



UC RIVERSIDE - Faculty Instruction Evaluation (iEval)

Spring 2013

Course: MATH 009A Section: 001 - FIRST-YEAR CALCULUS
 Instructor: Jacob Richard West
 Home Dept.: Mathematics

Enrollment: 52
 Respondents: 36
 Response Rate: 69%

Enrollment: 3309
 Respondents: 2577
 Response Rate: 78%

Enrollment: 61175
 Respondents: 47978
 Response Rate: 78%

Questions	Course							Department				Campus					
	5 High	4	3	2	1 Low	N/A	Mean	Med	SD	% tile	Mean	Med	SD	% tile	Mean	Med	SD
1 I had a strong desire to take this course	15	9	4	5	2	-	3.9	4.0	1.3	44	4.0	4.0	1.0	59	4.0	4.0	1.0
2 I attended class regularly	21	12	1	1	-	-	4.5	5.0	0.7	50	4.4	5.0	0.8	72	4.4	5.0	0.9
3 I put considerable effort into this course	16	16	2	1	-	-	4.3	4.0	0.7	55	4.4	4.0	0.8	70	4.3	4.0	0.8
4 I gained a good understanding of the course content	16	15	3	1	-	-	4.3	4.0	0.8	67	4.1	4.0	0.9	71	4.2	4.0	0.9
5 I normally spent at least two hours preparing for each hour of class	13	13	5	3	-	-	4.1	4.0	1.0	67	4.0	4.0	1.0	69	3.9	4.0	1.1
6 Instructor was prepared and organized	24	10	1	-	-	-	4.7	5.0	0.5	79	4.4	5.0	0.8	87	4.3	5.0	0.8
7 Instructor used class time effectively	28	6	1	-	-	-	4.8	5.0	0.5	88	4.4	5.0	0.9	91	4.3	5.0	0.9
8 Instructor was clear and understandable	25	7	1	-	1	-	4.6	5.0	0.8	82	4.2	4.0	1.0	85	4.3	5.0	0.9
9 Instructor exhibited enthusiasm for subject and teaching	20	12	3	-	-	-	4.5	5.0	0.7	69	4.4	5.0	0.9	76	4.4	5.0	0.8
10 Instructor respected students; sensitive to and concerned with their progress	24	10	1	-	-	-	4.7	5.0	0.5	86	4.4	5.0	0.8	85	4.3	5.0	0.9
11 Instructor was available and helpful	24	9	2	-	-	-	4.6	5.0	0.6	73	4.3	5.0	0.8	82	4.3	5.0	0.9
12 Instructor was fair in evaluating students	24	8	3	-	-	-	4.6	5.0	0.7	77	4.3	5.0	0.8	81	4.3	4.0	0.9
13 Instructor was effective as a teacher overall	23	10	2	-	-	-	4.6	5.0	0.6	76	4.3	5.0	0.9	84	4.3	4.0	0.9
14 The syllabus clearly explained the structure of the courses	19	14	1	1	-	-	4.5	5.0	0.7	69	4.4	5.0	0.8	80	4.4	5.0	0.8
15 The examinations reflected the materials covered during the course	22	10	3	-	-	-	4.5	5.0	0.7	64	4.4	5.0	0.8	77	4.3	4.0	0.9
16 The required readings contributed to my learning	15	7	12	-	1	-	4.0	4.0	1.0	41	4.1	4.0	1.0	55	4.2	4.0	0.9
17 The assignments contributed to my learning	20	12	1	2	-	-	4.4	5.0	0.8	58	4.4	5.0	0.8	71	4.3	4.0	0.9
18 Supplementary materials (e.g. films, slides, videos, demonstrations, guest lectures, iLearn, web pages, etc) were informative	17	8	10	-	-	-	4.2	4.0	0.9	69	4.1	4.0	0.9	64	4.3	4.0	0.9
19 The course overall as a learning experience was excellent	23	7	5	-	-	-	4.5	5.0	0.7	75	4.2	4.0	0.9	79	4.2	4.0	0.9
20 Q1	4	-	1	-	-	-	4.6	5.0	0.9	79	4.3	4.0	0.9	84	4.2	4.0	0.9
21 Q2	3	-	1	-	-	-	4.5	5.0	1.0	73	4.3	4.0	0.9	80	4.2	4.0	0.9
22 Q3	3	-	1	-	-	-	4.5	5.0	1.0	71	4.3	4.0	0.9	80	4.2	4.0	0.9
23 Q4	3	-	1	-	-	-	4.5	5.0	1.0	73	4.2	4.0	0.9	80	4.2	4.0	0.9
24 Q5	3	-	1	-	-	-	4.5	5.0	1.0	71	4.3	4.0	0.9	80	4.2	4.0	0.9

