

University of Central Florida's Student Perception of Instruction, Fall 2016 (1580)

Computer Science, College of Engineering & Computer Science

CIS3362.0001 - CRYPTOGRAPHY AND INFO SECURITY

Arup Guha

Number of Students Enrolled: 48

1. What did you like best about the course and/or how the instructor taught it?

Code breaking assignments

2. What suggestions do you have for improving the course and/or how the instructor taught it?

Bringing concepts together so students have a greater understanding of what different parts of lecture mean in the grand scheme of things.

1. What did you like best about the course and/or how the instructor taught it?

Very good in person teaching style Made the class fun

2. What suggestions do you have for improving the course and/or how the instructor taught it?

No suggestions great job

1. What did you like best about the course and/or how the instructor taught it?

Professor Guha is a very organized and smart professor. He knows all that he is teaching and is willing to expand on topics.

2. What suggestions do you have for improving the course and/or how the instructor taught it?

N/A

1. What did you like best about the course and/or how the instructor taught it?

I liked how obviously interested Guha was in the subject material, the interesting anecdotes he brought to the lectures, and the well explained math and theory behind the more advanced cryptographic techniques.

2. What suggestions do you have for improving the course and/or how the instructor taught it?

Sometimes the course seemed a little disorganized or more like a programming class. Sometimes it's helpful to look at the code for some of the ciphers, but near the end I think we started going over the code mostly as filler material and it was getting hard to be interested in the new techniques.

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1. What did you like best about the course and/or how the instructor taught it?

Professor Guha had the lecture notes online and had exams from previous years online as well, which is more than I can say for some courses. Guha's teaching was very focused on examples and very clear.

2. What suggestions do you have for improving the course and/or how the instructor taught it?

N/A

1. What did you like best about the course and/or how the instructor taught it?

Professor is extremely knowledgeable and created his own course content.

2. What suggestions do you have for improving the course and/or how the instructor taught it?

None. Great class.

1. What did you like best about the course and/or how the instructor taught it?

Very interesting course, professor makes the topics fun and challenging to learn.

2. What suggestions do you have for improving the course and/or how the instructor taught it?

None

1. What did you like best about the course and/or how the instructor taught it?

Very well organized.

2. What suggestions do you have for improving the course and/or how the instructor taught it?

Be more considerate of others and not such an asshole.

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1. What did you like best about the course and/or how the instructor taught it?

everything

2. What suggestions do you have for improving the course and/or how the instructor taught it?

nothing

1. What did you like best about the course and/or how the instructor taught it?

showed us how to all the examples by paper and on the whiteboard to influence everyone

2. What suggestions do you have for improving the course and/or how the instructor taught it?

add more online tutorials for how to compile the code

1. What did you like best about the course and/or how the instructor taught it?

very clean step by step explanation

2. What suggestions do you have for improving the course and/or how the instructor taught it?

more time for the final project

1. What did you like best about the course and/or how the instructor taught it?

Best instructor in the program

2. What suggestions do you have for improving the course and/or how the instructor taught it?

(No response.)

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COP3223H.0201 - HONORS INTRO PROG WITH C

Arup Guha

Number of Students Enrolled: 26

1. What did you like best about the course and/or how the instructor taught it?

Very hands-on and effective.

2. What suggestions do you have for improving the course and/or how the instructor taught it?

None.

1. What did you like best about the course and/or how the instructor taught it?

He was very interested, spent a lot of time on specific examples and would do Q&A; with students. He was obviously very interested in his field, held "democratic" votes by students, and generally made it a very fun course.

2. What suggestions do you have for improving the course and/or how the instructor taught it?

A different language should be taught. C is unnecessarily low-level and obviously quite dated. Other languages introduce the same programming principles while being much friendlier to new programmers.

1. What did you like best about the course and/or how the instructor taught it?

I enjoyed almost every aspect about this course. I liked the feedback the professor for the homework assignments and the fact that the class went over python, C and C++. The classes were enjoyable and the work was challenging, but not impossible.

2. What suggestions do you have for improving the course and/or how the instructor taught it?

I really don't have any suggestions for improving the course. The only thing is that the class does require a lot of time to be put into it to truly understand and master all of the content.

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Arup Guha

Number of Students Enrolled: 26

1. What did you like best about the course and/or how the instructor taught it?

His explanations were concise and easy to follow; I was never lost during lectures. The homework was not trivial, but it also was not overwhelmingly difficult.

2. What suggestions do you have for improving the course and/or how the instructor taught it?

(No response.)

1. What did you like best about the course and/or how the instructor taught it?

The instructor made the content interesting and was always willing to answer questions.

2. What suggestions do you have for improving the course and/or how the instructor taught it?

Sometimes it felt like the course was moving too quickly through the material.

