# Billur Aksoy's Teaching Evaluations

### **Teaching Evaluation Summary Table**

	<b>Overall Mean</b> (Department Average)	I believe this instructor was an effective teacher	On the whole, this is a good instructor	Enrollment	Average Grade Given (Department Average)		
Experimental Economics (Fall 2017)	<b>4.94/5</b> (4.62)	4.97	5.00	5.00	47	2.91/4 (3.19)	
Principles of Microeconomics (Fall 2015)	<b>4.84/5</b> (4.08)	4.80	4.87	4.78	198	3.26/4 ( <i>2.98</i> )	

Responses: 5="Strongly Agree", 4="Agree", 3="Undecided", 2="Disagree", 1="Strongly Disagree".

### **Experimental Economics Student Comments**

I taught Experimental Economics as the primary instructor with full responsibility at Texas A&M University. **All** comments transcribed as they appear:

- Honestly, this was my favorite class this semester! I loved it so much and even feel inspired to
  purse experimental and behavioral economics further! Thank you so much for a great semester!
  It was lots of fun and I learned so much!
- Make Billur teach more classes! She's the best at TAMU!
- This was my favorite class this semester. Billur is by far one of the best professors I've had at Texas A&M as she is passionate and truly cares about her students' learnings.
- Loved the interactiveness with Moblab. This made me more enthusiastic about experimenting.
- Your doing an awesome job teaching this course. I had several ppl recommend it to me and I'm glad they did! Keep up the good work!
- Billur is a great teacher, eager to make it a great class. However, getting an A for this class is a little bit to easy in my opinion.
- The big interactiveness of the course worked really good in learning the subject.

#### **Principles of Microeconomics Student Comments**

I taught Principles of Microeconomics as the primary instructor with full responsibility at Texas A&M University. **All** comments transcribed as they appear:

- Professor Billur is excellent. She demonstrates each class that she is well prepared and she
  masters the material. Moreover, she truly cares for student success as she is always available
  and open for questions. It was impressive for me how quickly she responded for my questions
  via email... that made realize how interested she is in teaching this class. Highly recommendable.
- Loved Professor Aksoy! She genuinely loved the subjects matter and taught in a way that intrigued the students. Taking up an Economics minor because of her.

- Professor Billur was excellent She conduct experiments that united our class as a whole, she was
  very efficient and quick at providing our needed materials on time. She gave extra office hours
  before exams and was always open to meet with us if we had any more questions. She
  encouraged us to always ask questions, and has the power to engage the class in every subject
  we covered. I'm very thankful to have had such a responsible professor and I also admire the
  dedication she use to teach us this semester.
- Billur knows what's up. She is the best professor I have had so far (this is my 3<sup>rd</sup> semester at TAMU). She cares about how we do, she makes every opportunity to help clarify or re-teach anything through her multiple options for office hours and study groups. I had always heard that Econ professors were terrible at teaching, really hard and didnt care about our performance.
   Billur is the <u>BEST</u> professor and if you deprive any students of her teaching I wont like you and questions your love of humanity.
- Ms. Aksoy was very kind, passionate, and available to her students. She gave a genuine effort to learn the names of people in her class despite how numerous the students were. She remembered my name and it made me feel like she truly cared. 5 stars, 2 thumbs up!
- As a first year teacher, I was surprised at how well the instructor taught! The lectures were informative and the media examples helped me to remember certain concepts. My one complain, however, was that there was not enough homework. Sounds weird, right? But I prefer having multiple homeworks each week instead of having just one and examing blindly before each exam. The exam reviews were helpful. But I'd rather have that spread out 10 questions each week instead of 40-50 in one week. Keep up the good work!
- You are my hero
- Professor Billur is perfect, love her
- Good teaching style
- I have truly enjoyed this class. While it has been much more challenging than the microeconomics class I took at a local Community College I have gained a much deeper understanding and appreciation for economics. Professor Billur has gone out of her way to help the students our class. She offers a lot of office hours and allows us to review any questions we have. Wonderful professor.
- You always make me feel like I can come to you with any problems or questions<sup>©</sup> the only suggestion I have is to make the classroom experiments more interactive for ALL students, not just a few or a small group it seems to be the same kids every time
- Great teacher. Really tries to bring fun into instruction. She also does a great job making herself
  available to student outside of class, and is always willing to go the extra mile to make sure
  students understand material.
- Your course was very enjoyable. I appreciate the extra effort and individual attention you give to your students. I feel that I have learned a lot in your class.
- I was already very interested in economics & this professor helped strengthen my curiousity. She was always prepared and knew what she was talking about. She made time for her students & made sure to have convenient office hours for us.
- Ms Billur was an amazing teacher. She was always friendly and available to help us. She taught the material well so we could succeed on the tests. I would definitely recommend her.
- Dr. Billur teaching style was great. She used some videos and engaging experiments that got the
  class involved and attentive in the material being learn. She made the class more interesting and
  made me more excited about going to class. Overall she is my best professor of this semester.
   She was very helpful and tried her best to know the students.

