Clemson University Student Evaluation of Teaching

Evaluation Report for James L Brown teaching MATH 9860 001 during Spring Semester 2014
Respondents = 4 Enrolled = 12 Response rate = 33%

University Questions (3686)

G1. The instructor clearly communicated what I was expected to learn.
Type: How much

Not at all (1)	2	3	4	Very much (5)	NR
0 (0.00%)	0 (0.00%)	0 (0.00%)	0 (0.00%)	4 (100.00%)	0 (0.00%)

Focus	Mean	Stdev	Median	Observations
Class	5.000	0.000	5	4
Same Level	4.250	1.260	5	24
Same Discipline	4.203	0.989	5	2876

G2. The instructor made the relevance of the course material clear.
Type: How much

Not at all (1)	2	3	4	Very much (5)	NR
0 (0.00%)	0 (0.00%)	0 (0.00%)	1 (25.00%)	3 (75.00%)	0 (0.00%)

Focus	Mean	Stdev	Median	Observations
Class	4.750	0.500	5	4
Same Level	4.375	1.096	5	24
Same Discipline	4.089	1.054	4	2876

G3. The course was well organized.
Type: How much

Not at all (1)	2	3	4	Very much (5)	NR
0 (0.00%)	0 (0.00%)	0 (0.00%)	0 (0.00%)	4 (100.00%)	0 (0.00%)

Focus	Mean	Stdev	Median	Observations
Class	5.000	0.000	5	4
Same Level	4.000	1.351	5	24
Same Discipline	4.154	1.040	4	2877

G4. There was a positive interaction between the class and the instructor.
Type: How much

Not at all (1)	2	3	4	Very much (5)	NR
0 (0.00%)	0 (0.00%)	0 (0.00%)	0 (0.00%)	4 (100.00%)	0 (0.00%)

Focus	Mean	Stdev	Median	Observations
Class	5.000	0.000	5	4
Same Level	4.500	0.834	5	24
Same Discipline	4.141	1.061	5	2874

G5. The instructor's teaching methods helped me understand the course material.
Type: How much

Not at all (1)	2	3	4	Very much (5)	NR
0 (0.00%)	0 (0.00%)	0 (0.00%)	0 (0.00%)	4 (100.00%)	0 (0.00%)

Focus	Mean	Stdev	Median	Observations
Class	5.000	0.000	5	4
Same Level	4.208	1.351	5	24
Same Discipline	3.889	1.208	4	2867

G6. The instructor's verbal communication skills helped me understand the course material.
Type: How much

Not at all (1)	2	3	4	Very much (5)	NR
0 (0.00%)	0 (0.00%)	0 (0.00%)	0 (0.00%)	4 (100.00%)	0 (0.00%)

Focus	Mean	Stdev	Median	Observations
Class	5.000	0.000	5	4
Same Level	4.217	1.278	5	23
Same Discipline	3.871	1.205	4	2860

G7. The instructor clearly explained what was expected on assignments and tests
Type: How much

Not at all (1)	2	3	4	Very much (5)	NR
0 (0.00%)	0 (0.00%)	0 (0.00%)	0 (0.00%)	4 (100.00%)	0 (0.00%)

Focus	Mean	Stdev	Median	Observations
Class	5.000	0.000	5	4
Same Level	4.208	1.103	5	24
Same Discipline	4.159	1.047	4	2866

G8. The instructor kept me informed about my progress in the course.
Type: How much

Not at all (1)	2	3	4	Very much (5)	NR
0 (0.00%)	0 (0.00%)	0 (0.00%)	0 (0.00%)	4 (100.00%)	0 (0.00%)

Focus	Mean	Stdev	Median	Observations
Class	5.000	0.000	5	4
Same Level	4.125	1.513	5	24
Same Discipline	4.060	1.078	4	2864

G9. The feedback I received on assignments and tests gave me the opportunity to improve my performance.
Type: How much

Not at all (1)	2	3	4	Very much (5)	NR
0 (0.00%)	0 (0.00%)	0 (0.00%)	0 (0.00%)	4 (100.00%)	0 (0.00%)

Focus	Mean	Stdev	Median	Observations
Class	5.000	0.000	5	4
Same Level	3.958	1.574	5	24
Same Discipline	4.002	1.113	4	2870

G10. Overall, the instructor is an effective teacher.
Type: How much

Not at all (1)	2	3	4	Very much (5)	NR
0 (0.00%)	0 (0.00%)	0 (0.00%)	0 (0.00%)	3 (75.00%)	1 (25.00%)

