



Rutgers University Student Instructional Rating
Summer 2021

Zhu, Songhao - SZ446

Intro Linear Algebra - 01:640:250:B6

Survey Form: *Standard SIRS

Enrollment: 20

Responses Received: 16

University-wide Instructor Questions

Weight of responses: 1=SD (Strongly Disagree), 2=D (Disagree), 3=N (Neutral), 4=A (Agree), 5=SA (Strongly Agree), Resp=Number of Student Responses

Weighted Means: Section, Course, Level, Department

	SD	D	N	A	SA	Resp	Section	Course	Level	Dept
The instructor Songhao Zhu was prepared for class and presented the material in an organized manner.	0	0	0	4	12	16	4.75	4.65	4.51	4.47
The instructor Songhao Zhu responded effectively to student comments and questions.	0	0	0	4	12	16	4.75	4.58	4.47	4.42
The instructor Songhao Zhu generated interest in the course material.	0	0	0	6	10	16	4.63	4.40	4.26	4.25
The instructor Songhao Zhu had a positive attitude toward assisting all students in understanding course material.	0	0	0	5	11	16	4.69	4.63	4.54	4.47
The instructor Songhao Zhu assigned grades fairly.	0	0	0	6	10	16	4.63	4.55	4.43	4.28
The instructional methods of Songhao Zhu encouraged student learning.	0	0	0	4	12	16	4.75	4.51	4.29	4.24

Teaching Effectiveness

Weight of responses: 1=P (Poor), 2=F (Fair), 3=A (Average), 4=G (Good), 5=E (Excellent), Resp=Number of Student Responses

Weighted Means: Section, Course, Level, Department

	P	F	A	G	E	Resp	Section	Course	Level	Dept
I rate the teaching effectiveness of the instructor Songhao Zhu as:	0	0	0	3	13	16	4.81	4.54	4.33	4.26

University-wide Course Questions

Weight of responses: 1=SD (Strongly Disagree), 2=D (Disagree), 3=N (Neutral), 4=A (Agree), 5=SA (Strongly Agree), Resp=Number of Student Responses

Weighted Means: Section, Course, Level, Department

	SD	D	N	A	SA	Resp	Section	Course	Level	Dept
I learned a great deal in this course.	0	0	0	8	8	16	4.50	4.38	4.32	4.20
I had a strong prior interest in the subject matter and wanted to take this course.	1	1	4	6	4	16	3.69	3.75	3.68	3.41

Course Quality

Weight of responses: 1=P (Poor), 2=F (Fair), 3=A (Average), 4=G (Good), 5=E (Excellent), Resp=Number of Student Responses

Weighted Means: Section, Course, Level, Department

	P	F	A	G	E	Resp	Section	Course	Level	Dept
I rate the overall quality of the course as:	0	0	0	6	10	16	4.63	4.44	4.21	4.03

What do you like best about this course?

These comments are intended for all instructors.

Comments
Matrices!!
The pace of the course was good, and I also liked the online quiz format with a focus on conceptual questions.
Linear Algebra is very hard but rewarding to learn.
I enjoyed the fact that
What I like best about this course is the leniency since it's a one-month summer course.

If you were teaching this course, what would you do differently?

These comments are intended for all instructors.

Comments
Material was heavily condensed so I would try to make sure students understood each concept by giving more practice.
I would include a project if possible (although this would probably not be possible for a condensed summer course).
I would not do anything differently.
Increase the time for the written parts of the exam. It might just be me but I felt that they were a bit short.
I would probably leave out more topics as the current amount is a lot to take in for one month.
I would make the homework be due before the exam because a lot of problems that appear on the homework are similar to problems that appear on the exam.

In what ways, if any, has this course or the instructor Songhao Zhu encouraged your intellectual growth and progress?

These comments are unique to the instructor Songhao Zhu.

Comments
His office hours really helped
Giving us extra videos to watch to help us visualize concepts better
Thoroughly explains material and always helps students if they don't understand.
He has always been positive as we learn this very difficult material.
Songhao has made approaching Linear Algebra a lot easier than most professors do. Even though this is only a six week course, I've learned more in this short time with him than I did in another full semester with another professor. He explains the material well and helps us understand the core concepts.
He has encouraged me to learn more about Linear Algebra.

