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Student IA Evaluation for Jacob Stone Saret Department of Physics

PHYS 4B - Phys Majrs-Fluid, Wav, StatTherm (Chivukula, Raja S) Spring 2021

> Number of Evaluations Submitted: 26 Number of Students Enrolled: 106

1. The Instructional Assistant was well organized and prepared for class.

19 (73.1%): Strongly Agree

5 (19.2%): Agree

0 (0.0%): Neither Agree Nor Disagree

0 (0.0%): Disagree

0 (0.0%): Strongly Disagree 2 (7.7%): Not Applicable

2. The Instructional Assistant consistently arrived at lecture, section/lab, office hours and exams on time.

23 (88.5%): Strongly Agree

3 (11.5%): Agree

0 (0.0%): Neither Agree Nor Disagree

0 (0.0%): Disagree

0 (0.0%): Strongly Disagree 0 (0.0%): Not Applicable

3. The Instructional Assistant presented course material clearly and answered questions accurately in class.

21 (80.8%): Strongly Agree

3 (11.5%): Agree

1 (3.8%): Neither Agree Nor Disagree

0 (0.0%): Disagree

0 (0.0%): Strongly Disagree 1 (3.8%): Not Applicable 4. The Instructional Assistant helped develop my thinking skills on the subject.

17 (65.4%): Strongly Agree

8 (30.8%): Agree

1 (3.8%): Neither Agree Nor Disagree

0 (0.0%): Disagree

0 (0.0%): Strongly Disagree 0 (0.0%): Not Applicable

5. Feedback from the Instructional Assistant on assignments, exams and/or papers was helpful and constructive.

18 (69.2%): Strongly Agree

6 (23.1%): Agree

1 (3.8%): Neither Agree Nor Disagree

0 (0.0%): Disagree

0 (0.0%): Strongly Disagree 1 (3.8%): Not Applicable

6. The Instructional Assistant's explanations were appropriate, being neither too complicated nor too simple.

19 (73.1%): Strongly Agree

7 (26.9%): Agree

0 (0.0%): Neither Agree Nor Disagree

0 (0.0%): Disagree

0 (0.0%): Strongly Disagree 0 (0.0%): Not Applicable

7. The Instructional Assistant answered questions clearly and effectively, helping students to make connections among the course readings, assignments, and lectures.

18 (69.2%): Strongly Agree

7 (26.9%): Agree

1 (3.8%): Neither Agree Nor Disagree

0 (0.0%): Disagree

0 (0.0%): Strongly Disagree 0 (0.0%): Not Applicable

8. The Instructional Assistant was genuinely interested in and enthusiastic about teaching.

19 (73.1%): Strongly Agree

6 (23.1%): Agree

1 (3.8%): Neither Agree Nor Disagree

0 (0.0%): Disagree

0 (0.0%): Strongly Disagree 0 (0.0%): Not Applicable

9. The Instructional Assistant was accessible to students outside of class (office hours, e-mail, etc.).

14 (53.8%): Strongly Agree

2 (7.7%): Agree

4 (15.4%): Neither Agree Nor Disagree

0 (0.0%): Disagree

0 (0.0%): Strongly Disagree 6 (23.1%): Not Applicable

10. The Instructional Assistant effectively connected the section/lab exercises with the material covered in lecture.

13 (50.0%): Strongly Agree

6 (23.1%): Agree

0 (0.0%): Neither Agree Nor Disagree

0 (0.0%): Disagree

0 (0.0%): Strongly Disagree 7 (26.9%): Not Applicable

11. In terms of communication skills, did the Instructional Assistant demonstrate any of the following? (check all that apply)

25 (96.2%): No issues 0 (0.0%): Too quiet 0 (0.0%): Too loud 1 (3.8%): Too fast 0 (0.0%): Too slow

0 (0.0%): Poor grammar and/or English language skills

0 (0.0%): Used filler words such as "um"

0 (0.0%): Other (please describe)

12. I would recommend this Instructional Assistant to other students.

20 (76.9%): Strongly Agree

5 (19.2%): Agree

1 (3.8%): Neither Agree Nor Disagree

0 (0.0%): Disagree

0 (0.0%): Strongly Disagree

- 13. Please describe this person's greatest strengths as a Instructional Assistant.

 Please keep your comments constructive and professional, abiding by the Principles of Community
- · Accessibility and understanding of questions

- Answered questions effectively.
- During Office Hours he takes his time to draw out a problem so that we are able to actually visualize what is going on. He is also very quick to answer questions specially during discussion. You can tell he takes his time to review problems before hand to help out students more efficiently. He is also my favorite TA for oral exams. The way he proctors exams definitely helps calm down my extreme test anxiety which I am super grateful for.
- He explains the material very well, and many times, clarified my confusions on a certain concept.
- He explains things clearly during discussion and goes over any issues people had very well. I felt like his explanations of homework problems that I struggled with often made the problem make sense to me.
- Helping break down the difference between my thinking and the teacher's thinking which isn't always clear from solutions.
- I think the best thing Jacob did as an instructional assistant for me was that he never just gave me the answer for free to anything I had a question about. He was always thinking about ways to answer my questions in a way that lead me to the answer and showing me how I got to that answer. He encouraged thinking about the process more than the final number which was incredibly helpful, especially for a physics class.
- Jacob is very kind and is able to answer questions in a patient manner.
- Jacob was great at explaining complex physics topics in simple, easy to understand terms.
- Jacob was incredibly friensly and approachable to ask questions. He is also very good at explaining difficult materials that I did not grasp in the homework.
- really patient and willing to explain material when asked
- Very approachable and enthusiastic about what he's doing. Generally a positive force.
- Very patient and cares a lot about having the students understand the material
- When I needed help with a homework problem, Jacob was able to examine the problem and quickly and effectively go through each step with me to get the answer in question. This was done not with him just telling me what to do, but making sure that I was understanding what he was saying (eg. he'd ask, "So the problem is asking for 'this', what concept/equation could we use to obtain 'this'?").
- 14. Please describe this person's greatest weaknesses as a Instructional Assistant. Please keep your comments constructive and professional, abiding by the Principles of Community
- As far as I am aware, there was nothing that Jacob did this quarter or did not do this quarter that was not beneficial. I don't think he really had any weaknesses.
- Could have helped facilitate more discussion amongst students.
- Feedback on quizzes
- No issues, Jacob is a greater TA.

15. Do you have any other comments to add to your evaluation?

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- He was a very good IA and was a great part of this class.
- Thanks for a great quarter!

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