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Faculty of Science and Engineering

Award for Excellence in Sessional Teaching

in 2014

Awarded to

Sherwin Bagheri

Associate Professor J. [redacted]
Associate Dean, Learning and Teaching
Faculty of Science and Engineering
Macquarie University

First teaching award (2014)

Received after my very first semester of teaching

Macquarie Uni (2017)

Comments from students nominating me for a teaching award

From: ~~XXXXXXXXXX~~@mq.edu.au
Subject: Comments from your Learning and Teaching Award nominations
Date: 23 November 2017 at 11:58 AM
To: Sherwin Bagheri sherwin.bagheri@mq.edu.au



Dear Sherwin,

Here are the comments your students made about you as they nominated you for the recent University Learning and Teaching Awards announced November 1st:

Sherwin has a way of explaining complex ideas in a clear and understandable way. Along with concise explanation he takes his time to make sure everyone understands the techniques (which may be assumed knowledge) that he is using in the problem solving process. This approach is a lot more productive then the 'hardline' approach some take where they like to bewilder students and take the assumed, and sometimes forgotten, knowledge for granted. Sherwin has a calm demeanour but is also very enthusiastic about what he is attempting to convey.
He behaves very well with everyone.
He has vast knowledge about almost all math units
He explains everything very simply, which makes it very easy to understand.
engaging or innovative ways of presenting material; support, motivation and encouragement; activities that helped you develop skills and new perspectives
Sherwin has this great ability to explain really abstract mathematical concepts in just a few simple sentences and make math seem more approachable with his easy-going teaching style. Possibly the best teacher I have come across during my time at MQUni.
Of all the maths tutors and lecturers that I've had, Sherwin is the best at communicating complex concepts in clear, everyday language. He never goes too fast and always checks to make sure that we're keeping up
He goes above and beyond in preparing useful, practical notes that we can use in our study
He is friendly and approachable, he'll always take the time to make sure that you understand a concept
The support and motivation this teacher provides for his students is incredible. He's always willing to talk to us outside of class and give us additional help when needed. He's the best!!!
Very detailed explanation of questions that are taught in the tutorials.
Very easy to communicate with
- Fantastic and clear explanations
- Engages the class
- Shows genuine passion for what he's teaching

These comments haven't been edited from the original. Spelling and grammar is as entered by the students.

Congratulations!

Kind regards,

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2017 S1 Individual Report: MATH1141 Higher Mathematics 1A_Aggregate - Teacher: SHERVIN Bagheri

Raw Comment Data

The best features of SHERVIN Bagheri's teaching were?

Comments
Quality of answers
he worked at a good pace, time was used productively
He prepared solutions for all the questions beforehand so every tutorial went smoothly, also he was able to explain concepts clearly.
He was always prepared and encouraged us to ask questions and went through questions we had problems with.
Extremely friendly and was the only teacher I've had to actually had students continually giving him questions during class, because we knew he would always give a succinct and simple answer. Never failed to complete each set of questions for each lesson and never looked like he was rushing for time. He appeared more than willing to help students after class. Never failed to come out of a lesson with a far better understanding of the 1141 topics - Shervin is a fantastic teacher!
The fact that he wrote the questions on the board
He asks for us to recommend questions, and explains each question slowly and fully, never missing a detail. He is always happy to answer questions and makes sure we understand. Couldn't ask for a better tutor.
His jokes he makes with his monotonous voice
Does the questions that we struggle with instead of the recommended ones
Understandable working out and explanations
He worked through the problems well in class
His clarity with his working, and his natural tendency to explain everything very clearly and concisely
Had a good mix of theory and application when going through problems. Made questions seem simple, and has a good approach when tackling harder questions.
He explained the questions thoroughly and answered any questions well. I understood the solutions when they were explained. QUALITY TUTOR/10
Provided good explanations and helpful feedback.
soothing with a calm atmosphere. he is like a cloud and very good at solving problems

SHERVIN Bagheri's teaching could be improved by

Comments
Speak more loudly and put more enthusiasm into voice - It was somewhat boorish
maybe explain his working out better and more actively
doing some basic questions first, then let us try harder questions; not just let us do hard questions ourselves
N/A
N/A
n/a

