

Math 1271 Calculus 1**Summer 2011**

Number of students reporting: 21

Instructor was well prepared for class.

Strongly Agree 85.7% Agree 14.3%

Instructor presented the subject matter clearly.

Strongly Agree 76.2% Agree 19% Somewhat disagree 4.8%

Instructor treated me with respect.

Strongly Agree 85.7% Agree 14.3%

I have a deeper understanding of the subject matter as a result of this course.

Strongly Agree 85.7% Agree: 14.3%

What did the instructor do that most helped your learning?*"Explained concepts very clearly and was able to respond to questions via email promptly."**"Gave very clear and relevant examples of the material in class"**"Great Lectures, and very thorough notes. Homework questions each day also helped greatly."**"He did many examples allowing us to experience the subject matter in different ways."**"He provided helpful feedback."**"He realized that everyone was initially on different levels upon entering the course. Instead of diving right into everything, he made sure that everyone was up to speed with the fundamentals that would help us be successful in class. Also, he was very respectful, but expedient, at making sure that if someone didn't understand a topic we would, as a class, figure it out together."**"Jered provided a simplistic version of what was learned in class and integrated that lesson into the bigger idea of calculus, not only did this stimulate my growth and learning, but it also gave me skills I can use in the future. Jered also wrote out his notes with the class instead of just lecturing, and provided step-by-step examples of lessons learned, which helped greatly!"**"Offered many office hours, categorized what to expect on exams. Taught everything I need to know for the next calculus class."**"Presented what I need to know very clearly."**"Provide clear examples that illustrated the current concepts"**"Very helpful with difficult problems. Step-by-step processes."**"Capable and connecting"***Additional Comments***"By far the best teacher I've had at the U so far."**"Excellent teacher!"**"Fantastic T.A. Best I have ever had. My success on the tests is a direct result of having Jered as my instructor."**"He was a great teacher, I enjoyed class. His upbeat attitude made Calculus likeable."**"I would recommend Jered to anyone. He really has a passion for math and shows it. He cares about each student and if they really learn or if they are just shoveling out what he taught us."****"Jered is a wonderful teacher and will one day be a great professor. His way of teaching and the growth of the students is the basis of what education in math should provide. University politics do not allow for Jered to be a full-time professor in the Fall, but the University should rethink this, because from Jered, all students will learn, all students will succeed in one form or another. Shouldn't this be the basis of getting an education?"****"Jered is an AMAZING teacher who seems to actually care whether or not we learn."**"Jered was a fantastic instructor and I am completely indebted to him. This was my second time taking Calc. I am VERY satisfied with how Jered conducted class and restored my slightly dented confidence!"**"Jered is one of the best teachers that i have ever had!"*

Math 2574H: Honors Calculus IV**Spring 2011**

Number of students reporting: 15

Instructor was well prepared for class.

Strongly Agree 86.7%

Agree 6.7%

Somewhat Agree 6.7%

Instructor presented the subject matter clearly.

Strongly Agree 66.7%

Agree 33.3%

Instructor treated me with respect.

Strongly Agree 93.3%

Agree 6.7%

I have a deeper understanding of the subject matter as a result of this course.

Strongly Agree 66.7%

Agree: 26.7%

Somewhat Agree 6.7%

What did the instructor do that most helped your learning?*"Relevant and clear teaching."**"He was energetic and did thorough example problems."**"He was always very well prepared with examples and problems to work on. He gave down-to-earth explanations that balanced the lecture."**"Provided clear examples that greatly helped understanding the material. Amazing TA and incredibly helpful."**"Always prepared and ready to go on any problem."**"Gave worked out example yet left time for independent work and helped us on questions"**"Prompt return of homework and well prepared."**"His emails with solutions really helped me understand how to do [missed] problems and my mistakes"***Additional Comments***"One of the best TAs for any course I've taken."**"He's the only reason I'll be passing this course."***Nomination Paragraphs for John Bowers Excellence in Teaching Assistance Award:**

"I've never had a TA so helpful with his lesson plans that he would make and extend his office hours to whenever students needed. His final practice exam that he made himself helped me, and I know my friends, immensely on the Calculus 1 Final."

"Jered goes out of his way to make sure we know all the material for the class. He goes through multiple examples each Tuesday and Thursday, always is willing to meet for questions, and is helpful to talk to about career decisions related to math. Jered loves teaching and you can tell he is passionate about making each of his students succeed."

"Jered didn't just hand out the worksheets and then give the answers at the end of class. He created a full lesson plan for each discussion session that turned 50 minutes of usually mundane worksheets into one of the most constructive sessions of learning. With his discussion sections alone, you were guaranteed to learn more than what you would have from lecture and the book combined. He also took the initiative to create test prep cram sessions for the entire section of 1372 and was one of the most requested and talked about TA's for Calc 1372 this current semester. His discussion sections also usually scored higher on tests than any other section. For his hard work, diligent planning, dedication to his students, and his dedication to teaching and learning I nominate Jered Bright for this award."

Math 1372: CSE Calculus II**Spring 2011**

Number of students reporting: 25

Instructor was well prepared for class.

Strongly Agree 100%

Instructor presented the subject matter clearly.

Strongly Agree 96.0% Agree 4.0%

Instructor treated me with respect.

Strongly Agree 100%

I have a deeper understanding of the subject matter as a result of this course.

