Course: Econ 243B Instructor: Tsu-ting Tim Lin Semester: Fall 2014

Student Information:

3. How would you evaluate your own commitment to and engagement with this course?

• This has been my toughest course at Gettysburg so far, the second toughest was intro to macro w/Lin! I have spent countless hours studying for all the work and have attended many office hours.

Course and Instructor Evaluation:

- 1. How much do you think you've learned from this course?
 - I learned an impressive amount of Econ for this and I feel a lot stronger in Econ now than I did before.
 - Learned more in this class than any other economics class.
- 2. How helpful were the course materials used by the instructor?
 - The book is not so good. Not very in depth and often did not match the slides with the math. All other instructions were clear. Sometimes homework questions need clarification.
 - I liked the PowerPoints and the previous exams on Moodle.
 - Notes and examples of problems were very helpful and accurate.
 - Excellent, very similar to tests. Structured class unlike other classes in the Economics Department.
- 3. How effective was the instructor in conducting the class sessions?
 - It was all good! I liked how helpful he was when I attended office hours.
 - I loved the lectures.
 - Could always answer questions when we needed, broke down concepts to more basic levels to help us understand.
 - Dr. Lin has his act together. He's ready for class every day with well thought-out PowerPoints. I know he's going to call on me, so I always come prepared for class. He's tough, but it demands a response from the students.
 - Very prepared. Presentations on Moodle before the lecture.
- 4. How would you rate the assignments and tests the instructor required as measures of learning in the course?
 - They form the foundation of learning the concepts.
 - There was a very short time limit for such complex questions.
 - I do not believe in timed tests.
 - I think the grading was a little picky, but the questions were fair.
 - Very difficult, but Professor takes that into consideration with grading and scaling.
 - Fair, assignments prepared us for tests. Assignments and tests were very challenging, but pushed us students to fully understand the material. With that said, I learned a lot. However, at times, I did not feel prepared for some of the material on the assignments.

- 5. How would you rate the instructor's performance in providing far, prompt, and helpful comments and grades on your work?
 - Always "Happy to Help!"
 - They'd be graded within 2 classes. Just didn't get grades back on the group assignments.
 - Can always answer questions, always gives us the right answers afterwards.
 - Did not receive all assignments back.
 - Discussion on memos was extremely helpful after the first submission.
- 6. What is your overall rating of this instructor?
 - Extremely demanding, but fair treatment. Expect results, but wants to help you achieve them.
 - Very demanding (admittedly) but truly passionate. Always prepared.
 - Pushed students and demanded our best effort. I took away a lot from that. Always accessible to meet, very helpful.
- 7. What is your overall rating of this course?
 - It's sure a hard class, but I learned so much.
 - One of the most challenging yet fair classes I have taken. Great teacher, great materials.
 - Challenging.

Last Thoughts:

- Great teacher, although my strengths didn't shine in this class, I still enjoyed it and learned a ton.
- The whole class felt like we were telling one big story, at least that's how lectures felt to me, and I was waiting for a punchline, one big moment where absolutely everything came together. I'm not sure yet if I feel fulfilled in that hope yet...
- I felt that I would've been more prepared for some assignments if similar questions were discussed and worked on in class.
- 1. Did you feel intellectually challenged by this course? How?
 - Yes, I just didn't know all this stuff before.
 - Yes. He is demanding and brought in a lot of math I haven't seen in a while and pushes you to think further and explain everything.
 - Yes. Classes you were constantly being tested on your knowledge and always had to be alert.
 - Yes, It made me think, instead of just memorizing things.
 - Yes, very difficult work conceptually and in application, really tested my memory of algebra and calculus.
 - Yes, the models we used are very complex and require critical thinking, in my opinion.
 - Yes, I am a diligent and hardworking student yet this was one of the most challenging and informative courses I have taken here.

- 2. What changes, if any, in the course would you recommend to the instructor?
 - More class time
 - Just LONGER tests taking time.
 - Reconsider timed tests.
 - Less reading quizzes.
 - Individual assignments group work is heavy and sometimes does not inspire the best form of learning some people do not contribute as much.