6.	Overall, I am satisfied with how this tutor facilitated my learning.	4.80 (0.41)	12 3 0 0 0 0 0	SA A N D SD		80 20 0 0 0 0
					Not Applicable No Response	

Open questions:

7.	What were the best aspects of the tutor's facilitation of your learning?	8	Open question	53.33
7.1	Shervin is a great tutor. He comes to class fully prepared. He has been great at clarifying everything we've learnt in the lectures			
7.2	Very in-depth, covered all topics completely and was good at answering questions posed by students			
7.3	Shervin was an amazing tutor! Very engaging and explains everything so well that I found it so much easier to understand the content. Made sure to go over and emphasis important concepts.			
7.4	Really clear working and explanation of what we were doing and clear steps on how to do it.			
7.5	Always made the students feel comfortable asking questions.			
7.6	Shervin was an awesome tutor and explained everything really well and clearly. He also made people really comfortable to ask questions and emailed us his worked solutions afterwards which was super helpful as well.			
7.7	Explained everything really clearly and answered any questions I (and the class) had. Went through each question at a good pace, so I could keep up.			

UTS (2021)

A subject on multivariable calculus & statistics

Scale	SD - strongly disagree	D - disagree	N - neither agree or disagree	A - agree	SA - strongly agree
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UTS Student Feedback Results: 2021.2

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Subject: 33230 - Mathematics 2	Class: Mon - 10:00
Subject Coordinator: 	Enrolled/Responding: 35 / 15 (43%)
Teacher(s): Shervin Bagheri	Online 18.10.2021 - 7.11.2021

Survey No: 346426 33230-SPR-U-S-TUT1-01	Mean (SD)	Number of Responses	%
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- 7.8 My praise for Shervin as a tutor can not be explained highly enough. Shervin explained all concepts and answers to questions exceptionally and in a very easy to understand way to further our learning from the lectures.
- Also, Shervin made it really easy to ask questions and really encouraged questions and engagement, so much so that he even suggested and utilised the "private chats" in zoom in case we were too shy to ask in front of everyone, and he would always keep an eye on the chats to answer questions at the time.
- Also, with the questions, he was always really supportive, even if he had only just explained a concept and someone asked him a question about that concept he would say things like "that is a really good question" before proceeding to explain the same thing again, never making anyone feel bad about asking a question which just ensured that the tutorial was a safe space which facilitated engagement and questions.
- Finally, at the end of every class he made it clear he was super happy for us to email him with any questions about the subject we encountered during the week.
- Overall, Shervin explained all concepts really well and taught really easy to understand tutorials, which he was always prepared for, encouraging questions and engagement in a comfortable and safe environment.

La Trobe Uni (2021)

Discrete maths subject for IT students

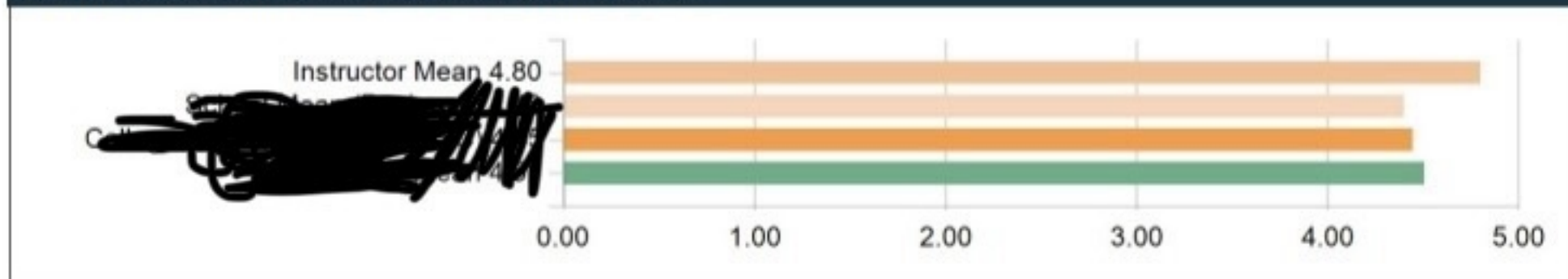
Planning and Institutional Performance Unit

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2021-Sherwin Bagheri-MAT1DM-DISCRETE MATHEMATICS-Sydney-~~2021~~-Lecture

Overall, the teacher provides good teaching in this subject

Overall, the teacher provides good teaching in this subject



Comments

What were the best aspects of the teaching of this subject? Please limit your comments to issues relating to teaching and learning. Any comments which are not in the spirit of the Student Charter, will be discarded.