Strongly Agree 96.0% Agree: 4.0%

What did the instructor do that most helped your learning?

"He was very good at communicating in and out of the classroom and gave us all the preparation we could need. Very competent TA; well suited for independent teaching."

"He presented all of the material very well, outlining a great problem solving process problems. Also provided great help when I asked him questions in class or office hours."

"Always prepared, answered questions fully, at office hours for help and made class a good time."

"He gave us examples, walked us through what we were learning with lessons, answered every question we had and tried to point out potential pitfalls we might encounter."

"Jered presented topics from lecture in an organized, coherent manner. This was not even required of him. Jered always emailed the solutions to the homework problems to us and made clear what was expected of us. He is the best TA I will ever have."

"Very helpful in simplifying the material to help my understanding. Very good TA and taught subject matter clearly."

"He reviewed the material that was taught during the lecture. He was very open to all questions and was able to answer them. He provided several examples and explanations as well as outside resources."

"Gave good tips for solving problems"

"Provided extra review materials and went over problems in class."

"He provided multiple office hours and if I came to the office hours he made sure I understood what I was doing before I left."

"He explained the new topics very thoroughly."

"Explained complex problems in an easy to understand way which clarified how to succeed in the class."

"Made sure we were all well prepared for the upcoming tests."

"Did his best to help anyone."

"He closely monitored our understanding to make sure we got everything and presented the material very clearly in terms that were easy to absorb."

Additional Comments

"One of the best TAs for any course I've taken."

"Pretty much the best TA I've ever had"

"He loves math so he loves to help out anyone."

"Jered is an awesome TA and my grade has been very strong in this class because of him."

"Jered Bright is the most committed and helpful TA who makes sure every student in class understands the concepts and learns the subject matter. I would highly recommend him to other students."

Math 1371: CSE Calculus I**Fall 2010***(Section 43)*

Number of students reporting: 19

Instructor was well prepared for class.

Strongly Agree 94.7% Agree 5.3%

Instructor presented the subject matter clearly.

Strongly Agree 100%

Instructor treated me with respect.

Strongly Agree 94.7% Agree 5.3%

I have a deeper understanding of the subject matter as a result of this course.

Strongly Agree 78.9% Agree: 21.1%

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Number of students reporting: 25

Instructor was well prepared for class.

Strongly Agree 96.0% Agree 4.0%

Instructor presented the subject matter clearly.

Strongly Agree 88.0% Agree 8.0% Somewhat Agree 4.0%

Instructor treated me with respect.

Strongly Agree 92.0% Agree 8.0%

I have a deeper understanding of the subject matter as a result of this course.

Strongly Agree 80.0% Agree 12.0% Somewhat Agree 8.0%

What did the instructor do that most helped your learning?*(Section 43)*

"He had clear, detailed outlines for solving different types of problems and did a fantastic job of logically and simply explaining what we were learning."

"He very clearly explained how to do problem that allowed me to easily follow along."

"Always responded promptly to emails, put things up on his website, had a lot of office hours"

"Doing long examples of problems on the board and giving a step-by-step procedure for how to solve the problems."

"Started class with a difficult problem"

"Put time and effort into our class"

"He was always open to answer questions."

"He was always extremely approachable and always ready to help. I appreciated how any time I needed help outside of office hours he was ready and willing to accommodate me."

"Explained what we learned in lecture so we actually understood it."

"Showed examples and clearly explained the steps involved instead of just giving general equations."

"He was always ready to help when someone needed it."

"He worked examples and presented concepts in an easily understandable manner."

"He sent out elaborate solutions and made the class more interesting with a variety of activities and games."

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"He taught all the material in a way I could understand it."

"He really explained things well that we originally did not understand. He was always open to answering questions and wanted all of us to succeed."

"He went through useful problem solving techniques that were not in the textbook."

"He would go through problem with us step-by-step and explain what [was] happening."

"Created problems that made the course problems seem easy."

"[He] was able to clearly provide one-on-one help to fill in or answer any questions."

"He obviously devotes large amounts of his time into the preparation of material and goes far beyond what is required in terms of making sure we grasp the material. I believe that he personally cares about our success in the class."

"He was always willing to help and if you didn't understand something he would explain it another way."

"He did a review session at the beginning of every discussion and solved all my doubts either in person or through emails."

"Jered would walk through each step thoroughly for all the questions that I had problems with. He made systematic approaches for every problem to make them incredibly easier to understand."

Additional Comments

(Section 43)

"Jered is an approachable and hardworking TA who ensures that everyone understand what is being taught in class."

"Jered is a great TA. He wants everyone to do well and it shows through his willingness to help whenever he can. He also changes things up sometimes to make learning more enjoyable."

"Jered was helpful, he made class fun, and he was willing to do what was necessary in order for us to learn."

"Jered is an amazing instructor who helped me better understand a class I have had a lot of difficulty with. He explains problems very clearly and takes the necessary time to thoroughly help."

"If there is some kind of award or medal for teaching math, Jered deserves it. He is the best thing that ever happened to me and math. He is truly an exceptional instructor and human being. His drive and passion are worthy of the highest praise and without his guidance I would not have passed this calculus course."

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"He was the best instructor I ever had. I wish all teachers could be as helpful as he was."

"Jered has been one of the best teachers I have ever had because he was personal, professional, thorough, patient, and accommodating."

"Best math teacher I have ever had. Keep up the good work!"

"Awesome instructor"