- Ms. Billur genuinely cares about your understanding of the course. She can move a little fast sometimes. She Responds to emails within minutes.
- Honestly, I only come to class like 50% of the time my opinion is pretty unimportant.
- I really love coming to this class. It is not an easy subjects, but she makes me to love it. I would not think twice about taking another class with her. Every time I ask for help she is enthusiastic to help. Keep being how you are, there is not many professors that care if a student learns the material or not. But in your case, you are an awesome Person.
- This is a great class. It is not a ton of work if you go to class + you actually learn the material instead of just forgetting it after the class. My friends were sad that they couldn't find you as a teacher for the spring.
- She is a very nice teacher who cares about her students a lot. However, I do not believe that the work done in class adequately prepared me for the very difficult exams.
- Great teaching style! Very fun and entertaining. Your enthusiasm made me want to come to class and learn the material! Thanks Billur!!
- Hands down BEST prof I've ever had! Loves all her students & genuinely wants them to do well!
- Billur is always prepared and genuinly cares about our performance in the class. She goes out of her way to hold extra office hours and help sessions.
- One of the best profs I've had here.
- Great prof, loads of help.
- Professor Billur was amazing and if you need help she will do everything she can to help you.
- Teaching method was excellent, also appreciate the amount of time you set aside for your students. Don't need to change much of the way you teach.
- Interaction & hands-on scenarios with students is excellent.
- I like the way you teach. Some material is confusing, but you explain it well.
- Such a great professor! Really cares that we learn & understand the material & offers lots of additional help.
- Easy to follow lectures made the learning fun
- Great instructor, great class. So much better than my other econ class taught by a tenured professor.
- Easily one of the best teacher I've had here. Makes class fun and concepts easy to understand.
- love this professor! She makes this course very exciting and enjoyable to learn about! If she teaches 203 next semester I would definitely choose her class!
- Absolutely amazing teacher! I have highly recommend her!
- Incredible teacher; made a huge <u>impact</u> on my life showing me my interest in Economics. Give her a raise...
- She is a great professor. She makes the lessons easy to understand. She offers lots of help and really wants to help the students be successful!
- You could tell that she was truly passionate about economics & sincerely cared about our understanding & success. Great professor!
- Highly recommend to anyone taking this course. The prof cares that the students understand material and succeed.
- One of the most well taught Econ classes I have taken.
- Tests were more difficult than the HW or practice Problems.
- I enjoy all of the in-class experiments and examples. You also do a great job of finding relevant, but interesting videos that has to do with the materials. It's not like the rest of my classes, its fun & engaging.
- I really enjoyed taking your class, you were so nice and accommodating!

