

Lester Lusher (LEC)
 122 Section 2A SSII 2015

Enrollment 72 % responding 61%	Excellent	Good	Neutral	Poor	Very Poor	N	% Agree	% Disagree
1. Clarity and organization of instructor's presentation.	37	6	1	0	0	44	98%	0%
2. Instructional value of course assignments, such as problem sets, term papers, and	36	6	1	1	0	44	95%	2%
3. Instructor's availability and helpfulness during office hours.	35	8	0	0	0	43	100%	0%
4. Instructor's responsiveness to difficulties students have in understanding the	38	5	1	0	0	44	98%	0%
5. Extent to which examinations were a fairly chosen sample of the course material.	27	13	2	2	0	44	91%	5%
6. Fairness and timeliness of grading.	36	7	1	0	0	44	98%	0%
7. Extent to which the number of units for this class were appropriate to the amount	37	6	1	0	0	44	98%	0%
8. Intellectual challenge of this course.	38	6	0	0	0	44	100%	0%
9. Extent to which the course has stimulated your interest in the subject matter.	37	6	1	0	0	44	98%	0%
10. Overall evaluation of the instructor's teaching.	38	6	0	0	0	44	100%	0%
11. Please indicate the overall teaching effectiveness of the instructor	36	7	1	0	0	44	98%	0%
12. Please indicate the overall educational value of the course	41	3	0	0	0	44	100%	0%

COMMENTS

"Great professor. Explains material really well and helps in any way after class."

"Excellent professor/lecturer. Explains material in a very organized matter and very sequential progression of concepts. The problems that he goes over in class are very closely related to the exams and is *[sic]* very helpful during office hours. Tells us exactly what to expect on exams. One of the best in the Econ Department easily by far!"

"This class was incredibly interesting I did really well in this class because you were patient in class & office hours and were willing to do multiple examples. For the most part your lectures were directly related to tests. There were a few questions I felt were a bit too difficult & unrelated to course materials (ex#6 on midterm 2)"

"This is his first time teaching the Game Theory and I think he has done a great job in teaching. He explains the materials in a way that is easy for us to understand. Sure he is currently a Ph.D Candidate, between students like us and professors, he spoke the *[sic]* in such *[sic]* way that we can see him as friendly. The only one issue I have with him is that he speaks a little fast: But overall it's been great taking his class and I would recommend him."

“Favorite Economics course at UCD thus far. Lester makes this class more interesting and less dull with his enthusiasm. It is evident that he really knows what he is talking about & communicates the information effectively to students. This was definitely a challenging & very interesting course, favorite one out of all four I took these previous summer sessions.”

“I like the fact that you use examples to teach a very challenging course. Not many lecturers do that. Examples help a lot in understanding important concepts. However, some examples are repetitive. Maybe vary the examples more.”

“Lester is an excellent lecturer/teacher. His enthusiasm for economics is really evident in his lectures and he is always happy to help students. He also shows respect towards all students so the environment in the classroom was very comfortable. Problem sets were extremely difficult and answer keys were hard to understand. I personally would of [sic] liked more in class prep work/practice problems. Tests were very difficult w/ mostly relevant material. On test 2 there was a question that asked us to move a coin across a board. That question was not expected and in my opinion, did not indicate our knowledge of class material. Overall, very difficult course but Lester made it worth it!”

“Enthusiastic/passionate about teaching. Only qualm would be to maybe dress more professional.”

“Fantastic! His upbeat enthusiasm helped keep the class engaged and interested. Huge advantage being being [sic] taught by [sic] grad student. Able to approach material and learning strategies in a student perspective. Considering the historic difficulty of this course w/ added challenge of summer session speed. I feel I learned and retained material @ an above average rate. 10/10”

“I really enjoy having grad students teach courses because they really understand what students struggle with and what he needs to focus on. Lusher was a great professor and was very easy in office hours.”

“I prefer 1h 40 minutes for both midterms than the time that gave [sic] to us.”

“Very clear and organized. Easy to follow, the most interesting and intriguing [sic] ECN course I’ve taken among all the others in terms of instructor’s [sic] teaching effectiveness! Always willing to answer students’ any question in class!!”

“In terms of teaching/lectures, definitely top 5 in my career here at UCD—absolutely amazing! For such a difficult/hard to understand course, I’m so glad to have taken it with Lester. Tip/request for Lester: Everything makes sense in class, but the notes being a little more detailed (say with simple steps written out) can be helpful a few days later/exam time comes around.”

“The instructor did a great job for this class. It’s a nice instructor.”

“Thank you so much.”

“He is great. He made the class very more [sic] interesting.”

“He is really a good instructor. Present lectures in a clear and well-organized way. In addition videos related to class material were quite interesting. Btw I like his handwriting 😊”

“Very good class, excellent lectures. Only criticism [*sic*] would be that some exam questions such as midterm 2, came from book material that wasn't gone through fully in class. However, that was fair so maybe just specify a little more to look/review book since not all came from lectures (such as different types of Cournot). Regardless, excellent teacher, would most definitely take classes from him again.”

“I would prefer TA sections to discuss more concepts rather than going over homeworks. I would prefer more mathematical explanations like the textbook.”

“Omfg. He's so sexy. My one complaint is the stupid ~50 min midterms. He compares this class to classes taught during the regular quarter and uses the reasoning that because those students get ~50 mins, we should, too. This is a SS class though, where material is taught at an accelerated pace, which, I'd say, puts us at an advantage.”