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1. What did you like best about the course and/or how the instructor taught it?

I love professor Guha's enthusiasm for programming. Professor Guha brings life to the otherwise dry course material using a lot of relatable analogies such as the boss/employee and functions analogy. He makes the content memorable, and he provides easy access to lectured content on his course webpage. Professor Guha's tests are challenging and fair. His assignments are complex and interesting. His programming assignments stretched my thinking and applied basic concepts in novel ways. I also like having exposure to three different programming languages within one semester.

2. What suggestions do you have for improving the course and/or how the instructor taught it?

1. Organize the assignments and final project better. 2. Manage class time better. There were so many class days that were let out late which caused me to be late to the next place that I had to be after class. Conversely, there were also some days that we were let out a lot earlier. 3. The programming assignments and tests were math intensive, but much of class time was devoted to teaching the syntax of programming languages instead of problem-solving strategies required to do the assignments and tests well. I've observed that a lot of people who come in with programming background or strong math background do very well in the class whereas students with no prior programming background and weaker mathematical abilities struggle in the class. My suggestion is for professor Guha to go more in-depth with the math rather than spend a lot of time on programming syntax. For example, when we printed the Christmas tree example in class, it would have benefited beginning programming students to go over the math behind that loop structure, but I felt like that material was breezed through. That was one instance of several that I have noticed throughout the semester.

1. What did you like best about the course and/or how the instructor taught it?

The professor would diagram what was going on in the program on the board, in a way that was very easy to visualize and understand.

2. What suggestions do you have for improving the course and/or how the instructor taught it?

(No response.)

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1. What did you like best about the course and/or how the instructor taught it?

Emphasis on problem-solving.

2. What suggestions do you have for improving the course and/or how the instructor taught it?

Focus more on some vital topics

1. What did you like best about the course and/or how the instructor taught it?

He is very good at explaining the concepts of the course. Also, he answers any and all questions.

2. What suggestions do you have for improving the course and/or how the instructor taught it?

Possibly add a lab for the course because it would allow students to do work with someone nearby who could help them if they need it.

1. What did you like best about the course and/or how the instructor taught it?

Enthusiasm

2. What suggestions do you have for improving the course and/or how the instructor taught it?

Make instructions a bit more clear on some of the assignments.

1. What did you like best about the course and/or how the instructor taught it?

Professor was very knowledgeable, clear, and practiced. Well polished overall.

2. What suggestions do you have for improving the course and/or how the instructor taught it?

(No response.)

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Guha knows what he's talking about.

2. What suggestions do you have for improving the course and/or how the instructor taught it?

Don't put students who have programming experience in the same class as students without. This class moved too fast for me because i had no programming experience and was left behind at the fast pace.

1. What did you like best about the course and/or how the instructor taught it?

His lectures were always interesting and relevant. He would explain concepts in multiple ways and provide great examples as well as relevant notes and book material. When asked for help he would not only help but also explain everything in depth.

2. What suggestions do you have for improving the course and/or how the instructor taught it?

(No response.)

1. What did you like best about the course and/or how the instructor taught it?

We designed the syllabus so we controlled what we wanted to learn.

2. What suggestions do you have for improving the course and/or how the instructor taught it?

Collect more friday problems to make sure students do them and dont fall behind

1. What did you like best about the course and/or how the instructor taught it?

I enjoyed doing interesting problems that incorporated multiple topics.

2. What suggestions do you have for improving the course and/or how the instructor taught it?

Having the tests reflect the homework/classwork.

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COT3100C.0001 - INTRO TO DISCRETE STRUCTURES

Arup Guha

Number of Students Enrolled: 244

1. What did you like best about the course and/or how the instructor taught it?

I like how the course material revolves around methods in math that I've never thought of using/used before so that in itself made the course interesting and one of a kind.

Professor Guha is also very knowledgeable of the material, inside and out, so there's no doubt that you're getting misinformed about a topic in the class.

2. What suggestions do you have for improving the course and/or how the instructor taught it?

Perhaps it is just his teaching style but it was tough to learn in the class as Professor Guha doesn't really "progress" through the difficulty of problems in each topic, he just starts on the hard problems and leaves the understanding up to us. This can be a good thing as it can be a motivation for students to study and try their best to understand the topic but it made the course hard as we progressed through the semester. I would only suggest starting with some easy warmup problems then working our way up to the "normal"/hard problems.

1. What did you like best about the course and/or how the instructor taught it?

It was well rounded

2. What suggestions do you have for improving the course and/or how the instructor taught it?

Get better TA's

1. What did you like best about the course and/or how the instructor taught it?

Instructor would relate the material to real life situations.

