

UNIVERSITY OF HAWAII AT MANOA
Department of Mathematics

Student Evaluation of Teaching*

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Instructor David Ross

Course and Section no. Math 454 001

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

This course was difficult and learning the language of set theory was very hard. I feel that the professor's strengths in this course lie in a great system of exams where ~~we~~ are graded with a hump curve since the material of the class is ^{difficult} ~~so abstract~~ ~~however~~ ~~same~~.

His online lecture notes are a lot clearer and more concise, however his presentation of course material in class is more brief and suited for in-class coverage.

I would definitely recommend Ross to students with a more advanced math background.

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The instructor is very approachable and addresses student questions
well both inside and outside of class.

Class time is efficient.

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Instructor's Use of Enderton's "The Elements of Set Theory" was out of ~~order~~^{book's} order. While the structure of course and lectures made material more comprehensible, it made understanding the material via reading the book more difficult; esp. given lack of some technical vocabulary between book and course/lectures.

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Instructor Dr. David Ross

Course and Section no. Math 454 Axiomatic Set Theory

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Great Professor. I really enjoyed all his lectures. He taught the class really well, even provided online lecture notes.

I think UH Manoa needs more people like him to teach higher level undergraduate classes. I think the material itself is really tough and he breaks it down so everyone can understand it clearly. It's a shame he isn't teaching Math 455 next semester.

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Pros

- Gives solutions to homework
- A lots of homework

Cons

- Gets confused at his own notes
(writes something, then a while later will change it)
- Explanations are not clear
(Due to first bullet point)
- Does not say what chapters we are going over (A schedule would help).
This causes confusion on what sections must be read.

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Instructor David Raos

Course and Section no. Math 454 Section 1

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Professor Raos gave a great class! He pretty much covered the entire book and then some. I love that he also talked a little about the historical developments of certain topics.

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- Good system for exams (homework for exams)
- Would be helpful to have solutions for homework that we don't need to turn in
- Proofs should be written more clearly
- Knows his material well

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This course just wasn't my cup ~~of~~ of tea.
Nothing personal; I just struggled, especially towards the
latter half of the semester. Difficult subject, as it should be.
Would like to see instructor being better organized,
though. A lot of winging it. If he knew students would
ask about hw then he should have prepared what
he'd say in response.
Decent homework load, great textbook.
Wouldn't take this class again though.

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Course and Section no. 454(1)

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Strength

- Organized and has lecture notes available online.
- Feed back on H.W. is presented in full detail.
- Availability was adequate.

Weakness

- Not enough exercises.
- Returns H.W. later than expected.
- too much breadth and not enough depth in the course.

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Professor Ross is an excellent instructor who managed to make this difficult topic accessible and interesting.

Occasionally makes minor blackboard errors but usually corrects them. Rarely he will get lost in a proof which is very confusing for his students, however accurate notes are provided online.

Overall, great course and instructor.

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