Comments

The best aspect of the teaching of this subject that the lecturer gives 100% support to students. Moreover, lecturer always notifies and sends announcements, feedbacks of assessment.

all good

Great explanations, always reaching out to students, very willing to help, responds to questions very quickly, cares about the student's academic progress

good presentation

What aspects of the teaching of this subject were most in need of improvement? Please limit your comments to issues relating to teaching and learning. Any comments which are not in the spirit of the Student Charter, will be discarded.

Comments

During the Covid-19, it is a bit difficult to study face to face. However, lecturer always help students. But in my opinion, about the bachelor of IT, the best ways to increase the highest results that I prefer learning face to face in campus

no

None

Comments Report

00201 LET Core

Please comment on this teacher’s communication skills.

■

 He clearly explains the concept clearly

■

 The teacher speaks clearly and makes sure if there are any questions after they explain a new concept.

■

 The teacher’s communication skills are very good and he can get across his ideas clearly and informatively.

■

 Very clear and concise, almost always easy to follow everything being explained.

■

 Very nicely explains

Please comment on how this teacher engaged you with learning.

■

 Engaged moderately

■

 Gave us practice questions during class which was very helpful.

■

 Sherwin gives example questions for his students do and challenges the student knowledge of the concept

■

 The teacher went through examples for every math problems and gave us time to attempt it on our own.

Please comment on how this teacher demonstrated concern for your learning.

■

 Always asks if we understand, friendly and if we have any questions

■

 Sherwin always constantly asks if his students have questions and says he can offer help out of class as well

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 The teacher always asked us if we understood the concepts that were being taught in class and tried to explain the concepts better if some of us did not understand.

■

 Very friendly and approachable

What other things did your teacher do to support your learning?

■

 He gives resources from when he previously taught this subject

■

 The teacher gave me hints to push me in the right direction to solve my mathematical problems

■

 gave tips on solving certain types of problems or examples for how a concept could be used

Final Questions

What were the most positive aspects of this teacher’s practice?

■

 Always happy to help us when we have questions.

■

 He is passionate in his teaching and can easily teach hard topics. He doesn’t go through the university slides all the time and makes his own notes.

■

 He wrote his own notes, which were better than the slides, that we could follow along with.

■

 The most positive aspect was his explanation methods.

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 The teacher spoke clearly and explained everything in great detail that was easy to understand.

■

 Very approachable, so most of the class asked questions throughout the course. Used his own notes and referred to slides for extra questions for practice.

■

 Well-mannered, friendly, approachable

What aspects of this teacher’s practice could be improved?

■

 -NIL-

■

 Can't think of anything at the moment, they’re well prepared for the lessons and are able to adapt quickly to any new changes.

■

 Engagement with students

■

 Provided more practice problems with solutions for out of class learning.

■

 The only thing I would like to add/change, is if he gave the students a literal 3 minute toilet break, to get up and stretch legs half way through (10 min too long, I lose focus when teachers have too long of a break).

■

 n/a

Please comment on your overall experience of learning with this teacher.

■

 Dr Bagheri is an excellent maths teacher, he is always willing to help us and is always clear and concise in his explanations.

■

 Genuinely the best teacher for online uni I have ever had.

■

 I have enjoyed my time learning from this teacher and would recommend them to others.

■

 It was great one of the best maths teacher I've ever had, definitely helped me with the course work.

■

 My experience with this teacher is very good.

■

 Very Good

■

 Very positive. Would recommended again.

ACU (2022)

Advanced linear algebra subject for education students

SELT - MATH220 LINEAR ALGEBRA - Semester 2, 2022 Sherwin Bagheri

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What were the best aspects of Sherwin Bagheri's teaching?

