

## **COURSE EVALUATIONS**

## Essay Responses for MATH221023D for 2019 Fall (2198) - Instructor Nakao, Joseph Question ID: 1117

Additional Comments:

## Responses (12 of 25)

none

none

As a graduate student I have already taken over 85 undergraduate classes. Of those 85 classes, I have come across many teaching assistants --good and bad. Joseph Nakao is EXCELLENT. He is respectable and relatable at the same time. The care he takes to support his students and their learning is unmatched. The ability to incorporate life lessons into the subject material separates a good teacher from a great teacher. Joseph is organized and prepared, clearly explains concepts, relates the material back to lecture, and prepares his students for tests. He is able to approach the material from various angles to support all learning styles. But thats just the tip of the iceberg. Joseph also teaches his students the importance of regularly interacting with class material on their own so they are actually learning and not just memorizing material for a grade. He encourages the class to reduce stress by putting in effort throughout the term rather than cramming at the end. We could all use a little more balance in our lives! Throughout the semester, Joseph made himself more than available to host office hours, additional review sessions, and answer any questions in person or via email. Overall, Joseph goes above and beyond for his students and I feel lucky to be one of them.

Is very good at preparing you for quizzes.

good TA

The best TA I have ever had good discussion good guy good teacher

Joseph is the best.

Joseph was awesome! At first, he was a little intimidating because he knew so MUCh and I felt like I didn't know anything. But, he was super funny and he explained the concepts much better so I understood them . Joseph is an excellent TA. He is very passionate about everything we are working on and I believe he truly wants us to succeed. He always goes over topics and specific questions we do not understand in a very clear and easy to follow way. On my original schedule, I had a different TA; after attending classes on the first day I knew it would not be a good fit. I was able to switch into one of Joseph's sections and I am extremely glad I did. I had an excellent experience.

Always provided lots of helpful resources including worksheets, review sessions, and office hours; explained any questions in a way that was understandable.