2. What suggestions do you have for improving the course and/or how the instructor taught it?

N/A

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Arup Guha

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1. What did you like best about the course and/or how the instructor taught it?

The pacing of the course

2. What suggestions do you have for improving the course and/or how the instructor taught it?

N/A

1. What did you like best about the course and/or how the instructor taught it?

I felt it was a fair course and the instructor taught it very well.

2. What suggestions do you have for improving the course and/or how the instructor taught it?

I don't have any suggestions.

1. What did you like best about the course and/or how the instructor taught it?

Guha's way of teaching changed randomly throughout the semester. I liked the lectures where at the beginning he would say we're going over this, this, and this today. It made it very clear what we expected to get through in class and what we could look up outside of class if we didn't get to it. Most of the time though, it wasn't too clear and I don't have anything else good to say about that class.

2. What suggestions do you have for improving the course and/or how the instructor taught it?

I understand the material is hard naturally but Guha had very strict grading criteria. The homework we were told would be "looked over" with the exception of 2 or 3 more in detail questions, however I found that the home works were graded harshly and each answer was either 100% correct or wrong. The exams were very challenging... They don't need to be that difficult. Guha teaches the class like we're preparing for the foundation exam but a lot of the students in that class aren't computer science majors and it is way too hard for them. The professor is very curt in his answers and makes you feel stupid for asking a question. Honestly it's the worst class I've ever taken.

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1. What did you like best about the course and/or how the instructor taught it?

i'm just trying to look at my student center. ugh and he's Arup, thats the best thing

2. What suggestions do you have for improving the course and/or how the instructor taught it?

Our TA was not very good. Do a little more testing on the TA.

1. What did you like best about the course and/or how the instructor taught it?

The organization and effort Arup puts into ensuring everyone is on the same page was excellent

2. What suggestions do you have for improving the course and/or how the instructor taught it?

The material is insanely hard at times, but the curve that is applied accounts for it.

1. What did you like best about the course and/or how the instructor taught it?

I really thought Proff. Arup was excellent in explaining material in a way to make it easy to understand. His expectations of students are completely fair.

2. What suggestions do you have for improving the course and/or how the instructor taught it?

Nothing!

1. What did you like best about the course and/or how the instructor taught it?

I liked the whole candy lecture and using a live audience to show probability

2. What suggestions do you have for improving the course and/or how the instructor taught it?

Do more interactive examples

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1. What did you like best about the course and/or how the instructor taught it?

(No response.)

2. What suggestions do you have for improving the course and/or how the instructor taught it?

Post homework and Exam reviews much earlier than a couple days before due date.

1. What did you like best about the course and/or how the instructor taught it?

THE TONE HE SETS IN THE CLASS sets the student environment to be challenging and he really motivates students to try and understand the material

2. What suggestions do you have for improving the course and/or how the instructor taught it?

at times the instructor puts too much emphasis on going fast and doesn't leave room for a student to be able to absorb all material before moving to the next topic, though he puts every resource on his website which is appreciated

1. What did you like best about the course and/or how the instructor taught it?

His enthusiasm and extreme amount of knowledge

2. What suggestions do you have for improving the course and/or how the instructor taught it?

GPA MATTERS! Making tests questions with new kinds of questions sounds good in practice but in reality it ruins students grades.

1. What did you like best about the course and/or how the instructor taught it?

Very organized, instructor really knew his stuff and did a decent job at conveying the information to the class. Gave lots of resources to students (i.e past exams, past homeworks, past quizzes) to help study and review material.

2. What suggestions do you have for improving the course and/or how the instructor taught it?

The tests/quizzes were overly difficult, so maybe try to prepare students more by giving a detailed review on what types of problems will be on the tests

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1. What did you like best about the course and/or how the instructor taught it?

He gave examples for material that is normally very abstract, in order allow students to relate better.

2. What suggestions do you have for improving the course and/or how the instructor taught it?

I really appreciate his grading system but it makes it hard to see where I am at in the course. Maybe he could do a kind of progress grade that would be an approximation of what our grade was at certain points (ie after exams or large assignments).

1. What did you like best about the course and/or how the instructor taught it?

The instructor always had thorough notes to help students as well as recitation sessions that encouraged learning as a cooperative effort with other students in the class. The groups assigned helped not only myself, but the members of my group and I'm sure that other students would agree with me on this point.

2. What suggestions do you have for improving the course and/or how the instructor taught it?

The course did not lack any resources to help me succeed, I'm not sure if I would change anything in the way the course was taught.

1. What did you like best about the course and/or how the instructor taught it?

Everything you needed was on his website.

2. What suggestions do you have for improving the course and/or how the instructor taught it?

Look around the whole class more, a lot of people had their hands up and the Professor didn't see them because he didn't look in their direction.

