

Instructor's questions (Math 483)

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What did the instructor do that most helped your learning?

Skill and responsiveness of the instructor

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What could you have done to be a better learner?

Studied more for the midterm

What suggestions do you have for improving the course? (textbook, work load, grading, etc.)

I think possibly more focus on the theory in the homework rather than Mathematica problems. Mathematica was helpful occasionally to visualize but some assignments seemed to have more Mathematica than was necessary.

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Yes, absolutely

What did the instructor do that most helped your learning?

I liked that you used the board to its fullest potential -- drawing lots of graphs with multiple colors, moving from board to board, etc... Being able to see the math is super helpful.

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What could you have done to be a better learner?

Paid more active attention in class

What suggestions do you have for improving the course? (textbook, work load, grading, etc.)

The first couple assignments were an insane workload but after that it felt far more reasonable. So as long as the homework isn't absurdly long, I feel the course was pretty much perfect as-is. Tuan, you are by far my favorite professor on campus and you are very good at your job :)

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Mathematica problems let me understand the material in a deeper way.

What did the instructor do that most helped your learning?

Write and post the course lecture note online, so I can review after class. The Mathematica instruction also helps

Skill and responsiveness of the instructor

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Ask questions, discuss with my classmates.

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Textbook

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They helped me to visualize branch cuts a lot. Late in the course I don't know if they helped me understand the material, but they were definitely helpful computational tools for line integrals.

What did the instructor do that most helped your learning?

Provided many worked in-class examples.

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What could you have done to be a better learner?

Read the textbook more outside of class.

What suggestions do you have for improving the course? (textbook, work load, grading, etc.)

I don't have any suggestions

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Lecture

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Come to office hours

What suggestions do you have for improving the course? (textbook, work load, grading, etc.)

Everything as been fine tuned over the term. No change necessary.

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A little; it was nice to be able to visualize the problems

What did the instructor do that most helped your learning?

Office hours, and posting the lecture notes

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Attended the last few classes, but that was a little out of my hands

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Mark what sections of the textbook correspond to the lecture, and if the textbook has no corresponding sections, post some outside information

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The Mathematica problems helped me a lot with the visualization, but I had a lot of trouble at first figuring out Mathematica

What did the instructor do that most helped your learning?

Outstanding lectures

Skill and responsiveness of the instructor

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What could you have done to be a better learner?

Not sat next to John.

What suggestions do you have for improving the course? (textbook, work load, grading, etc.)

Make some of the homework shorter, not by much but sort of have them all be the same length (like the length of homework 7 or 8)

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In general, I'd say the Mathematica problems were only helpful a couple of times through the homework assignments. Graphing things usually wasn't that helpful for me because visually interpreting the plots (especially the 3D ones) tended to be difficult.

What did the instructor do that most helped your learning?

The lectures were great - not too fast, not too slow, frequently going back to old things we did to build on previous knowledge.

Skill and responsiveness of the instructor

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Go to office hours more

What suggestions do you have for improving the course? (textbook, work load, grading, etc.)

After assignment 3, the homework assignments were the perfect size to reinforce the material while not feeling overwhelming. Making the first three homework assignments match the slightly smaller size of the latter 4 would be a really good change for future sections of this class.

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What could you have done to be a better learner?

I think if the posted lecture notes were different from the in class material I would have had more incentive to come to class

What suggestions do you have for improving the course? (textbook, work load, grading, etc.)

I would suggest a curve to the course as many professors do in upper division math classes as well as making sure we are equipped from in class notes to tackle the homework

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I felt that Mathematica problems greatly aided my understanding of the material in a way the other problems could not. I definitely needed the Mathematica guide for each problem, but I always felt that my understanding of the topic was improved after each Mathematica problem.

What did the instructor do that most helped your learning?

Posting all of the notes online so that material that was missed could be accessed or reviewed was incredibly helpful. Even though I only missed one or two classes, being able to access the material outside of class and from a source other than my own notes to see if I missed anything was really nice.

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I think I probably could have spent more time reading the textbook, and I definitely could have gone to office hours.

What suggestions do you have for improving the course? (textbook, work load, grading, etc.)

My only complaint is that there were some times when questions on the homework wouldn't be addressed until the day they were due (or even later), and it was difficult to plan ahead and get all my work done on time when that happened, especially when I was busy around the due date.

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I am always a fan of visualizations. Geometric intuitions are useful for integration and such. Complicated functions are hard to picture in ones mind.

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What could you have done to be a better learner?

More frequent attendance of lecture.

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Perhaps a policy which will drop the lowest score from the homeworks at the end of the term.

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