C. HIGGINS
Evaluation of Instruction Program Report
21S: MATH 131A DIS 3A: ANALYSIS
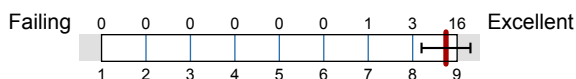No. of responses = 21
Enrollment = 40
Response Rate = 52.5%
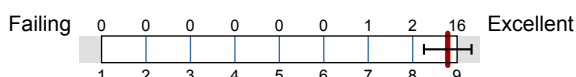
1. UCLA Department of Mathematics:

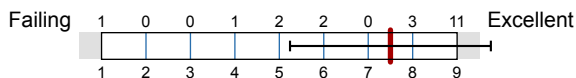**1.1)** How would you rate your TA as an effective teacher?

Failing | 0 0 0 0 0 0 1 3 16 | Excellent
1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9

n=20
av.=8.75
md=9
dev.=0.55
ab.=1

1.2) How would you rate the availability and helpfulness of your TA outside of the classroom?

Failing | 0 0 0 0 0 0 1 2 16 | Excellent
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n=19
av.=8.79
md=9
dev.=0.54
ab.=1

1.3) What is your rating of this course independent of the effectiveness of the TA?

Failing | 1 0 0 1 2 2 0 3 11 | Excellent
1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9

n=20
av.=7.5
md=9
dev.=2.26
ab.=1

2. Comments:

2.1) Please use the space provided for any comments you wish to make which are pertinent to the educational process. These may include all aspects of the course: teaching, examinations, grading, textbook, etc.

- Best TA I've had at UCLA probably

- Cecelia is beyond effective in helping us learn and master the course materials. She is excellent.

- Cecelia is one of the best TA's I've ever had. In fact she was the first female TA I've had in a math course at UCLA which is pretty cool. She was extremely helpful in discussions. office hours, and very responsive over email. She clarified difficult concepts and was clearly knowledgable about the course material. Overall very grateful I had her help in this course!

- Cecilia has been arguably one of the best TA's I've had to date. Her willingness to help students without making them feel inadequate or unintelligent made her office hours and discussions welcoming and inviting. I don't think I would have understood the content as well without her as my TA, so thank you Cecilia!

- Cecilia has been the best TA I could've asked for in this super difficult class. I feel that Cecilia truly cares about the students, and is willing to spend her own time to help us succeed. She often makes hard concepts easier to understand, which has been immensely helpful throughout the quarter. She is also on top of grading homework and exams, and makes sure to get our grades back to us with detailed explanations as soon as possible. There truly aren't many ways Cecilia could be any better. If I were being nitpicky, her handwriting is a little hard to read sometimes but this is an extremely small gripe!

- Cecilia was quite possibly the best TA I have had at UCLA thus far. She is friendly and approachable and also has a good understanding of all of the concepts and can answer questions effectively inside

and outside of the classroom. She is also very organized and does a great job of uploading her discussion recordings and comprehensive notes following weekly discussions. She also grades homework assignments and exams very quickly and is willing to explain why she assigned specific scores.
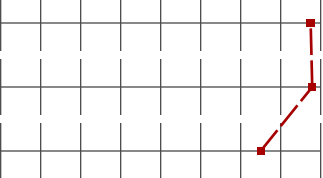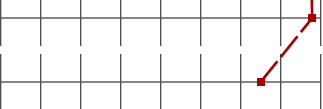
- I just wanted to note that I'm graduating this quarter, and Cecelia is one of the best TAs that I have had. She explains things very well, and is very organized with her work.

- Pros: very open to answering student questions, grades homework and midterms very fast, gives detailed feedback when grading, her cat is fantastic
Cons: grades strictly which was frustrating at first but is probably something I will be grateful for in the future

- She is a very responsible TA! She definitely helped us a lot with writing effective and rigorous mathematical proof.

- Thank you Cecilia for informative discussions with examples and homework help during office hours! Great TA.

- The TA was great, she was extremely nice and understanding and willing to help out in any way she could. There's nothing more she could have done to make this class better, she was already doing the most.

- The TA was really organized. Provided thorough explanations that clarified the material for me. Relevant examples that really helped with solving the homework and exam question. They were too strict when grading homework and examination questions, one could get penalized for the same mistake more than once in an examination. I would suggest a holistic type of grading and not penalizing for mistakes like forgetting to fix more than once, because the little points these take add to a significant percentage of the examination and there are a lot more other concepts that students should be awarded for grasping instead of focusing all the marks on these mistakes.

- There is nothing I can complain about the TA. She is helpful, just like the Professor. Her lectures are fun and clear. Things sometimes might not make sense in the Professor's lecture, but the TA always knows how to clarify difficult parts in her discussion sessions. Not only that, her office hours are my savior in this quarter. Without those, HW would be impossible to finish. I really don't know what to write since the TA is just amazing (look at my score for her and you will understand =]]]). Anyway, in case you are reading this Cecelia, thank you so much for everything in this quarter. If the class schedule ever displayed the TA's name at the same time it showed the class, I definitely would choose your class to enroll. See you later, maybe =]]].

- Very knowledgable and helpful TA.

- Words cannot express how amazing Cecelia is as a TA. I can say that without a doubt, she is the best TA I've had so far here at UCLA. This course has been extremely difficult, and if it wasn't for Cecelia, I probably would have failed the class. I've attended Cecelia's discussion sections every week, and I thoroughly have enjoyed how she has used the discussion section as an opportunity to work through examples slightly similar to those we'll see on the homework or exams. Since lecture is primarily stating and proving theorems, it's very helpful to get to see examples and problems worked out. Also, I've really appreciated how available she is outside of discussion section. Not only does Cecelia have two office hours during the week, she also is extremely attentive to emails and is more than willing to make appointments for additional office hours. This course has been extremely challenging, and the homework has been near impossible most weeks, but Cecelia has made this class manageable, and that's truly an impressive feat. I hope I have the opportunity to take more classes with her in the future, because she really is the best TA UCLA has to offer.

Profile

Subunit: MATH
Name of the instructor: C. HIGGINS
Name of the course: 21S: MATH 131A DIS 3A: ANALYSIS
(Name of the survey)

Values used in the profile line: Mean

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