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



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Question # 25: Please comment on how the instructor's teaching helped your learning of the material in this course. Please give serious thought to your comments. Your comments will be studied by the professor after the grade and performance evaluation of your work have been submitted and may be used in changing future offerings of the course. In addition, these comments are placed in the instructor's file and may be used for purposes of evaluating the instructor's teaching. The information collected will remain anonymous.

- Taught me how to do calculus!
- The instructor was clear and understanding. He helped his students understand the material in class and in office hours.
- no
- Amazing instructor, I had no complaints easy to understand.
- Was not a very effective communicator with the students. Did not appropriately answer the questions of the students.
- Explaining the material with algebra and graphs really helped solidify the understanding. I have come to appreciate good math teachers and Jacob West is one of the best I have had in a long time. Thank you.
- Professor West is amazing. He explains everything thoroughly and truly cares about the success of his students. He makes learning fun and easy. His lectures are engaging and informative.
- Professor West was a great professor. He's a very approachable guy, always eager to teach. He made learning calculus a great experience and I thought I wouldn't like it, but he changed that view for me.
- He provides a web book for the students to read and study, but this book is not good at all because it just has a few examples and definitions that seem not related with the web HW assignment. However, other stuff is fine.
- Instructor was very fair in his grading and is clear with the concepts taught in class. Instructors philosophy that doing well on the finals should translate into doing well into the class is something I can strongly agree with.
- The instructor's teaching was very clear and understandable. He would take his time explaining each rule or theorem to make sure everyone fully understood. If anyone had a question he would stop to make sure that student wasn't confused anymore. Overall great instructor.
- I thought Dr. Zieger was very enthusiastic about the course, but I was not interested in it because I was forced to take the class since I could not get out of the learning community.
- I wish that we could have a chance to try to figure out a problem for ourself for a moment before he would help us. Sometimes, it seemed like the homework was due before we actually knew how to do it. Professor made the best out of not being in a room with many distractions.
- The online homework was helpful, but not at the same time. First off, the numbers were way to big in some occasions and made it difficult to solve. Also, and more importantly, I did not like how the homework problems would not tell you the right answers and/or how to do the problem if you got it wrong. This wasn't the instructor's fault, but rather that of the webwork cite.
- Professor West was an amazing teacher. His way of explaining the concepts were effective. I had no trouble understanding what he was trying to teach. He was very clear and patient at all times. He would explain any concept that students didn't get as many times as it would take. I would recommend every taking this course to sign up for this professor.
- After my disastrous first quarter in calc 9a, I was not looking forward to taking this class but knew that I had too. I thought that he was a very

good teacher - he understood and presented the material well. It wasn't hard to understand, there was no language barrier as there had been my first round in calc and I could tell that he really understood and knew the subject. He was helpful in office hours and there was never a feeling of being judged for not knowing.

- Professor Jacob West is always ready to teach. He always has a smile on his face every lecture; this shows that he is very approachable. His office hours were limited because they were around the same time on the same days that I had lecture (ex. T/Th~ 2-3) so it was difficult to attend his office hours. Also, it would be helpful if he explained more complicated problems that showed up on the homework. I think that would make us better prepared for the exams. Other than that, he did a great job explaining the material.