1. What did you like best about the course and/or how the instructor taught it?

posted notes online

2. What suggestions do you have for improving the course and/or how the instructor taught it?

good job kid

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Arup Guha

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1. What did you like best about the course and/or how the instructor taught it?

Making us work in groups helped me to understand the coursework better.

2. What suggestions do you have for improving the course and/or how the instructor taught it?

Overall, making the class easier. Instead of making each test and quiz insanely hard to the point where each test and quiz average is roughly 50% and curving grades at the end 20 points, just making the course easier in general would be far better, at least we would know where we stand in case we need to drop the class.

1. What did you like best about the course and/or how the instructor taught it?

He's good.

2. What suggestions do you have for improving the course and/or how the instructor taught it?

Teach a bit slower.

1. What did you like best about the course and/or how the instructor taught it?

everything

2. What suggestions do you have for improving the course and/or how the instructor taught it?

nothing

1. What did you like best about the course and/or how the instructor taught it?

This was one of the most difficult classes i have ever taken in my whole life. It made me want to reconsider my major completely. We might need to follow a proper book to fully comprehend the material.

2. What suggestions do you have for improving the course and/or how the instructor taught it?

Use an assigned book for guidance.

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1. What did you like best about the course and/or how the instructor taught it?

(No response.)

2. What suggestions do you have for improving the course and/or how the instructor taught it?

be clearer on the grade we are going to end up with so we know if we should withdrawal or not.

1. What did you like best about the course and/or how the instructor taught it?

(No response.)

2. What suggestions do you have for improving the course and/or how the instructor taught it?

This is a very difficult course, there needs to be more visual examples or something other than words on paper. Most of us are visual learners and we do poorly when we sit and stare at notes on the board. I personally do not learn like that and that is one reason I did not excel in this course.

1. What did you like best about the course and/or how the instructor taught it?

Even though the course was very difficult, he motivated me to learn.

2. What suggestions do you have for improving the course and/or how the instructor taught it?

sometimes he would go extremely fast and I would get lost.

1. What did you like best about the course and/or how the instructor taught it?

I appreciate the fact that Professor Guha doesn't dumb down the material. Your grade truly reflects the effort you put into the material.

2. What suggestions do you have for improving the course and/or how the instructor taught it?

Professor Guha's pace in teaching new concepts was a bit rapid at times, but aside from that I wouldn't change anything.

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1. What did you like best about the course and/or how the instructor taught it?

He is a very funny professor and a very nice man.

2. What suggestions do you have for improving the course and/or how the instructor taught it?

Professor Guhua makes the homework ridiculously hard where you have to spend days and days trying to complete just 5 questions. You don't learn that way. I would rather he give us homework that would help accomplish our goals, work that is more meaningful to the subject. One problem can take over 20 minutes for everyone to comprehend. The class time is only 50 minutes. The students don't want to stop the professor to ask questions, because there is NOT enough time in this class. It would be better to have this class 2 days a week with a longer time frame, instead of 3 days with shorter class time. The professor is a brilliant man, but he doesn't present the content of this class in a manner that people who don't have his IQ can understand. He assumes that everyone understands it as quickly as he presents. He has a brilliant mind, but he isn't an excellent teacher.

1. What did you like best about the course and/or how the instructor taught it?

I always felt challenged. A constant state of learning.

2. What suggestions do you have for improving the course and/or how the instructor taught it?

Exam structure can leave a student with weak skills with a very low score. Test some basics as well in exam and hard questions. Some students aren't high level students are going to get by with only a c.

1. What did you like best about the course and/or how the instructor taught it?

Teaches this better than his CS 1 class

2. What suggestions do you have for improving the course and/or how the instructor taught it?

Not to swap classes a week before classes begin with Sean Szumlanski, making students toil with Sean's merciless grading system for CS 1 rather than Arup's

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1. What did you like best about the course and/or how the instructor taught it?

I liked how Professor Guha taught the material overall, he was very clear with his explanations and very helpful for those who had troubles understanding.

2. What suggestions do you have for improving the course and/or how the instructor taught it?

Honestly I thought Professor Guha did a wonderful job teaching the class, and I have no suggestions for how he may improve.

1. What did you like best about the course and/or how the instructor taught it?

Professor Guha is a good professor and provides a lot of outlets to get help in the course if you need it. All of the written notes are online, along with past exams, so you have everything to succeed in the class if you're willing to use it.

2. What suggestions do you have for improving the course and/or how the instructor taught it?

Some of the recitation sessions will have their exam reviews after the exam. That's weird to me. I think it would be better to have the exam review recitation for Friday sessions (assuming the exam is on Friday) the week before the exam.

1. What did you like best about the course and/or how the instructor taught it?

The content was amazing and the professor helped stimulate interest.

