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UNIVERSITY OF HAWAII
Department of Mathematics

Student Evaluation of Teaching*

Instructor ROSS (20 Ret)

Course and Section no. 455

Please comment below on special strengths and weaknesses of the instructor and the instructor's conduct of the course. Constructive criticism is solicited.

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Student Evaluation of Teaching*

Instructor DAVID ROSS

Course and Section no. MATH 455

Please comment below on special strengths and weaknesses of the instructor and the instructor's conduct of the course. Constructive criticism is solicited.

Instructor was well prepared every day and
Did his best to teach a very abstract
subject. Lectures were very helpful for
the exam and understanding the course
material.

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Instructor Ross

Course and Section no. 435

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I liked his enthusiasm and helpfulness.
He is a good professor and I would definitely
like to take another class from him.
The extra credit was interesting because it
was harder than problems in class.

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Instructor ROSS

Course and Section no. Math 455

Please comment below on special strengths and weaknesses of the instructor and the instructor's conduct of the course. Constructive criticism is solicited.

The strength of the instructor is his broad knowledge of his subject. He gave history, backgrounds, and supplementary material related to the topics.

A weakness of the instructor is the many materials may cause confusion amongst student understanding. More examples and practice with less material coverage may be necessary, else a longer time may be needed.

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Instructor Dr. Ross

Course and Section no. Math 455 (1)

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Coming into the class the student has no idea what to expect. I think Dr. Ross did a good job taking us from people who know nothing to people who at least had an idea. I think it would help to give an idea to students, before taking the class, an idea of what Logic is, and the goals of it. Other than that it was ok.

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Instructor D. Ross

Course and Section no. 455 - MATH 01

Please comment below on special strengths and weaknesses of the instructor and the instructor's conduct of the course. Constructive criticism is solicited.

- VERY BENEVOLENT WHICH IS ALWAYS A PLUS.
- THOROUGH
- EASILY UNDERSTOOD & THUS READILY ASSIMILATED.

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Instructor Prof. Ross

Course and Section no. Math 455

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Strength

1. Very knowledgeable of subject
2. Able to convey subject matter
3. reasonable consultation hrs.
4. Exams are comparable to examples given in class.

Weakness

1. Lectures are too fast
2. EXAMS are much too lengthy
3. Gives way too many example problems in lectures (e.g. lengthy problems with subjects that might go off on a tangent in regard to the subject matter at hand.
4. WRITES AND SPEAKS TOO FAST !!!

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Instructor David Ross

Course and Section no. Math 455

Please comment below on special strengths and weaknesses of the instructor and the instructor's conduct of the course. Constructive criticism is solicited.

The instructor definitely knows his material well. He supplements the materials covered with handouts. The subject itself is extremely difficult, but he tries to simplify it by examples. Even if the instructor gives examples, more examples should be given. Professor Ross is always willing to help the students. There were some instances in the course though that the instructor went through the materials too fast for me.

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Instructor Prof. ROSS

Course and Section no. Math 455 (01)

Please comment below on special strengths and weaknesses of the instructor and the instructor's conduct of the course. Constructive criticism is solicited.

Prof. Ross was a good professor & he really is a very smart man. I think this course was extremely difficult, but he made office hours which were pretty flexible. I hope the text book is changed as it's hard. Actually I'd rather ~~have~~ have a good teacher & a junk book, rather than a junk teacher & a good book.

This course was rather abstract & although I'd wish we could make it more concrete, I don't think we could.

I think Prof. Ross is a good professor & I wish him all the best.

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Instructor Ross

Course and Section no. MATH 455

Please comment below on special strengths and weaknesses of the instructor and the instructor's conduct of the course. Constructive criticism is solicited.

Prof is knowledgeable.

" is available outside of class for help.

" is very enthusiastic about subject & with his presentations.

I enjoyed the class but wish the text could've been more helpful. HW assignments were too hard — why make them worth a total of 40 when you expect most students to get a 10? Also, exams.

Why worth 100 when an "A" is a 60? I think the class had little logic background so should've spent more time on basics, even though it is a 400 level class. Curriculum should be based on each class individually.

Please type out all HW assignments & notes you hand out — writing sometimes difficult to read.

