

University of Central Florida's Student Perception of Instruction

Fall 2025 (1850)

Mathematics, College of Sciences

Kasun Tharuka Dewage

MAS3105.0001 MATRIX AND LINEAR ALGEBRA

Number of Students Enrolled: 49

1. Describe to the instructor the most effective elements of the course and its instruction.

I liked how the quizzes were good reviews for the concepts that would show up on the exams.

2. Describe to the instructor your suggestions for improving the course and its instruction.

I found that the homework would sometimes show different ways of solving problems then the way that was done in class. Not a huge deal but, it would be easier to follow and learn the material for most if they matched.

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very helpful teaching style and very good with answering questions

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it would be nice if the quiz schedule was loyal to the syllabus, as there sometimes would be quizzes when the syllabus didn't have them listed and vice versa

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His lectures are very helpful and if you go to class you will pass

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N/A

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The instructor worked to communicate with students to ensure the material was understood.

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My only suggestion would be to update the syllabus as many changes were made on the grade scale like what was dropped.

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Amazing theoretical explanations of relationships between concepts and definitions in linear algebra. I love the emphasis on concepts as opposed to computations.

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None. Course was set up perfect!

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Lectures and quizzes

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He cared for the students and their ability to succeed in the class

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Please answer your emails

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The class is very hard, however the professor did try his best to make sure students understood and was available for extra help if needed.

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The only thing I would change would be the length of the exams as we often ran out of time.

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The most effective material were the tests. Having 3 tests encouraged studying more of the material than other courses that only had 1 or 2 tests. I found that this motivated me to understand the material much more because of the weight behind it.

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The weekly quizzes were helpful but their inconsistency threw me off. Some weeks there would be one and other weeks there wouldn't.

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Was very engaging with the class and tried his 100% best when trying to help students with whatever they needed. Explained the concept to the best of his ability. Loved the passion of the professor teaching this content!

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Other than maybe disorganized quizzes and tests everything else was a joy to be part of

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Explanations of concepts was very clear

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Maybe go more in depth with what is happening to the vectors

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Going over the theory in a visualized manner. The drawing it out parts of class really solidified my understanding. I appreciate the few bonus questions given on exams.

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Maybe drop 3 quizzes rather than 2. I prefer it when you teach us the topics/theorems/definitions first and then have us do problems instead of the other way around -- where you sometimes have us try to work it out blindly with minimal familiarity in the new topic to then only teach and explain what it's about and what we were supposed to do AFTER the fact.

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It is without a doubt that Professor Dewage is passionate about teaching this class and believes in its importance. The homework is very helpful with its examples, unlimited attempts, and explanations.

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(no response)

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The time given to work on examples written on the board is appreciated, the explanations of concepts is overall pretty good, emphasis on the importance of the subject and its applications is good motivation for learning.

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Sometimes when you think of something and try to explain it, it seems like you're both thinking and trying to speak at the same time and it isn't very clear. A remedy for this would be slow down a bit and to take a couple seconds to think of how to explain what you are thinking of.