

Columbia University: School of Engineering

Spring 2022 SEAS Final Evaluation

Course: COMSW4995_014_2022_1 - TOPICS IN COMPUTER SCIENCE
Instructor: Yongwhan Lim *
TA: Brian Paick,Akhil Ravipati
Response Rate: 24/52 (46.15 %)

1 - Course: Amount Learned

Response Option	Weight	Frequency	Percent	Percent Responses	Means			
Poor	(1)	0	0.00%					
Fair	(2)	0	0.00%					
Good	(3)	4	16.67%					
Very Good	(4)	6	25.00%					
Excellent	(5)	14	58.33%					
				0 25 50 100	Question			
Response Rate				Mean	STD		Median	
24/52 (46.15%)				4.42	0.78		5.00	

2 - Course: Appropriateness of Workload

Response Option	Weight	Frequency	Percent	Percent Responses	Means			
Poor	(1)	0	0.00%					
Fair	(2)	1	4.17%					
Good	(3)	3	12.50%					
Very Good	(4)	4	16.67%					
Excellent	(5)	16	66.67%					
				0 25 50 100	Question			
Response Rate				Mean	STD		Median	
24/52 (46.15%)				4.46	0.88		5.00	

3 - Course: Fairness of Grading Process

Response Option	Weight	Frequency	Percent	Percent Responses	Means			
Poor	(1)	0	0.00%					
Fair	(2)	1	4.17%					
Good	(3)	1	4.17%					
Very Good	(4)	4	16.67%					
Excellent	(5)	18	75.00%					
				0 25 50 100	Question			
Response Rate				Mean	STD		Median	
24/52 (46.15%)				4.63	0.77		5.00	

4 - Course: Overall Quality

Response Option	Weight	Frequency	Percent	Percent Responses	Means			
Poor	(1)	0	0.00%					
Fair	(2)	0	0.00%					
Good	(3)	2	8.33%					
Very Good	(4)	3	12.50%					
Excellent	(5)	19	79.17%					
				0 25 50 100	Question			
Response Rate				Mean	STD		Median	
24/52 (46.15%)				4.71	0.62		5.00	

5 - Enter any additional comments here

Response Rate 3/52 (5.77%)

- An excellent class that helped me land an internship for the summer
- The department should have opened this course long ago. I was fortunate enough to take this course before graduation. This course helped me get an offer from a FAANG company. The most helpful class I have taken at Columbia University so far.
- The course is an essential for our CS students looking for a job in industry, it properly prepares everyone for interviews and success in them.

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6 - Instructor: Organization and Preparation

Yongwhan Lim

Response Option	Weight	Frequency	Percent	Percent Responses	Means			
Poor	(1)	0	0.00%					
Fair	(2)	0	0.00%					
Good	(3)	0	0.00%					
Very Good	(4)	5	20.83%					
Excellent	(5)	19	79.17%					
				0 25 50 100	Instructor			
Response Rate				Mean		STD		Median
24/52 (46.15%)				4.79		0.41		5.00

7 - Instructor: Classroom Delivery

Yongwhan Lim

Response Option	Weight	Frequency	Percent	Percent Responses	Means			
Poor	(1)	0	0.00%					
Fair	(2)	1	4.17%					
Good	(3)	2	8.33%					
Very Good	(4)	6	25.00%					
Excellent	(5)	15	62.50%					
				0 25 50 100	Instructor			
Response Rate				Mean		STD		Median
24/52 (46.15%)				4.46		0.83		5.00

8 - Instructor: Approachability

Yongwhan Lim

Response Option	Weight	Frequency	Percent	Percent Responses	Means			
Poor	(1)	0	0.00%					
Fair	(2)	0	0.00%					
Good	(3)	1	4.17%					
Very Good	(4)	1	4.17%					
Excellent	(5)	22	91.67%					
				0 25 50 100	Instructor			
Response Rate				Mean		STD		Median
24/52 (46.15%)				4.88		0.45		5.00

9 - Instructor: Overall Quality

Yongwhan Lim

Response Option	Weight	Frequency	Percent	Percent Responses	Means			
Poor	(1)	0	0.00%					
Fair	(2)	0	0.00%					
Good	(3)	0	0.00%					
Very Good	(4)	3	12.50%					
Excellent	(5)	21	87.50%					
				0 25 50 100	Instructor			
Response Rate				Mean		STD		Median
24/52 (46.15%)				4.88		0.34		5.00




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10 - Would you nominate this professor for the SEAS Distinguished Faculty Award?

