**CIS 301 Theory of Computation - Student comments**

**Fall 2018**

Please comment on course content, requirements or any other aspect of the course

* The course contents were reasonable and related well to the course
* It went well. Content of the course could get confusing and hard for the professor to explain at times
* Some topics need more time like Turing machines before giving an exam
* Automated machines and how they work
* Wish there was more out-of-class work. Homeworks are great for learning new material but we only had three of them.
* Perfectly paced, lots of topics but built on correctly
* The quizzes are tough since they are given randomly with no warning
* Course content is a little messy in my opinion, could’ve been better ways to make the contents understandable and less confusing drawings.
* The course was just as expected, don’t really have any comments on it.
* Course can be difficult for those who haven’t done much with math theory
* A great course for CS. Good building block style of going from simplest and gradually to complex content

Please comment on the strengths and weaknesses of the instructor. Would you take another course from this instructor?

* Best professor in the department. Grades relative to her own teaching of the course, extraordinarily fair, willing to listen and communicate and has always been helpful when finding the time for me. Would recommend taking any class with her
* The professor was very open to helping, very understanding, and I enjoyed taking a course with her. Sometimes there would be problems with confusing lectures but that happens as a new teacher. I would love to take another course with her.
* Good instructor.
* Of course! Dr. Gurajala is a fantastic professor
* Yes I would take another course from this instructor
* I like how she uses the chalkboard a lot when teaching, I find it easier to take notes and follow at the same time.
* Great work especially since it’s her first time teaching the course
* Goes too fast with the notes occasionally
* Presents the subjects thoroughly with plenty of examples. I look forward to taking another class with this instructor

**Fall 2019**

Please comment on course content, requirements or any other aspect of the course

* The content of the course is approachable for the requirements involved it just seems dense for the level it’s advertised as.
* The course content was organized and well structured.
* If I took this course with any other instructor, I don’t think I would have learned as effectively
* Overall very confusing material. Dr. G teaches it fairly well, but very fast.
* Course was challenging for 301 course.
* Absolutely fantastic. All of the work was related to the class. It never felt like busy work. The tests actually tested our understanding of the material and it was not filler/random questions.
* The textbook is very expensive but very good. The best textbook because it really helped me learn when I was confused.
* Very tough content, was very interesting and adequately challenging.

Please comment on the strengths and weaknesses of the instructor. Would you take another course from this instructor?

* The instructor is very knowledgeable. she’s good at reciting information. The content of the course is conceptually difficult to grasp. We’ll Take another course
* Dr. Gurajala went to fast through content making it hard to keep up with examples in class. otherwise did a good job instructing.
* I would take another class with Dr. G. but she would be more effective if she spoke and wrote on the board slower.
* Slow down.
* Great instructor. I would take another course from this instructor.
* Dr. Gurajala shows mastery over the material. I look forward to taking another class offered by her.
* Very effective in teaching. I would be more than happy to take a course with her again.
* Is very confident about material, sometimes loses students due to density and difficulty of the content.