Math Department Faculty Evaluation  
Completed

2020 Spring (1204) / Student Course Evaluation (End of Term) / Anonymous Survey
Course Assignments: 130 / Survey Participants: 6684

■ This survey completed on Friday, May 1, 2020 at 11:59PM.

College: Letters and Science
Department: MATHEMATICS
Course Section: MATH 551 - 001 Elementary Topology
Course Section Director: NA
Instructor: BRIAN HEPLER

Survey Overview / Course Section Results Aggregate

TOTAL SURVEYS 37
SURVEYS COMPLETED 15
PENDING SURVEYS 22

Survey Metrics / Course Section Results Aggregate

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Survey Data / Course Section Results Aggregate

About the Instructor/Course

1
How clearly were the concepts, ideas, and techniques communicated by the instructor throughout the course?
(Instructor Multi-Choice)

BRIAN HEPLER instructor
2. How do you rate the organization of individual lectures and of the course as a whole?

(Instructor Multi-Choice)

- BRIAN HEPLER instructor

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Average: 4.27
Median: 4.00
Mode: 5
Std. Dev.: 0.85
Variance: 0.73

3. Did the instructor encourage students to think for themselves?

(Instructor Multi-Choice)

- BRIAN HEPLER instructor

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Average: 3.73
Median: 4.00
Mode: 3.5
Std. Dev.: 1.06
Variance: 1.13
### Overall, how do you rate the teaching effectiveness of the INSTRUCTOR?

(Instructor Multi-Choice)

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**Overall Rating:**

- **Average:** 3.87
- **Median:** 4.00
- **Mode:** 4.5
- **Std. Dev.:** 0.88
- **Variance:** 0.78

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### How clearly were grading policies and course expectations presented and followed?

(Instructor Multi-Choice)

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**Average:** 4.13

**Median:** 4.00

**Mode:** 5

**Std. Dev.:** 0.94

**Variance:** 0.88

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**BRIAN HEPLER instructor**

Material and there was less opportunity to improve your grade. Also grades on the homework came in extremely slow (one was almost 2 months late). There was quite a bit of overlap with my introductory analysis class which made some of topics a little less challenging than they might've otherwise been.

Brian is an excellent instructor and really connects with his students. I know that he has pushed me to think outside the box, and I have learned a lot from this course.

His teaching is very good.
Overall, how do you rate this COURSE?

(Instructor Multi-Choice)

BRIAN HEPLER instructor

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Average: 3.71
Median: 4.00
Mode: 5
Std. Dev.: 1.22
Variance: 1.49

This instructor's teaching is truly outstanding.

(Instructor Multi-Choice)

BRIAN HEPLER instructor
About Yourself

What grade do you think you will receive in this course?
(Multi-Choice, Single Answer)

Value Option | Total
---|---
1 Strongly Disagree | 0
2 Disagree | 1
3 Neither Agree nor Disagree | 4
4 Agree | 5
5 Strongly Agree | 5

Average: 3.93
Median: 4.00
Mode: 4.5
Std. Dev.: 0.93
Variance: 0.86

How often did you attend the class?
(Multi-Choice, Single Answer)

Value Option | Total
---|---
1 | 0
2 | 1
3 | 1
4 | 0
5 | 12

Average: 4.64
Median: 5.00
Mode: 5
Std. Dev.: 0.89
Variance: 0.80
### Estimate the average number of hours per week you spent on this course outside of class.

(Multi-Choice, Single Answer)

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- **Average**: 3.53
- **Median**: 4.00
- **Mode**: 2, 4, 5
- **Std. Dev.**: 1.15
- **Variance**: 1.32

### Estimate how much effort you devoted to this course.

(Multi-Choice, Single Answer)

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- **Average**: 4.43
- **Median**: 5.00
- **Mode**: 5
- **Std. Dev.**: 0.82
- **Variance**: 0.67
Estimate how much you learned in this course.

(Multi-Choice, Single Answer)

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Comments

Here comment on your overall impressions of the course and the instructor. (You might include remarks on the instructor's preparation and the organization of the course, the availability of the instructor outside of class, whether the instructor realizes when students do not understand, the clarity of explanations, whether you found the course interesting, etc. But you do not need to limit your comments to these subjects.)

(Instructor Text/Memo)
BRIAN HEPLER - Instructor

- His teaching is very good.
- He is very good.
- Brian is a solid teacher. I recommend assigning more homework. Also, the class could have (and should have!) covered 2-3x the material it actually did. A topology class that ends on compactness is kinda a joke.
- Brian is an excellent instructor and really connects with his students. I know that he has pushed me to think outside the box, and I have learned a lot from this course. I had him for Math 521 as well, and I have really appreciated his teaching style and his availability.
- There was quite a bit of overlap with my introductory analysis class which made some of topics a little less challenging than they might've otherwise been for me, but Brian did a good job with finding challenging, interesting problems that got me to engage with these ideas more deeply.
- One of the best professors!
- Dr. Hepler presents the material from the textbook very well and also gives new examples. My one complaint would be that his syllabus said that there would be 10 homeworks, but in actuality there were only 4. So it was much harder for me to stay disciplined and updated with the course material and there was less opportunity to improve your grade. Also grades on the homework came in extremely slow (one was almost 2 months after it was submitted), but I don't know whether that was on him or the grader.
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**Survey Overview**

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3. Did the instructor encourage students to think for themselves?
4. Estimate how much you learned in this course.
5. Estimate how much effort you devoted to this course.
6. How often did you attend the class?
7. How do you rate the organization of individual lectures and of the course as a whole?
8. How well did this instructor interact with you?
9. How well did this instructor prepare?
10. Did this instructor appear to be interested in teaching this course?

**Math Department Faculty Evaluation**

- Brian Hepler
- Value
- NA
- Min: 1
- Max: 5
- #Resp: 15
- TOTAL SURVEYS: 1204
- NA
- Values: 1, 2, 3, 4, 5
- Totals: 0, 2, 6, 8, 4
- Medians: 2, 4, 5
- Modes: 3, 5
- Averages: 3.87
- Variances: 0.88
- Standard Deviations: 4.00
- Targets: 3.73, 3.79

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**Ratings and Comments**

- This instructor's teaching is truly outstanding.
- One of the best professors!
- Brian is a solid teacher. I recommend assigning more homework. Also, the class could have (and should have!) covered 2-3x the material it actually did. I feel like I learned as much as I could under the circumstances.
- There was quite a bit of overlap with my introductory analysis class which made some of topics a little less challenging than they might've otherwise been.
- I wish there would be 10 homeworks, but in actuality there were only 4. So it was much harder for me to stay disciplined and updated with the course.
- I have really appreciated his teaching style and his availability. From the course information, I thought there would be 10 homeworks, but in actuality there were only 4. So it was much harder for me to stay disciplined and updated with the course.
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