New TA Peer Observation

- 1. Make a copy of this document to fill out
- 2. Observe a TA who is in this PD class.
- 3. After you conduct your observation, debrief with the TA you observed.
- 4. Upload your observation and debrief into Canvas.

Your Name: Sebastian Griego

Observed TA Name: Yiyue Feng

Course: Math 150

Topic covered: Limit definition of derivative

1. Observation: What did you notice that was similar to how you teach? He started writing stuff on the board before class even started. He also went over some important concepts at the beginning of class.

2. Observation: What did you notice that was different from how you teach?

He spent a lot of time making sure everyone understood what was going on. He wrote his text very large on the board. He also just explains things to people in a way that's really clear.

3. Observation: How do they manage and facilitate groups in their class? Consider how they circulated among the groups and spent their time.

He answered all the problems people had in a very clear manner. He made sure to get to everyone who had questions.

4. Observation: What was something new that you learned that you had not thought of before?

There was nothing too new as he didn't do anything too different. He just did everything really well.

5. Observation: What changes, if any, do you plan to make to your own teaching as a result of your observation?

I need to make sure that I write big enough on the board to make sure that everything is clear. He also used different colored markers very well.

6. Observation: Now that you have observed both a new TA and an experienced TA, what are the similarities and differences in their teaching practices?

Grace has clearly been doing this for quite a while, but Yiyue did a very good job by sticking to the basics.

7. Debrief: Share one thing that you think went well. Share one area that could be improved.

I think everything went well for him. I do not think there is much need for improvement.

8. Debrief: Discuss ideas for improvement.

I was very impressed with Yiyue.