

## ECON 101 Fall 2017 End of Course TA Feedback

Please indicate your impression of each TA's quality as an instructor and your overall impressions of the ULAs. If you have not had any significant interactions with a TA, please select N/A for that individual.

### Sid Biswas

- Unsatisfactory 2 responses
- N/A 147 responses
- Outstanding 61 responses
- Extremely Unsatisfactory 1 response
- Satisfactory 14 responses
- Very Good 46 responses

Please comment on Sid Biswas's effectiveness as a TA.

If you do not have any constructive feedback for Sid, you may leave this blank.

Your responses will be shared with the TAs and they will use your feedback to improve their teaching and as evidence of effective teaching when they apply for jobs in the future.

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A really responsible TA. But his recitation needs more interaction.

Before Midterm II, I came into the EconAid Center quite often, mostly during Sid's office hour time. He was always very good at explaining and clarifying information and is also a great person all around.

Did well on teaching the class when Dr. Staub was absent

Good

Great at explaining things during recitations & keeping class engaged.

Great TA! He was very detailed in explaining topics. I look forward to seeing him do great things in the future!

Great teacher, explains the material very well, listens to feedback from the class

Great work!

He did an awesome job teaching our class when Dr. Staub was absent.

He was my recitation teacher and I liked him a lot. He explain the material pretty good and was helpful with answering questions.

He was quite helpful in recitations and always answered questions that clarified difficult topics and issues.

He was such an awesome TA. If I ever had any questions he was able to answer them completely. He also was able to explain concepts well and in different ways in order to help me understand them better.

He was very good! He broke the class concepts down and went way into detail until everyone understood. He is also very nice and you can tell you loves the topic!

He was very helpful in recitation, always helped the class learn the broad concepts and apply them in different scenarios.

I believe that Sid did an awesome job of restating the concepts learned in lecture and really making it stick. And not just giving us the answer, but pushing us to discover the answers for ourselves.

I believe this is the TA who started the class when Dr. Staub was absent. He was an amazing teacher. he spoke well and wrote legibly. He easily explained new concepts.

I felt a lot that during recitation his explanations of specific question would confuse me more. He also stuttered a lot and he seemed very knowledgeable in the field but he could definitely improve in terms of conveying his knowledge in an effective way.

I had only had experience with Sid during office hours, but he was amazing. He stayed over 30 minutes past his office hours just to help me. He did a really good job of explaining Econ concepts that were complex.

I liked how you would ask clarification questions to see where I was tripping up. It was much helpful then just taking my question at face value.

I really enjoyed Sid as my TA. He was very helpful and informative in recitation and he knew what he was talking about. While we had a Monday morning 8 am recitation and most of the people weren't alert and awake at that time, Sid remained very patient with us and helped us as best as he could.

I think I would have liked if we went over the questions together a little more rather than just doing them on our own then being shown the answer. Maybe more class participation. Everything always made sense in the end, though. :)

I thought that Sid was a very good TA. He was very knowledgeable and helpful in terms of explaining the material to us, and he had a friendly personality that was not condescending when asked a question.

I very much enjoyed having Sid as my TA. I felt that he explained problems and concepts clearly and effectively all while keeping the classroom environment enjoyable.

I went to Sid's review session right before Midterm II and it was really helpful because he explained the material step by step, which helped clarify my understanding.

I would keep in mind that in recitation you are the teacher. There was one student who made several extremely inappropriate comments that I wish would have been addressed.

Knew the material but didn't always explain it to the fullest, which made the concept not as clear as it could be.

no interaction

no interaction

Overall great job, sorry we didn't answer many questions, it was kinda early so we were all tired. Very good job of explaining complicated concepts and creating examples that would connect and get through to us.

Prior to midterm 2, I attended Sid's review session. His explanation of they types of competition helped me better understand the material (although I need to review it after taking the post-assessment). During the TA-led lecture, Sid proved to be one of the more capable TA's, and has done an excellent job explaining the material.

Seemed chill but did not have them.

Seems like he knows the material well, but wasn't always able to explain things really well.

Sid did a great job as my TA. One thing that he could work on is being a bit more clear on some subjects.

Sid did a great job in engaging students and keeping us focused. He was also very relaxed and easy going which made recitations enjoyable.

Sid did a great job of explaining things when I had questions about the problem set.

Sid did his best in recitation to engage the class and teach us the material, even if we were not fully awake because of the 8am recitation time. Overall, he did a good job explaining the material and was extremely helpful and supportive if we had questions

Sid does a very good job of utilizing time in class and outside of class. When he taught the class he was very calm and level headed. He is extremely knowledgeable about econ.

Sid had a thorough understanding of the material and was very effective at translating complex concepts into attainable explanations. He was very open to student questions and very patient with explaining his answers.

Sid had good knowledge of the material and helped explain topics that were unclear going into recitations.

Sid is a great teacher, he explains things at a level that is easy to understand. I'm not sure where I'd be if I didn't attend his recitation meetings every week.