2. What suggestions do you have for improving the course and/or how the instructor taught it?

Be less condescending towards students. Not everyone has the ability to comprehend complex number theory or proofs the way you do and telling students how obvious something is or how simple a topic is when they come for help doesn't actually help make it any simpler or less complex for the student.

1. What did you like best about the course and/or how the instructor taught it?

the curve

2. What suggestions do you have for improving the course and/or how the instructor taught it?

must be more specific with the grading criteria and how one should answer test/quiz questions

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1. What did you like best about the course and/or how the instructor taught it?

The pace of the class.

2. What suggestions do you have for improving the course and/or how the instructor taught it?

No suggestions.

1. What did you like best about the course and/or how the instructor taught it?

Arup Guha is a cool guy

2. What suggestions do you have for improving the course and/or how the instructor taught it?

(No response.)

1. What did you like best about the course and/or how the instructor taught it?

You obviously know what you are talking about, so you can answer any questions I have effectively. I also appreciate the wide array of practice material available before an exam.

2. What suggestions do you have for improving the course and/or how the instructor taught it?

There were situations where having a quiz early in the week hurt me because I hadn't had time to finish the homework covering the material on that quiz yet. There were also situations where written class notes weren't posted online before my quiz, but they were posted in time for other students quizzes. It also would be nice to get my homework back before taking an exam, or at least to know I wouldn't be getting it back so I could make a copy of it before turning it in.

1. What did you like best about the course and/or how the instructor taught it?

(No response.)

2. What suggestions do you have for improving the course and/or how the instructor taught it?

Being more consistent in testing style.

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Arup Guha

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1. What did you like best about the course and/or how the instructor taught it?

He kept the class interesting

2. What suggestions do you have for improving the course and/or how the instructor taught it?

Do not grade the assignments as hard. And only give homework on subjects that were taught in class

1. What did you like best about the course and/or how the instructor taught it?

I enjoy that my instructor was very passionate about the course material he taught. It's very hard to care about a subject and not feel I am wasting my time and money if the instructor seems to want to ram their car into a tree with themselves in it. Made the class fun and even though the material is challenging I never dreaded coming to class.

2. What suggestions do you have for improving the course and/or how the instructor taught it?

Definitely provide clear feedback on grades. All we got is the class average. On the first exam he at least verbally clarified point ranges that should and should not worry. After that, nothing. We, as students paying a lot of money or taking out a ton of loans to take a course we are told is mandatory, would like to know where we stand as far as passing or failing a class. We are taking other classes on top of this and want to know which courses need more work so we can prioritize the time we have after subtracting sleep/work/family responsibility(not to mention personal time which is an actual need for non-robots). If a 50 is passing in discrete but I have a 50 in another equally challenging class that a 50 is not passing then I need to shift priority to passing that other class. There is no clear guideline for passing or not passing in this course. It feels like a gamble. I've looked at the past grade distributions but those are not calming. Maybe a tentative, non-concrete, progress report on what is currently considered passing would be nice to give us SOME idea on how we stand in the class so some of us are not blindsided after putting in work and effort.

1. What did you like best about the course and/or how the instructor taught it?

(No response.)

2. What suggestions do you have for improving the course and/or how the instructor taught it?

If students are consistently failing, try changing your methods

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1. What did you like best about the course and/or how the instructor taught it?

Good

2. What suggestions do you have for improving the course and/or how the instructor taught it?

Keep Guha around cuz he rocks

1. What did you like best about the course and/or how the instructor taught it?

gives good examples

2. What suggestions do you have for improving the course and/or how the instructor taught it?

more examples

1. What did you like best about the course and/or how the instructor taught it?

Test were fair

2. What suggestions do you have for improving the course and/or how the instructor taught it?

not much

1. What did you like best about the course and/or how the instructor taught it?

Very passionate teacher.

2. What suggestions do you have for improving the course and/or how the instructor taught it?

(No response.)

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Computer Science, College of Engineering & Computer Science

COT3100C.0001 - INTRO TO DISCRETE STRUCTURES

Arup Guha

Number of Students Enrolled: 244

1. What did you like best about the course and/or how the instructor taught it?

I like the overall challenge of the questions.

2. What suggestions do you have for improving the course and/or how the instructor taught it?

Longer class periods. I know the professor does not determine the course schedule, but this class should be taught for longer than 50 minutes.

1. What did you like best about the course and/or how the instructor taught it?

I found the lectures to be compassionate and remarkable.

2. What suggestions do you have for improving the course and/or how the instructor taught it?

Providing more examples in class would be great

1. What did you like best about the course and/or how the instructor taught it?

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2. What suggestions do you have for improving the course and/or how the instructor taught it?

