

Instructor: **Socha, Katherine**
Subject: **CS**
Catalog & Section: **5002 01**
Course ID: **36884**
Objectives:

Enrollment: **8**
Responses Incl Declines: **6**
Declines: **0**

Instructor Related Questions: Katherine Socha (12 comments)

Q: What were the strengths of this course and/or this instructor?

- 1 Professor Socha did an exceptional job at explaining very difficult discrete math concepts, apply them to computer science, and walk us through the process step by step. I thought that Professor Socha's patience and thoroughness for each topic helped me to improve and succeed in the course
- 2 There were diverse resources given to us, which is helpful for those who thrive with different learning styles. It was largely beneficial for me to be able to access more than one verified source of text for learning. One-on-one time with the professor was valuable as she is enthusiastic and determined to tailor to student's individual needs.
- 3 Promoted group work and interacting with fellow classmates.
- 4 Professor Socha explains math concepts without being boring, and it's fun to learn discrete structure in this way.

Q: What could the instructor do to make this course better?

- 1 I think that sometimes we would spend too much time on topics that were ultimately not covered extensively on tests and quizzes. Although these topics are important and necessary for discrete math, I would have liked to focus more heavily on concepts that were stressed upon in tests and quizzes.
- 2 I think being given the in-classroom worksheets prior to class and coming to class with it done to maximize classroom lecture time would have been beneficial. It would consume less of an ambiguous amount of time and allow more time to verify understanding of the material.

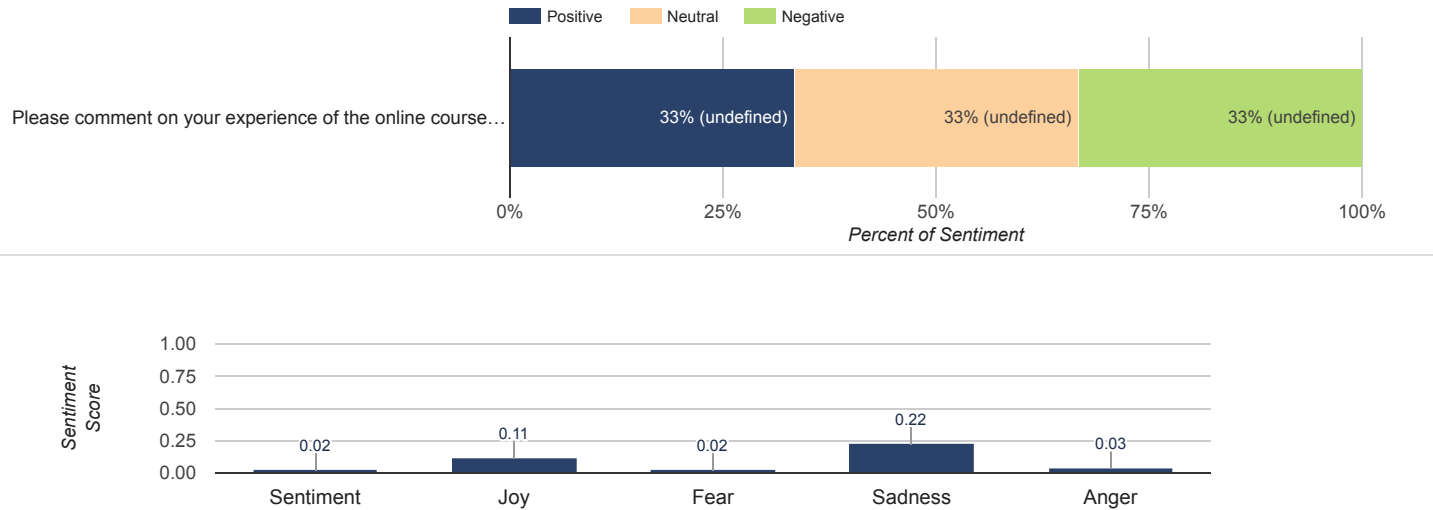
Perhaps going over common homework errors may be helpful as well.
- 3 Exercises helped engagement with the class however it felt like there was too much time given to do certain exercises.
- 4 Sometimes the problems in homework are a little repetitive and tedious.
- 5 The class time can be better distributed. Rather than having us do the problems in a chunk of time (which is often too much), perhaps coming up with some other more effective activities.

Q: Please expand on the instructor's strengths and/or areas for improvement in facilitating inclusive learning.

- 1 I think Professor Socha does a very good job at teaching and helping us understand discrete math. The amount of tips, formula tricks, and advice that she gave to us was very helpful. This made hard topics manageable and achievable as a student. Additionally, outside of class Professor Socha was exceptional with office hours and providing help to us for our homework assignments.
- 2 Although the material is difficult, the professor was effective in translating the material appropriately for an audience without a tech/mathematics heavy background, and was always reassuring to students with concerns about keeping up with the material of the class.
- 3 Very understanding and supportive professor. Really is enthusiastic about the material.

Questions to Assess Students' Online Experience (3 comments)

Q: Please comment on your experience of the online course environment in the open-ended text box.



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- 1

the module videos explaining discrete math concepts helped me understand how to tackle and understand those problems. ★★★★★
- 2

n/a ★★★★★
- 3

There were some tech issues such as volumes being too low and sometimes mic input being inaudible. ★☆☆☆☆

Student Self-Assessment of their Effort to Achieve Course Outcomes (3 comments)

Q: What I could have done to make this course better for myself.

- 1

I think that being out of college for a couple years before the algin program came back to hurt me from a studying point of view. Getting back into the swing of school and learning new concepts was challenging for me initially. Luckily I was able to improve upon this as the semester progressed.
- 2

More math prep before the beginning of the course.
- 3

I could have definitely reviewed over the material in the curriculum to help myself have a stronger understanding of the course.