

Instructor: **Hoshino, Richard**Subject: **CS**Catalog & Section: **5002 08**Course ID: **21215**

Objectives:

Enrollment: **24**Responses Incl Declines: **19**Declines: **0**

Instructor Related Questions: Richard Hoshino (27 comments)

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

- 1 The content of this course is very suitable for beginners, and the instructor is very patient and well prepared.
- 2 I wholeheartedly wish to say that I find Professor Hoshino a highly respectable, informed instructor and a genuinely pleasant person who has not only a resourceful academic knowledge base but also a great sense of humour. It was a great great pleasure for me to have the chance to be his student and I genuinely hope that one day I will have the chance to be in his class again. I am truthfully grateful for what I have learned and received from this journey, most of it was totally beyond my expectations. Many thanks to NEU faculties and of course especially to my Instructor Richard Hoshino.
- 3 Richard is doing a really good job in leading every one in the class to think and solve the problem with their own thoughts but also provide really good support.
- 4 To me, Richard is an exceptional teacher any beginner into CS could have. He is super passionate about the subject and the students. He had done so many things beyond required scope to serve students. His lectures are fun and easy to understand, and tightly-linked to other classes taken.
- 5 This professor displayed enthusiasm for the course. The professor showed me the great effort they put into helping students learn. This included actively adjusting the course content to align with the learning in 5001. As a result, when we were studying a particular topic in 5001, we found that we had already covered it in 5002. This greatly aided my learning in computer science.
- 6 Richard is the strength of the course.
- 7 very passionate about teaching and knowledgeable.
- 8 very enthusiastic and patient
- 9 Richard presented class material really clearly and well structured
- 10 Richard is very organized, very passionate about the subject matter, and clear in his communication. It is also apparent that Richard makes an effort to make the class fun and engaging.
- 11 Richard is the best Math teacher in the whole world! No more Mic drops or Oops I did it agains! How can we survive without his teaching. He used lots of anecdotes to help us understand very challenging concepts in computer science.

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

- 1 Maybe make the homework a little easier.
- 2 Everything went perfectly in my opinion and I have nothing to complain about.
- 3 For me, this course is already very good.
- 4 Richard is a wonderful teacher. He has infinite passion in math. He made me realize the beautiful of math.
- 5 express why there are restricted online resources to students in more effective way e.g. promote problem solving for future endeavours like jobs
- 6 the way to make groups could be better
- 7 1. Maybe use class time more efficiently by not spending last 20 minutes talking about core materials and homework related questions
2. Maybe free-riders should not get same points as other normal students
- 8 The class is already great as is!

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

- 1 I think Richard is quite good!!!! I like him.
- 2 Please forgive my outlandishness but I do not even quite understand "facilitating inclusive learning"? Might be something coined and popularized by the almighty North Americans? Surely I will come up with a better answer next term after – numerically speaking – 7 month-ish of tuning into the local culture. Generally I recall not any psychologically, physically or even intellectually disadvantaged peers and I feel quite confident to say that we are quite alright after the first term, because Richard is great and many thanks to him!
- 3 Teachers who can truly inspire and unlock students' potential are rare gems

I have been fortunate to encounter such an exceptional teacher in my academic journey. He was not only a mentor who imparted knowledge but also one who exemplified what a passionate educator should be.

His classroom always brimmed with a unique vitality and enthusiasm. In each lesson, he transformed dry theories into engaging and lively learning experiences with his infectious explanations. His profound understanding and love for the subject were vividly expressed in his classes. Each teaching case he selected was not only closely related to the course content but also practical, making complex concepts easily comprehensible.

What impressed me most was his care and understanding for students. He had an innate ability to perceive students' needs, timely adjusting his teaching methods to ensure everyone could keep up with the course pace. He encouraged active thinking and questioning, adopting a tolerant and open approach to our mistakes. For me, this was reflected in his grading system; he set a minimum score for each assignment, ensuring that students could focus on learning without the fear of grades, even if personal circumstances hindered their ability to excel in assignments. His teaching style not only imparted knowledge but also ignited a curiosity and eagerness to explore.

