Teaching Assistant Evaluation Summary

Term: 20103
Course: EE-562A
TA: Audhkhasi, Kartik
Student Responses: 19

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<th>Response</th>
<th>Average</th>
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<td>1. Clearly related the purpose and material in the discussion section to the lecture component.</td>
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<td>2. Was consistently punctual</td>
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<td>3. Articulated the goals of the discussion section clearly.</td>
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<td>4. Organized the discussion section to achieve these goals.</td>
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<td>5. Presented the material in clear, understandable language.</td>
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<td>6. Used chalkboard and other visual aids effectively</td>
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<td>7. Was knowledgeable about the subject matter of the course.</td>
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<td>8. Carefully explained difficult concepts, methods and subject matter.</td>
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<td>9. Provided useful insights into the way research is done in this field.</td>
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<td>10. Was enthusiastic about communicating the subject matter.</td>
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<td>11. Encouraged students to participate in their learning (e.g., through discussion, projects, study groups and other appropriate activities).</td>
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<td>12. Was accessible to students (e.g., during office hours, before and after class, etc.)</td>
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<td>13. Evaluated student work in fair and appropriate ways (if applicable).</td>
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<td>14. Gave helpful feedback on assignments.</td>
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General Questions

15. Overall, how would you rate this teaching assistant? | 4.95 |
16. Overall, how would you rate this discussion section? | 4.84 |

Open Ended Questions

What were the TA’s main strengths?

- Honestly, one of the best and most dedicated TA’s I have ever had, if not the best. He was very accessible to students and very patient in explaining the material in a clear way. He consistently went over and beyond his duties as a TA.
- Responsibility
- on time, high responsibility

- He is extremely dedicated and intelligent. He is willing to extend his office hours or offer extra office hours. His explanation is crystal clear and he actually understand the course material deeply. Also, he is friendly all the time, so it’s easy to talk to him.

- Knowledge, effective communication.
- He explained certain concepts, not part of the course, which helped understand the course content deeper. He also gave many pointers to where he has seen certain concepts being applied.
- Knew what he was talking about and made sure to make himself available to students. Seemed to have a real passion for teaching.
- Understanding of the material, ability to communicate his understanding
- Very clear explanation of basic concepts.
- very knowledge in terms of the class material. Very clear teaching.

- Knowledge about the subject, the content and clarity of his discussions, holding extra discussion times before tests.
- Punctual and polite.
- Very good understanding of the subject matter and knowledge of the pitfalls which trouble a student. Also guided towards exam preparation.
How might this TA improve his or her teaching effectiveness?

- No
- He is excellent.

- Nothing. He's just perfect as a TA.

- He need not work out sample problems in detail progressing from every step to the next. He can save time to dwell on concepts which he wanted to explain.
- May need to work a little bit on time management during lectures. However, there is a lot of material in this course so I can understand the issues.

- None

- If he has prepared notes beforehand, have them posted online before discussion and notify us so we can come to class with the notes and just annotate. Otherwise it is almost impossible to get down the notes and semi-difficult to follow along.
- He may solve more examples in the discussion sessions. We had 14 discussion session, but he just solved 7 or 8 examples. If you see the discussion notes, it is mostly a review of the class notes, and a few examples. This course needs many examples to be tackled during discussion sessions.

Additional comments?

- Great job, I could not have got through this course without Kartik’s assistance
- None

- Kartik is one of the best TAs I’ve ever had at USC!

- An excellent TA! Keep it up.
- None

- Kartik was great! He really knew his stuff and really was trying to help us. It would be awesome to have him as a TA for every class.
- He is a nice guy.