Comments
Videos were great!
Sherwin's lectures were in depth and logically set out
Sherwin was very thorough in his work and broke down concepts to make it easier to understand. Assessments aided my learning and were highly relevant and practical
Explain the concept carefully
Recorded lectures and notes were clearly named and easy to navigate
Sherwin knows his content and what he is talking about
His clear step-by-step lecture notes were really useful for exam preparation and study.
Very good teacher
Was able to be understanding of the student's concerns, the notes were helpful and the content was structured well.
detail lesson notes
He is tech-savy, I liked his lectures very much.
he willingness to upon our feedback
Provided detailed examples of Theorems and definitions and answer's feedback in a very timely manner.
Detailed lecture notes
very good and calm speaking voice
his lectures were very informative
organised lecture notes and content
Very informative lectures and fully explained answers to practice exams.

PREP034 Student Evaluation Comments from SWS

 <@uow.edu.au>
Fri 10/27/2023 11:52 AM

UOW (2023)

To: Sherwin Bagheri <sherwinb@uow.edu.au>

A pathway course teaching high school mathematics

Hi Sherwin

I hope that your first week of classes went well.

I thought you might be interested in the following comments from the Spring Session student evaluations:

The best aspects of this subject were definitely the tutor Sherwin as he tried as much as he could to help everyone in the class. Sherwin was undeniably a remarkable teacher, and his greatness lay in his unwavering dedication to his students and his genuine care for their academic and personal development. His teaching philosophy was founded on the belief that every student had the potential to succeed, and he went above and beyond to nurture that potential.

One of Sherwin's most outstanding qualities was his commitment to taking the time with each student. He recognized that every 7/10 Comments student had their own unique learning style, pace, and challenges, and he tailored his teaching approach accordingly.

Whether a student excelled or struggled in his class, Sherwin never rushed them. Instead, he patiently guided them through the learning process, ensuring that every concept was fully understood before moving on. This approach not only helped students grasp the subject matter but also instilled in them a sense of confidence and accomplishment.

Sherwin's caring nature extended beyond the classroom. He made it a point to get to know his students on a personal level. He remembered their names, their interests, and their goals. This personalized approach made students feel valued and heard, fostering a sense of belonging within his class. It also allowed Sherwin to better understand his students' strengths and weaknesses, enabling him to provide more effective guidance.

Another aspect of Sherwin's greatness as a teacher was his willingness to go the extra mile. He was always available for additional help, whether during office hours, after class, or even via email or video calls.

Sherwin's dedication to his students' success was evident in the time and effort he invested in their education. He not only explained difficult concepts patiently but also provided extra resources, recommended supplementary readings, and offered guidance on further exploration of the subject matter.

Sherwin is the goat and deserves a pay raise.

Well done Sherwin!



Sydney University (2023) — Part 1

2 of 4 Intensive summer mathematics subject for science students

28/11/2023, 1:47 pm

Unit of Study Survey

<https://student-surveys.sydney.edu.au/staff/results/uss/report.cfm?key=...>

- I think one of the aspects that made this unit especially enjoyable and helped me do well was how patient and helpful the professor was during this intensive unit, whether it was during the lecture or the tutorial. I definitely felt as though I could ask for help or clarification at any time and it was a lot more motivating for me to keep on top of the material and attend all tutorials.
- Dr Sherwin has been very thorough in explaining all the content and in demonstrating applications. Board tutorials are effective for collaboration and in practicing solving problems
- The lecturer/ unit coordinator was extremely helpful. His teaching style is very engaging and allows for plenty of room for questions related to the content. The lecturer was also very responsive on ED and provided answers promptly and accurately all the way through the intensive.
- Bagheri Sherwin is the most amazing lecturer. I took this unit as I failed MATH1004 and required a math unit for my degree core. He has never assumed that a student understood or knew a concept before hand. The method he teaches with is very clear, and makes for easier study. The Ed board has been very useful, as Sherwin answers all queries, and always assures that he will help. The tutoring has been helpful in encouraging me to practice, and it has paid off for myself. If anyone should be chosen to be a lecturer of maths at USYD, I stand for Bagheri Sherwin.
- Sherwin and the tutorials. I had Sage, and he was amazing. I loved that there was always time to ask questions, and if you're willing to put in the work the course is very rewarding. I also appreciated the pace of the course. Alternating assignments and quizzes was nice. Even though there was lots packed into a short amount of time, I didn't feel like the course was going too quickly for things to get out of control
- Sherwin and the tutors (mine was Stanley) were amazing. Sherwin answered all questions on ED within an hour even if it was sent at 9pm. The lectures were set out very well for someone like me (haven't done any calc since 2015, and didn't remember any of it). I felt as though the course was set out to accommodate for a variety of maths backgrounds, so that even if you didn't have any idea what the unit circle was, you weren't shamed for it, and by the end of the first lecture it felt achievable. Probably the best teaching and support experience I've had whilst at uni (this is my final unit and I have been at uni since 2016).
- The lectures
- As most of the content is an extension of high school mathematics (except perhaps Functions in two variables), it is rewarding in giving a sense of security in knowing that I personally can score well. The best aspects outside of this can extend to the extremely helpful notes, summarising the course content so that understanding topics that might be a bit difficult wouldn't be so hard, the exercise sheets, tutorial questions, and the sample quiz questions that make it easier to practice exam style questions during preparation.