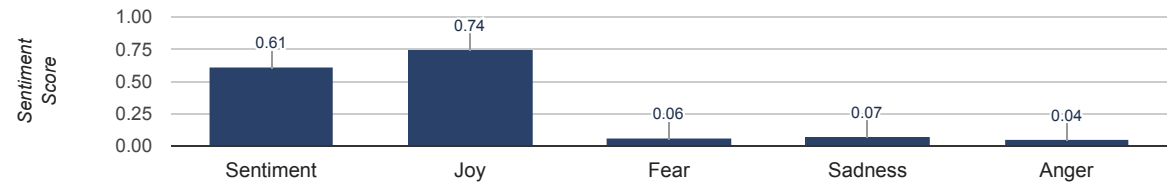
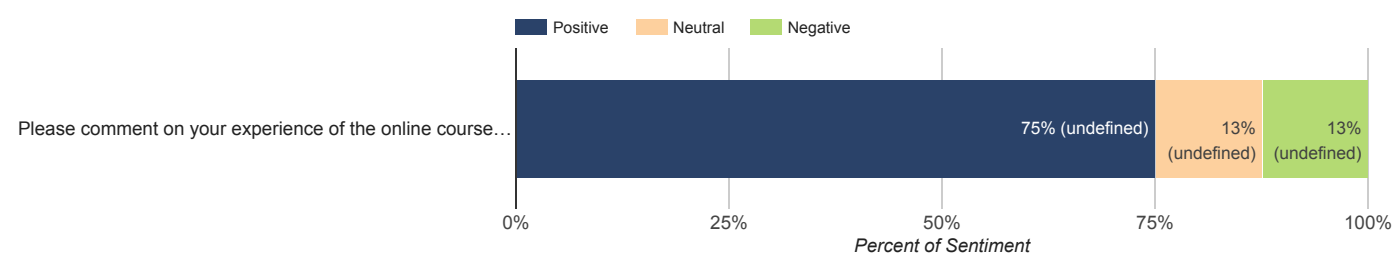
Moreover, his course design thoughtfully considered diversity and inclusivity. In his classroom, every student felt respected and valued. He frequently organized group discussions and collaborative learning activities, encouraging students to share their unique perspectives and experiences, thereby enhancing communication and understanding among students.
- 4 In each class, Richard will show a lot of interesting things related math to us. And we will do some little games in class. It is funny and I really enjoy it.
- 5 very passionate and promotes problem solving which is amazing

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

- 6 NA
- 7 Richard’s decision to not emphasize grades and evaluations was critical in creating an environment where I can truly focus on learning. His open approach also makes the classroom a more inclusive environment. For example, he does not require that all students present live to an audience if they are not comfortable with public speaking.
- 8 Even though there are many CS 5002 sessions on the same day he has to teach, Richard explains the concepts in such a passion and enthusiasm each time that it is impossible not to participate and share the curiosity with him.

Questions to Assess Students’ Online Experience (8 comments)

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



- 1 It seems that the online instructor’s teaching materials are not well organized, always making me felt confused. I hope he can use PPT or more effiecient and clear way to teach us in the future. ★★☆☆☆
- 2 Overall, I had good experience with this online learning environment, I find all the videos to be fairly informative, engaging and most of all not too lengthy to be felt somewhat intimidating. If there is one thing and one thing only that in my humble opinion could be slightly improved is that, sometimes I do find Professor Brodley’s videos to be somewhat inconsistent and quite challenging to comprehend. But at the same time I do understand the complex and demanding nature of CS5002, so, in general, I think all is good. ★★★★★
- 3 Ben's video could need some improvements ★★★★★
- 4 The course is simple and easy to follow, with detailed explanations. Overall, although it can be a bit long, it’s always good to give students more details. Because students are free to skip those parts they already understand. ★★★★★
- 5 There have duplicate content in the video and it will be better if the handwriting can be clear and clean. ★★★★★
- 6 it was great. offered a lot of online teaching sessions ★★★★★
- 7 good ★★★★★
- 8 Richard has the same ehtusiasm for teaching on Zoom classes as well as the in person lectures. I had excellent experience. ★★★★★

Student Self-Assessment of their Effort to Achieve Course Outcomes (4 comments)

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

- 1 Maybe I can be more efficient on the homework each week.
- 2 Make the same choice again to be in Richard’s sections.
- 3 I am bad at math so I should spend more time on it.
- 4 NA