Yongwhan Lim

Response Option	Weight	Frequency	Percent	Percent Responses	Means			
Yes	(1)	19	90.48%					
No	(2)	2	9.52%					
				0 25 50 100	Instructor			
Response Rate				Mean	STD	Median		
21/52 (40.38%)				1.10	0.30	1.00		





11 - If so, please explain why

Yongwhan Lim

Response Rate	14/52 (26.92%)
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Yongwhan has always been very approachable, friendly, and helpful. • The professor is really knowledgeable in the area he is teaching. • The professor takes his own time out to help me prepare my resume and practiced mock interviews with me multiple times. Because of his help, I was well-prepared for the interview. In the end, I received a summer internship offer from Apple. His class taught me a lot of things about data structure and algorithms. It focuses a lot on the application instead of theory. I ended up using the knowledge from the class in my projects and interview preparation a lot. It is way more useful than theory class to me. • Professor Lim himself works at Google, is familiar with the interview process of large companies, and has first-class problem-solving skills for algorithms. Professors also value student feedback and continually adjust course content to help students achieve maximum benefit. • This has been my third year at Columbia however Professor Lim has been the first professor in SEAS that seems like they really care about the well-being of their students. He is very eager to see us succeed inside and outside the classroom and is always making sure that we are okay as students. When I was struggling with the course, he went out of his way to make sure that I could perform better and taught me a lot along the way. He also challenged us to do and be better but also made sure that it wasn't demoralizing. • Learned a lot from him! • Prof. Lim is very nice and patient. He gave me a lot of help during my learning journey. • He is so helpful and spent a lot of time on helping students. • He really cares about students success in and out of the classroom and is in a constant state of trying to improve his course and delivery, and takes all suggestions seriously. • He is a beast! • The most responsible professor ever. So nice and patient, and willing to stand at the students' perspective. I highly recommend his courses. • Very helpful and knowledgeable. • The nicest professor I've ever met. He cares a lot about his student. He listens opinions of his students and improve his course. • He prepared us with the most useful skills for tech interview and provide us insights as a instructor with industry experience, also like a friend to us, 	

12 - Overall Quality

Akhil Ravipati

Response Option	Weight	Frequency	Percent	Percent Responses	Means			
Poor	(1)	0	0.00%					
Fair	(2)	0	0.00%					
Good	(3)	1	6.67%					
Very Good	(4)	4	26.67%					
Excellent	(5)	10	66.67%					
				0 25 50 100	TA			
Response Rate				Mean	STD	Median		
15/52 (28.85%)				4.60	0.63	5.00		

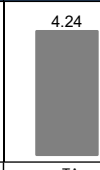
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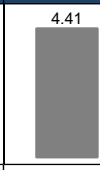
12 - Overall Quality

Brian Paick

Response Option	Weight	Frequency	Percent	Percent Responses	Means			
Poor	(1)	0	0.00%					
Fair	(2)	0	0.00%					
Good	(3)	4	23.53%	■				
Very Good	(4)	5	29.41%	■				
Excellent	(5)	8	47.06%	■				
				0 25 50 100	TA			
Response Rate				Mean		STD		Median
17/52 (32.69%)				4.24		0.83		4.00

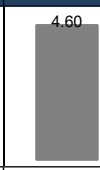
12 - Overall Quality

Akhil Ravipati, Brian Paick

Response Option	Weight	Frequency	Percent	Percent Responses	Means			
Poor	(1)	0	0.00%					
Fair	(2)	0	0.00%					
Good	(3)	5	15.63%	■				
Very Good	(4)	9	28.13%	■				
Excellent	(5)	18	56.25%	■				
				0 25 50 100	TA			
Response Rate				Mean		STD		Median
				4.41		0.76		5.00

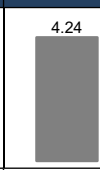
13 - Knowledgeability

Akhil Ravipati

Response Option	Weight	Frequency	Percent	Percent Responses	Means			
Poor	(1)	0	0.00%					
Fair	(2)	0	0.00%					
Good	(3)	1	6.67%	■				
Very Good	(4)	4	26.67%	■				
Excellent	(5)	10	66.67%	■				
				0 25 50 100	TA			
Response Rate				Mean		STD		Median
15/52 (28.85%)				4.60		0.63		5.00

13 - Knowledgeability

Brian Paick

Response Option	Weight	Frequency	Percent	Percent Responses	Means			
Poor	(1)	0	0.00%					
Fair	(2)	0	0.00%					
Good	(3)	4	23.53%	■				
Very Good	(4)	5	29.41%	■				
Excellent	(5)	8	47.06%	■				
				0 25 50 100	TA			
Response Rate				Mean		STD		Median
17/52 (32.69%)				4.24		0.83		4.00

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13 - Knowledgeability

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Response Option	Weight	Frequency	Percent	Percent Responses	Means			
Poor	(1)	0	0.00%					
Fair	(2)	0	0.00%					
Good	(3)	5	15.63%					
Very Good	(4)	9	28.13%					
Excellent	(5)	18	56.25%					
				0 25 50 100	TA			
Response Rate				Mean	STD	Median		
				4.41	0.76	5.00		

14 - Approachability

Akhil Ravipati

Response Option	Weight	Frequency	Percent	Percent Responses	Means			
Poor	(1)	0	0.00%					
Fair	(2)	0	0.00%					
Good	(3)	2	13.33%					
Very Good	(4)	3	20.00%					
Excellent	(5)	10	66.67%					
				0 25 50 100	TA			
Response Rate				Mean	STD	Median		
15/52 (28.85%)				4.53	0.74	5.00		

