



# Evaluation Administration

Instructor: **Hu, Wenqing** Title: **Elem Differen Equations**  
 Section(s): **MATH 3304 103** Term: **FS2019**

Number Responding: **13** Number Enrolled: **40** Percent Responding: **32.50%** Effectiveness: **3.67**

## Student Comments

### What are the strengths and weaknesses of the instructor?

I could not understand Dr. Hu so I went to Runnion's lectures

Very enthused and ready to prepare his students for exams! I'd say Dr. Hu was one of my favorite mathematics teachers here at S&T, where his teaching style definitely fit how I learn. Very practical and knowledgeable as well.

This instructor is pretty good.

He showed a deep concern for our understanding of the material and our preparedness for the exams. I would easily say our class was more prepared for each exam than any class with a different instructor.

Strengths: Extremely enthusiastic and wants students to do well in the class Weaknesses: Lectures based on prewritten notes can be very difficult to comprehend when the instructor just reads the derivations of the theory.

Dr. Hu was one of my best lecturer's this semester. He came to lecture each day with prepared notes and examples. He takes his time explaining the background material and going through examples. He encourages questions and class participation. The only negative aspect would be sometimes during examples, Dr. Hu can make some very large jumps from one part of a problem to get to the next. This was especially prominent during the  $3 \times 3$  example for eigen values. Dr. Hu took it upon himself to prepare extra examples and review sheets when he felt that the class needed more explanation. I would take any class taught by Dr. Hu in heartbeat. An excellent professor who strongly cares about the student's understanding of the material.

I loved the way Dr. Hu lectured. The material was really easy to understand with the methods he used to present. He was very good at explaining concepts and walking through examples. His review sessions were super helpful before tests and helped me know what I should do to better prepare for exams. I would definitely take another course with Dr. Hu if I could.

Great at explaining concepts. Always made sure we knew what to expect on exams. Lecture notes always applicable to homeworks and exams. Relevant examples.

-Does in class examples which are great -n/a

Dr. Hu is a professor who wants the students to succeed. He is always working on problems on

the board. He even backtracks a few steps behind when a student is confused about a concept so he can thoroughly explain something. He helps the students learn tips and tricks with the course and test in order to be prepared for any curveball math problems, while providing written examples that the students can reference too outside of class. I think Dr. Hu is a great professor!

Dr. Hu is fantastic at teaching exactly what we need to know and lets us know exactly what types of problems may appear on all the exams. The days that he would cover theory got a little bit confusing, but that's just part of the course and not any fault of his own. I had a great experience with Dr. Hu's Differential Equations.

**What suggestions do you have for improving the quality of instruction?**

N/A

He is well organized

Perfect

Instruction more based on board written notes so that pace of instruction is consistent.

Sometimes go through the material/tougher examples at a slower pace and explain each logic step.

I really enjoyed the instruction. It was really fast-paced, but very easy to understand.

N/A

-get a larger class

Keep up the good work Dr. Hu!

Dr. Hu is already great.

**What are the strengths and weaknesses of the course?**

Homework due on Friday is a crime against humanity

N/A

Pretty cool instructor.

Perfect for teaching elementary differential equations and the fundamental processes of solving those equations

Weaknesses: The homework sometimes suggested using methods that were not taught which led to some problems that were extremely difficult using the tools that we learned rather than the best suited tools for the particular case.

Not enough homework was provided or the homework was not on material being covered on the exams. Also, material for the exams would be finished but we would still have 1.5-2 weeks before the actual test itself. we were covering material that we wouldn't be tested on for a month and a half.

n/a

Overall, all the concepts discussed felt important and useful. The curriculum never felt overwhelming at any point; the pace of the course is great. There should be a possibility of exemption from the final if your exam and homework grades are good enough, however.

-course has good hw that prepares you -hw takes a really long time

The course manages to take the complex concept of differential equations and makes it extremely intuitive to understand. The course becomes easy even though differential equations itself has a lot behind it, so it is beautifully effective in making students learn about differential equations and in the end motivates students instead of scaring them away from the world of increasing complex math.

The course was a nice change of pace after calculus and communicated differential equations very effectively.

**What suggestions do you have for course improvement?**

N/A

Nothing. This instructor is highly recommended professor for diff q.

No suggestions

Better vetting of the homework problem selection so that it caters to the methods taught.

More homework problems that pertain to test-like questions and have tests sooner/closer to the material when it is being covered.

I thought the course was structured very well.

Add the possibility to be exempt from the final.

Hw should be without calculators (easier)

None.

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