- The way the tutor teaches is really good. Teaching is very slow and in detail. At least I like it.
- Reviewing assumed knowledge and working through a range of example problems was a huge help in getting an understanding of the materials
- challenging content and well structured learning that feels efficient
- Sherwin was a great lecturer, the content was well laid out and easy to follow when watching the lectures back. I am repeating the unit from last year and the quality of teaching is much better than when I first did the unit. He is also very responsive on Ed, which is so helpful!
- Week 1-3 notes, which were very easy to follow and had excellent explanations. The lecturer and tutor ensure that we understand all aspects of the given content.
- Lectures are communicated clearly and are easy to follow.
- The support and consideration from teaching staff as well as the kind community of students.
- I can understand the significance of this content towards my major and this has made the unit of study overall very enlightening and interesting.
- The way the lecturer delivered the content and went through assumed knowledge, so I felt I was always following the content of the lectures. I appreciate that the lecturer went through the relevant assumed knowledge in detail as it's been a while since I've done this kind of maths and so it really helped reiterate the bridging course videos and how this unit builds on this.
- how the lecturer explains each concept clearly and with examples. we have been given lots of resources to help reinforce information learnt
- the lecturer and tutors teaching methods accessibility to resources smaller classes = better learning environment
- Teaching

Sydney University (2023) — Part 2

Intensive summer mathematics subject for science students

Teacher Performance

Clicking a teacher name, subject, year or teaching calendar will display further details. Clicking again will remove the details.
Pre-2021.2: Agreement %s and comments only shown if at least 5 responses.
From 2021.2, Students selected not to self-identify when providing comments as shown will not be used.

Broad Agreement % of Neutral (3), Agree (4) & Strongly Agree (5) responses.
Explicit Agreement % of Agree (4) & Strongly Agree (5) responses.

SchoolComputer, Data & Mathematical SciencesTeacherSHERWIN BAGHERI (30054860)Year2024Half Year(All)Teaching Calendar(All)Subject(All)Agreement TypeExplicit Agreement

						Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q5	Q6	Q7	Q8
SHERWIN BAGHERI (30054860)	[REDACTED]	2024	Spring	1	6%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
	[REDACTED]	2024	Autumn	1	6%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
	Statistics [REDACTED]	2024	Spring	18	10%	94%	94%	94%	94%	94%	94%	94%	94%

WSU (2024)
A statistics subject for business students

Computer, Data & Mathematical Sciences	2024	Spring	0.22	0%	82%	79%	83%	83%	86%	82%	80%	81%
Western Sydney	2024	Spring	8.483	8%	96%	91%	97%	97%	90%	96%	97%	95%

Best Aspects

- Teaching.
- Tutorials.
- Everything.
- He was nice.
- Helpful and nice.
- Easy to follow along with as he explains.
- Really great at teaching, the way he explains is very straight forward and easy.
- The calmness he carried throughout the tutorials while delivering detailed solution of each equation.
- I enjoy the way he teaches and explains what we are learning very well in a way that is understandable.
- He was supportive and ensured we all understood what we were doing as a class and ensured we were prepared for the exam.

Needs Improvement

- No.
- N/a.
- None.
- I think he s great.
- Nothing in my opinion.
- He could work to ensure we get through all of the practice questions in the lectures.