Lester Lusher (TA)**ECN 397 Section****FALL 2014**

Enrollment % responding	36 81%	Strongly Agree	Agree	Neutral	Disagree	Strongly Disagree	N	% Agree	% Disagree	Score
1. The TA presents material in a clear and organized manner.		13	2	2	0	0	17	88%	0%	
2. The TA speaks audibly and communicates effectively.		14	1	2	0	0	17	88%	0%	
3. The TA stimulates discussions in sections.		14	1	2	0	0	17	88%	0%	
4. The TA is responsive to questions.		15	0	2	0	0	17	88%	0%	
5. The TA is punctual for sections and office hours.		13	2	2	0	0	17	88%	0%	
6. The TA is available and helpful to students during office hours.		11	1	2	0	0	14	86%	0%	
7. The TA is responsive to difficulties students have in understanding the materials.		12	1	2	0	0	15	87%	0%	
8. The grading was fair and timely.		10	1	2	0	0	13	85%	0%	
9. The discussion section was a good educational experience.		12	0	5	0	0	17	71%	0%	4.4
10. Overall, the TA did a good job in this course.		15	0	2	0	0	17	88%	0%	4.8

COMMENTS

"I think that the class might have been more useful if it focused more on general education advice, than on presentations."

"Good job. Good enthusiasm."

"Overall Lester's lecture is well prepared and it helps to learn how to be a TA here."

"Great job. Thanks for your help learning to TA!"

"Lester is an excellent instructor."

"Lester's teaching is very helpful and the skills of teaching is very beneficial."

Lester Lusher (TA)**102****Section 0A****SSI 2014**

Enrollment % responding	59 68%	Strongly Agree	Agree	Neutral	Disagree	Strongly Disagree	N	% Agree	% Disagree	Score
1. The TA presents material in a clear and organized manner.		33	6	1	0	0	40	98%	0%	
2. The TA speaks audibly and communicates effectively.		35	5	0	0	0	40	100%	0%	
3. The TA stimulates discussions in sections.		25	12	2	0	1	40	93%	3%	
4. The TA is responsive to questions.		28	8	4	0	0	40	90%	0%	
5. The TA is punctual for sections and office hours.		33	6	1	0	0	40	98%	0%	
6. The TA is available and helpful to students during office hours.		26	8	3	0	0	37	92%	0%	
7. The TA is responsive to difficulties students have in understanding the materials.		29	10	0	1	0	40	98%	3%	
8. The grading was fair and timely.		26	8	5	1	0	40	85%	3%	
9. The discussion section was a good educational experience.		30	7	2	0	1	40	93%	3%	4.6
10. Overall, the TA did a good job in this course.		32	7	1	0	0	40	98%	0%	4.8

COMMENTS

“Best TA ever. He saved my grade because discussion was the only time I really learned the material.”

“I love him. I learned everything in discussion.”

“Lester is the most helpful Econ TA I’ve ever had.”

“I had a wonderful time with Lester! He knows the intuition of materials and delivers well but he speaks a little too fast for me. (I guess it’s just me. I’m an international student.) Thank you, Lester!”

“I’ve retaken this course for the second time. Most TA’s I’ve worked with usually only cover a small amount of relevant class material. Your discussion sections provide very useful material in understanding not only the homework and exam material, but the simplified concepts help us students

to really grasp the over statistical headache that I'm sure we can carry on to our careers. Thanks for the wonderful discussions! Hope to be part of your researches soon."

"Very clear. I understand the material much better after attending discussion."

"Lester is by far the best TA I have had at UC Davis. He does an excellent job of reviewing lecture material in discussion. His discussion sections helped me understand the material much better. The only critique I would have is the timeliness of getting the homework back. Of course, I would imagine it is a bit more difficult to grade faster given the shortened schedule of the summer session."

"OMG so Lester is pretty much the coolest TA ever & he's so cute."

"The TA did a good job to clear the point out from the lecture. However, he didn't really explain the homework problem set. I think maybe because we don't have enough time. I think doing more example [sic] will help a lot more than repeat [sic] the lecture."

"It would be better if he can explain some homework problems in section especially the software. Also, he can teach us how to observe and find the answers the output data [sic] which is found from [sic] the software."

"Very good clear sections, was helpful."

"Best TA I've had. Extremely helpful and approachable in office hours. I found section more helpful than lecture..."

"Lester cares a lot about success of students. He is extremely knowledgeable and offers as much help as needed. Great TA!!!"

"You were a really good TA."

"Great TA, very clear, very welcoming and open to all sorts of questions! Hope to have him again."

"Great T.A.! Very clear and concise, approachable. He should be a professor!"

"Very helpful. I found T.A. sections more clear than the actual lecture. I just wish he showed us more things on GRETL since our problem sets were almost entirely based on that program."

"Never used computers. Never gave examples."

"Great TA, very helpful and taught [sic] the material in a very organized manner. Always [sic] answered all questions. Definitely made the material easier to understand for me."

Lester Lusher (TA)**200C****Section****SPRING 2014**

Enrollment % responding	37 97%	Strongly Agree	Agree	Neutral	Disagree	Strongly Disagree	N	% Agree	% Disagree	Score
1. The TA presents material in a clear and organized manner.		31	5	0	0	0	36	100%	0%	
2. The TA speaks audibly and communicates effectively.		36	1	0	0	0	37	100%	0%	
3. The TA stimulates discussions in sections.		24	8	2	0	0	34	94%	0%	
4. The TA is responsive to questions.		31	4	0	1	0	36	97%	3%	
5. The TA is punctual for sections and office hours.		37	0	0	0	0	37	100%	0%	
6. The TA is available and helpful to students during office hours.		35	2	0	0	0	37	100%	0%	
7. The TA is responsive to difficulties students have in understanding the materials.		24	11	0	1	0	36	97%	3%	
8. The grading was fair and timely.		29	7	0	1	0	37	97%	3%	
9. The discussion section was a good educational experience.		28	3	4	1	0	36	86%	3%	4.6
10. Overall, the TA did a good job in this course.		29	6	2	0	0	37	95%	0%	4.7

COMMENTS

"I did not go to TA sections so I cannot comment on some aspects. He was very friendly and available in office hours."