Sid is a really good TA because he explains concepts in a way that makes them easier to understand. There are times when his explanations are vague but for the most part he is able to clarify confusing topics.

Sid is my TA and I've enjoyed his recitation. He quickly responds to my questions and clears up anything I might have misunderstood.

Sid is really helpful during poll everywhere questions too.

Sid is so helpful! I have him for recitation and he explains everything really well and always tries to have us figure it out before explaining the concept. He's extremely focused and really gets through the lesson!

Sid is the man

Sid is very knowledgeable on all things Econ and is a very effective teacher as a result.

Sid is very smart and was always helpful!

Sid wanted us to do well and there is little doubt about his knowledge on the material. He left a very impressive consulting job to come learn more and teach through grad school and I believe that goes a long way and only benefits his students.

Sid was a great TA because even though I had him early in the morning at 8 a.m. he always seemed happy to be there and happy to give us instructions and explanations on how to solve complex economic concepts.

Sid was a great TA! He really went through each problem and made sure we understood each part of the problem. He also taught in a nice and organized way that made sense.

Sid was a great TA. He did a good job adding examples that we could relate to, and tried to put the information into more familiar words. He is also pretty funny, which he needs to keep.

Sid was a great TA. Very kind and eager to help.

Sid was a helpful recitation leader. He was communicative and used his time wisely during the 50 minute recitation. At times it seemed like he wasn't necessarily in the best control over the class, however, having a class of 25 college students around lunch time isn't the funnest! He also wasn't the best at walking around and observing and making sure everyone was staying on task and answering questions. Overall, he was an effective and good recitation leader.

Sid was a really great TA. He explained concepts thoroughly to the best of his ability and showed all of his work in recitation which helped me a lot. He made recitation enjoyable and I feel like I learned how to do more of the math based problems and graphing from him than I did in lecture.

Sid was a very good TA. He explained concepts clear and effectively and made sure we all understood the material before moving on. He could have controlled the class a little more

effectively but that would be the only area of improvement.

Sid was a very good TA. He was intelligent and helped us with the ideas of econ, but more importantly, he showed that he cared about his students. It is hard to feel a connection with the teacher when your class is 400 people so it was nice to have someone you could feel comfortable talking to. I don't know much about the other TA's besides Anthony's jokes, which were hilarious, but Sid was by far my favorite.

Sid was an awesome TA. Recitation each week always helps me learn and understand the material so much better. He was great at explaining concepts and he was always willing to answer questions.

Sid was an effective TA, but I did not get the chance to go to as many of his office hours.

Sid was extremely effective at getting us as a recitation to answer questions. He made us interact and ask questions instead of just explaining everything upfront. Sid was extremely helpful during recitation and explained things in terms that were easily understandable

sid was great-- really helpful and willing to stay after class to answer extra questions i had

Sid was my TA for our recitation and he did a phenomenal job teaching us. To being with he was very relatable and because of that everyone in our section respected him. Additionally he was approachable and never seemed to get angry at us if we didn't know the answer or force someone to answer if no one was talking.

Additionally we had a good system in place where we would first work on the problems then go over them. Lastly, and most importantly, he was VERY good at explaining all the concepts. Even when students asked more complex but relevant questions, he was good at answering them fully in a way that we would still be able to understand and relate it back to the course material. Thank you Sid!

Sid was my TA for recitation and he was really good at teaching us difficult topics. Sometimes though, he would mess up the answer and it would get kind of confusing when he tried to retrace his steps and reexplain what he meant. Overall though, he was a really nice and effective TA in helping me understand Econ.

Sid was really good at identifying where we struggled. Sometimes he had a tendency to over explain simple things, causing us to run out of time, but for the most part he was very helpful. He was very understanding and he was able to explain topics to us in new ways so we could better understand them.

Sid was super helpful. Every time I went to office hours and he was there I left feeling like I understood the material better.

Sid was very helpful and tried to explain concepts in as simple and easy to communicate terms as possible. He was pretty accessible for asking questions, etc

Sid was very helpful during recitation and always could answer questions and explain things.

Sid was very helpful in explaining everything to us. He was always prepared and knew what he was talking about. If it wasn't for his recitation and his help on the assignments, I would not have been able to do as well on the exams as I did. Could show a little more enthusiasm throughout the class to make it more exciting.

Sid you were a great TA. The reason students weren't answering questions was because it was so early in the morning. Great job explaining in the absence of discussion.

TAught the class one time, did an excellent job

Very friendly and knowledgeable. Patient.

Very good at communicating tough concepts to students.

Very good TA, is patient with questions and works to the best of his ability to make sure something is understood

Very good with explaining to students. Knows his stuff

Very helpful during poll everywhere

Very well-prepared and organized.

When he taught in class I enjoyed it and thought he was a great teacher.

When you ask Sid a question, instead of giving you the answer to a problem, he tries to help you come to your own conclusion