Student ASE Evaluation for Sinan Aksoy
Department of Mathematics

MATH 109 - Mathematical Reasoning (Rhoades, Brendon Patrick)
Winter 2014

Number of Evaluations Submitted: 30
Number of Students Enrolled: 72

1. The Teaching Assistant/Tutor was well organized and prepared for class.

   22 (73.3%):  Strongly Agree
   3 (10.0%):    Agree
   5 (16.7%):    Neither Agree Nor Disagree
   0 (0.0%):     Disagree
   0 (0.0%):     Strongly Disagree
   0 (0.0%):     Not Applicable

2. The Teaching Assistant/Tutor presented course material clearly and answered questions accurately in class.

   19 (63.3%):  Strongly Agree
   8 (26.7%):    Agree
   3 (10.0%):    Neither Agree Nor Disagree
   0 (0.0%):     Disagree
   0 (0.0%):     Strongly Disagree
   0 (0.0%):     Not Applicable

3. The Teaching Assistant/Tutor encouraged students to ask questions and participate in class/section.

   18 (62.1%):  Strongly Agree
   9 (31.0%):    Agree
   2 (6.9%):     Neither Agree Nor Disagree
   0 (0.0%):     Disagree
   0 (0.0%):     Strongly Disagree
   0 (0.0%):     Not Applicable
   1:            [No Response]
4. The Teaching Assistant/Tutor interacted well with students and treated them with respect and courtesy.

   22 (73.3%):   Strongly Agree  
   3 (10.0%):   Agree  
   4 (13.3%):   Neither Agree Nor Disagree  
   0 (0.0%):   Disagree  
   1 (3.3%):   Strongly Disagree  
   0 (0.0%):   Not Applicable

5. The Teaching Assistant/Tutor did not just provide answers, but taught students how to solve problems.

   22 (73.3%):   Strongly Agree  
   5 (16.7%):   Agree  
   3 (10.0%):   Neither Agree Nor Disagree  
   0 (0.0%):   Disagree  
   0 (0.0%):   Strongly Disagree  
   0 (0.0%):   Not Applicable

6. The section was useful and helped with the rest of the course.

   22 (73.3%):   Strongly Agree  
   5 (16.7%):   Agree  
   3 (10.0%):   Neither Agree Nor Disagree  
   0 (0.0%):   Disagree  
   0 (0.0%):   Strongly Disagree  
   0 (0.0%):   Not Applicable

7. The sections were interesting and enjoyable.

   17 (56.7%):   Strongly Agree  
   8 (26.7%):   Agree  
   4 (13.3%):   Neither Agree Nor Disagree  
   1 (3.3%):   Disagree  
   0 (0.0%):   Strongly Disagree  
   0 (0.0%):   Not Applicable

8. I would recommend this Teaching Assistant/Tutor to other students.

   21 (72.4%):   Strongly Agree  
   4 (13.8%):   Agree  
   3 (10.3%):   Neither Agree Nor Disagree  
   0 (0.0%):   Disagree  
   1 (3.4%):   Strongly Disagree  
   1:   [No Response]
9. Do you have any other comments to add to your evaluation?  
*Please provide any additional constructive comments*

- He did the job as a TA, but most of my interactions left me feeling stupid for needing to ask a question. Not a good environment.

- He is really great, you guys should raise his salary.

- Knows the information and is helpful when students ask how to solve certain problems. Weaknesses, however, are that he teaches a bit slowly, spending 20 minutes or so on one problem; doesn't interact too well with the students (the students usually didn't show participation. He could possibly practice being more outgoing when it comes to teaching, and give off a more engaging air. Enunciation and tone changes could help.) Overall, very beneficial to my understanding of the course and general problem- and proof-solving skills.

- My only problem is that Sinan tends to go into a lot of detail on each problem. It's really helpful for understanding how to prove something, however, we often run out of time to cover additional material. He is very accessible through office hours though.

- Simply outstanding TA, definitely the best math TA I've had at UCSD. his explanations were extremely engaging and was very nice and approachable outside the classroom as well.

- Sinan is a good TA and likes to go over the problems thoroughly so that the students can understand exactly what is happening with the problem. However, sometimes he will go over things in great detail even if most of the class understands it, and this explanation will take over a long portion of the class time. He's a great TA in other aspects though.

- Sinan is absolutely great. I have had him twice now as a TA, and he is SO helpful. He doesn't just give you the answers, he really lets you take the reins of a problem you get, and gives you careful guidance so you really feel like you got the answer on your own. He is very clear, and presents material in a VERY easy to understand way. On top of that, he is just a very laid-back, down-to-earth-guy and I wish there were more professors like him!

- Sinan is one of the best TAs I ever had. He knows the material very well and is helpful

- Sinan was an excellent TA. He provided many insights into the homework, as well as the rest of the course material. His explanations solidify material we have gone over in class, as well as add additional ideas to what we've learned in lecture. Sinan is also always willing to answer any and every question we have, and on tests he gives very thoughtful feedback. He is just an all-around outstanding TA.

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