

# Course Evaluations

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## EC311 Microeconomic Theory

"I would 100% recommend Shan's class. She cares about her student and does everything in her power to ensure their success. She is great at connecting with her students and actually teaches the material as opposed to just handing it out."

"I LOVE THE SLIDES/notes structure. In econ classes especially, I always feel like I can't actually learn at all during lecture bc i'm frantically trying to make sense of and write down notes. Having fill in the blanks and an overall "blank" slides template is probably the most helpful and most I've ever learned/felt that I enjoyed and could be participating in an econ class ever."

"I think this course was awesome and I definitely recommend it to anyone. The work is just the right amount to make you able to still concentrate and the lectures are very engaging."

"Nothing! Shan is hands down tied for the best economics teacher I've ever had (that's including 4 real UO econ professors and 3 teaching GEs that I've taken classes with)."

"I struggled in EC 201, but found that 311 was better for me, I have to give my flowers to the professor, amazing job."

"Shan was a very good teacher. She helped me learn the challenging concepts of this course with ease. She cares about me as a student and a person. She obviously care a lot about the material and the subject of Economics."

"I like how the instructor called on people in class and had us think for ourselves. It made the class more enjoyable and inclusive."

"She wanted to hear, help and know everyone in class."

"I benefit from the teacher's communication."

"Going through math problems with us in class was very helpful to me."

"I loved the professor, the communication, the organization of the course, the workload was manageable and beneficial."

"Being able to be flexible when wanting to meet for extra help."

"While some of the office hours have been at bad or weird times for me personally, Shan was always willing to try to help and find solutions for problems when she could."

"Her inclusiveness and ability to keep the class engaged."

"Shan was a very supportive and inclusive teacher. She worked to have a variety of students answer questions so that the whole class was on the same page."

"I think that the material is hard but very doable and Approachable."

"Quick responses and helpful explanations of misconceptions during class."

"Everything felt tied in to one another and felt like it was building off the things we learned

prior.”

“I really loved how engage the learning”

“Interactive problem solving”

“she is very active working with students in class”

“Clear structure and consistent assignments. The course had a good rhythm which helps me learn.”

“This course has helped me understand microeconomics on a whole new level which will help me succeed in my major.”

“Everything had easy access and easy to find things and always got reminders from the professor when assignments were due.”

“This class was great.”

### **Evaluation of department professor (during 2020 online teaching)**

“Overall, my evaluation is that Shan is an excellent instructor. Her website is a model for others (including me) to follow.

The syllabus is very well done and had all requisite information and is well presented. The lectures are delivered live, recorded and posted. In watching the lectures, I found her to be organized and clear.

I very much appreciate her soliciting feedback from students, using names (in a zoom environment). She received questions well and responded to them well.

The tests were multiple choice but there were some analytical solutions (text boxes provided). I think the level was appropriate.”

### EC 333 Environmental and Resource Economics

"The instructor was extremely helpful and engaging in class, through electronic communication, and in office hours. It made the classroom fun, engaging, and extremely conducive to my personal learning. This was by far one of the most interactive lecture courses I've had and it really helped me learn the material. Plus, the instructor was always kind and patient with students who had questions."

"We're learning about relevant issues, like climate change and it then applying economic principles to them, and personally I have found the challenging nature of the class to benefit my learning."

"I really enjoyed this class and I think it made me think about how economic policy could help our environment- while highlighting it's not black and white through the use of externalities."

"Shan is a great teacher. I love how she used presentations by the students for everyone to explore their interests and teach the class about specific environmental news. Shan was also very happy and supportive at 8am and her office hours. Really great experience and I learned a lot!"

"I never felt like I was having my time wasted in this course. All assignments were key in my learning, and in every lecture, I learned new concepts in approachable ways."

"This was my favorite class and I took four Econ classes this term."

"You are a great teacher, and clearly SO knowledgeable about the course content! Thank you for bringing such positive energy into the room."

"I found Shan's classroom to be inviting, charismatic, and effective. Being given the opportunity to discuss real environmental issues during class was not only insightful, but also powerful."

"The teacher genuinely cared and actively would try to communicate ideas in creative ways to help everyone understand the material."

"The professor did help me a lot with the material of this course since it was a challenge for me I am not great at math at all."

"I found Shan's topics to be perfectly difficult. They were thought provoking, insightful, and challenging."

"I enjoyed the way our professor teaches the classes and interacts with the students."

"Relevance of content for world topics."

"Overall, I enjoyed the structure and quality of this course."

"The course is easy to access and find things on canvas."

"Shan was always open to taking questions and posting the notes after class which was very helpful."

"The instructor is always there to help. She provides quick and helpful responses as well."

"Professor Shan asked a lot of questions and I think that helped all of us pay attention because I at least wanted to be able to answer her question. In addition, a lot of her questions helped our learning."

"I feel that the course organization was straight forward and easy to understand."

"To get a good grade, but Shan was cool."

"The homework assignments used specific examples where the skills we learned in class have real

world application.”

“I wouldn’t change anything, this course was the most fun I had this quarter and I learned a lot.”

“Thank you so much for a positive class experience last term. It was a challenging class for me, but I absolutely grew as a student and ended far more satisfied than I had anticipated.”

## EC202 Introduction to Microeconomics

“Shan Zhang is one of the sweetest discussion leaders I have come across! She is extremely helpful and well versed on the concepts learned in lecture.”

“Shan is extremely intelligent, hardworking, and so sweet. She was always willing to accommodate with our schedules and was very understanding throughout the whole course. An area of improvement that I would suggest she work on would be asserting herself in a manner that she establishes the respect from the students that she deserves.”

“Shan was efficient with her time and what needed to be accomplished in the discussion. She was open to question, making sure everyone was comfortable and no question was a dumb question.”

“My discussion leader was a great help. At times I felt I was learning more during discussion than during my lecture. I liked how it was more hands on, she did a great job at making sure everyone was getting the help they needed.”

“Shan was very clear and straight forward with activities in class. Made it easy to understand the material better.”

“Shan was very helpful in describing content as well as giving real life examples to help remember content.”

“Shan has been extremely helpful in explaining troubling concepts to me and other students with confusion. She has always come to discussion prepared and in a great mood, which has made it easier to be efficient and get work done.”

“Super nice and always encouraging students to ask questions and collaborate.”

“The lab was great and I think the worksheets really helped me study for the tests. And Shan was amazing!”

“Shan did a really great job at helping us understand concepts that were difficult and she was always there to help out if we had questions.”

“Shan was very personable and easy to talk to. She is knowledgeable.”

“Lovely instruction, always ensuring students are engaged and getting the gist of problems that are harder than normal.”

## **EC201 Introduction to Microeconomics**

“The instructor was always kind and very thorough in her explanations of the course work.”

“She was always willing to make time to help students outside of class! And she would use time in discussion efficiently through practice work and explanations on the material.”

“The lab helped to solidify content learned in class and the weekly quizzes were a good assessment on how well I was obtaining knowledge from the class.”

“The discussion leader was great, knowledgable, and helpful when it came to questions and explaining concepts.”

“Really helped reiterate certain concepts from the week I hadn’t learned yet.”

“She did a good job this term of reviewing the material that we needed for the tests and what we learned that week.”

“She is a very kind person and tries really hard for us to understand the material. She was a really fun GE over all!”

“Great class”

“It was perfect for me.”