14 - Approachability

Brian Paick

Response Option	Weight	Frequency	Percent	Percent Responses	Means			
Poor	(1)	0	0.00%					
Fair	(2)	0	0.00%					
Good	(3)	5	29.41%					
Very Good	(4)	4	23.53%					
Excellent	(5)	8	47.06%					
				0 25 50 100	TA			
Response Rate				Mean	STD	Median		
17/52 (32.69%)				4.18	0.88	4.00		

14 - Approachability

Akhil Ravipati, Brian Paick

Response Option	Weight	Frequency	Percent	Percent Responses	Means			
Poor	(1)	0	0.00%					
Fair	(2)	0	0.00%					
Good	(3)	7	21.88%					
Very Good	(4)	7	21.88%					
Excellent	(5)	18	56.25%					
				0 25 50 100	TA			
Response Rate				Mean	STD	Median		
				4.34	0.83	5.00		

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15 - Availability

Akhil Ravipati

Response Option	Weight	Frequency	Percent	Percent Responses	Means			
Poor	(1)	0	0.00%					
Fair	(2)	0	0.00%					
Good	(3)	2	14.29%					
Very Good	(4)	3	21.43%					
Excellent	(5)	9	64.29%					
				0 25 50 100	TA			
Response Rate				Mean		STD		Median
14/52 (26.92%)				4.50		0.76		5.00

15 - Availability

Brian Paick

Response Option	Weight	Frequency	Percent	Percent Responses	Means			
Poor	(1)	0	0.00%					
Fair	(2)	1	5.88%					
Good	(3)	4	23.53%					
Very Good	(4)	4	23.53%					
Excellent	(5)	8	47.06%					
				0 25 50 100	TA			
Response Rate				Mean		STD		Median
17/52 (32.69%)				4.12		0.99		4.00

15 - Availability

Akhil Ravipati, Brian Paick

Response Option	Weight	Frequency	Percent	Percent Responses	Means			
Poor	(1)	0	0.00%					
Fair	(2)	1	3.23%					
Good	(3)	6	19.35%					
Very Good	(4)	7	22.58%					
Excellent	(5)	17	54.84%					
				0 25 50 100	TA			
Response Rate				Mean		STD		Median
				4.29		0.90		5.00

16 - Communication

Akhil Ravipati

Response Option	Weight	Frequency	Percent	Percent Responses	Means			
Poor	(1)	0	0.00%					
Fair	(2)	0	0.00%					
Good	(3)	1	6.67%					
Very Good	(4)	4	26.67%					
Excellent	(5)	10	66.67%					
				0 25 50 100	TA			
Response Rate				Mean		STD		Median
15/52 (28.85%)				4.60		0.63		5.00


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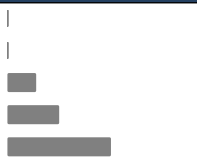
16 - Communication

Brian Paick

Response Option	Weight	Frequency	Percent	Percent Responses	Means			
Poor	(1)	0	0.00%					
Fair	(2)	0	0.00%					
Good	(3)	4	23.53%	■				
Very Good	(4)	5	29.41%	■				
Excellent	(5)	8	47.06%	■				
				0 25 50 100	TA			
Response Rate				Mean		STD		Median
17/52 (32.69%)				4.24		0.83		4.00


16 - Communication

Akhil Ravipati, Brian Paick

Response Option	Weight	Frequency	Percent	Percent Responses	Means			
Poor	(1)	0	0.00%					
Fair	(2)	0	0.00%					
Good	(3)	5	15.63%	■				
Very Good	(4)	9	28.13%	■				
Excellent	(5)	18	56.25%	■				
				0 25 50 100	TA			
Response Rate				Mean		STD		Median
				4.41		0.76		5.00


17 - Does this TA communicate effectively in English?

Akhil Ravipati

Response Option	Weight	Frequency	Percent	Percent Responses	Means			
Yes	(1)	13	86.67%	■				
No	(2)	0	0.00%					
N/A	(3)	2	13.33%	■				
				0 25 50 100	TA			
Response Rate				Mean		STD		Median
15/52 (28.85%)				1.27		0.70		1.00

17 - Does this TA communicate effectively in English?

Brian Paick

Response Option	Weight	Frequency	Percent	Percent Responses	Means			
Yes	(1)	14	82.35%	■				
No	(2)	1	5.88%	■				
N/A	(3)	2	11.76%	■				
				0 25 50 100	TA			
Response Rate				Mean		STD		Median
17/52 (32.69%)				1.29		0.69		1.00





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17 - Does this TA communicate effectively in English?

Akhil Ravipati, Brian Paick

Response Option	Weight	Frequency	Percent	Percent Responses	Means			
Yes	(1)	27	84.38%					
No	(2)	1	3.13%					
N/A	(3)	4	12.50%					
				0 25 50 100	TA			
Response Rate				Mean		STD		Median
				1.28		0.68		1.00

18 - Comments

Akhil Ravipati

Response Rate	0/52 (0%)
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18 - Comments

Brian Paick

Response Rate	2/52 (3.85%)
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- <3
- Good!

18 - Comments

Akhil Ravipati, Brian Paick

Response Rate	
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- <3
- Good!