



# UC RIVERSIDE - Student Evaluation of Instructor, Discussion Courses - Winter 2011

Course: MATH 010A Section: 004  
Instructor: Jacob Richard West

Enrollment: 24  
Respondents: 17  
Response Rate: 71%

Enrollment: 3766  
Respondents: 2970  
Response Rate: 79%

Enrollment: 38144  
Respondents: 30892  
Response Rate: 81%

Questions	Course								Department			Campus				
	<u>7</u> High	<u>6</u>	<u>5</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>1</u> Low	<u>N/A</u>	Mean	SD	% tile	Mean	SD	% tile	Mean	SD
1 Provides goals and objectives in his/her presentations.	9	6	1	-	-	-	-	1	6.5	0.6	84	6.1	1.3	86	6.0	1.3
2 Is well prepared and clearly organized.	10	6	1	-	-	-	-	-	6.5	0.6	82	6.0	1.3	87	6.1	1.3
3 Thoroughly understands the subject matter.	11	5	1	-	-	-	-	-	6.6	0.6	83	6.3	1.1	88	6.2	1.2
4 Explains the relevancy of the material.	9	7	1	-	-	-	-	-	6.5	0.6	81	6.1	1.3	87	6.1	1.3
5 Clarifies lecture and readings	9	6	2	-	-	-	-	-	6.4	0.7	78	6.1	1.3	85	6.0	1.4
6 Encourages my participation through questions and/or classroom activities.	8	8	1	-	-	-	-	-	6.4	0.6	81	6.0	1.4	85	6.0	1.4
7 Creates a classroom atmosphere where I feel free to ask questions.	8	8	1	-	-	-	-	-	6.4	0.6	81	6.1	1.3	85	6.1	1.4
8 Uses language appropriate to the level of the course.	8	6	3	-	-	-	-	-	6.3	0.8	71	6.3	1.1	79	6.2	1.2
9 Gives useful feedback on assignments and exams.	8	6	1	1	1	-	-	-	6.1	1.2	68	6.1	1.3	79	6.0	1.5
10 Effectively manages the classroom environment	9	6	1	1	-	-	-	-	6.4	0.9	81	6.1	1.3	85	6.1	1.3
11 Motivates me to do my best.	8	7	1	-	1	-	-	-	6.2	1.0	73	5.9	1.4	81	5.8	1.5
12 Is accessible and helpful during office hours.	7	4	2	-	-	-	-	4	6.4	0.8	76	6.2	1.3	84	6.1	1.3
13 Is approachable - his/her demeanor encourages interaction.	9	7	1	-	-	-	-	-	6.5	0.6	82	6.2	1.3	88	6.1	1.4
14 Respects the role of each student in a diverse environment.	9	6	1	-	-	-	-	1	6.5	0.6	79	6.3	1.2	86	6.2	1.2
15 Encourages and respects diverse perspectives.	8	7	1	-	-	-	-	1	6.4	0.6	74	6.3	1.2	83	6.2	1.2
16 Appropriately handles sensitive situations and/or inappropriate student comments.	8	6	2	-	-	-	-	1	6.4	0.7	75	6.2	1.2	84	6.2	1.2
17 Creates and maintains a tolerant learning environment.	10	5	2	-	-	-	-	-	6.5	0.7	79	6.2	1.2	86	6.2	1.2
18 Speaks clear, understandable English. (Not applicable in foreign language sections.)	13	3	1	-	-	-	-	-	6.7	0.6	85	6.5	1.1	93	6.3	1.3
19 Overall, is an effective teaching assistant.	11	5	1	-	-	-	-	-	6.6	0.6	84	6.2	1.3	90	6.1	1.3

\* The number of N/A is not included in the Mean and S.D. calculation.



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**Question # 20:** YOUR CONSTRUCTIVE COMMENTS ON YOUR TA'S TEACHING SKILLS ARE EXTREMELY IMPORTANT. PLEASE WRITE YOUR COMMENTS IN THE TEXTBOX BELOW. PLEASE LIMIT YOUR COMMENTS TO 2000 CHARACTERS.

- Jacob is an excellent TA. Although the professor may be confusing, I feel that Jacob really clarifies the materials in lecture. With his help, I am able to gain more knowledge on math. He is really helpful in his explanations and examples that he provides in discussion. He is a very effective TA.
- Quizzes were easy, but could have been a little more challenging so that we would better know what to expect for the exams.
- Jacob West was an excellent teaching assistant for a very difficult professor. He clearly outlined the material and provided very useful explanations and examples. When students ask question he happily gives a well informed answer and adapts his teaching methods. Any success I have in this course will be because of him not my professor.
- I've had Jacob West as a T.A twice already and he's still the best. Thoroughly explains EVERYTHING going on in lecture very CLEARLY. His office hours are very helpful. Overall, best math T.A you could ever have!
- Over all a great TA who can teach / clarify the material. Excellent job!
- Jacob is a superb TA. He did exactly what he was supposed to in that he clarified the lectures that were so difficult to understand. He makes the material seem simple and easy; the exact opposite of Professor Guan...I feel this discussion was a saving grace for me, Jacob really helped me succeed in this class, and I feel I may not have without him as a TA.
- Great TA for math. Kind of spends too much time on one concept. Does ask us for problems we need help on, but then solves a different problem not similar.
- He explained the material very clearly. I learned more about the material by going to discussion. He explained the material in a way that Professor Guan did not. He talked to us on a level I could relate. I enjoyed his class. Nice style!