MATH 141 — Comment Card Responses — Fall 2025

Here are select responses to comment cards given at the end of class. When computed, the class rating (out of 10) is given. The comment (often paraphrased for clarity) is given in italics/bold with the response following the comment. The responses are labeled by class date—with the class topic given. The classes are given in reverse-chronological order for ease of access to the most recent class. You may also click any of the hyperlinks below to jump to that date.

09/08, Monday: Derivative Rules

- ***Class Rating:*** 9.14/10
- ***Is email the best method of contact?***
- ***Could you help us understand the definition and functions of derivatives more?***
- ***What are other examples of continuous functions that are not differentiable?***
- ***Will the exam study guide be posted to Blackboard?***
- ***I am struggling with limits on the homework, especially evaluating what the limit is from left or right side. Which video/lectures do you recommend going over?***
- ***Life saver with the box method. Thank you!***
- ***I don't like the chain rule***
- ***It was a little fast paced***
- ***I liked your chain rule method***
- ***I liked the box method.***
- ***Box method was great!***
- ***Thank you for being a good calc teacher :P***
- ***The Shrek Rule was helpful***
- ***F**k da chain rule***
- ***Thank you for being the best teacher I've had***
- ***1. Wall-E 2. The Incredibles 3. Inside Out***
- ***How do you get your coffee?***
- ***What is your favorite cheesecake?***
- ***Do you like Steven Universe?***
- ***Futurama ending has nothing over Attack on Titan***
- ↑↑↓↓←→←→***ABstart***
- ***You like rolling a lot. I agree.***

09/05, Friday: Derivative Definition

- ***Class Rating:*** 9.07
- ***Can we use the power rule?***
- ***Is*** $\frac{f(x+h)-f(x)}{h}$ ***always used? Do we memorize this?***
- ***Can you explain the other approaches of the derivatives?***
- ***I liked this better than the already printed packets***
- ***I am retaking this course & you explain this better than my previous teachers so thank you :)***
- ***My last calculus professor made me drop out because of how horribly he 'taught' us derivatives***
- ***You spoke slower!***
- ***It was helpful to see the derivative background. I'd forgotten***
- ***I have never had derivatives explained like this before. It was super helpful!***
- ***More practice on derivatives please***
- ***Why can't we just skip to the shortcut part?***
- ***You were helpful babe***
- ***Nothing was unhelpful sweet cheeks***
- ***You are the goat***
- ***Any fun plans this weekend?***
- ***You're like batman but instead of fighting crime you teach math and ramble***
- ***Watch the movie Creep on Netflix***
- ***The beginning was kind of confusing, but the end started to make sense.***
- ***Your energy and charisma are most helpful***
- ***Have a great weekend goat***
- ***I want cheesecake***
- ***Do you actually read these? Draw a smiley on Monday on the board if you do.***
- ***I'm watching Jujutsu Kaisen—it's awesome***
- ***Do a Morgan Freeman impression***
- ***How tf are spheres 2-dimensional? Please elaborate***
- ***If there are infinitely many numbers between 0 and 1 and between 1 and 2, why isn't the amount of numbers between 0 and 2 bigger but isn't it also infinite?***

09/03, Wednesday: Continuity

- ***Class Rating:*** 8.78/10
- ***The Gateway video helped a great amount, thank you.***
- ***Do we need to show work for every step?***
- ***When is the exam?***
- ***Are the tests in-person and do we have longer than 50 minutes?***
- ***Will we cover squeeze theorem? We went over it in recitation***
- ***Does attendance in recitation affect grades?***
- ***What is the format of the exam?***
- ***I need help preparing for the exam***
- ***Maybe explain problems like 'Find*** a, b ***so that*** $f(x)$ ***is continuous'***
- ***Please draw more quick graphs that helps visualize a lot***
- ***I liked the interaction in class***
- ***Is the exam multiple choice or only given questions? Or a mixture?***
- ***Can we do more of these problems in class? More continuity?***
- ***Not excited for note taking***
- ***One of the easier lectures to understand***
- ***I liked this***
- ***Thanks for telling us what we need to know***
- ***I found the examples extremely helpful.***
- ***Just the overall way you teach is super helpful***
- ***I hated the anime discussion. I hate anime and will never watch it.***
- ***Is Attack on Titan peak anime?***
- ***"Ah, dungeon food" winged lion, Dungeon Meshi***
- ***You know Ball (Frieren)***
- ***AOT is the best show and anime ever made, if you disagree you're a child***
- ***Inuyasha > Frieren***
- ***Favorite Frieren character?***