"Many of the sections could have covered more of the more difficult material, rather than focusing on easy stuff."

"Prelim camp was helpful. Using the dot-com in section was good. Lester speaks very fast."

"He is overall good. Wish he could have spent less time going through prelim practice answers in sessions since we can all just read the AK. Doing exercises can be much more rewarding."

"Killin' it!"

“Lester is an exceptionally good TA and is very good at explaining difficult material.”

“Lester did a great job and went above and beyond to help prepare us for prelims. Thanks, Lester!”

“Great job with prelim prep and going over material. Maybe use examples we didn’t do in class. But you’re awesome. Thanks!”

“The prelim camp & prep was very helpful. Thanks.”

“Lester was solid, except he taught to the bottom. In a graduate class, there should be an expectation that students can resolve simple issues themselves. If not, we shouldn’t spend time – not a lot of it – in sections on simple questions. The result was a lot of missed opportunity in terms of prelim prep.”

“Discuss was largely a waste of time. I did appreciate the prelim practice, and Lester did a great job of being available.”

“Lester was a great TA. He knows the material very well. My only comment is that he seemed a bit distracted at times, and sometimes seemed not as prepared with what we were working on in class. I thought he did a great job overall. Thanks, Lester!”

“Sections would have been more helpful if it wasn’t just going over the practice prelims. Harder concepts were not talked about if they were not on that week’s prelim.”

“Excellent TA!! He has been a key element for students’ learning in this class. (Maybe a bit tough with grading, though.)”

“Very helpful in preparation for the prelim, though this material is much easier than any other course, in my opinion. Section was only mildly useful for me.”

“Discussion sections and practice prelim sessions were great. Office hours were not set up to ask basic questions about course material.”

“Excellent mix of concept review and exam practice. This made sections worthwhile and very helpful. Keep up the same format, and thanks!!”

“I think section should have been more productive if we had concentrated a bit more on the really difficult and strange results that can happen in different equilibria. Oftentimes we were just reviewing the basics or covering an answer key, but it would be more interesting to know why you can play strictly dominated strategies, etc.”

“I was impressed by the number of IM change t-shirts you own ... Awesome.”

“Prelim practice is great. Lester is always available to help, which I really appreciate!”

Lester Lusher (TA)**151B****Section 0A****WINTER 2014**

Enrollment % responding	36 81%	Strongly Agree	Agree	Neutral	Disagree	Strongly Disagree	N	% Agree	% Disagree	Score
1. The TA presents material in a clear and organized manner.		27	2	0	0	0	29	100%	0%	
2. The TA speaks audibly and communicates effectively.		27	3	0	0	0	30	100%	0%	
3. The TA stimulates discussions in sections.		18	10	1	0	0	29	97%	0%	
4. The TA is responsive to questions.		29	1	0	0	0	30	100%	0%	
5. The TA is punctual for sections and office hours.		26	2	0	0	0	28	100%	0%	
6. The TA is available and helpful to students during office hours.		23	2	0	0	0	25	100%	0%	
7. The TA is responsive to difficulties students have in understanding the materials.		23	6	1	0	0	30	97%	0%	
8. The grading was fair and timely.		18	10	2	0	0	30	93%	0%	
9. The discussion section was a good educational experience.		24	5	0	0	0	29	100%	0%	4.8
10. Overall, the TA did a good job in this course.		26	4	0	0	0	30	100%	0%	4.9

COMMENTS

"I really appreciate the way you organized section materials. The flow of section was easy to follow. The M+M game was fun. I suggest you change candy. It might give different incentives to those who do not like M+Ms."

"Lester, you did an awesome job this quarter as a TA. Wish I had you for more of my other econ classes."

"Lester is great. Very nice and friendly. Always approachable. Good smile."

"Hope TA would have coordinated better with the Professor to give us the necessary tools required for the tests and material."

"Great T.A. and very informative when it come [sic] to class materials."

“Fantastic enthusiasm for this subject, keeps the discussion going when no one else does. Good sense of humor and grasp of the material, very objective in terms of what is important.”

“I like Lester’s discussion session very much. He gives very clear explanation of knowledge in a more organized manner. This helps me a lot in understanding the materials. He is available whenever we need him, especially before exams.”

“Nice TA!”

“The instructor was very knowledgeable and presented the materials well. Was able to engage the class in meaningful discussions and always came prepared to teach. Made the class enjoyable.”

“Very clear and organized about what we went over and made the course interesting. Had fun in discussion, which doesn’t happen often in other discussion.”

“Good Overall [*sic*] Heres [*sic*] a picture of a dog instead.” (Drawing of a dog.)

“Lester was very friendly and accommodating. His section was informative and helped me feel like I was prepared for the tests.”

“Lester is always always [*sic*] such a helpful TA. I have had him for other classes & he’s the most comprehensible and friendly Econ TA I’ve had. I just wish he could be the TA for all my other Econ classes!”

