

2.S994 Undergraduate Special Subject in Mechanical Engineering

Survey Window: Fall 2013 End of Term

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Haberland, Matthew Daniel, TA - Overall rating: 6.9

Teaching in Lecture

Quality of Teaching	<i>Rating Scale: 1=Strongly Disagree, 4=Neutral, 7=Strongly Agree, N/A=Not Applicable (7 is best)</i>							RESPONSES	STDEV
	AVG	1	2	3	4	5	6		
Stimulated interest	6.7							16	0.6
Displayed thorough knowledge of subject material	6.9							16	0.25
Helped me learn	6.9							16	0.25

Overall rating	<i>Rating Scale: 1=Very Poor, 7=Excellent, N/A=Not Applicable (7 is best)</i>							RESPONSES	STDEV
	AVG	1	2	3	4	5	6		
Overall rating	6.9							15	0.35

Comments on teaching (strengths, areas for improvement)

[Student 30](#) - Matt is easily the best TA I've had at MIT, possibly by an order of magnitude. He was helpful and knowledgeable and ready to answer questions at any time. A+ rating.

[Student 1227](#) - Matt was an amazing TA and he clearly knows what he's talking about. He really made himself available at all times going way beyond his duties, whether it was in person or via email. He helped me get a firm understanding of dynamics, and was a huge help with computational questions.

[Student 1636](#) - The most helpful, dedicated, and best TA I've ever had. Really went above and beyond what was required- very clear lecturer, good powerpoint slides, responsive to emails, good at providing additional resources.

[Student 3277](#) - Extremely understandable, and confusion is quickly resolved as he understands questions and how to answer them. Extremely knowledgeable of material, and teaching awesome stuff so it was a great pleasure to be in the class. Worked hard to make himself available if we needed clarification.

[Student 5584](#) - Matt is probably one of the best TA's I have ever had. Without him, the class would have been completely disorganized. His lectures on symbolically deriving equations of motions and using optimization techniques in matlab were very thorough and easy to follow. If students needed help, his office hours were always helpful, and he always hosted extra hours during the most critical times of the semester. Matt really cares about the success of every student, and he always made sure that students are learning the material. Matt has a knack of giving students enough hints so that they can arrive at the answer from their own conclusions. Although this is the first time the class is being taught, Matt did a very good job as a TA. I always saw him as a 2nd instructor, which shows how critical he was to the success of the class.

[Student 5961](#) - really took the time to make sure I understood fundamental concepts

[Student 17765](#) - I loved your Matlab lectures/section of the class. Although I was not expecting to go so much in depth, I understand that it is necessary in order to full understand how to use it correctly. Make the lectures a long, flow of lectures than some lectures this week, then one this week, then skip a week ext. This way it will always be in our minds when we need to refer to it when doing our projects.

[Student 26933](#) - Lectures are awesome! Super clear and interesting. I also really appreciate you being super supportive and helpful with our psets and projects outside of class time.

[Student 32536](#) - Could not understand that certain material was very much out of reach for some students. Need more basic introductory content first.

[Student 34836](#) - Matt is by far one of the best TAs I have ever had. He is extremely knowledgable, always willing to answer questions, and definitely goes the extra mile to ensure that his students get the help that they need and understand the material in depth.

[Student 47847](#) - Matt is the best!!! Has excellent teaching abilities and well structured lectures. Also extremely helpful in OH

[Student 52871](#) - Matt is the best TA I have ever had or heard of. He responds to emails instantly, he becomes personally invested in students' questions, and it pains him to think that a student somewhere, anywhere, might be confused. Matt had his appendix removed, and was apologizing the next day for not answering my email or looking at my code sooner. The man deserves a medal.

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