08/29, Friday: Limit Techniques

- *Class Rating:* 9.11/10
- ***Where are the extra videos on Blackboard you said you would post that are really slow videos explaining everything?***
- ***Thank you for not making people feel dumb when they ask questions***
- ***Why did we do a lab for the first lab class and then yesterday's class was all limit review?***
- ***Where can we find extra practice problems for learned concepts?***
- ***When is the first quiz?***
- ***Have you ever used Bobo Botn Eastsdc***"
- ***This was explained well!***
- ***I suck at this***
- ***Today was an ah-ha day***
- ***How can I apply Calculus to Physics or simulation context?***
- ***Thanks for a great first full week of classes. This has actually been my favorite class so far. Have a great weekend.***
- ***Do we get a study guide for the exam?***
- ***Are there any dropped check-ins?***
- ***Will we have a review day before the exam?***
- ***Do your research on LeBron Bymon James, aka King James***
- ***Na, great lecture!***
- ***Everything today clicked for me so very good***
- ***This was very cool! Examples were the best!***
- ***Can we get a full lesson recap before our exams, in-person or online?***
- ***Chipotle is not that good***
- ***The best selling sandwich in England is the the BLT which includes both a fruit and a vegetable***
- ***You lack ball knowledge***
- ***Jalen hurts or Justen bulbert***
- ***I get within 10 km on Geoguesser***
- ***How many languages do you speak?***

- ***Chipotle servings have gotten too small***
- ***Chipotle is the best***
- ***Dap me up***
- ***Skyline is the best fast food! I'm from Cincinnati***

08/27, Wednesday: Limit Techniques

- ***Class Rating:*** 8.81
- ***There are a lot of different ways to solve limits.***
- ***I don't know when to use each type of limit***
- ***I am guessing 6.5/10 doesn't count for the Gateway?***
- ***When is the second Gateway?***
- ***You Rick rolled me on Blackboard***
- ***Math is hard***
- ***It was all understandable today!***
- ***I would appreciate more algebra explanation on cancelling numbers to 'make it work' for*** e ***limits***
- ***Mask made it harder to hear***
- ***Feel better soon!***
- ***You da man***
- ***What do you enjoy about [?]***
- ***Get well soon!***
- ***Thank you for the Gateway video!***
- ***Confused most of the time but it comes together in the end***
- ***This wasn't as confusing and as complicated as the last class***
- ***Do you watch anime or only live TV?***
- ***I like your 'dumb' analogies***
- ***Python sucks***
- ***Yooooooo***
- ***You should try hockey, it's like polo with more fights and more missing teeth***
- ***Get well soon!***
- ***You remind me of a hyperactive Yorkie***

08/25, Monday: Limit Techniques

- ***Class Rating:*** 8.63
- ***Do we need a calculator for this class?***
- ***Could you go over all the steps? Sometimes you skip steps***
- ***Where can I practice limit problems?***
- ***How do you remember and especially identify when we see certain problems?***
- ***If there were a campus shooting, where would we hide?***
- ***You're my knight in shining armor***
- ***Are all the notes for the semester posted to Blackboard?***
- ***Will points be taken off if we don't show the exact steps you show?***
- ***Should we know the unit circle?***
- ***How did you go from*** $\frac{\frac{1}{h+5}-\frac{1}{5}}{h}$ ***to*** $\frac{\frac{5-(h+5)}{5(h+5)}}{h}$***?***
- ***Well explained!***
- ***Please write a control of the problem and another that you work off of***
- ***You contradicted some past statements***
- ***You over-explained***
- ***Special limits was so friggin' tuff***
- ***I liked how you do an example and then we do a practice problem***
- ***You good baby girl***
- ***You Rick rolled me :|***
- ***Still need help with conjugation!***
- ***What are different ways to memorize these?***
- ***Caleb, you talk very fast***
- ***Favorite professional sports team?***
- ***67!***
- ***Mandiballs***
- ***You gotta watch a trailer for Weapons***
- ***Recommended movies?***
- ***It's crazy how you kept track of every movie and TV show that you've ever watched, presumably since childhood***
- ***Least favorite food?***