Lester Lusher (TA)

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Section 0A

FALL 2013

Enrollment % responding	74 70%	Strongly Agree	Agree	Neutral	Disagree	Strongly Disagree	N	% Agree	% Disagree	Score
1. The TA presents material in a clear and organized manner.		48	4	0	0	0	52	100%	0%	
2. The TA speaks audibly and communicates effectively.		49	3	0	0	0	52	100%	0%	
3. The TA stimulates discussions in sections.		39	8	4	1	0	52	90%	2%	
4. The TA is responsive to questions.		43	7	2	0	0	52	96%	0%	
5. The TA is punctual for sections and office hours.		46	3	2	0	0	51	96%	0%	
6. The TA is available and helpful to students during office hours.		42	4	3	0	0	49	94%	0%	
7. The TA is responsive to difficulties students have in understanding the materials.		43	4	3	1	1	52	90%	4%	
8. The grading was fair and timely.		44	4	2	2	0	52	92%	4%	
9. The discussion section was a good educational experience.		45	3	3	0	0	51	94%	0%	4.8
10. Overall, the TA did a good job in this course.		45	4	2	0	0	51	96%	0%	4.8

COMMENTS

“Best. T.A. EVER!!! Lester’s T.Aing is phenomenal. Took a failing student & gave them confidence & Now [sic] passing. Presents complex material in a clear concise way. No comparison to any T.A. ... ever. Lester Rocks!”

“This is a very knowledgeable & helpful T.A. But I think grading is a bit harsh.”

“Always helpful w/ hw [sic] and any problems. Very clear in discussion class. ☺ “

“He is the best TA I ever met [sic] in all Economics course [sic]. He really explained all the details in classes; unlike to [sic] those Chinese TAs, he really organized the materials and explained the details fluently.”

“Really great TA. ☺ Clearly explains how to do problems, and I like the overview of topics we went over in class he gives us at the beginning of section.”

“He made it seem easy, and then the tests were anything but.”

“Lester is an amazing TA and one of the best I’ve had in Davis. Highly recommended to anyone.”

“Lester is always prepared with examples & communicate very clearly. He is engaging with students and provides us with the most useful information for our exams. He reiterates what we have previously learned to create a solid foundation for new material. EXCELLENT TA! ☺ “

“The brief summary of what we’ve learned so far at the beginning of discussion was very helpful in organizing lecture concepts. Overall, very helpful discussions.”

“Lester is probably the best Econ TA I’ve had. He does an awesome job at explaining and you can tell he knows the material very well.”

“Discussions were very organized and very helpful for doing homework. His office hours were very useful for tests. I liked that he didn’t use discussion to do the actual homework, but one similar to it so I had more references when studying for the test. Great job overall.”

“Lester was an awesome TA. First time in a long time that I felt obligated to attend discussion b/c [sic] he is THAT good. It would be really helpful if he gave us one or two EXTRA practice problems @ [sic] the end of discussion and give the answer @ [sic] the beginning of the next section instead of constantly repeating what we have gone over so far every single time @ [sic] the beginning of discussion. BUT otherwise awesome. THANK YOU!”

“Good luck in your fantasy football playoffs.”

“Lester was an awesome TA, one of the best I’ve had while here at UC Davis.”

“Lester did a good job explaining the material and helping us with the more difficult concepts. His examples really helped.”

“Lester’s awesome.”

“Lester was amazing and honestly should’ve prob [sic] taught this course as he is the reason many people were able to pass.”

“Great T.A., explains materials and wants us to do the best we can.”

Lester Lusher (TA)

1B Section 2A SS1 2013

Enrollment % responding	74 59%	Strongly Agree	Agree	Neutral	Disagree	Strongly Disagree	N	% Agree	% Disagree	Score
1. The TA presents material in a clear and organized manner.		35	6	3	0	0	44	93%	0%	
2. The TA speaks audibly and communicates effectively.		35	6	3	0	0	44	93%	0%	
3. The TA stimulates discussions in sections.		30	8	5	1	0	44	86%	2%	
4. The TA is responsive to questions.		33	7	4	0	0	44	91%	0%	
5. The TA is punctual for sections and office hours.		34	4	4	0	0	42	90%	0%	
6. The TA is available and helpful to students during office hours.		22	8	4	0	0	34	88%	0%	
7. The TA is responsive to difficulties students have in understanding the materials.		29	8	5	0	0	42	88%	0%	
8. The grading was fair and timely.		32	6	4	0	0	42	90%	0%	
9. The discussion section was a good educational experience.		31	7	5	1	0	44	86%	2%	4.5
10. Overall, the TA did a good job in this course.		33	8	3	0	0	44	93%	0%	4.7

COMMENTS

“Is super helpful & has been very good to me.”

“Pretty cool guy. Knows the material well, lectures well ...”

“When I filled out all the 5s I actually meant it. He was very clear and organized and actually taught.”

“Lester is a very good TA. He’s really enthusiastic and really tries to help you understand the material. He gives really good examples and never makes you feel dumb for saying something wrong. He’s AWESOME!”

“Very solid understanding of concepts. Very enthusiastic. Follows NBA (brownie points). Very helpful. Very clear. Very organized.”

“Lester wrote notes in an organized manner. He’s hilarious and energetic. Unfortunately, he doesn’t respond to emails quickly and he’s usually busy on weekends.”

“He did an excellent job at making the material clear & understandable, and telling us what was most important to learn for the exams, and what to focus on. The notes written in discussion were really good. Overall, a really great TA.”

“His discussion made ECON 001B clear. It helped me on midterm 2 because he reviewed everything in a clear and concise way. His sessions improved my understanding [*sic*] and thus my grade. I would recommend him as a discussion TA for anybody.”

“Good job. Very clear. Very relevant.”

