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UNIVERSITY OF HAWAII AT MANOA  
Department of Mathematics

*Student Evaluation of Teaching\**

Instructor                     Ross                    

Course and Section no.                     M 242 (5 + 6)                    

TEACHING EVALUATIONS\*:

Please return all forms to the Math Dept. in Keller 419.  
If the Office is closed, please go to Keller 401A for assistance.

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Student Evaluation of Teaching\*

Instructor Dr. Ross

Course and Section no. Math 242 Section 536

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

- Class was good. Dr. Ross spoke loud, was understandable, his writing was legible.
- Homework was varied & I feel there was enough of it
- Exams were appropriately difficult. He was very upfront with the expected difficulty
- I liked his webpage & that he showed how to do the exams afterwards
- Email response was quick. 3 tests handed back quickly.
- A little too theoretical for me in the lectures. Would highly recommend Dr. Ross if going into mathematics.
- Did not like the lesson on improper integrals, found it to be the only one difficult to follow. Could just be me.
- Overall quite good. Did not feel discouraged despite math being my currently most difficult subject.

\*Thank you very much!!!

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Instructor Ross

Course and Section no. MATH 242 Section 516

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

strengths

- sets up outside-of-class review sessions
- always prepared for lectures & posts notes on the website
- website & videos posted there are helpful
- grades & hands back exams quickly
- good feedback on exams

weaknesses

- tends to go very fast
- sometimes doesn't explain notations very clearly

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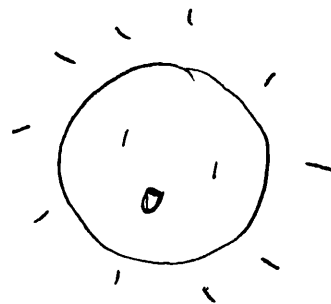
Instructor David Ross

Course and Section no. Math 242, section 006

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

You can tell that he really cares about his students because he holds extra review sessions for us. He is very knowledgeable about this subject and is always open for questions. The only issue I had was that at times it was hard to understand what he was saying because his voice was not clear or too soft. Other than that, he was a fair grader and a good teacher.

P.S. I like your sandals, professor Ross!



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Instructor Ross

Course and Section no. Math 242 sect. 5

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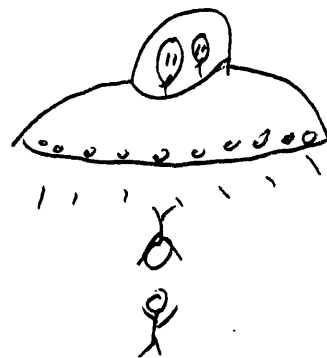
Decent instructor. Not too good but not too bad.

pros

- knows his material
- tries to help students
- clear dates for everything
- explains everything
- tests aren't complete surprise difficulty wise

cons

- sometimes gets a little overboard going over the fundamentals and why a theorem or formula works
- sometimes explains things in detail that aren't required for class
- wish grading system was more clear cut or at least not a mystery
- little too fast
- test sometimes got trick questions



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Instructor <sup>Professor</sup> David Ross

Course and Section no. MATH242 003

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

I like your shirt, but please make your classes less difficult and the lectures more informative on what we need to know rather than ~~we~~ what can be in the future.

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Instructor Ross

Course and Section no. Math 242 section 5

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I like how the professor posts homework assignments online. He has a set schedule and follows. Helps me know what to expect. Also posts videos explaining harder concepts. His class was pretty interesting. Exams are not too difficult but I always seem to run out of time. Weekly quizzes help a lot.

In general, the professor goes too fast during lectures. The short class period might have resulted in this.

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Professor Ross moves pretty fast through his lectures, but he does post the notes for some of the lectures online, so that makes up for it. Although I know some students don't like how he spends a lot of time deriving things, I think it's good because it shows a very careful approach to the way we deal w/ numbers.

Also, love the scarlets!

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Instructor Prof. Ross

Course and Section no. MATH 242 Thurs @ 12:00

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Weaknesses is going off on a bit of a tangent in about 2 or 3 classes. I realized he truly enjoys his profession and digresses a little too far in class although info not needed for exam answers to get full points.

Strengths are that he knows everything about calculus and doesn't teach from the book which is great because the book explanations are terrible. His teaching comes straight from his knowledge and not from anything else. I would love to have him in future, harder math courses because he really knows what he's talking about.

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Instructor ROSS

Course and Section no. MATH 242 / Sec 5 & 6

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

Pros:

- Explains content thoroughly
- provides a generous curve
- Optional homework
- helpful weekly quizzes
- understands content well
- Nice aloha shirts

Cons:

- Explains too quickly
- Talks too fast
- Explains too much about theorems.
- Skips steps
- rambles on conceptual examples for too long

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Instructor Ross

Course and Section no. Math 242 Sect, 526

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

Well, prof. Ross isn't insane, that much I can say. Overall, he is a well mannered man with good intentions. Albeit, his hand writing is frustratingly small on the white boards. Not that it can be helped, with the amount of material covered. He is knowledgeable of the material and comes prepared to teach.

