

COURSE EVALUATIONS

Essay Responses for MATH242011 for 2024 Fall (2248) - Instructor Hayes, Daniel

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Prof Hayes is the MAN.

Great class

you can tell that Dr.Hayes has a strong background in teaching calculus. Overall, he was a good professor for this course. Although, sometimes I wished he had spent more time on some topics or stated more clearly the rigor of the exams. I felt like the exams were harder than one would expect from the study guides / verbal discussion about the exam

Dan is the best math teacher I have ever had. No matter who he is teaching he will find a way to explain the concept so that the student fully understands it and makes sure then can apply that knowladge on their own. I have been to his office hours every week since the start of the course and he is always happy to help out.

Professor Hayes is a great teacher. He really did make the material very easy to understand.

N/A

As a teacher Professor Hayes did a good job.

Good professor, hard class and content.

none

Lessons were very understandable

I really loved this professor, as he was always accessible, and was able to help me with 100% of the issues I was having when it came to exams and in-class exams. This professor was overall a great guy and I really enjoyed having him as my professor this semester.

Grading policies did change mid-year but they were still clearly explained.

Dr. Hayes is a very intelligent teacher and obviously knows the subject material very well. The lectures are engaging. There could be more in depth reviews and more than one explanation of the same topic would be helpful.

Office hours were so hopeful and gave great feedback and tips

Best professor I have had at UD! Always willing to help even outside of work hours. He is the best.

He was always good at answering questions during class when people raised their hands or answering his emails outside of class; however, I did not feel that the material was taught well. The averages for both exams were very low, and he claimed that we did not do our homework by ourselves, and that was the sole reason, instead of asking us and changing his techniques. We did not have access to enough practice problems in this course. For the questions we did in class, a lot of the time once we got to a certain spot, he would say something like this is the answer, but you won't understand why or just not show the full problem, which made it very difficult when going back to our notes because when we only did one incomplete example in class, we had no reference. The practice problems for the exams would be extremely harder than homework problems and sometimes use concepts we hadn't talked about that we wouldn't even have to know for the exam. A few of my assignments were graded incorrectly as well, or I would lose points with no markings, which also made it difficult when trying to review my mistakes.

Instructor is very knowledgable and was very open to questions during class. But, it seemed unfair that he believed the reason the exam averages were so bad was because we did not do the homework, meaning we looked at the 'practice another' for the question and just changed numbers, especially when I got bad grades after spending a lot of time studying for it. He then removed the option to 'practice another' after the first exam, which removed a chance to have extra practice problems when studying. There was an underwhelming amount of practice problems in general. It was also sort of annoying when he would show us a problem, and then give us the answer after doing it halfway because "we wouldn't know how to answer it." When I would go back in my notes to review, I would not have a lot to look off of because of that. I wish we went over more problems in class.

N/A

Dan was an outstanding instructor who consistently demonstrated a high level of professionalism. His explanations were clear, well-organized, and easy to follow, ensuring that complex mathematical concepts felt approachable. He always made himself readily available for questions, and shows that he clearly cares about his students' success, encouraging engagement and creating a respectful classroom environment. His commitment to helping everyone learn not only improved my understanding of the material but also made me more confident as a student. Overall, Dan's teaching style and genuine support significantly enhanced my experience in this course.

good prof

Dan is probably the best mathematics professor I have had here at the university. He is very helpful and makes things very clear to students.

The main knock I have is the grading and difficulty of exams/quizzes. The mean scores on most of the tests are very poor showing that it is a bit harsh. On one of my quizzes I received an 80 on I looked it over and it seemed I got everything correct but a few things weren't done exact. I never have this complaint for classes but it was definitely graded too harshly. Also in most tests the difficulty of the questions is always on the higher end of the topics we learned.

Very nice and helpful. Made learning math fun

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Dr. Hayes is very nice and genuinely cares that the students understand the topics!

The exam questions were far harder than anything we were given for practice.

Dan was the best teacher ever. Punctual, respectful, knowledgeable, helpful, and everything else good you can say about a professor.

He is always willing to meet and makes sure to assist as much as he can. I have struggled in this course, but he still helps me feel confident in succeeding.

I really liked how he presented the material. I was very easy to follow along with and he explained questions that people had very well.

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