

Summary of Teaching Evaluations | Paul Le Tran¹ | October 2025

The first two pages of this document provide a summary of my student evaluations for my instruction, as an Assistant Instructor, in Introduction to Macroeconomics for the Fall 2024 and Spring 2025 semesters². Across these semesters, I have consistently demonstrated excellence in teaching, earning an average overall instructor rating of **4.6 out of 5.0**. You can find the full details of my student evaluations in the rest of the document.

1 Quantitative Feedback

The table below presents a weighted average of my student ratings across key aspects of instruction. Students rated my performance on a 5-point scale where 5 corresponds to “Excellent” or “Strongly Agree”.

Evaluation Metric	Fall 2024	Spring 2025	Weighted Average
Overall, this instructor was...	4.67	4.59	4.63
The instructor effectively explained the concepts.	4.56	4.63	4.60
The instructor carefully explained difficult concepts.	4.67	4.56	4.62
The instructor’s techniques kept me engaged.	4.56	4.46	4.51
The instructor was available to students.	4.67	4.73	4.70
The instructor fostered an inclusive environment.	4.78	4.73	4.76

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²I do not yet have evaluations for the current Fall 2025 semester.

2 Selected Student Feedback

Paul is very passionate about economics, and it is incredibly evident in every lecture he gives. He has a deep understanding of the content and teaches in a way that is easy to understand and also very engaging. More importantly though, Paul is willing to work with his students. He makes office hours very accessible and is incredibly friendly. He is willing to really sit down with his students and answer questions without making them feel stupid or embarrassed for not understanding the material. In my opinion, Paul is a better instructor than some professors I have had.

I love when Dr. Tran connects what we're learning about to relevant real world issues. It's great to hear his perspective. I appreciate that he is always sensitive to other's political beliefs in these discussions. Personally though, if you're disagreeing on these issues with someone who is an expert in macroeconomics, I don't really care for your political opinion. Either way, I hope he continues to talk about real world topics in class! I've learned a lot about the intersection of policy and macroeconomics that I will take with me beyond this course. I really appreciate how involved and passionate Dr. Tran is about the subjects he teaches.

The subject matter of the course could be quite difficult at times but Professor Tran was quite excellent at explaining the concepts in a simple and understandable way. One thing that I may suggest going forward is to post the full slide deck after the class rather than just the redacted slides as when reviewing, the redacted slides make it more difficult to review as some of the information is missing.

Helpful lectures, great practice tests, makes the class very engaging by connecting econ topics to relevant issues in our society today.

The in-person classes were really effective. He conveyed the information in a way that was easily understandable. The way he compiled the slides made it easier to pay attention compared to other classes. Added humor in a professional manner every now and then and made sure that his voice wasn't monotone. His reviews were comprehensive and left me feeling very prepared for the tests. He also includes InQuizzatives for homework and I think they also significantly improved my performance.