Split this into two different classes. You'll have more people learning and retaining this information. The fact that this has such a low pass rate, and that you can pass even by getting a low grade means that many of the students are not actually learning the information you are trying to teach them. What is the point of the class then? I think maybe this Intro to Discrete Structures should be split up into two different classes so that the information can be taught at a slower pace and the student can retain the information they are taught.

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COT3100C.0001 - INTRO TO DISCRETE STRUCTURES

Arup Guha

Number of Students Enrolled: 244

1. What did you like best about the course and/or how the instructor taught it?

Professor Guha really enjoys what he's teaching and he opportunities for a lot of extra credit

2. What suggestions do you have for improving the course and/or how the instructor taught it?

It may just be the subject itself, he enjoyed teaching the material but he also liked making the homework and the tests as hard a possible to where I don't think I learned much from the class. I personally don't think making assignments and tests really hard to where your test average is always an F then rounding everyone's grades up at the end of the semester is the way to go as far as students actually learning the content and being ready for the next level of the class.

1. What did you like best about the course and/or how the instructor taught it?

He really took his time to break down all the topics into very manageable amounts of information. He distributed the work load very evenly throughout the course. He was always fair and approachable if you had questions about any of your grades.

2. What suggestions do you have for improving the course and/or how the instructor taught it?

(No response.)

1. What did you like best about the course and/or how the instructor taught it?

The lectures in class were interesting and I enjoyed learning the new material

2. What suggestions do you have for improving the course and/or how the instructor taught it?

The homework is WAY to hard it sincerely needs to be made in a way that students can finish every assignment knowing they got 100, I've struggled with the homework and test all year if i could confidently do the homework I could transfer that confidence into test taking also recitations need to be more hands on the recitation worksheets do not help that much.

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COT3100C.0001 - INTRO TO DISCRETE STRUCTURES

Arup Guha

Number of Students Enrolled: 244

1. What did you like best about the course and/or how the instructor taught it?

The overall organization of course materials and materials from previous years and the ability to have extra credit.

2. What suggestions do you have for improving the course and/or how the instructor taught it?

The overall difficulty of the course. I understand the way its taught allows for a challenge but when over half the class fails almost every test it becomes very disheartening and some people even drop the class not knowing about that curve emphasis on the final grade.

1. What did you like best about the course and/or how the instructor taught it?

Very friendly

2. What suggestions do you have for improving the course and/or how the instructor taught it?

More reminders on when the homework is due

1. What did you like best about the course and/or how the instructor taught it?

The enthusiasm Professor Guha displayed towards the subject.

2. What suggestions do you have for improving the course and/or how the instructor taught it?

The rapid pace and occasional lack of detail in the lectures sometimes made it hard to keep up.

1. What did you like best about the course and/or how the instructor taught it?

I liked how professor Guha provided us with an extra credit opportunity to help us on the final exam grade. I also liked how he tried to relate many of the concepts to much more simple things to help us try and visualize the concepts better.

2. What suggestions do you have for improving the course and/or how the instructor taught it?

I would suggest either removing the quizzes altogether or making them less of a challenge. I'm sure I'm not the only one but I felt that the quizzes were way too difficult and some of them made me feel like I had never seen the information before. This is my only critique.

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COT3100C.0001 - INTRO TO DISCRETE STRUCTURES

Arup Guha

Number of Students Enrolled: 244

1. What did you like best about the course and/or how the instructor taught it?

Arup is a FANTASTIC professor. I liked how he wrote up all this notes during the class and compared examples to abstract concepts. Also, he is very good with answering every possible question a student could throw at him.

2. What suggestions do you have for improving the course and/or how the instructor taught it?

I did not find the recitations to be particularly helpful. My group, however, was indispensable when it came to last minute studying and homework.

1. What did you like best about the course and/or how the instructor taught it?

The organization of the notes online is pretty good. He is always very concerned about the students and he wants us to succeed. Homework and tests are pretty fair as well.

2. What suggestions do you have for improving the course and/or how the instructor taught it?

A suggestion will be for the Friday recitations. For example, we will have a test on Friday and since we had the recitation after the test, we did not get a chance to have our exam review. Professor Guha is still very concerned about it and he posts the solutions for us to study and those solutions are very well explained, however, that has still been a small issue. My suggestion will be to have all that week of recitations the review for the exam and then take the exam on a Monday (the following week).

1. What did you like best about the course and/or how the instructor taught it?

I know that the course, itself, is a very difficult subject, so it was definitely hard to fully grasp onto each topic, but the professor challenges the students and that pushed me to work even harder.

2. What suggestions do you have for improving the course and/or how the instructor taught it?

I wished that we were not as rushed to cover each topic, since it is such a difficult course, and while I understand time constraints, it was very hard to particularly fully grasp on the concepts very well.

