



UC RIVERSIDE - Student Comments of Instructor, Faculty Evaluation Courses - Summer Session 2 2006

Course: MATH 009A Section: 201 - FIRST-YEAR CALCULUS
Instructor: Alexander Hoffnung

Question # 8: Please evaluate the instructor's teaching in this course. Do not identify yourself in any way.

- He presents the material very well and always makes time to field questions, yet seems to always stay on pace.
- though i am slow at learning in lecture the professor was very helpful in office hours. i learned most of the material through there.
- It was easy to understand him and I learned a lot more than I had in my previous math courses
- Alex Hoffnung was an excellent instructor. His lectures were interesting. He was neat and organized and taught the material very well. His concern towards his students was excellent, especially in office hours. Overall he did 110%.
- Dr. Hoffnung considered math a very important concept in every way possible he showed concern about his students and what they knew how to do and what they didn't know. He always asked for feedback on how well he presented his material and whether there were certain areas in which he needed an easier or more understandable method of teaching them. He had a very approachable personality which made me feel more comfortable in going to office hours and getting help. In those sessions of office hours he had he focused on what we all needed help on and was very easy going, and did not get upset about us asking him to explain the same thing over again, he actually was more than happy to do so and in a different way to so that it was easier to understand.
- This class was really fast. Knowing that it is a five week course, it was difficult, but very helpful in providing fast learning that will better everyone in the class. Professor Hoffnung is a great professor, very concerned for his students understanding the material. A side-note to the math department, give this professor a raise! LOL.
- Alexander Hoffnung teaches well and in a professional manner and when need clarification he explains it thoroughly. The office hours help a lot and he stays in even though he doesn't have to teach us after class and to teach longer than he has too. He is very concerned with students learning the material and I learned even more in the class and in office hours because of his teaching skills and study techniques. The material was presented in professional manner.
- I thought that the course was run well. The information that we learned did not always seem to help with the homework problems but it gave an overall understanding of the subject matter that was more beneficial than just doing problems and the examples helped to clarify what was meant by the theorems a lot. I thought that the instructor was fair and thoughtful in assigning work and making tests. I don't know what the difference between this class and math 22 is though, it should be comparable.
- he seemed like he really cared if we understood the material. he always had time to explain the material to us and he was very flexible with office hours. i thought he was a really good teacher overall
- The instructor taught everything in a clear and concise manner. He tried his best to present the text in a way so that the students understood. He provided a lot of examples so that the homework would be easier to do.
- Alex tends to get a bit confused sometime when he is doing problems as examples. However, his ability to relay information through office hours, notes and general lecture is exceptional. He thoroughly prepares his students for what to expect on his exams. He will make a great lecturer.
- Alex is a good instructor who is very concerned about us learning the material. he was a very understandable teacher and was very helpful. he was always willing to help you outside of class and after his office hours. he is a good teacher but for me the material(math) has always been hard.