Lester Lusher (TA)**200C****Section****SPRING 2013**

Enrollment % responding	25 136%	Strongly Agree	Agree	Neutral	Disagree	Strongly Disagree	N	% Agree	% Disagree	Score
1. The TA presents material in a clear and organized manner.		33	1	0	0	0	34	100%	0%	
2. The TA speaks audibly and communicates effectively.		33	1	0	0	0	34	100%	0%	
3. The TA stimulates discussions in sections.		30	4	0	0	0	34	100%	0%	
4. The TA is responsive to questions.		33	1	0	0	0	34	100%	0%	
5. The TA is punctual for sections and office hours.		33	1	0	0	0	34	100%	0%	
6. The TA is available and helpful to students during office hours.		31	2	0	0	0	33	100%	0%	
7. The TA is responsive to difficulties students have in understanding the materials.		33	1	0	0	0	34	100%	0%	
8. The grading was fair and timely.		34	1	0	0	0	35	100%	0%	
9. The discussion section was a good educational experience.		31	3	0	0	0	34	100%	0%	4.9
10. Overall, the TA did a good job in this course.		34	1	0	0	0	35	100%	0%	5.0

COMMENTS

"Thank you Lester!"

"Excellent T.A. Doing practice prelim questions was very helpful."

"Great TA. Want to see him teach this class in a couple of years."

"Thanks for all the prelim help."

"Although I did not attend any of the sessions, your dedication for class was amazing! Thanks a lot!"

"Lester, you're a rock star. Thank you for the prelim prep session and just general awesomeness!"

"Excellent job! Thanks for all your efforts."

“Good job!”

“Thank you Lester!”

“Good job! Lester!”

“The best TA I econ to [sic] my point of view! ☺ Thanks a lot!”

“Lester is great.”

“Thanks, Lester. You were incredibly helpful.”

“Plays great in field but could improve on hitting.”

“Awesome, awesome, awesome. You were a great T.A. and you’ll make an excellent professor one day (if that’s what you want to do). Call me sometime. ☺”

“I thought it was really great how he took the time to find us prelim questions that were relevant to the class material.”

“Lester went above and beyond the call of duty for this class. If I pass the prelim no small part of it will be due to Lester’s teaching and dedication.”

“I liked the way that discussion sections were focused on the prelims. I felt that was the best use of our time. The practice prelim sessions were much appreciated. Thank you!”

“Lester obviously has a passion for the material and went above and beyond in his efforts. Great TA.”

“The best TA I’ve had. He knows the material, is always available. Worries about ourselves and provides good insights for the lecture & the prelim exams.”

“Lester was the best TA all year! He was always willing to tackle any problem presented. He gave great tips and went above & beyond. Beer owed to Lester. Cheers.”

“Excellent job overall. Presented material in clear/concise manner. Spent extra time on study sessions which helped greatly. Very easy to understand material he taught.”

Lester Lusher (TA)

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Section 0A

WINTER 2013

Enrollment % responding	75 87%	Strongly Agree	Agree	Neutral	Disagree	Strongly Disagree	N	% Agree	% Disagree	Score
1. The TA presents material in a clear and organized manner.		54	10	1	0	0	65	98%	0%	
2. The TA speaks audibly and communicates effectively.		57	7	1	0	0	65	98%	0%	
3. The TA stimulates discussions in sections.		46	14	3	0	0	63	95%	0%	
4. The TA is responsive to questions.		59	5	1	0	0	65	98%	0%	
5. The TA is punctual for sections and office hours.		60	3	1	0	0	64	98%	0%	
6. The TA is available and helpful to students during office hours.		55	3	0	0	0	58	100%	0%	
7. The TA is responsive to difficulties students have in understanding the materials.		54	9	1	0	0	64	98%	0%	
8. The grading was fair and timely.		50	11	4	0	0	65	94%	0%	
9. The discussion section was a good educational experience.		53	7	4	0	0	64	94%	0%	4.8
10. Overall, the TA did a good job in this course.		57	7	0	0	0	64	100%	0%	4.9

COMMENTS

“Lester is one of the best TAs I have had. He was very enthusiastic and explained the material very clearly. He was responsive to questions and always eager to help.”

“I thought L.L. did an excellent job of leading discussion. I did however wish Lester knew more of the types of things that would be tested so that we could practice those particular subject/math more in depth as opposed to doing just 2 problems. It might be impossible tho [sic].”

“One of the better TA’s in the econ department. Perhaps work on providing more information regarding prof expectations.”

“Lester is awesome. Super clear, organized, funny and so helpful. His discussion is so easy to follow and he points at what he thinks is important for the class. He is definitely willing to go out of his way to help his students.”

“Like your teaching style.”

“Lester is a beast TA. Knows his stuff and knows how to explain things well. Comes prepared to discussion (except for last discussion) and goes through what we need to know.”

“TA was approachable, enthusiastic, and knowledgeable.”

“I didn’t attend discussion, so I have no comments.”

“You are an excellent TA! Good job keeping discussions lively and interesting. Also really think it’s awesome you offer students the ability to research with you – if I had had you last year that might have changed my entire post-grad/life plans!”

“Lester is one of the best econ TAs I’ve had while I’ve been at UC Davis.”

“Lester is amazing. Nothing else I can say.”

“Lester is a great TA. Best Econ TA by far! He is very helpful and explains the material well. Majority of students would probably not do well in the course w/o Lester’s sections.”

“Easy to follow/understand. Presented very helpful practice problems.”

“Very enthusiastic. Made going to section enjoyable. Extremely helpful during office hour.”

“Lester was very helpful and clear in sections.”

“Enthusiastic & extremely helpful. Only few of TAs extremely excited to be in our field of study.”