08/22, Friday: Limit Techniques

- ***Class Rating:*** 8.92/10
- ***What's the point of the Python labs?***
- ***How do you plug in ∞ into a limit?***
- ***Will I need to know things like $\arctan$ for exams because I passed the gateway without it but I have never been taught it.***
- ***What is the best tool to use to brush up on my trig. values, inverse, etc. precalc stuff?***
- ***What is the difference between DNE and undefined?***
- ***What do you mean by you dropped your limits?***
- ***I liked that we had a chance to work out problems ourselves***
- ***The examples were very helpful.***
- ***If you could do like a refresher on some of the way to get the equation before getting the answer***
- ***Being okay with being wrong makes me actually interested***
- ***Great pacing today***
- ***Some parts went kinda fast***
- ***I feel like we went kind of quick over the asymptotes***
- ***Didn't know that $\sqrt{}$ can be in the denominator.***
- ***It was nice to do some problems in class.***
- ***I would like to write my own notes.***
- ***I think you answered questions really well and made it easy to understand***
- ***I both do and don't understand what I'm learning (not your fault though)***
- ***I am nervous, my last calc class was AB in junior year***
- ***Great job answering questions***
- ***The lab was confusing***
- ***Thanks for addressing common mistakes***
- ***Your vibe is not very boring so it makes it better to understand***
- ***You talk really fast but if I lock in I'm good.***
- ***On the answer key on Blackboard, the example $\lim_{b\to 0}\frac{(3+b)^2-9}{b}=9$ is wrong, it says 2 not 6.***
- ***Do you speak German? I heard you listening to an eBook when in your office***

- ***Day 1 of asking you to come to class barefoot***
- ***Caleb is a sigma goated beast***
- ***Dr. McWhorter's celebrity lookalike is James C[G?]ordon***

08/20, Wednesday: Graphical Limits

- ***Class Rating:*** 8.69/10
- ***How do you know if a function is 'DNE' if there is a left and right limit?***
- ***Sometimes when you pointed at the screen, I couldn't see and while I could figure it out, it added to the confusion at times:***
- ***How is it sometimes DNE and ∞:***
- ***In the note directly under function behavior, does that say 'examing'?:***
- ***Do you want us to raise our hands, or just blurt out the answer?***
- ***Why do we write $x \to$ example and not use the variable y as the answer?***
- ***I think your communication is great, it is just hard to see the writing on board:***
- ***Personally, I learn better with step by step explanations, will these be common in this class or would I benefit further from SI or outside sources?***
- ***Do you think you can go through one or two problem step by step before moving on to a new topic?***
- ***Could you break down how to write answers to limits?***
- ***I've never taken a calculus course, so I'm unsure of what material to brush up on before this class.***
- ***Funny prof, made it understandable:***
- ***It was a little fast. You jumped into limits without explaining where the limit is and what it is.***
- ***I wish the class was longer***
- ***I think I will enjoy this teaching style:***
- ***Thank you for not requiring a textbook. Thanks for being cool.***
- ***I would have liked to write a little more:***
- ***The large packets are somewhat daunting***
- ***The visual AIDS were most helpful***
- ***Caleb silly***
- ***I loved the way you made it entertaining.*** [Areyounotentertained]
- ***I really appreciate the resources you offered. I am a junior and have struggled with some stuff so I really appreciate it! Also you're super cool! :)***
- ***You're very good at explaining stuff and the examples were great!***

- ***Has anyone ever told you that you remind them of Ian Hecox from Smosh?*** [handsomeSquidward]
- ***You are 1,000x better than my Pre-Calc professor & looking forward to a great semester!***
- ***Is*** $1 = 0.\overline{9}$