

STUDENTS' RATINGS ON TEACHER

Faculty Member: STEVEN HALIM
 Department: COMPUTER SCIENCE Academic Year: 2008/2009
 Faculty: SCHOOL OF COMPUTING Semester: 2
 Module: DATA STRUCTURES AND ALGORITHMS - CS1102C
 Activity Type: TUTORIAL
 Class Size/Response Size/Response Rate/Contact Session/Teaching Hour : 106 / 78 / 73.58% / 55 / 55

Qn	Items Evaluated	Fac. Member Avg Score	Fac. Member Avg Score Std. Dev	Dept Avg Score		Fac. Avg Score	
				(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)
1	The teacher has enhanced my thinking ability.	4.269	0.658	3.917 (3.940)		3.902 (3.888)	
2	The teacher provides timely and useful feedback.	4.167	0.653	3.953 (3.951)		3.958 (3.941)	
3	The teacher is approachable for consultation.	4.052	0.793	4.017 (4.012)		4.007 (3.983)	
4	The teacher has helped me develop relevant research skills.*	NA	NA	NA		NA	
5	The teacher has increased my interest in the subject.	4.064	0.727	3.773 (3.773)		3.756 (3.713)	
6	The teacher has helped me acquire valuable/relevant knowledge in the field.	4.256	0.692	3.910 (3.926)		3.900 (3.879)	
7	The teacher has helped me understand complex ideas.	4.244	0.742	3.916 (3.954)		3.894 (3.886)	
	<u>Average of Qn 1-7**</u>	4.176	0.714	3.914 (3.926)		3.902 (3.881)	
8	Overall the teacher is effective.	4.231	0.701	3.974 (4.006)		3.962 (3.955)	

* This includes skills in research methodology, research problems/questions, literature search/evaluation, oral presentation and manuscript preparation.

** If Qn 4 is NA, it will not be included in the computation of average score (Average of Qn 1-7).

Frequency Distribution of responses for Qn 8

Nos. of Respondents(% of Respondents)

ITEM\SCORE	5	4	3	2	1
Self	29 (37.18%)	39 (50.00%)	9 (11.54%)	1 (1.28%)	0 (.00%)
Teachers teaching all Modules of the Same Activity Type (Tutorial), at the	286 (77.71%)	521 (50.48%)	183 (17.73%)	29 (2.81%)	13 (1.26%)

same level within Department

Teachers teaching all Modules of the Same Activity Type (Tutorial), at the same level within Faculty	404 (23.64%)	914 (53.48%)	318 (18.61%)	56 (3.28%)	17 (.99%)
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Note:

1. A 5-point scale is used for the scores. The higher the score, the better the rating.
2. **Fac. Member Avg Score:** The mean of all the scores for each question for the faculty member.
3. **Fac. Member Avg Score Std. Dev:** A measure of the range of variability. It measures the extent to which a faculty member's Average Score differs from all the scores in the faculty member's evaluation. The smaller the standard deviation, the greater the robustness of the number given as average.
4. **Dept Avg Score :**
 - (a) the mean score of same activity type (Tutorial) within the department.
 - (b) the mean score of same activity type (Tutorial), at the same module level (level 1000) within the department.
5. **Fac. Avg Score :**
 - (c) the mean score of same activity type (Tutorial) within the faculty.
 - (d) the mean score of same activity type (Tutorial), at the same module level (level 1000) within the faculty.

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Q9 What are the teacher's strengths?

