



## UC RIVERSIDE - Student Comments of Instructor, Discussion Courses - Spring 2023

Course: MATH 010A Section: 002 - CALCULUS:SEVERAL  
VARIABLES

Instructor: Chris Grossack

**Question # 18:** 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.

- Very unreliable and very unorganized. We had a sub half the classes and when there they were always late and went over the time. Was good at explaining the math but only when they were here at as a result the quiz were harder cause we never went over them.
- Chris is open to questions and gives adequate explanations of examples. They explain it better than the professor.
- They were a great TA when they were there however they were frequently absent resulting in substitutes being there more often than not.
- I saw the TA like 4 or 5 times throughout the quarter. When I did see them however, they taught and helped accordingly.
- He made sure everything that was confusing in lecture would make more sense.
- Most of the material I learned from lectures did not relate to homework assignments, and we do not really do anything in discussions besides take quizzes. Additionally, most of the class meetings had substitutes because this instructor was unable to make it to class. I gradually became more demotivated to attend class as it was pretty much unproductive and meaningless as everything was always rushed just to get the job done. I understand the meetings are only once a week for 50 minutes long however, I previously had other discussions that were way more informative and helpful compared to this. MATH 010A has been one of the worst learning experiences for me, and to make things worse, it is primarily my major, Mathematics. I simply do not understand most of the material taught and I pretty much have nobody to help me with this.
- I never went to class so IDK
- Overall when TA was in class, their demeanor was great and it was a pleasure to have met the TA, but TA was out of class so many times that it is difficult to evaluate. Giving useful feedback on assignments is very low since it was difficult to contact TA out of class.
- When the instructor was available during discussion the overall explanations given were generally helpful for approaching the content required of students.
- Would be absent from discussion most of the time, but when they did attend, they taught and explained things well. However, the other TA seemed more available and accessible outside of discussion (ie responding to emails) than this TA.