“Displayed good knowledge.”

“Fantastic job. Best TA overall to date. I’m glad I was able to spend time learning from you this quarter.”

“Lester explained concepts well, was engaging during discussion.”

“BEST T.A. Hands down.”

“Lester is a great TA. Very helpful, and presents the material well. He didn’t get much help from the prof in getting us ready for exams.”

“Great discussions! Learned a lot in class!”

“Talks really fast. Otherwise good.”

“Great TA. Was very helpful in helping students grasp the material.”

“Extremely helpful. Great TA.”

“Oh em gee! He is awesome TA. Make him a full time professor please!”

“Lester is energetic & very knowledgeable. And very easy to approach. Rather than lauding his wealth of experience over us, he really cared about our understanding of the material and made himself open to questions/concerns of all kinds. If only all econ TAs had the friendly demeanor of Lester.”

“Homework should be more proportional to homework b/c while you don’t want to spoon feed, you don’t leave people to walk in ... training wheels ... random stuff.” (Part of writing illegible.)

“Probably the best TA I’ve had in any economics course. Lester was enthusiastic about the subject and he really wanted every student to succeed and understand the material presented. I think without him a majority of the class would have no idea what they were doing. You could tell he spent a lot of time preparing for discussion and he really put in a lot of effort. Very friend and approachable as well.”

“Lester is hands down THE BEST TA I’ve had at Davis. He goes above and beyond. He listens for the class reaction to a new topic and prepares examples on things he thinks we didn’t immediately understand. He is the king of making things relatable. Thank you Lester.”

“Lester did a great job w/ presenting the material from lectures in a very condensed & concise form in lecture. He went through & solved problems for us, more clearly than the professor. He made extra time for me by appointment. He is very intelligent, and great at thinking on the spot & solving problems. He is a great resource for us students.”

“One of the best TAs I’ve had. Keep up what you are doing.”

“Fun class, relevant info and topics. More clarity on exam expectations would be helpful.”

“T.A. was by far the best part about this class.”

Lester Lusher (TA)**160B****Section 0A****FALL 2012**

Enrollment % responding	67 64%	Strongly Agree	Agree	Neutral	Disagree	Strongly Disagree	N	% Agree	% Disagree	Score
1. The TA presents material in a clear and organized manner.		33	10	0	0	0	43	100%	0%	
2. The TA speaks audibly and communicates effectively.		31	11	1	0	0	43	98%	0%	
3. The TA stimulates discussions in sections.		29	7	7	0	0	43	84%	0%	
4. The TA is responsive to questions.		35	5	3	0	0	43	93%	0%	
5. The TA is punctual for sections and office hours.		36	3	1	0	1	41	95%	2%	
6. The TA is available and helpful to students during office hours.		28	6	1	0	0	35	97%	0%	
7. The TA is responsive to difficulties students have in understanding the materials.		33	5	3	0	0	41	93%	0%	
8. The grading was fair and timely.		33	8	2	0	0	43	95%	0%	
9. The discussion section was a good educational experience.		35	6	2	0	0	43	95%	0%	4.8
10. Overall, the TA did a good job in this course.		35	8	0	0	0	43	100%	0%	4.8

COMMENTS

“Excellent job!”

“Probably the best TA I’ve had at Davis thus far. Keep up the great work. Really shows that he wants students to learn the material.”

“Lester did an amazing job at explaining the course material. Each session class was insightful and pertained to what we talked about in class. I would also like to add that his command and love for the subject was great. I wish he was my T.A. for other classes. He was very clear and enthusiastic.”

"Lester was great at accommodating time / resources for his students. Overall a great TA. During section sometimes he would go on tangents. He doesn't give incentive for students to go to section (sad face) He says in [sic] not mandatory."

"Presented material in an organized fashion. Communicated well and simplified confusing problems. My suggestion is to go over some of the next chapter prior to text [sic]. (Had lab on Thursday, overlapping material Fri, and test on Monday.)"

"I think that Lester is a fantastic TA who did a great job of explaining and reviewing material. He does a great job of bringing enthusiasm and keeping me interested and engaged. I can tell that he is very prepared and knowledgeable and would recommend him to anyone."

"Lester was really helpful, especially by making time to talk about things not directly related to 160B (e.g. graduate studies, research). He also presented class material well & in a clear manner."

"Explains the material fast and concise."

"Might be more clear [sic]."

"Lester, you are an awesome TA. You know the material really well and are able to teach it in a clear manner. Also, thank you for your help in office hours, and always being open to questions. Please teach more econ classes. ☺ "

"It was an alright session, would have liked more clearer [sic] writing or typed out notes but he did a good job."

"Pretty elaborate."

"One of the best TA I ever had."

"Great session. Thanks."

"He is so nice TA [sic]."

"This TA is the best TA I have met in UCD. Everything he had presented was cleared [sic] and in a [sic] organized way. He managed the time well to talk [sic] everything he wanted to teach in the short 50 minutes [sic] section. Good job! I will take his section again if there will be a chance."

"Lester was an enthusiastic TA. Going to discussion was helpful because he went through important topics more thoroughly."

"Lester was actually the best econ TA I have had thus far. Very clear, helpful & enthusiastic. I went to almost every session and found them very helpful."

"Was helpful during office hours, very dedicated, even helped teach some game theory."

"Lester did a great job with the TA sessions. Everything was delivered clearly and he took time to explain areas that were not clear to the students. Also, he was always helpful at office hours and responded quickly to any emails that we sent. Overall one of the best TA's that I've ever had here at Davis. Great knowledge of Econ that helped me out greatly."

