



UC RIVERSIDE - Student Comments of Instructor, Discussion Courses - Spring 2020

Course: MATH 146C Section: 012 - ORDINARY&PARTIAL DFFRNTL EQUTNS
Instructor: Ryan Ta

This course was offered during the COVID-19 global pandemic in an emergency remote learning environment.

Question # 18: YOUR CONSTRUCTIVE COMMENTS ON YOUR GRADUATE STUDENT INSTRUCTOR'S TEACHING SKILLS ARE EXTREMELY IMPORTANT. PLEASE WRITE YOUR COMMENTS IN THE TEXTBOX BELOW. PLEASE LIMIT YOUR COMMENTS TO 2000 CHARACTERS.

- Ryan was really helpful and would take the time to explain everything with detail.
- Often times the TA does not seem to fully grasp the material and makes a number of mistakes when attempting to solve problems during discussion. While the TA is open to questions and will gladly offer assistance, I feel as if many times I was better off just figuring it out on my own as he often gives incorrect advice on how to approach certain math problems.
- Ryan is a great guy and you can tell he advocates for his students, he always was willing to provide extra office hours to help clarify a concept and that I feel is like what really makes him an asset to UCR.
- Ryan was literally God send. He was very helpful and would point out flaws that really needs to be addressed. For example, he would help us with subject material that was a prerequisite because not many people remembered everything, but also stressed on the fact that everything in math ties together and it is a necessity for every math student to know it all. I would attend his office hours regularly and he tried his best to feed the material to us. I appreciate his effort and determination to get all his students on the same page. Thank you so much! Ryan only made life easier instead of adding more stress.
- THIS MAN DESERVES THE VERY BEST OF EVERYTHING. HE IS THE REASON I UNDERSTAND A MAJORITY OF THE MATERIAL WITHIN THE COURSE. VERY CLEAR, CONCISE, AND UNDERSTANDING OF ALL THE STUDENTS NEEDS AND CONCERNS
- I've been at UC Riverside for twelve quarters, and I've had average teaching assistants for my mathematics courses. However, Ryan truly amazed me. He is by far the BEST teaching assistant that I've ever had. He was willing to go out of his way and educate me about graduate school opportunities and talk about issues that the United States is currently dealing with. He was willing to meet with me via Zoom after his office hours because I still had questions about the material in this course. There is not been one TA that has ever done that for me before. Ryan makes the material from Math 146C make sense, and I got to know him very well this past quarter. This class can be confusing somethings, but he provides strategies of how to solve each problem. He provides countless resources for students, so I would not have done as well in this course without his help. I frequently went to his office hours every Monday because he was so approachable. Ryan admits if he does not something, and he is willing to look online or in the lecture notes as references on how to solve the problem. I hope to to never lose contact with him again.
- Ryan Ta was very helpful in explaining detailed work that was skimmed over lecture. He really helped solidify concepts from class. I truly believe Ryan did above and beyond for this course because he would post up his own solutions, to problems recommended in class even though he didn't have to, to assist further in really understanding the concepts.