH888010 for 2021 Spr (2213) - Instructor Cioaba, Sebastian Marian

Brief Responses		Total = Responded / Enrolled	
QID	Question	Response Statistics	
1439	Was the instructor well prepared for class meetings?	Never 1 2 3 4 5 Poor Excellent	Always Total: 6 / 7 Mean: 4.67 Std Dev: 0.52
15814	Please rate the instructor's ability to communicate clearly.	1 2 3 4 5 Poor Excellent	 Total: 6 / 7 Mean: 4.5 Std Dev: 0.55
15815	Please rate the instructor's ability to write legibly on board/slides.	1 2 3 4 5 Poor Excellent	 Total: 6 / 7 Mean: 4.17 Std Dev: 0.98
15816	Please rate the instructor's ability to explain ideas and techniques.	1 2 3 4 5 Poor Excellent	 Total: 6 / 7 Mean: 4.33 Std Dev: 0.82
1443	During the scheduled office hours, was the instructor at the scheduled place for the scheduled period of time?	Never 1 2 3 4 5	Always Total: 6 / 7 Mean: 4.67 Std Dev: 0.52
1444	Was the instructor available at other times e.g. by appointment?	Never 1 2 3 4 5	Always Total: 6 / 7 Mean: 4.5 Std Dev: 0.55
1445	Were rules, grading policies and other requirements explained carefully at the beginning of the course?	Yes No Total responded/enrolled:	 100% 0% 6 / 7
1446	To date has the instructor been following his/her announced rules and grading policies?	Never 1 2 3 4 5	Always Total: 6 / 7 Mean: 4.67 Std Dev: 0.52
15817	Overall, I rate this INSTRUCTOR as a teacher:	Poor 1 2 3 4 5 Excellent	 Total: 6 / 7 Mean: 4.67 Std Dev: 0.52



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Question ID: 1117

Additional Comments:

Responses (3 of 7)

While the ideas discussed aren't always the most intuitive and the assignments very difficult, the professor makes a great effort to talk students through ideas behind the problems so they develop an understanding.

I think Dr. Cioaba is an excellent teacher; I took MATH688 with him previously, and enjoyed this course even more. I greatly appreciated the help on proof sets, as he was always willing to give hints to the general direction we should take with problems we were struggling with. His explanations to any questions I had were always clear, and quite helpful. The only comment I really have is about the speed of his handwriting- I wasn't always able to keep up with how quickly he wrote, and so every once and a while I had to leave off material. That could be on me, as it may be that I needed to learn how to filter what should be written better than I have been.

Dr. Cioaba was a great teacher. He did a good job of covering a range of material throughout the course and always made additional papers and resources available to us if we wanted to learn more. I especially appreciate the variety of topics we saw, and I believe it was helpful in finding what I am interested in. During lecture, drawing pictures and using small graphs to demonstrate a larger idea throughout a proof was a great way to help me follow along. Additionally, color-coding throughout proofs and examples made a positive difference.



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1447	Given the class size, did the instructor return written work/exams in a reasonable time?	Never				Always	Total: 6 / 7 Mean: 3.33 Std Dev: 1.03	
			1	2	3	4		5
1448	In general, rate the class meetings for this course.	Poor				Good	Total: 6 / 7 Mean: 4.5 Std Dev: 0.84	
			1	2	3	4		5
1449	Rate the textbook for the course.	Poor				Good	Total: 6 / 7 Mean: 4.17 Std Dev: 0.98	
			1	2	3	4		5
1450	If the instructor prepared additional material and/or gave extra help sessions for the course, please assess their value to you.	Poor				Good	Total: 5 / 7 Mean: 5 Std Dev: 0.00	
			1	2	3	4		5
1451	Indicate your anticipated grade in this course.	A or B						66.7%
		B or C						33.3%
		C or D						0%
		D or F						0%
		Total responded/enrolled:						6 / 7
17152	I am confident in my math ability.	Strongly Disagree				Strongly Agree	Total: 6 / 7 Mean: 4.17 Std Dev: 0.75	
			1	2	3	4		5
17153	I enjoy doing math.	Strongly Disagree				Strongly Agree	Total: 6 / 7 Mean: 4.67 Std Dev: 0.52	
			1	2	3	4		5
18307	How many hours on average per week did you work on the course material outside the class ?	>14 hours						16.7%
		7-14 hours						83.3%
		4-7 hours						0%
		1-3 hours						0%
		<1 hours						0%
		Total responded/enrolled:						6 / 7



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Question ID: 22276

What were the best aspects of the online format?

Responses (5 of 7)

Having the lectures posted and available to access later on was very helpful. I also appreciated that Sebi wrote on the slides as he went so that it was not too fast and we could follow along and take notes.

The wealth of additional material Dr. Cioaba was able to share with students on the Google Drive was really nice, and I'm not sure if it would be the same if we were in person.

Being able to rewatch lectures

Everything was recorded.

The ability to re-watch previous lectures and use multiple colors while writing on a tablet to differentiate objects.



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What aspects of the online format most needed improvement?

Responses (4 of 7)

Sometimes there were important proofs/ideas that were spoken that would be helpful to have written down, especially if we look back at the posted notes later on.

I have no suggestions for improvement.

The pacing is too fast.

None.



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Question ID: 18309

What advice would you give the students that will take this course next semester ?

Responses (5 of 7)

Take advantage of the course materials in the google drive. Those are helpful in learning more about the material and proof techniques since the course covers a wide variety of topics and we don't always get a ton of time to delve into some of the topics.

Be prepared to work; the subject matter is varied and the "tricks" behind the problems are numerous.

As you might expect, this course requires a lot of work; I certainly wouldn't say that I have a complete and total mastery of everything we covered, even after spending a lot of time on the course, but that is on me and not the instructor or the structure of the course itself. However, if you put in the work I think you will certainly find it to be quite rewarding.

Start on it immediately

I had trouble with various homework questions throughout the course, but did not feel like I could ask about them before the homework was due. I should have asked for help instead of leaving questions blank.