



UC RIVERSIDE - Student Comments of Instructor, Discussion Courses - Fall 2024

Course: MATH 009A Section: 012 - FIRST-YEAR CALCULUS
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.

- She's an excellent instructor, she helps simplify concepts and answers questions effectively. She just needs to put what her contact info is on Canvas more so students can reach out to her.
- I truly thought I was gonna fail the class when I finished my first week of lecture, but that was until I had attended discussion where I met Chris. Chris is such a remarkable teacher, he took his job as a TA so passionately. When attending lecture wasn't enough because I couldn't understand what my professor was teaching, I would show up to my discussion and Chris just knew how to sum up a weeks worth of material, into a piece of cake. He always encouraged us to ask questions about the lesson and would provide step by step explanations with his own personal examples to which helped me succeed on the quizzes and exams as I'd go back to those notes when studying. Moreover, his office hours are very accessible seeing as how flexible he is with creating times that worked for both our schedules, if I needed additional help. At these office hours, he answered each question with such patience, and for somebody who struggles understanding math rapidly, Chris was able to adapt to my way of learning until eventually I understood it and was able to succeed in time for the exam. He truly deserves to be recognized and I hope I get lucky enough to have him again for future Math courses.
- Was extremely helpful, their learning style was very easy to understand. They had a very great understanding on the concepts being taught. I was able to learn better in Chris's discussion.
- Great at explaining complicated topics through simplified examples. Effectively covers course material and fills any gaps the professor leaves.
- Chris is an amazing TA. They were great at explaining all concepts and our questions. They also were great at going over the test and making sure we all understood and were ready to take the test.
- Chris Grossack was an amazing TA and really helped when it came down to learning the material. Breaking down homework problems made everything seem very manageable and was extremely beneficial to my learning of the material.
- Chris was a great TA to have for discussion. Always open to answer any questions I had at the end of class. Clearly a master in the math field. Overall, a great TA to have and very helpful.
- Beneficial and understandable explanation of the topics. I went to all the discussion sessions, and it was very helpful in understanding the concepts.