

Sanyal, Soumya Math 1400 Section 12 FS2011

1) What are the best things about this class and your instructor?

- Our instructor gave many great examples, and he was very helpful when you asked him for help. He made sure all of our questions were answered, and that us students were on the same page
- Mr. Sanyal clearly cared about student learning. He did a good job of teaching.
- His accent
- Soumya was very good about providing assistance when needed. I believe he wanted me to learn the material and do well in the class. Very lengthy explanations.
- The best things about the class was that I actually learned something useful. The best things about the instructor was that he taught effectively
- He would always email us solutions to problems if we were not able to finish a problem in class, and would make formula sheets (test #3) to help us out before exams as well.
- Soumya is an absolutely outstanding instructor. He is excellent at teaching the material, explaining, and answering questions. Soumya works very hard to help the students succeed. It was very helpful to get emails explaining problems from class
- I could tell Mr. Soumya was very interested in teaching us and he is very intelligent and knows the subject matter well. He never hesitated to help me when I asked him a question.
- He makes sure he shows us a little of everything in each section and if he doesn't finish in class he sends an email of the unfinished material
- All examples given in class were relevant to course work as well as exams. Instructor was easily available when help was needed. Instructor was concerned with student learning and was able to answer students' questions exceptionally well, as well as giving a great lesson every day during class.
- Instructor taught very well. He spoke very well and I could understand him clearly. Whenever he did problems on the board he went through every step and explained it clearly.
- He was well educated in the subject matter and knew what he was doing
- The instructor was extremely interested in making sure that the students actually understood the material. He taught very effectively.
- Instructor was thorough in teaching material.
- Best math instructor I've had thus far. He spoke clearly and taught the class at the perfect speed. He types answers to homework questions and overall allowed me to learn quickly.
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- He was a great teacher. Even though he was a grad student he took extra time if the office hours didn't work for you.

- The instructor was really helpful. He was very good at explaining and making sure we understood the material. He cared a lot about our learning and did everything he could to help.
- The strict structure and schedule
- Many examples given in class
- Taught efficiently and clearly.
- The instructor was easy to follow. Effective with his approach. Best math teacher I've had!!
- Was very friendly and never was mad if asked any improvements
- Cared about us learning stayed in contact with students

2) What things need improvement? Any suggestions?

- I don't like multiple choice being worth so many points on exams. I wish there was partial credit for work on M.C. Also, I wish practice exams would've been posted on Blackboard.
- Often, he repeated or explained in detail simple concepts when working out problems, but sometimes did not thoroughly explain more difficult concepts.
- Time management could have been improved. (Finishing problems in allocated class time, doing more examples)
- Spend less time simplifying. On average we only get through three examples per class
- Help with the webwork is really never talked about the HW in class at all.
- I would have liked to work over webwork problems in class.
- He talks too quietly. He needs to project his voice. He also kept us over time several times.
- I believe the class was exceptional; by far one of the best classes I have attended here. I have no suggestions for improvement because I believe the class to be excellent as is.
- Sometimes we would have quizzes on Wednesdays instead of Fridays and we were not warned.
- Over complicating the subject matter often led me to be more confused and making material seem harder than it really was.
- No suggestions.
- Some things were taught slowly. Would have been more effective to show more examples.
- None
- Maybe not so many calculations done in your head...seems to be a waste of time
- Office hours were a bit inconvenient
- In the beginning of the course, more emphasis on the webwork is needed. Maybe a couple of reminders at the beginning of the course.
- The examples, there aren't enough, don't cover all possible variations of concepts that may appear on the test
- Test content should be more related to the in class examples/material
- Online hw (webwork) – I prefer written hw
- Spelling on chalkboards
- Instructors handwriting, give practice tests

3) Other comments?

- Champion Work! ★★★★★
- Having time to ask about Webwork could be a worth while addition to class time
- Enjoy the instructor organization and thoroughness
- Awesome teacher!
- Learned a lot and found this class to be very helpful. Soumya is a great teacher and has exceptional knowledge on the subject.
- Other math 1400 professors sent students emails before the exams highlighting what they needed to make sure to study/understand. I think this would have helped our class too.
- Perfect Math 1400 instructor!
- Very good use of class time. Like that problems were taken from written h/w
- The grad student teachers for the math department in the past have not been very reasonable or helpful. They are too focused on their own studies to care about the class they teach.

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M U M A T H D E P A R T M E N T

Student End-of-Semester Evaluation Form

Instructor: Sanyal, Soumya Deepta
Course: MATH 1400
Description: CALC SOCIAL/LIFE SCI 1
Reference: 26470

Term: FS2011
Course Id: 009080
Section: 12

Number of students responding: 25

Questions	Frequency of Responses				Weighted Average	Std.Dev.	Response Percent			
	Strongly agree	Agree	Dis-agree	Strongly N/A, omit			Strongly agree	Agree	Dis-agree	Strongly agree
weight=	4	3	2	1						

SECTION I: Consumer Information

1. Clear presentation	12	11	1	0	1	3.458	0.588	50.0	45.8	4.2	0.0
2. Interested in learning	20	3	0	0	2	3.870	0.344	87.0	13.0	0.0	0.0
3. Effective overall	14	9	1	0	1	3.542	0.588	58.3	37.5	4.2	0.0

SECTION II

Well prepared & organized	16	8	0	0	1	3.667	0.482	66.7	33.3	0.0	0.0
Promotes mutual respect	19	5	0	0	1	3.792	0.415	79.2	20.8	0.0	0.0
Easy to understand	13	8	2	0	2	3.478	0.665	56.5	34.8	8.7	0.0