



**Student IA Evaluation for Alexandra MacEdo**  
**Department of Computer Science and Engineering**

CSE 8A - Intro/Computer Sci: Java (I) (Minnes Kemp, Mor Mia)  
Fall 2018

**Number of Evaluations Submitted: 43**  
**Number of Students Enrolled: 163**

1. The Instructional Assistant was well organized and prepared for class.

16 (37.2%): Strongly Agree  
25 (58.1%): Agree  
1 (2.3%): Neither Agree Nor Disagree  
0 (0.0%): Disagree  
0 (0.0%): Strongly Disagree  
1 (2.3%): Not Applicable

2. The Instructional Assistant consistently arrived at lecture, section/lab, office hours and exams on time.

19 (44.2%): Strongly Agree  
22 (51.2%): Agree  
1 (2.3%): Neither Agree Nor Disagree  
0 (0.0%): Disagree  
0 (0.0%): Strongly Disagree  
1 (2.3%): Not Applicable

3. The Instructional Assistant presented course material clearly and answered questions accurately in class.

19 (44.2%): Strongly Agree  
21 (48.8%): Agree  
2 (4.7%): Neither Agree Nor Disagree  
0 (0.0%): Disagree  
0 (0.0%): Strongly Disagree  
1 (2.3%): Not Applicable

4. The Instructional Assistant helped develop my thinking skills on the subject.

16 (37.2%):	Strongly Agree
23 (53.5%):	Agree
4 (9.3%):	Neither Agree Nor Disagree
0 (0.0%):	Disagree
0 (0.0%):	Strongly Disagree
0 (0.0%):	Not Applicable

5. Feedback from the Instructional Assistant on assignments, exams and/or papers was helpful and constructive.

18 (41.9%):	Strongly Agree
18 (41.9%):	Agree
4 (9.3%):	Neither Agree Nor Disagree
0 (0.0%):	Disagree
0 (0.0%):	Strongly Disagree
3 (7.0%):	Not Applicable

6. The Instructional Assistant's explanations were appropriate, being neither too complicated nor too simple.

19 (45.2%):	Strongly Agree
21 (50.0%):	Agree
2 (4.8%):	Neither Agree Nor Disagree
0 (0.0%):	Disagree
0 (0.0%):	Strongly Disagree
0 (0.0%):	Not Applicable
1:	[No Response]

7. The Instructional Assistant answered questions clearly and effectively, helping students to make connections among the course readings, assignments, and lectures.

19 (44.2%):	Strongly Agree
23 (53.5%):	Agree
1 (2.3%):	Neither Agree Nor Disagree
0 (0.0%):	Disagree
0 (0.0%):	Strongly Disagree
0 (0.0%):	Not Applicable

8. The Instructional Assistant was genuinely interested in and enthusiastic about teaching.

20 (46.5%): Strongly Agree  
21 (48.8%): Agree  
1 (2.3%): Neither Agree Nor Disagree  
0 (0.0%): Disagree  
0 (0.0%): Strongly Disagree  
1 (2.3%): Not Applicable

9. The Instructional Assistant was accessible to students outside of class (office hours, e-mail, etc.).

10 (23.3%): Strongly Agree  
24 (55.8%): Agree  
2 (4.7%): Neither Agree Nor Disagree  
1 (2.3%): Disagree  
0 (0.0%): Strongly Disagree  
6 (14.0%): Not Applicable

10. The Instructional Assistant effectively connected the section/lab exercises with the material covered in lecture.

18 (42.9%): Strongly Agree  
24 (57.1%): Agree  
0 (0.0%): Neither Agree Nor Disagree  
0 (0.0%): Disagree  
0 (0.0%): Strongly Disagree  
0 (0.0%): Not Applicable  
1: [No Response]

11. In terms of communication skills, did the Instructional Assistant demonstrate any of the following? (check all that apply)

37 (84.1%): No issues  
0 (0.0%): Too quiet  
1 (2.3%): Too loud  
2 (4.5%): Too fast  
0 (0.0%): Too slow  
0 (0.0%): Poor grammar and/or English language skills  
3 (6.8%): Used filler words such as "um"  
1 (2.3%): Other (please describe)  
• all good

12. I would recommend this Instructional Assistant to other students.

20 (46.5%): Strongly Agree  
23 (53.5%): Agree  
0 (0.0%): Neither Agree Nor Disagree  
0 (0.0%): Disagree  
0 (0.0%): Strongly Disagree

13. Please describe this person's greatest strengths as a Instructional Assistant.

*Please keep your comments constructive and professional, abiding by the Principles of Community*

- Ability to understand what I meant to do with my code
- Actually answers questions in a way that's not too vague
- Alex genuinely cared about the students and wanted them to succeed in CS8A. She would often stay after in discussion sections and while she TA'ed in the lab. I genuinely appreciated her support throughout the course.
- Alex is one of my favorite people ever and in my opinion one of the greatest, if not the best TA, I have had for a class. Not only is she very nice and easy to talk to, but she is genuinely passionate about computer science and really is willing to help you fully learn the material. After one discussion, she spent an extra hour outside with me and another student explaining concepts. She is often in the lab also way past her assigned time and helped me debug a huge problem in my code relating to memory storage on my computer. Alex always goes out of her way to make sure any problems are cleared and we really get the material.
- Alex provides clear explanations and is consistently well prepared to answer any question
- Although I did not interact with this IA personally, she did help a general group of students including myself when once in the lab. I believe she stayed a little after open lab hours closed to assist more students, and she presented an idea that allowed the students to reconsider their code and reapply it. I thought her care for the class especially as an intro class was one of her greatest strengths!
- Always open to help people
- Answered questions effectively and clearly.
- easy to talk to
- Engaging and well-spoken
- Every time she can explain everything clearly
- great
- Helped answered questions in tutoring very effectively.
- I only attended one discussion throughout the quarter, but of the one time that I went, I could tell Alex knew a lot about the material. She explains concepts very well and I came out of the discussion understanding more of the concepts that I was having trouble with.
- In general she is very open to answering any questions we have. In particular I adore the fact that after she finishes answering a question she asks the student " Did that answer your

question?", which I found to be really helpful , and gives the opportunity to express if you still haven't fully understood. It also shows how she cares about you understanding the subject.

- Interesting
- Is willing to help you personally even after supplemental instruction is over
- This Instructional Assistant is very much willing to explain topics and concepts in depth to ensure that students understand.
- was very understanding when going over issues with assignments and other concepts

14. Please describe this person's greatest weaknesses as a Instructional Assistant.  
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- I have not interacted with this TA enough to figure out flaws.
- Kind of quiet
- may spend too long on one topic
- more showmanship during discussion would hold my attention I guess
- no noticeable weaknesses
- Not enough time to explain a lot
- Nothing!
- She does not really have any. :)
- She tries to be really friendly and helpful all the time, which in most cases is a great thing, but it sometimes feels like bad students take advantage of her generosity.
- Sometimes during discussion, the students would talk while Alex was talking/explaining/instructing and it would be difficult to hear her.

15. Do you have any other comments to add to your evaluation?  
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- Alex truly played a huge role in my learning in CSE 8A from her discussion sections to her devoting extra time to help me understand concepts and to her always helping me in the Comp Sci lab. She's the best!
- great TA 10/10
- No : )
- No more
- nope

- YOU ROCK ALEX!

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