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Student IA Evaluation for Ruobing Zhao Department of Mechanical and Aerospace Engineering

MAE 288A - Optimal Control (McEneaney, William Michael) Spring 2017

> Number of Evaluations Submitted: 5 Number of Students Enrolled: 21

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

0 (0.0%): Strongly Agree

1 (20.0%): Agree

0 (0.0%): Neither Agree Nor Disagree

1 (20.0%): Disagree

1 (20.0%): Strongly Disagree 2 (40.0%): Not Applicable

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

0 (0.0%): Strongly Agree

2 (40.0%): Agree

0 (0.0%): Neither Agree Nor Disagree

0 (0.0%): Disagree

0 (0.0%): Strongly Disagree 3 (60.0%): Not Applicable

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

0 (0.0%): Strongly Agree

1 (20.0%): Agree

0 (0.0%): Neither Agree Nor Disagree

0 (0.0%): Disagree

1 (20.0%): Strongly Disagree 3 (60.0%): Not Applicable

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

0 (0.0%): Strongly Agree

2 (40.0%): Agree

1 (20.0%): Neither Agree Nor Disagree

1 (20.0%): Disagree

0 (0.0%): Strongly Disagree 1 (20.0%): Not Applicable

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

0 (0.0%): Strongly Agree

3 (60.0%): Agree

2 (40.0%): Neither Agree Nor Disagree

0 (0.0%): Disagree

0 (0.0%): Strongly Disagree 0 (0.0%): Not Applicable

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

0 (0.0%): Strongly Agree

3 (60.0%): Agree

0 (0.0%): Neither Agree Nor Disagree

1 (20.0%): Disagree

1 (20.0%): Strongly Disagree 0 (0.0%): Not Applicable

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

0 (0.0%): Strongly Agree

2 (40.0%): Agree

1 (20.0%): Neither Agree Nor Disagree

0 (0.0%): Disagree

1 (20.0%): Strongly Disagree 1 (20.0%): Not Applicable

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

0 (0.0%): Strongly Agree

2 (40.0%): Agree

2 (40.0%): Neither Agree Nor Disagree

0 (0.0%): Disagree

0 (0.0%): Strongly Disagree 1 (20.0%): Not Applicable 9. The Instructional Assistant was accessible to students outside of class (office hours, e-mail, etc.).

2 (40.0%): Strongly Agree

3 (60.0%): Agree

0 (0.0%): Neither Agree Nor Disagree

0 (0.0%): Disagree

0 (0.0%): Strongly Disagree 0 (0.0%): Not Applicable

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

0 (0.0%): Strongly Agree

1 (20.0%): Agree

0 (0.0%): Neither Agree Nor Disagree

0 (0.0%): Disagree

1 (20.0%): Strongly Disagree 3 (60.0%): Not Applicable

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

3 (42.9%): No issues 2 (28.6%): Too quiet 0 (0.0%): Too loud 0 (0.0%): Too fast 0 (0.0%): Too slow

1 (14.3%): Poor grammar and/or English language skills

1 (14.3%): Used filler words such as "um"

0 (0.0%): Other (please describe)

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

0 (0.0%): Strongly Agree

3 (60.0%): Agree

0 (0.0%): Neither Agree Nor Disagree

1 (20.0%): Disagree

1 (20.0%): 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
- Ruby is very accessible, which I appreciate; she has office hours twice a week.

- 14. Please describe this person's greatest weaknesses as a Instructional Assistant. Please keep your comments constructive and professional, abiding by the Principles of Community
- Ruby took this class a while ago and relies on the fact that she did well in the class when she was a student. I am frustrated with Ruby as a TA though because I feel she doesn't adequately prepare for her office hours. I go in and ask questions about the homework and she flips through her notes and makes comments like "Well I haven't looked at these problems but it was easy when I took the class." I know she is very smart and capable but I feel she doesn't take the time to prepare for office hours by reviewing the material or looking over the current homework. I've started going to the Professor for help because Ruby doesn't help me.
- 15. Do you have any other comments to add to your evaluation?

 Please keep your comments constructive and professional, abiding by the Principles of Community
- Office hours room was small and disorganized; students had limited space and difficulty in participating in discussions.

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