Focus	Mean	Stdev	Median	Observations
Class	5.000	0.000	5	3
Same Level	4.391	1.196	5	23
Same Discipline	4.090	1.111	4	2870

G11. The instructor's grading procedures gave a fair evaluation of my understanding of the material.
Type: How much

Not at all (1)	2	3	4	Very much (5)	NR
0 (0.00%)	0 (0.00%)	0 (0.00%)	0 (0.00%)	4 (100.00%)	0 (0.00%)

Focus	Mean	Stdev	Median	Observations
Class	5.000	0.000	5	4
Same Level	4.348	1.152	5	23
Same Discipline	4.140	1.034	4	2867

G12. How much work did you put into this course relative to your other courses?
Type: How much

Not at all (1)	2	3	4	Very much (5)	NR
0 (0.00%)	1 (25.00%)	0 (0.00%)	1 (25.00%)	2 (50.00%)	0 (0.00%)

Focus	Mean	Stdev	Median	Observations
Class	4.000	1.414	4.5	4
Same Level	4.083	1.139	4.5	24
Same Discipline	4.090	0.932	4	2864

G13. How difficult was this course for you relative to your other courses?
Type: How much

Not at all (1)	2	3	4	Very much (5)	NR
0 (0.00%)	0 (0.00%)	0 (0.00%)	1 (25.00%)	3 (75.00%)	0 (0.00%)

Focus	Mean	Stdev	Median	Observations
Class	4.750	0.500	5	4
Same Level	4.208	0.977	5	24
Same Discipline	3.991	1.030	4	2863

G14. To what extent was this course a requirement for you?
Type: How much

Not at all (1)	2	3	4	Very much (5)	NR
2 (50.00%)	0 (0.00%)	0 (0.00%)	0 (0.00%)	2 (50.00%)	0 (0.00%)

Focus	Mean	Stdev	Median	Observations
Class	3.000	2.309	3	4
Same Level	4.083	1.213	5	24
Same Discipline	4.584	0.860	5	2869

G15. Was this course in your major?
Type: Yes - No

Yes	No	NR
3 (75.00%)	1 (25.00%)	0 (0.00%)

G16. Was this course team-taught?
Type: Yes - No

Yes	No	NR
0 (0.00%)	4 (100.00%)	0 (0.00%)

G17. Please indicate your satisfaction with the availability of the instructor outside the classroom by choosing one response from the scale. In selecting your rating, consider the instructor's availability via established office hours, appointments, and other opportunities for face-to-face interaction as well as via telephone, email, fax and other means.
Type: Satisfaction

Very Dissatisfied (1)	2	3	Very Satisfied (4)	NR
0 (0.00%)	0 (0.00%)	0 (0.00%)	4 (100.00%)	0 (0.00%)

Focus	Mean	Stdev	Median	Observations
Class	4.000	0.000	4	4
Same Level	3.833	0.381	4	24
Same Discipline	3.485	0.711	4	2877

G18. Please comment on the strengths of the instructor and the course.
Type: Essay

Student	Comments

#1 - He is very strong and the course is very good.

#3 - The instructor really understands the material himself and offers very helpful insights in otherwise dense and difficult-to-understand material.

#4 - Comprehensive lecture preparation with relevant examples throughout. Had a clear goal (RR)

from day 1 and made it happen.

G19. Please comment on the weaknesses of the instructor and the course.

Type: Essay

Student   **Comments**

#2 – Talks/writes too fast sometimes

#3 – It would have been nice to have had more directed homework (or presentations). While there were numerous exercises presented, it was sometimes difficult to discern which the important exercises were and which were not so important. While the instructor did indicate which exercises were extremely important (especially toward the beginning of the course), it would have been nice to have had more direction.

#4 – None.

G20. Please comment on any teaching methods you found particularly helpful, and suggest alternative methods that you feel would improve the course.

Type: Essay

Student   **Comments**

#3 – I really appreciated that the instructor posted his notes for us. I also REALLY appreciate how the instructor worked out quite a few ideas in detail that, in other sources, were only sketched. I am very glad I took the class, and I am very glad for the great notes provided. The primary suggested improvement, as mentioned previously, is more directed homework.

#4 – None.

G21. I would recommend this instructor to a friend. Yes or no? Why?

Type: Essay

Student   **Comments**

#1 – Yes, of course.

#2 – Yes. Great teacher.

#3 – Absolutely! The instructor is an extremely effective instructor and makes sure he knows the material at a sufficiently deep level that he can use it himself and communicate it effectively. He is definitely one of my favorite instructors.

#4 – Yes, above everyone else in the department.

Ok