1. he is always well prepared for tutorials
2. use of simple examples to help us understand important concepts.
3. His way of presenting us the concepts is very different and makes it easy for us to understand the concept. Also, unlike my other tutorials, his tutorials are very organised since we know what he'll do and when he'll do it.
4. One of the most intelligent tutors i have had for my modules , is friendly and tries to give more than 1005 to his students so that they can have an advantage over other students. His way of recalling the concepts during the tutorial is just gr8.
5. Sir Steven understands students' thinking very well. He can always point out something that we never thought of, and that is always the essence of the particular topic.
6. - Possibly the best tutor I had so far. - Tutorial sessions were fun, told jokes occasionally. - No "loophole" during tutorial sessions. I mean he has done a great job in preparing what to say and teach before each session. - His wide knowledge in programming allows him to respond swiftly to students' questions. - My doubts about certain topics were cleared after every tutorial session. - Inspired me to continue taking CS modules in future semesters.
7. clear and detailed explanation. Goes out of his way to help us in learning the module. Provides valuable answers for past year papers and explanations.
8. Good materials. Teaching style good
9. Overall quite an effective teacher.
10. Good and systematic teaching method. ^^
11. give summary before the class, help to revise concepts
12. He provides a summary of what is taught in the lecture so students would be able to clarify their concepts before starting to discuss about the tutorial questions. He also asks extra questions pertaining to the tutorial concepts so students would be able to stretch their thinking and learn more about the new concepts.
13. He is friendly.
14. He provides an over view of the lecture before answering the tutorial questions, which helps us revise and reinforce our understanding. He often stimulate our thinking by modifying the questions and his way of teaching is clear.
15. He shows students that he is well prepared in his lessons, hence motivating students to be well prepared too.
16. very responsible
17. He helps us do reviewing at the beginning of every tutorial class.

18. logical and systematical explanation during tutorial
19. responsible and good
20. Good tutor
21. He encourages us do presentation during tutorial class to make learn this module more interesting and efficient.
22. he is very skillful, and knows very well about the module, so the tutorial is very helpful
23. Good effort in preparing extra slides to summarise topics and providing alternative questions on each existing tutorial questions. Overall good teaching method and has gone beyond what other tutors had done.
24. knowledgeable provides revision on the chapters covered during lectures put in effort to prepare for class ask questions to make you think about the algorithm, codes helps to understand concepts open to question, answers and class participation effort made to prepare students
25. I think the tutor was very encouraging and dedicated and I really am grateful for all the efforts he took in conducting revision lectures.
26. He is able to explain complex ideas clearly to the students. He revises certain topics at the start of the lecture with his students. He is also able to point out errors and mistakes made by the students effectively.
27. The teaching method used is very interesting and helping students to understand
28. knowledge
29. knows his stuff
30. Clear explanations.
31. very good at programming good sense of humor
32. he gives the best explanation!...i really understood topics well.
33. teaches very well
34. Friendly, helpful, explains clearly, organised

Q10 What improvements would you suggest to the teacher?

1. wish him best for the marriage.. :D
2. none.
3. Can make the classes more interactive by asking students questions..
4. nothing
5. Hmm... Keep up your good work sir!
6. Please interact more with the students. Ask them questions to find out their weaknesses, then try to help them as a tutor.
7. perhaps voluntary basis after one round of tutorials presentation is better?let those who wants score better for participation marks have the chance.
8. Improve on handwriting because it is quite difficult to read his handwritten document images. sentence structure.
9. None.
10. more examples, but maybe not possible due to time constraints
11. No improvements are needed

12. Sometimes I think you can skip the really basic stuff and focus more on the difficult concept.
13. He should open out more and be less formal in class to encourage more interaction as he is a bit too uptight to have an enjoyable tutorial session. (Pasha from cs1101c is a model tutor)
14. involve more with us
15. N.A.
16. improved presentation skills
17. give more instructions on studying this module
18. N.A.
19. NA.
20. try to improve the accent if possible, or speak more slowly
21. Make him a lecturer instead of a tutor.
22. keep up the good job =)
23. Please improve on the accent, however its not a major problem :)
24. He should try to speak louder in class.
25. be more interactive
26. make the tutorials more flexible
27. NA
28. none
29. put up his own solutions in the website

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1. he is pretty good at teaching and handling the tutorial .. i like him..
2. I appreciate the effort he takes to make every student in the class understand the concepts.
3. - Possibly the best tutor I had so far. - Tutorial sessions were fun, told jokes occasionally. - No "loophole" during tutorial sessions. I mean he has done a great job in preparing what to say and teach before each session. - His wide knowledge in programming allows him to respond swiftly to students' questions. - My doubts about certain topics were cleared after every tutorial session. - Inspired me to continue taking CS modules in future semesters.
4. He enjoys his job and willing to put in efforts
5. Very motivated tutor.
6. A tutor who has gone beyond what other tutors usually do, puts a lot of effort and passion into his teaching.
7. He made his classes interesting and the tutorials were very informative.