I have one reservation on recitations. They are impersonal and brought little to the semester help.

P.S. His shorts are nice as well as his sandals...

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Instructor ROSS

Course and Section no. Math 242 section 5

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*im glad he was my  
teacher*

*He definitely knows his stuff, & he seemed  
to genuinely care about our success both in  
this class & in future math classes.*

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could do better at not standing in front of where you're writing but that's alright.

maybe a bit more straight forward about things like say/clearly stating "this is the answer" to problems.

Very good at pacing and writes well for the most part, as long as it's not too small.

has nice glasses

cares for the students which is good.

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Course and Section no. Math 242 Sect. 5

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Good distribution of exams and quizzes and how they are graded.

More in class explanation about topics would be helpful as opposed to just working problems.

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Course and Section no. Math 242 SECT 5 & 6

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I love that you love the subject matter that you are teaching. I love that you are very on it about using your webpage as a weekly and daily agenda. It helps a lot to have that timeline online. The only thing I would have preferred was that sometimes class seemed a little disorganized. Sometimes for one topic or section of a chapter, in class, we would jump around a lot. I think a more organized flow would be awesome. Like theorem  $\rightarrow$  how it works  $\rightarrow$  example ~~pro~~ problem and repeat. Maybe with like one or two homework problems.

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Instructor Ross

Course and Section no. Math 242 Section 6

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Strengths:

- Knows material
- Prepared to teach
- Enthusiastic

Weaknesses:

- Handwriting is difficult to read, too small and messy
- Talks a little too fast, hard to keep up
- Not very good at explaining sometimes
- Sometimes there are too many problems for homework.
- Try have some worksheets
- Try to simplify notes.

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Instructor Ross

Course and Section no. Math 242 Sect 6

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PRO

- written problems on board
- grading system
- class website

CON

could be more engaging  
but difficult in big lecture hall.

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Instructor David Ross

Course and Section no. Math 242, C

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

~~Some steps are~~

Most of his examples while ~~we~~ we are just learning a new topic are done on his notes - so we don't get steps through it in real time, which can be kind of confusing to follow. ~~But~~ when they are done on the board, it can be clear at times and he gives steps.

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Instructor Boss

Course and Section no. Math 242 Sect ~~5~~ 6

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Boss ~~is~~ is very smart and intuitive in math ~~but~~ but his lectures are fairly hard to follow because ~~for~~ every thing goes so fast. I feel it would be better to go ~~over~~ over types of problems in groups after being taught the basics some work out the problems, ~~not~~ not just him doing it.

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Instructor Ross

Course and Section no. Math 242 Sec 5 & C

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

Strengths

Website really helped  
to guide studying and  
provide information.

Weaknesses in class

Examples worked <sup>^</sup> were hard to  
understand most of the time.

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Instructor Ross

Course and Section no. Math 242 Sect 6

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

Pros

- Website is nice and useful
- Videos are helpful
- Workshops out of class helped a lot
- Good at one on one
- exams are fair and <sup>crib</sup> sheet is a good idea.
- homework assigned is reasonable.

Cons

- Sometimes moves fast
- loses us during lecture sometimes

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Instructor Prof Ross

Course and Section no. Math 242 Sec 5

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 is a very intelligent individual. Personally I don't think his style of teaching fits the way I learn. He did many proofs and I could not understand any of that, but he's understanding and is willing to help. Overall he taught all the material required to be successful.

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Loves teaching and goes extra mile to ensure students understand material. Speaks loud, but not always clearly. Knows material and teaches it well.

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Instructor DAVID ROSS

Course and Section no. MATH 242 ; 5 & 6

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

strengths: does care about students, helps those who seek it.

Weaknesses: sometimes too advanced, explanations are not really clear sometimes, can be difficult to follow

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Instructor Ross

Course and Section no. Math 242

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

Pros:

Insanely Smart

Passionate about Math

Everything is easily accessible online

Cons:

Sometimes explains things too advanced  
Esp the videos

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He is an experienced teacher and knows the material. He does teach rather quickly and can be difficult to keep up with, especially when learning tricky material. I think it could be beneficial for him to involve students more by asking them to help work through problems, so they can better understand the material in a classroom setting.

I think his shirts are the bomb, killer style!!

I enjoyed having you as a professor, thank you!

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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

- gave challenging examples
- has extra help sessions
- asked if had questions on hw

Improvements

- didn't always understand what was happening.
- some terms used were confusing

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Instructor David Ross

Course and Section no. Math 242 Section 6

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Pros

- makes additional supplemental classes

Cons

- goes to fast explaining examples
- needs to have different ways of explaining a topic because it seems like the way he is explaining it is difficult to follow all the time.

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Instructor ROSS

Course and Section no. Math 242, 5

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

- Very knowledgeable on all topics
- prepared for each class w/ schedule
- website is helpful
- tests are fair
- quizzes do not give enough time
- Sometime spends too much time showing proofs of equations instead of doing examples
- Do not go over enough homework questions

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