- Great class, great professor! I love the energy.
- I was nervous coming in to Economics but now I love it! Billur is so helpful with all of her office hours and fantastic lectures! I hope she teaches Econ 203!
- She is a great teacher who makes economics fun and cares about her students.
- Over all she is my favorite professor because of how much you can tell she cares. She is very
  enthusiastic and helps everyone so much. I wish she would take Macro-economics. I love her
  and dread taking any other econ class by a professor that is not her.
- She is a <u>wonderful</u> teacher! Billur really cares about all of her students and goes more than out of her way to help us succeed. I would definitely take a class from her again.
- She was very helpful and considerate to each student, and went as far to purchase calculators for student who could not afford one.
- I really enjoyed this course. Billur made it very easy to learn & truly cared if we did. She also gave us so much help. If she taught 203, I would take her again.
- Love your teaching style. Cared a lot about us actually understanding the material which is important.
- She did a really good job and genuinely cared about her students' learning
- I would highly recommend this professor to other students. She is so good at making her subject easy to understand and fun to learn. I'm hoping she will be a macroecon prof next semester to I can have her again.
- I really enjoyed the course. I found that the professor has been more involved in the class than any other course I am taking. I highly recommend.
- I really liked how Billur did the tests by only taking ¾ of the tests it makes me focus more on each one & not worry if I do poorly on one of them.
- <u>Loved</u> the class! Her teaching style is great & she makes lectures really fun & interesting. I look forward to coming to class everyday! She goes out of her way to make sure us students get the help we need. Fantastic professor!
- This was, BY FAR, my favorite professor at TAMU! Class was always fun and engaging.
- Very proficient teacher. Only suggestion is more consistency with terminology. Overall, one of my best professors.
- The class demonstrations really helped me understand. Thank you for always being willing to help us. Can we request you for Econ 203?
- This professor is the best I've ever had in my life. She knows very well how to teach, brings good examples and makes studying so much fun. I'm very very happy to be in her class ©
- I think your style of teaching was very fun and energetic and I feel as if I actually learned something. Your examples were interesting and fun as well.
- She is very accessible for help. And it is very clear that she really cares about how her students are and wants them to understand and succeed.
- All the help that was available from my professor made it seem like she care which made engage more inclass. Overall one of the best professors here.
- Really enjoyed this class. Very helpful & attentive.
- She is the best ever! Please teach macroeconomics so I can take you again!
- Absolutely would love to take a class from Billur again. The class is engaging and she makes the
  material relatable and understandable. I would love to minor in economics after taking this
  class. Would recommend Billur's class to everyone.
- Took economics for 2 years in high school, but was surprised to have actually learned quite a bit in this class.
- I can tell you care about us! Thank you!

- I think your style of teaching is great. It keeps the students focused and has their attention.

  Unlike other classes, which get a little boring, yours never did. I had a great semester! Thanks!
- Professor Aksoy is an incredible teacher, I would advise a friend to take her.
- Don't change anything about this course! This was by far my favorite course and made my Mon, Wed and Fri mornings fun and exciting! Thanks so much!! ©
- Great!
- Billur was an absolutely fantastic teacher. She really cares about each and every student she really wants everyone to understand and learn. Amazing prof! I literally recommend her to everyone I know.
- It was very helpful that she had office hours at Evans, that is very appreciated. She has study groups, she wants us to succeed.
- Billur is genuinely a good instructor who goes to great length to ensure that the class learns the material. She is a very sweet person and has remembered a remarkable number of names. Her class is very interactive.
- very passionate about the subject, always has relevant examples and experiments that make the class exciting, more than willing to help & created additional study sessions and created additional hours at a better location, my favorite class
- Being a first semester Freshmen, I think she has done an amazing time. She shows interesting videos that pertain to the subject matter, she answers questions thoroughly, and she is always prepared for class. It's obvious she cares about her students. [SIGNATURE]

## Texas A&M University, College Station

Fall 2017

Report for the Instructor:

Aksoy, Billur

Course Information:

ECON 440

500

Total number of evaluations submitted:

35

Total number of students enrolled in the class:

47

Percentage of students who submitted an evaluation:

74%

A = Strongly Agree

B = Agree

C = Neutral

D = Disagree

E = Strongly Disagree

Mean Scores on A 5 Point Basis (A=5, B=4, C=3, D=2, E=1)

Overall Mean:

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students learned.	35	35	100.0%	0	0.0%	00	0.0%	. 0	0.0%	0	0.0%	5.00
3 The Instructor seemed enthusiastic about												
the material that was presented.	35	35	100.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	5.00
4 The instructor stimulated my interest in the		]										
subject.	35	32	91.4%	2	5.7%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	_1	2.9%	4.83
5 The instructor's presentations added to my		1	1									
understanding of the material.	35	30	85.7%	5	14.3%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	4.86
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questions from students.	35	33	94.3%	2	5.7%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	4.94
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teacher.	35	34	97.1%	1	2.9%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	4.97
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Report for the Instructor

Course: Semester: FALL, 2015 ECON202

Section:

Instructor: AKSOY BILLUR

Department of ECONOMICS Texas A&M University

Student Ratings of Faculty Summarized by

Measurement & Research Services

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Overall Mean: 4.84

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