

Course evaluations Fall 2022

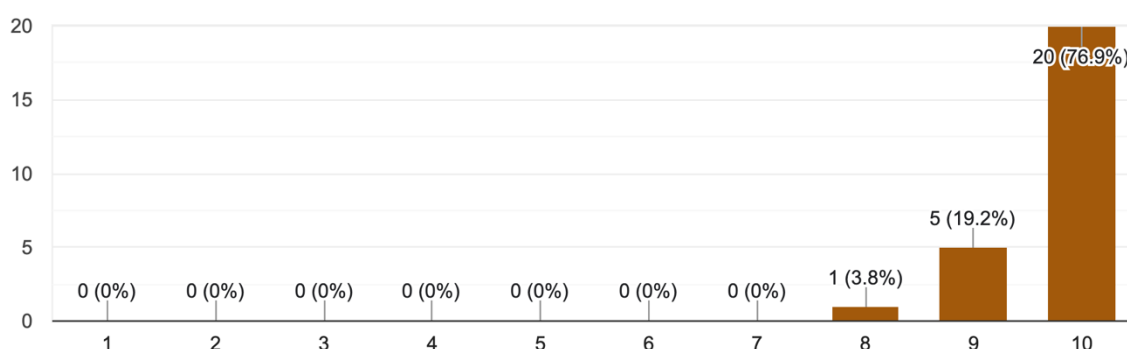
Econ 140 – Undergraduate (Applied) Econometrics

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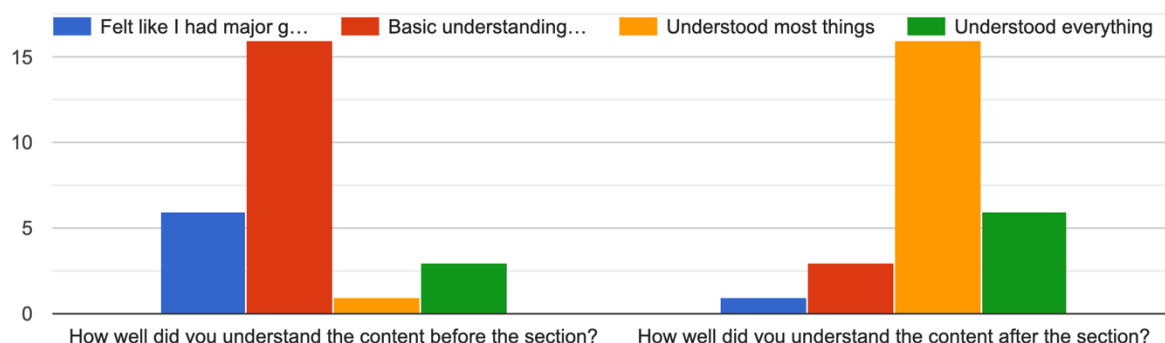
Rate the section overall, from 1 (worst possible) to 10 (best possible)

(Mean=9.73)

26 responses



Contribution of section to learning:



Share “Strongly agreeing” (options: Strongly disagree – disagree – neutral – agree – strongly agree) to:

Jonathan was an effective GSI: 25/26

Jonathan was a clear and effective presenter: 22/26

Jonathan was helpful in preparation for exams: 26/26

Jonathan made the content interesting/less boring: 24/26

Jonathan sparked additional interest in Econometrics: 21/26

Jonathan provided useful material: 24/26

Jonathan was approachable, available and helpful: 26/26

Jonathan provided prompt and helpful feedback to PSets and project work: 22/26

Jonathan respected all students independent of their background: 26/26

Highlights

- The slides for every section were very helpful and the Jupyter notebooks really showed how you went above and beyond with this section. I also really enjoyed the collaborative aspect which enabled me to meet new friends and learn from my peers.
- [The most helpful thing about the section was] The relaxed setting. Jonathan's in-depth understanding of the material and ability to explain.
- Jonathan was an extremely helpful GSI, probably the best I've had at UC Berkeley. He provided additional context to class material and helped me understand concepts that I was unclear on. His use of examples in class made relatively complex topics much more simple and intuitive.
- [The most helpful thing about the section was] Jonathan's ability to engage us and collectively as a class come up with examples for the different subjects in econometrics, even if a bit goofy.
- The slides are very effective in explaining concepts clearly and thoroughly. Group work is helpful since it forces you to pay attention and contribute to the lesson.
- You're the best GSI! So helpful, I look forward to section. Super patient
- This is the first section in my entire time at Cal where I've felt compelled to show up and participate. Thank you for creating a fantastic learning environment, this is my favorite section I've had in my time at Cal!
- Sections were extremely useful, my thanks to Jonathan
- I think we as a discussion section got lucky in having such an intelligent instructor with the ability to teach.
- I really love your section Jonathan! You are incredibly calm when you present topics, speak slowly, and make sure to answer every single person's questions, attending your section is sort of peaceful for me.
- You are very good at explaining topics and you take your time to think and process the question before you answer. I have really enjoyed your section this semester so far (I'm not even really in your section, I just come because you are so well spoken and passionate about teaching the topics).
- Jonathan is very effective in terms of how he teaches and explains material and is always open to answering questions in and outside of office hours. He also made sure to stay on for some extra time before an exam to finish answering all of our questions. This was so genuinely kind and helpful. He's the best.

Suggestions for improvement

- Would be nice to ensure that all of the slides are uploaded before the section!
- More guidance and exposure to collecting data and setting up for the short term project and how to make it more dynamic.
- Sometimes you challenge us harder than what [Professor] does (which I guess in the long run, is a good thing). But for example, after your midterm review section, I was pretty nervous because I left your section feeling like I knew nothing. However the exam was much easier than I was expecting and I performed well. So maybe when you have review sections, tailor them more towards how [Professor] will be testing us? But also I see why it's a good thing to be over-prepared for the exams rather than under prepared.
- [I would prefer] Less activity and more pseudo-lecturing.