"Very clear & funny sometimes!"

“Mr. Lusher should be more available during OH and by email. Also, promote class discussions during T.A. sections.”

“Lester: Good job w/ the R sections. I felt more comfortable w/ the material following your discussions. Thank you for detailing the midterm study material prior to each midterm. Very helpful. Also sample problems similar to the HW’s were a great way to help me learn ... and not just complete the HW’s. Good organization of discussions -> Thank you [sic] writing on the overhead!”

Lester Lusher (TA)

1B Section 0A SSI 2012

Enrollment % responding	73 59%	Strongly Agree	Agree	Neutral	Disagree	Strongly Disagree	N	% Agree	% Disagree	Score
1. The TA presents material in a clear and organized manner.		40	2	1	0	0	43	98%	0%	
2. The TA speaks audibly and communicates effectively.		41	2	1	0	0	44	98%	0%	
3. The TA stimulates discussions in sections.		39	4	1	0	0	44	98%	0%	
4. The TA is responsive to questions.		41	3	0	0	0	44	100%	0%	
5. The TA is punctual for sections and office hours.		40	3	1	0	0	44	98%	0%	
6. The TA is available and helpful to students during office hours.		37	4	0	0	0	41	100%	0%	
7. The TA is responsive to difficulties students have in understanding the materials.		39	4	1	0	0	44	98%	0%	
8. The grading was fair and timely.		36	4	1	1	0	42	95%	2%	
9. The discussion section was a good educational experience.		41	2	1	0	0	44	98%	0%	4.9
10. Overall, the TA did a good job in this course.		40	4	0	0	0	44	100%	0%	4.9

COMMENTS

“He was the best TA I have ever had. Very helpful, and knew the material well.”

(Drawing of frowning smiley face.)

“He was funny for the most part. He nicely summed up lectures in two hours, and simplified explanations the prof made complicated. Overall, I’d like him to be my TA again, but too bad I won’t ever be taking an eon class again. ☺ “

(Drawing of big smiley face.)

(Drawing of bear holding sign.) “Lester is the Best T.A. ever! ☺ “

“Lester is an amazing TA! He definitely have [*sic*] a really good understanding of the macroeconomic theories and policy [*sic*]. He’s very friendly during session and breaks down the materials into easy to follow steps. He makes me have a better understanding of the materials that I’ve learnt from lectures.”

“Awesome TA. Really chill. He’s a cool way of writing 3’s & S’s. Haha.”

“Lester is excellent. His discussion sections are extremely useful in better understanding the lecture material, and he always engages the students to participate & answer questions. He also has a friendly attitude & makes section fun too! Thanks Lester!”

“He is a very good TA, always encouraging and enthusiastic in the class.”

“Lester was always prepared to teach material and answer questions. His personality and humor made section easily enjoyable. Thank you Lester.”

“The TA was very good & knowledgeable in this area and helped out tremendously. This is the type of TA we should have on campus everywhere.”

“Very nice, explains everything clear [*sic*], emails back right away. Best TA I ever had!”

“Really cares for students and knows materials well.”

“I rarely give “5” or excellent in all aspects, but this TA was truly extremely helpful. Always prepared & willing to answer questions. He was also excellent in promoting discussion, are [*sic*] often included the students. All in all, one of the best teacher assistants I ever had!”

“Best TA I ever had, no lie.”

“Very thorough & helpful.”

“He is a great TA and is very knowledgeable about the subject which made it easier to learn the subject and fun.”

“Great discussions. Thank you.”

“Lester was an excellent TA. He knew the material well and was able to answer questions in both office hours and discussion. He had a great teaching style and made material easier to understand.”

Lester Lusher (TA)**1B****Section 0B****SPRING 2012**

Enrollment % responding	119 37%	Strongly Agree	Agree	Neutral	Disagree	Strongly Disagree	N	% Agree	% Disagree	Score
1. The TA presents material in a clear and organized manner.		40	4	0	0	0	44	100%	0%	
2. The TA speaks audibly and communicates effectively.		41	2	1	0	0	44	98%	0%	
3. The TA stimulates discussions in sections.		33	9	2	0	0	44	95%	0%	
4. The TA is responsive to questions.		42	2	0	0	0	44	100%	0%	
5. The TA is punctual for sections and office hours.		43	1	0	0	0	44	100%	0%	
6. The TA is available and helpful to students during office hours.		41	0	0	0	0	41	100%	0%	
7. The TA is responsive to difficulties students have in understanding the materials.		40	3	0	0	0	43	100%	0%	
8. The grading was fair and timely.		38	4	1	0	0	43	98%	0%	
9. The discussion section was a good educational experience.		39	5	0	0	0	44	100%	0%	4.9
10. Overall, the TA did a good job in this course.		42	2	0	0	0	44	100%	0%	5.0

COMMENTS

“Lester is a wonderful T.A. He explains lectures within one discussion. He makes the concept clear and concise. He also holds review sessions which is extremely helpful for the exams.”

“You were recommended by a friend, a rose [sic] my MT grads [sic] from a C on [sic] the 1st midterm to an A in the second one. Thank you!”

“Lester is a good TA who does his best to help his students do well. He teaches based on the material that he thinks or knows will be on the exams, and does so in a clear, coherent manner.”

“He’s a very organized and great TA. He explains thoroughly and in easy-to-understand ways. He’s [sic] always welcomes any and all questions and is friendly.”

“Lester did an outstanding job simplifying the content in class. Please tell the professor to move his microphone closer to his neck/mouth so he doesn’t sound as muffled during lecture.”

