Student ASE Evaluation for Sinan Aksoy
Department of Mathematics

MATH 10A - Calculus I (Peng, Xing)
Fall 2013

Number of Evaluations Submitted: 91
Number of Students Enrolled: 228

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

63 (69.2%): Strongly Agree
27 (29.7%): Agree
1 (1.1%): 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.

64 (70.3%): Strongly Agree
27 (29.7%): Agree
0 (0.0%): 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.

52 (57.8%): Strongly Agree
34 (37.8%): Agree
3 (3.3%): Neither Agree Nor Disagree
1 (1.1%): 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.

69 (75.8%): Strongly Agree
22 (24.2%): Agree
0 (0.0%): Neither Agree Nor Disagree
0 (0.0%): Disagree
0 (0.0%): Strongly Disagree
0 (0.0%): Not Applicable

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

62 (68.1%): Strongly Agree
28 (30.8%): Agree
1 (1.1%): 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.

55 (60.4%): Strongly Agree
28 (30.8%): Agree
6 (6.6%): Neither Agree Nor Disagree
1 (1.1%): Disagree
1 (1.1%): Strongly Disagree
0 (0.0%): Not Applicable

7. The sections were interesting and enjoyable.

35 (38.5%): Strongly Agree
32 (35.2%): Agree
20 (22.0%): Neither Agree Nor Disagree
2 (2.2%): Disagree
1 (1.1%): Strongly Disagree
1 (1.1%): Not Applicable

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

66 (73.3%): Strongly Agree
24 (26.7%): Agree
0 (0.0%): Neither Agree Nor Disagree
0 (0.0%): Disagree
0 (0.0%): Strongly Disagree
1: [No Response]
9. Do you have any other comments to add to your evaluation?
*Please provide any additional constructive comments*

- Always helpful. Made sure there was one-on-one time available in sections and made sure to answer any question asked.

- Amazing TA. I was in his office hours every week for the whole time and he was so so helpful. I passed the class because of him. He honestly cared about me understanding the concept and doing well in the class. Great TA. If I could have him in all of my math courses I would because he's awesome.

- Definitely a great TA. Talks to you not as your superior, but as your friend. Gives fair grades and makes sure the student understands the material.

- Discussions really help.

- He clearly teach students how to solve the math problem, and very accessible outside the class. However the discussion section is a bit boring

- He is a fantastic TA and he is actually a better teacher than my professor. He was clear, explained each step, provided several examples, asked and answered questions, showed different methods to solve problems and was friendly.

- He is an amazing T.A.

- He is good TA, covered all materials and homework in the discussion section. But the professor had much better flexible office hours and encouragement to help students. Still, he was great TA.

- He is very approachable and explains the material well.

- He showed how to do problems that were challenging and explained common errors in the problems.

- He was pretty clear about the material, you have to do the homework though because he only answers homework problems.

- He was the best TA that I had during my quarter. He understood all the questions asked and really helped me understand concepts at my own pace.

- He was very helpful when it came to explaining problems or methods in which the professor had been ambiguous. Also he was very personable as well as relatable.

- He wouldn't stop trying to help the students understand until he knew that we understood what he was doing. He also often taught us up until a few minutes before the next class came in instead of sending us away when the time for our class had finished. He seemed to be very dedicated to the students and teaching us what to do.

- His patience with students that may not understand the material right away is quality I feel all TA's should have.

- I attended other math sections, and I think Sinan was the best because I felt he was the most knowledgeable and he could relay information in the simplest manner. I could definitely see a difference in my understanding of the material between the weeks I went to his section and the weeks that I didn’t.

- Keep up the good work :)
• Make people answer questions for more interaction
• nope

• Really good TA. I wish he was the teacher some times. He's a fair grader and helps everybody. Any question asked, he will have an answer. He explains thoroughly to the smallest details. I expect him to be a teacher one day.

• Sinan explained problems in great detail, sometimes too much, but the section was very boring and dry.

• Sinan explained the problems even better than the actual instructor. He helped me realize what I was doing wrong and was very encouraging. He was very approachable and very understanding when students did not understand. If you needed to have a problem broken down to baby steps he would and could do it.

• Sinan helped me with my math and taught the problems very well and did not skip steps which is exactly what I needed. Being weak at math, I lacked a lot of basic knowledge that some problems required and he made sure to thoroughly explain why he did something even if it may have been obvious to some students in the class. On a side note, I also did not do great on the first exam but he took the time to ask me about my grade and wished me the best on the next one. Knowing he teaches five classes, the small gesture encouraged me greatly and as a result of his good instruction and kindness, I excelled on the second midterm.

• Sinan is a great TA! Although students don’t really like asking questions during discussion he is very comforting and attentive during office hours. His explanations helped me so much throughout the quarter. If I could have him as a TA next quarter I would definitely get him.

• Sinan is an awesome TA who does a great job explaining problems and making sure you understand the material.

• Sinan is very good at going through the problems step-by-step and fully explaining the reasoning behind it at a good pace. He writes down what he says, which allows me to look at my notes later and completely understand how to go about the problem. He has a kind personality and is nice to be around.

• Sinan was a great TA and really helped me excel in this course.

• Sinan was very helpful and well organized.

• Thanks for being a TA and helping us understand the course in dept. :)

• The best TA by far. He really cares for his students and wants to see them succeed. He will take the extra time to explain and get the help you need. Very approachable and understanding.

• The explanations for problems clear and extremely helpful as were additional tips he often gave us.

• This TA was awesome, I learned more from him than the professor.

• This TA was clearly concerned with making sure the students understood and learned the material well. He took time to ensure questions/ problems were clearly solved and students received the help they needed.

• Very helpful and thoroughly explains difficult problems on the homework. Probably one of the best TA's I've had so far

• very straight forward and gets to the points when discussing a problem. very good.
• You are an incredible TA, and I feel blessed to have had you. Thanks for asserting your intelligence, and sharing that wealth of knowledge inside your brain with the rest of us. You made Math so much easier!

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