

UC RIVERSIDE - Student Comments of Instructor, Discussion Courses - Spring 2020

Course: ECON 105B Section: 028 - INTRMDT MACROECON THRY

Instructor: Da Gong

This course was offered during the COVID-19 global pandemic in an emergency remote learning environment.

Question # 18: YOUR CONSTRUCTIVE COMMENTS ON YOUR GRADUATE STUDENT INSTRUCTOR'S TEACHING SKILLS ARE EXTREMELY IMPORTANT. PLEASE WRITE YOUR COMMENTS IN THE TEXTBOX BELOW. PLEASE LIMIT YOUR COMMENTS TO 2000 CHARACTERS.

- Da was incredibly helpful during the quarter. He was sensitive to the needs of the students and was always available to answer any questions I
 had about the material. Posting videos of the discussion sections was a big help and I hope more instructors begin to do the same thing. I think
 Da did a great job. When an instructor is clearly prepared for lecture and has examples prepared prior to the actual class, the learning
 experience is always amazing.
- Da Gong is a very helpful TA who clearly knows his economics material very well because he is able to thoroughly explain how to solve a question. He writes very clear-cut notes that are straight to the point and asks students if they have any questions in intervals throughout the discussion section. He is also very thorough when going over homework and midterms. Overall, would definitely recommend to teach future economics courses!
- In discussions we mostly went over the homework and he was able to clarify some of the answers. I think that there were times where there was too much movement on his screen to have time to take notes, and the speed at which he was teaching was a little bit hard for us to ask questions, but we was always available after class to answer my questions. Also, I would like to mention that on the night before an exam he would hold office hours from 6-9 and it was really helpful for him to be there to ask last minute questions and not only did he help me but he also sent out an email with an explanation to all the other students.