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Instructor PROF DAVID ROSS

Course and Section no. 455

Please comment below on special strengths and weaknesses of the instructor and the instructor's conduct of the course. Constructive criticism is solicited.

Writes very quickly and prints small on the chalkboard. However, notes are very organized and explains in detailed manner each step of proof and examples. Text books were uncomplimentary, very confusing, and difficult reading.

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Instructor David Ross

Course and Section no. Math 455 section 1

Please comment below on special strengths and weaknesses of the instructor and the instructor's conduct of the course. Constructive criticism is solicited.

The instructor is very enthusiastic about the course and so he makes the class excited about the subject. His grading is fair and he makes clear what the criteria are. He needs to improve his handwriting and some organization but overall, it was very enjoyable.

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Instructor Ross

Course and Section no. MATH
455

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This was by far the most challenging math course I have taken at UHM. Although some of the homework was so difficult it was ~~letting~~ a little discouraging, the prof was very helpful, accessible, and never made you feel dumb. The Johnstone book would be more appropriate for a higher level class, but Crossley was quite appropriate. I would definitely take another course from this professor.

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The text Johnstone "Set Theory" was impossible to understand

- Fair grading though.
- Lots of Handouts (great)
- instructive notes
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Instructor Ross

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Please comment below on special strengths and weaknesses of the instructor and the instructor's conduct of the course. Constructive criticism is solicited.

His knowledge of the subject is considerable and his presentation is clear although the material is sometimes a bit much. He is very approachable.

Aside: Calculus courses or Math 211 should emphasize more on abstract math and more time should be spent on proofs since the upper division math courses seem to jump into it full swing.

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Instructor Dr. Ross

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Please comment below on special strengths and weaknesses of the instructor and the instructor's conduct of the course. Constructive criticism is solicited.

Strengths:

- ① He encouraged students (i.e., he said that things "would get easier.")

Weaknesses:

- ① lectures were fast & confusing. (we could not take notes & pay attention to him all at the same time).
- ② Tests were not very relevant to homework problems
- ③ Homework problems were very hard to do.
(lectures did not help or show examples of how to approach the homework problems)

I realize that the topic is very difficult to understand & teach.

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Instructor ROSE

Course and Section no. 455 - 1

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I think the hardest part of the course was grasping very new & different concepts and ideas. Homework was a problem mainly because I had difficulty interpreting on what was being asked.

Lectures were good, but it would have been nice to see a bit more examples (should've mentioned it but didn't really think about it till now).

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Instructor Professor Ross

Course and Section no. Math 455

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The instructor is well-knowledgeable of the subject area that he's teaching. He should though give more examples and make ~~it~~ more interesting ^{his lecture} so as not to lose the students interest and attention span. Overall he is a good teacher.

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Instructor Prof. D. Ross

Course and Section no. MATH 455 (Sec. 001?)

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I think that prof. Ross's strength is that he is fairly empathetic regarding the work-loads of his students. He allowed homeworks to be turned in after (→ around 4:00pm) class rather than in class so to give us more time to finish up.

I think prof. Ross's teaching methods could be improved by giving better handouts or try handing out xerox copies instead of the ditto sheets that he gives out. The ditto sheets look very messy & child-like. Maybe the math department should provide professors with better equipment or allot more money so as to allow for xeroxed papers instead of dittos.

Lectures could use some help in that they could be better organized. I feel Prof. Ross tries, but sometimes he does not succeed.

Prof. Ross should be more helpful in his office hours. He seems sometimes too stingy with his knowledge.

→ Lectures also seem to go too fast. I understand that this class is pretty tough to teach or in that case Prof. Ross should not rush through topics.

Tests should be more relevant to homeworks.

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Instructor ROSS, D.

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While the students are busily copying what is written on the board, Prof. Ross is lecturing on something else already. It is difficult to understand what is going on,

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Seemed knowledgeable, Willing to answer some questions, although I felt pressure not to interrupt since there was so much material to cover in each class. Text was inexpensive^{GOOD!} but a ~~LOT~~ LOT on the "what in blazes are they talking about?" side. ^{-BAD!}

Tests and homework seemed to ask for more than I could deliver. This course should be labeled WI!

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