Other comments or suggestions:

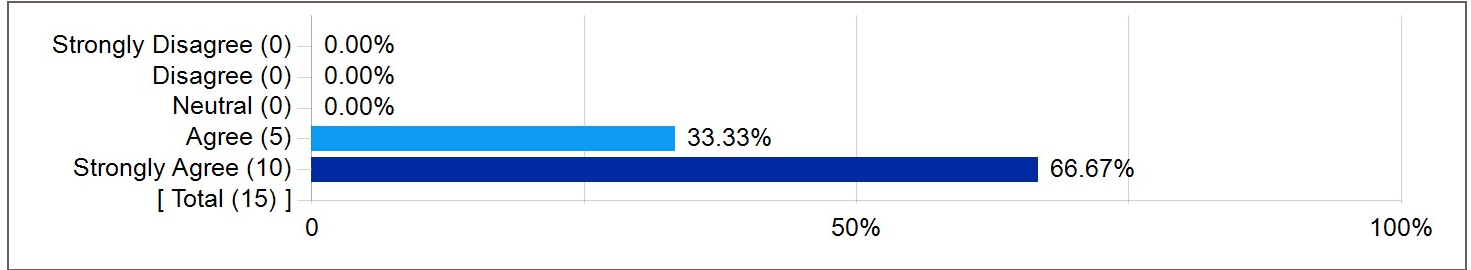
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Comments
I think it would have been beneficial to see more educational quizzes such as quiz 6.5 that guided the student through a topic just to break it into parts and do it on our own. It helped me learn the topic much easier, but the course was instructed well.
N/A
Though very difficult, I really enjoyed this course.
Overall a great course Songhao! You're a fantastic teacher and I wish we had done this in person instead
None.
Guided quizzes were very helpful.
Have more homework problems that deal with the concepts rather than primarily having questions that deal with the computations.

Questions added for: *Standard SIRS

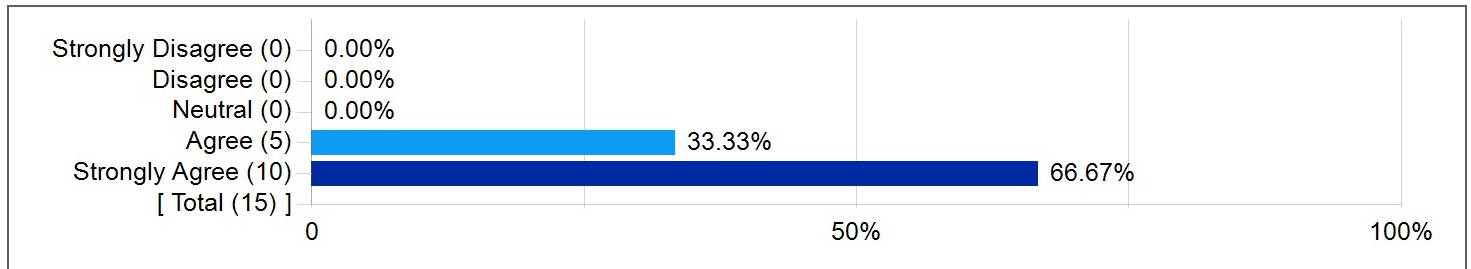
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The lecturer posted content that helped me understand the topics covered in the online lectures.



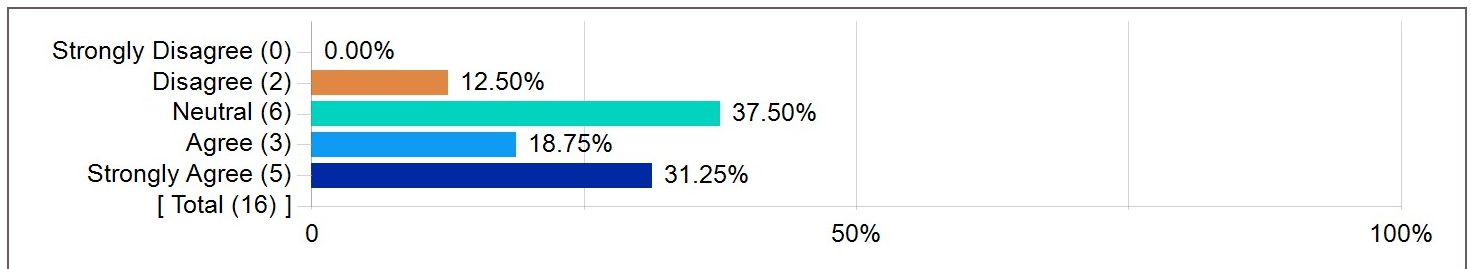
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4.67	4.40	4.35	4.27

The recitation/workshop instructor posted content that helped me understand the topics covered in the online recitations/workshops.



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4.67	4.48	4.28	4.15

I was glad to take this course in an online format; for me it is the preferred format for this course.



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3.69	3.58	3.51	3.44

