

Course:243B Instructor: Lin Semester: Fall 2015

Student Information:

3. How would you evaluate your own commitment to and engagement with this course?
 - Extraneous circumstances
 - I do not circle excellent often but I frequently went to office hours and spent a great deal of time studying way in advance for tests and quizzes

Course and Instructor Evaluation:

1. How much do you think you've learned from this course?
 - Professor Lin is very articulate and explicit
 - Lots of information in short period of time
 - I understood that by even missing one class in this course is missing a lot of things that could have not been understood from the textbook or the notes. So don't miss a class
 - If you do well in this class and try, you will learn a lot
2. How helpful were the course materials used by the instructor?
 - Powerpoints were very well prepared and helpful. Previous exams are the greatest study guides
 - Often the homeworks were so hard we couldn't get anything correct and didn't learn
 - I feel like the readings from the textbook didn't help as much as they should have for the online quizzes
 - Could have used more guidance or directions throughout the Memo Project
 - Current events, news, and textbook were helpful in understanding the material – syllabus was explicit and easily referenced
 - Great notes, his notes have been very useful and very informative
 - Sometimes difficult to understand because of the complexity of the material
 - Outside resources provided real world knowledge
 - Great lecture notes
 - I liked that the solutions to the previous midterms were available to study. Quizzes didn't seem as relevant to course material
3. How effective was the instructor in conducting the class sessions?
 - Always very prepared and paced. Never felt like we were rushing
 - Very helpful, explained in great depth
 - Sometimes it was assumed we knew more than we did, and sometimes the speed was too fast. The math and calculus on the assignments was rarely reviewed in class
 - Moves a bit too quickly
 - Always efficient, open for questions

- He moved a little too quick. The concepts were difficult and there was no time wasted but more problems would have been helpful in class
 - Calling on everyone made sure the whole class was involved; people who would have been slacking were engaged which added to the whole class environment
 - Used entire class time and allowed for student involvement, if student did not know, he would move on
 - Good with answering questions and clarifying
 - Could have varied presentation. Read off powerpoint
 - Professor Lin runs a great class and I have learned an unbelievable amount. But, during lectures when asked questions he is very condescending and almost tries to humiliate you in front on your peers
4. How would you rate the assignments and tests the instructor required as measures of learning in the course?
- Extremely hard but they test what you know. So I guess that's good
 - Going back to the homeworks, the tests and quizzes were so hard that some material was never covered
 - Sometimes I felt like the assignments were way too hard → again, if the calculus was gone over in class they would have been much easier to learn from
 - Extremely difficult exams
 - Tests were very hard and at times had methods of doing things that was unexpected but overall we were well-prepared
 - The tests were definitely a good example for what we learned but if your original interpretation for economic shock was wrong, you would continue to lose most of the points on the test
 - I need more time on the test though
 - Assignments and tests were always very clear
 - Sometimes the notes from class had nothing to do with the test material and vice versa
 - Very hard but gives you the materials and information you need to do well
 - Tough but effective
 - Challenging but fair
 - Assignments encouraged critical thinking
 - I studied a great amount for both tests and received terrible test scores. The tests were unfair and does not truly evaluate how much students in this class know
5. How would you rate the instructor's performance in providing fair, prompt, and helpful comments and grades on your work?
- Always met with me after an exam to discuss
 - I liked how we got our grades back with feedback and explanation of our course standing, and with all the solutions
 - He supplies good notes on work
 - Provided great feedback
 - Fair grading for the difficulty of exams and assignments
 - Good with exams not assignments

- Again, Professor Lin in my opinion is one of the best professors at this college. But, his class is not fair. He demands very much and in return don't even receive good grades
6. What is your overall rating of this instructor?
- A little too tough but what can you do that's economics for you
 - Professor Lin is excellent at getting students to know the material
 - Professor Lin is very knowledgeable on the topic and was never unable to answer a question
 - Difficult but fair
 - I just wish my grade reflected how much I learned in this class
 - I really love his method of teaching. Most of the time he was very good at making me fully understand and evaluate, and analyze the concepts and problems
 - It is always good to have a passionate, eager professor who likes what they teach and to see their students learn
 - Showed commitment to work with willing and engaged students
 - Professor Lin is one of the most challenging instructors I've met so far
 - Difficult but I learned a lot
 - Needs to work on personality. Very condescending. Would go to office hours and he wouldn't really deal with us or our questions
7. What is your overall rating of this course?
- I learned so much
 - The work is pretty horrendous at times, and you will hate Professor Lin with a burning passion some classes, but you will learn a tremendous amount
 - A little stressful!
 - Hard but rewarding
 - I like the course because of all the material I have learned, but Professor Lin really stressed me out and demands so much the entire semester

Last Thoughts:

- Started off hating the class. Glad I stuck around, I feel like I learned a lot and have a much deeper understanding of economics as well as how to address tough challenges
- Best part of course → muffin last class
- Stern, but fair
- Try not to scare students
- Said during class how he “doesn't like failing people” and how he should “be working at a hedge fund”