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COT3100C.0001 - INTRO TO DISCRETE STRUCTURES

Arup Guha

Number of Students Enrolled: 244

1. What did you like best about the course and/or how the instructor taught it?

I liked how the professor uploaded his course notes!

2. What suggestions do you have for improving the course and/or how the instructor taught it?

Explain concepts in more basic terms, some concepts are hard to understand and require more attention.

1. What did you like best about the course and/or how the instructor taught it?

He's very engaging and makes you feel like even if the course is extremely difficult you can pass

2. What suggestions do you have for improving the course and/or how the instructor taught it?

Can't really think of anything

1. What did you like best about the course and/or how the instructor taught it?

Taught very well, made ideas easy to understand.

2. What suggestions do you have for improving the course and/or how the instructor taught it?

Feedback on quizzes and homework occasionally came after exams.

1. What did you like best about the course and/or how the instructor taught it?

Uploading every lecture onto webcourse.

2. What suggestions do you have for improving the course and/or how the instructor taught it?

(No response.)

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COT3100H.0201 - HON INTRO TO DISCRETE STRUCT

Arup Guha

Number of Students Enrolled: 21

1. What did you like best about the course and/or how the instructor taught it?

Really enjoyed this course! Arup Guha made it very interesting.

2. What suggestions do you have for improving the course and/or how the instructor taught it?

It was a bit hard to follow. I would've liked a list of topics to go over before the quizzes, but it only took a bit more effort to figure out things I should know for the quizzes. Overall, still really good.

1. What did you like best about the course and/or how the instructor taught it?

(No response.)

2. What suggestions do you have for improving the course and/or how the instructor taught it?

I never felt like he was helping me learn, as a student who didnt have a lot of background experience in the subject material. I, and a lot of the other students who were't confident in our ability to do well in the class, felt alienated by Arup and the students who demonstrated an obvious knowledge of everything in the class before it had even been introduced. We felt left behind.

1. What did you like best about the course and/or how the instructor taught it?

Professor clearly knew the material and could explain it well. Despite the difficulty of the course, I really felt like I learned in this class

2. What suggestions do you have for improving the course and/or how the instructor taught it?

Maybe be a bit more lenient with drawing the grade lines or give a bit more time for the quizzes, but other than that nothing

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COT3100H.0201 - HON INTRO TO DISCRETE STRUCT

Arup Guha

Number of Students Enrolled: 21

1. What did you like best about the course and/or how the instructor taught it?

I really like discrete math, and I really enjoyed professor Guha's assignments and quizzes. Although I didn't particularly excel on all the assignments and quizzes, I still really appreciate the fact that professor Guha gave challenging and interesting problems. I also appreciate professor Guha's enthusiasm and passion for mathematics and his willingness to share that energy and drive with his students. In addition, professor Guha actively encouraged students to use discrete beyond the classroom through his extra credit opportunity which I thought was pretty awesome. Professor Guha is genuinely invested in his students and in his teaching which really showed through.

2. What suggestions do you have for improving the course and/or how the instructor taught it?

1. Speak slower, write legibly, and provide handout of example problems to be done in class. Professor Guha speaks really fast while writing very small on the whiteboard using faded green markers. This combination inhibits learning. I suggest speaking slower and using black markers. I also suggest providing students with a handout of the example problems to be done in class or posting it online so that during class, students can follow along and do the problems while professor Guha is working them out. 2. Organize the lessons and final project better.

1. What did you like best about the course and/or how the instructor taught it?

Prof. Guha has a genuine love for math and it's fun to feel that in his lessons

2. What suggestions do you have for improving the course and/or how the instructor taught it?

slowing down and doing more examples

1. What did you like best about the course and/or how the instructor taught it?

Professor Guha is clearly very passionate about the subject, and it shows in the way he teaches. It's immediately clear that he loves the topics he teaches.

2. What suggestions do you have for improving the course and/or how the instructor taught it?

Having more complex examples in class, especially in counting and probability, would have been helpful in preparing for the quizzes and homework. I know that the point of the much more difficult quiz questions is to force students to think and apply the concepts, but it would still be nice to have some exposure to problems of similar complexity before the quiz.

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COT3100H.0201 - HON INTRO TO DISCRETE STRUCT

Arup Guha

Number of Students Enrolled: 21

1. What did you like best about the course and/or how the instructor taught it?

Arup Guha is an amazing professor. He pushes his students hard to make sure they learn as much as they can, without penalizing them with grades.

2. What suggestions do you have for improving the course and/or how the instructor taught it?

(No response.)

