

**Student Information:**

3. How would you evaluate your own commitment to and engagement with this course?
- I feel that I have been very committed to this course over the semester, and I believe that shows from my attendance as well as participation in class every Monday and Wednesday
  - Only missed a couple classes (always felt bad missing). Always participated even though I barely ever read the text/readings
  - I found this course interesting and as happy to engage with the material
  - I participated in class, read assigned readings, and did all of the homeworks
  - I gave this course 110% of my effort
  - I had to work a lot for this class to stay up to date in the materials
  - This course demands a lot of work outside of class
  - I put a lot of time into work outside class

**Course and Instructor Evaluation:**

1. How much do you think you've learned from this course?
- I took Intro to Macro in my first semester of freshman year. This course has been very demanding and forced me to understand all the concepts that I had previously forgotten
  - Probably the most I've ever gotten out of a class
  - It's a very meaningful course, it can drive your interest to learn further
  - A lot of information about macroeconomics
  - I learned more in this course than any other econ course
  - Compared to what I learned in the intro class, I learned so much more about Macro and definitely have a better understanding about the subject as a whole
  - Reviewed material that was unclear in intro micro
  - Goes a lot more in depth than 104 and covers a lot of material
  - We covered a lot of topics and moved quickly
  - The instructor is very clear
  - We learned, as a class, that most information that I've experienced as a class before
  - Professor Lin is an expert of this discipline
  - I feel like I have absorbed a large amount of material
  - I've learnt more in this class than any other class I have taken at Gettysburg so far
2. How helpful were the course materials used by the instructor?
- Memos and assignments discretely reflect what material we go over in class
  - Always provided notes and always asked if we had any questions. Loved having access to old exams and assignment solutions
  - The additional readings felt superfluous

- He is a very strict professor but do everything well-organized! All of materials he gave are really helpful when we prepare for exams!
- The past exams posted on Moodle were very helpful, so was he syllabus
- Book was okay, but loved the Moodle readings
- The material and textbooks were good but I didn't like the quizzes
- Challenging homework and assignments
- We kept up on current topics and issues
- Materials are helpful for understanding
- The slides make it a lot easier to take well organized notes
- The articles were helpful and applied well because it was real world material
- Slides were great
- I loved that we had access to the powerpoints and the readings were very interesting

3. How effective was the instructor in conducting the class sessions?

- Professor Lin makes sure we are paying attention with "cold calls" which helps us learn the information
- Very productive-didn't waste any time. Stellar notes that always prepared me for assignment and tests
- I appreciated the class participation and felt he answers questions fully and efficiently
- The most effective course that I have taken so far!
- We used class time efficiently and were very productive this semester
- Keep cold calling people, that helps everyone understand the material
- Although I was skeptical at first, Professor Lin really grew on me. He is a great teacher who really cares about his students
- More examples and quizzes that are closer to the structure of exam questions would be helpful, other than that clear lectures and the instructor was willing to stop and review any misunderstandings at any point during the class
- Much was covered in class. First half of semester class felt rushed and I was confused. Second half went more smoothly
- One can tell Lin always prepared for the class and knew the direction he wanted to take it
- Although tough in the beginning, I always learned a lot during the lectures and good examples were used
- Sometimes it could be a bit intimidating answering questions
- Very efficient and clear
- Professor Lin made sure we all understood the material very well in the way he conducted class
- It is a very interactive course
- Very effective and efficient
- The calling on students was intimidating at first but it made us all understand the material significantly better

4. How would you rate the assignments and tests the instructor required as measures of learning in the course?
  - Tests in this class are much harder than the assignments that were given to us over the semester. I feel like the tests do not accurately reflect my understanding of course material
  - Understood that tests aren't the only way of measuring success/understanding
  - I felt the tests were a good measurement, while the memos had some difficulties due to lack of clarity
  - He is so fair! Focus on our efforts not only the exam points
  - Very tough but sometimes a little unfair, however this was resolved
  - They were challenging but fair
  - Challenging exams but an excellent way to assess true understanding
  - Definitely very few trick questions
  - I actually would have liked more HW assignments
  - Exams are difficult and must fully understand concepts
  - Tests are too long for a 75 minute session
  - The graded assignments were very difficult
  - The tests are long and hard
  - Tests and memos were great but assignments were pretty tough
  - I thought they were very fair for the most part beside the second question on the second midterm
  
5. How would you rate the instructor's performance in providing fair, prompt, and helpful comments and grades on your work?
  - Professor Lin provides prompt comments and grades on tests and assignments and meets with us to make sure we know what we need to improve on
  - Always gave helpful feedback. Very helpful one on one. Always challenged me to think critically
  - Several assignments have not yet been returned to me and it is the last day of classes
  - Helpful comments to help me improve
  - Always able to help willing students
  - Fair comments and grades; grateful for partial credit and the fact that logical, structured thinking was given priority over just having the correct answer
  - Helpful comments on memos and willing to go over exams
  - Very good at giving honest feedback
  - Very consistent
  - Always willing to provide help
  - Very prepared for class and helpful when teaching
  - In depth, helpful comments
  - Very helpful, always answers questions via email if you cannot meet with him
  
6. What is your overall rating of this instructor?

- Professor Lin might be the most demanding teacher I have had yet at this school, but I have come to appreciate his teaching methods because I have clearly become a better student as well as learning a great deal over the course of the semester
  - You're a great teacher!
  - Fair, very challenging
  - Best Professor I've had at Gettysburg
  - Great professor
  - Challenging and sometimes hard to follow in lectures. Willing to help outside of class
  - Lin cares a lot about his work and wants to see us learn and succeed
  - Professor Lin was one of the best teachers I've had at this school
  - He is very tough, but very fair
  - I like Professor Lin a lot. I learned to respect him and the work he demands
  - I enjoyed him as a teacher
  - I know people say he is difficult and he demands a lot but he is honestly my favorite professor and is very very good at teaching
7. What is your overall rating of this course?
- For earlier assignments, I wanted a lot of time trying to figure out on my own. Should have reviewed concepts in class FIRST then assign work. Ex: gave us homework about demand equation, then taught it 2 classes later
  - Not my favorite subject and a lot of challenging material
  - Not for the faint of heart but worth it in the end
  - Challenging course with much work
  - I definitely felt like I was struggling at times and I wish office hours were a little more easy going, question and answer types instead of being so rigid
  - Favorite class so far. Interesting information and very well run and organized

### **Last Thoughts:**

- I've never felt so rewarded by a class. Worked VERY hard because the first week was so challenging/intimidating but that really paid off. Previously I've thought about dropping econ major (I'm a double major) but this class made me realize how interesting economics can be. I loved applying what we learned to real life situations. Hopefully see you in advanced macro 😊
- I feel some students might have a skewed opinion of the class because the tests received quite a bit of studying and would have been very difficult if one did not study efficiently/correctly, also I feel that a strong mathematical background greatly helps the class
- His course is toughest! But his conducting of the course deserves it so much! NICE!
- Although the class was difficult in the beginning and the professor demanded a lot, I really believe that I learned a lot in this class. A lot of valuable information was taught and key concepts, rather than just memorizing textbook definitions

- It should be taught in a classroom with larger blackboards. Honestly, a lot of confusion arose because there are a lot of graphs in this course and space frequently ran out for the professor
- Very hard course. Challenging but interesting. Mostly models and that's it but textbook covers much more than that