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COT3960.0001 - CS FOUNDATION EXAM

Arup Guha

Number of Students Enrolled: 109

1. What did you like best about the course and/or how the instructor taught it?

This was a dummy course

2. What suggestions do you have for improving the course and/or how the instructor taught it?

See previous

1. What did you like best about the course and/or how the instructor taught it?

The challenge and competitive nature of the exam.

2. What suggestions do you have for improving the course and/or how the instructor taught it?

The Foundation Exam should not have been changed if it was to bow down to pressure from university administrators to be more inclusive. Having an exam that serves as a barrier to upper level classes ensures that high quality students finish the degree. Trying to lessen the difficulty to allow more students in the program will only serve to diminish the quality of the computer science degree, since grade inflation will become more commonplace to make up for the poorer quality of students in classes.

1. What did you like best about the course and/or how the instructor taught it?

Not relevant

2. What suggestions do you have for improving the course and/or how the instructor taught it?

(No response.)

1. What did you like best about the course and/or how the instructor taught it?

Foundation Exam

2. What suggestions do you have for improving the course and/or how the instructor taught it?

Foundation Exam

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Computer Science, College of Engineering & Computer Science

COT3960.0001 - CS FOUNDATION EXAM

Arup Guha

Number of Students Enrolled: 109

1. What did you like best about the course and/or how the instructor taught it?

The concepts covered on the exam are given in advance so students with the willingness to study the material can pass.

2. What suggestions do you have for improving the course and/or how the instructor taught it?

I disagree with the removal of the Discrete Structures portion of the Foundation Exam. Making the exam easier cheapens the program and the degree. Without discrete structures, the exam becomes a programming assessment instead of a Computer Science assessment.

1. What did you like best about the course and/or how the instructor taught it?

I passed :)

2. What suggestions do you have for improving the course and/or how the instructor taught it?

Not really a course. My suggestions are irrelevant.

1. What did you like best about the course and/or how the instructor taught it?

I liked nothing about the FE.

2. What suggestions do you have for improving the course and/or how the instructor taught it?

They have already made changes.

1. What did you like best about the course and/or how the instructor taught it?

How am I supposed to even respond to this this is the foundation exam

2. What suggestions do you have for improving the course and/or how the instructor taught it?

How am I supposed to even respond to this this is the foundation exam

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COT3960.0001 - CS FOUNDATION EXAM

Arup Guha

Number of Students Enrolled: 109

1. What did you like best about the course and/or how the instructor taught it?

We were all required to take this.

2. What suggestions do you have for improving the course and/or how the instructor taught it?

Add the discrete portion back. It is important.

1. What did you like best about the course and/or how the instructor taught it?

I did well on the foundation exam and I'm happy for that. :)

2. What suggestions do you have for improving the course and/or how the instructor taught it?

I find it interesting that the foundation exam is going to cover only computer science and not discrete in the future. Best of luck to future CS students!

1. What did you like best about the course and/or how the instructor taught it?

(No response.)

2. What suggestions do you have for improving the course and/or how the instructor taught it?

I think the Foundation Exam should include a discrete math portion because that's what makes us computer scientists.

1. What did you like best about the course and/or how the instructor taught it?

(No response.)

2. What suggestions do you have for improving the course and/or how the instructor taught it?

Don't remove discrete from the exam. :)

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Arup Guha

Number of Students Enrolled: 109

1. What did you like best about the course and/or how the instructor taught it?

10 / 10 would pass again

2. What suggestions do you have for improving the course and/or how the instructor taught it?

This is the foundation exam, so..... yeah

1. What did you like best about the course and/or how the instructor taught it?

I just wanna see my degree audit

2. What suggestions do you have for improving the course and/or how the instructor taught it?

(No response.)

1. What did you like best about the course and/or how the instructor taught it?

fe exam

2. What suggestions do you have for improving the course and/or how the instructor taught it?

fe exam

1. What did you like best about the course and/or how the instructor taught it?

It certainly lived up to its reputation. I barely passed (if not for a last minute change to the passing criteria, I would have.) There is still a certain pride in having passed it on the first try.

2. What suggestions do you have for improving the course and/or how the instructor taught it?

I was disappointed to hear that the discrete section was being removed, however I suppose there is pressure for the faculty to increase the pass rate. That will certainly do it.

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COT3960.0001 - CS FOUNDATION EXAM

Arup Guha

Number of Students Enrolled: 109

1. What did you like best about the course and/or how the instructor taught it?

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2. What suggestions do you have for improving the course and/or how the instructor taught it?

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1. What did you like best about the course and/or how the instructor taught it?

Not much teaching, this was a test

2. What suggestions do you have for improving the course and/or how the instructor taught it?

I don't know

1. What did you like best about the course and/or how the instructor taught it?

This isn't a class

2. What suggestions do you have for improving the course and/or how the instructor taught it?

This isn't a class