“I had a great macroecon experience in Lesters [sic] discussion. He was always prepared to teach to the class & was very enthusiastic. I enjoyed this class and hope for the best in Lester’s future. ☺ “

“Lester Lusher is a great TA. He is very informative and I can tell he knows what he’s talking about. He is very helpful and [sic] always available for [sic] students. His discussions are extremely organized and helpful!!!”

“If talking more about snippet would be better!”

“A very good TA who resent [sic] materials very clearly and helpfully.”

“This TA was very helpful in discussions & really put the time & effort to help students out. TA was also very concerned about students [sic] success.”

“The TA did a great job in reviewing the midterms for us, especially on all the graphs.”

“I understand that your way of explaining things may be ‘better’ to you, or to other learning styles, but I would appreciate it if you used the professor’s notation, for ease of translation. Thanks!”

“He’s very enthusiastic about the subject and always tries to prepare us for exams.”

“Lester did a good job explaining the concepts I felt were confusing and ambiguous.”

“Great at explaining concepts and encourages using intellect to think about things. Very useful discussion. ☺ “

“Wish I had more like this.” (Drawing of stick figure holding a book.)

“Sections super helpful and clear and made everything make more sense.”

“Mr. Lusher communicates well and knows how to teach. He is cool and relatable. He wants the kids to succeed. He makes the material interesting. People actually attend the optional discussion sections which says a lot. Lusher is like a buddy. Plus, he speaks English. ☺ All in all, Lusher is cool, both as a TA and as a person.”

“You really helped me understand the material more! Super helpful and clear instruction.”

“Very helpful TA. Able to articulate professor’s lecture more clearly. All discussion sections were worth going to. He knows econ like a bo\$\$.”

“He is excellent. Nothing is needed to improve.”

“Excellent TA. Went above and beyond to help students. Organized notes and suggestions helped a lot.”

“Great TA! Very helpful! Explains material clearly & effectively.”

“The TA was great. I honestly wish the class was based on 3 discussion days and one lecture because I learn so much more in discussion. It’s clear that they know what they’re talking about and they’re great at getting their point across.”

“Lester was a great TA.”

Lester Lusher (TA)

1B

Section 0A

WINTER 2012

Enrollment % responding	Strongly Agree	Agree	Neutral	Disagree	Strongly Disagree	N	% Agree	% Disagree	Score
1. The TA presents material in a clear and organized manner.	44	5	0	0	0	49	100%	0%	
2. The TA speaks audibly and communicates effectively.	44	5	0	0	0	49	100%	0%	
3. The TA stimulates discussions in sections.	38	10	1	0	0	49	98%	0%	
4. The TA is responsive to questions.	44	5	0	0	0	49	100%	0%	
5. The TA is punctual for sections and office hours.	41	7	0	0	0	48	100%	0%	
6. The TA is available and helpful to students during office hours.	39	6	0	0	0	45	100%	0%	
7. The TA is responsive to difficulties students have in understanding the materials.	44	5	0	0	0	49	100%	0%	
8. The grading was fair and timely.	40	6	0	0	1	47	98%	2%	
9. The discussion section was a good educational experience.	44	5	0	0	0	49	100%	0%	4.9
10. Overall, the TA did a good job in this course.	45	4	0	0	0	49	100%	0%	4.9

COMMENTS

“He did a good job of summarizing material and answering questions clearly. The prepared notes were thorough and well-prepared. It would be enjoyable, but not necessary, if he would add in more material ... in the subject.”

“Great TA: Complete knowledge of subject matter and structure of the class. Limited by professors [sic] class format, which underutilizes resourceful TAs. Would take another class if Lester TA’d it.”

“Lester was the best TA I have had here at UCD (even though I’m a freshman).” ☺

“Discussion would be more helpful if more key problems from study guide were incorporated into sessions.”

“Lester was a great TA. He was very helpful and I was able to learn a lot in his class. He is the best econ 1B TA. His way of teaching is awesome and very helpful. Thank you for all your help and tips.”

“Clear, good speaking skills.”

(Drawing of honey badger.) “Honey bagher [sic] don’t care!”

“Lester Lusher was by far the best TA I’ve ever had at UCD. He goes out of his way to do the best job he possibly can, and he goes out of his way to help students and adjust his office hours to reach students. He is the best TA on campus hands down.”

“T.A. was extremely helpful, probably the best T.A. I have ever had. He is an awesome teacher and answers questions thoroughly. His notes are very helpful, and he knows his material very well. There should be more TA’s like him in Davis. ☺ “

“Discussions were helpful in understanding the material.”

“Great job going over relevant examples. Perfect structure of discussion.” (Drawing of disc with “S, R, U, F” on top of the \$ sign with an arrow through it.)

“LESTER ROCKS!”

“Lester was extremely helpful. He presented the information clearly & effectively. He cares about our comprehension on the material.”

“Though he seemed flustered sometimes, I learned a TON from his section & he really wanted student participation & insight!”

“I enjoyed Lester’s use of handwritten notes.”

“Your review section is very helpful.”

“Friendly, works hard so everyone understand [sic] the material. Takes his time in teaching.”

“Lester was really helpful. Covered useful formulas and answered any questions we had about concepts.”

“I don’t know what I would have done without Lester! He explained the material very well, and made sure we clearly understood it. I love that he really made our concerns clear to the professor (even if the prof changed little to nothing (sad face), and generally cleared things up (like grading) that otherwise would have left us panicking (at least for me). I had a clearer understanding of the material in discussion a lot more than I did in actual lecture. I also liked that he gave us his own opinion/interpretation on some material because it helped me understand better with the different perspective. I wouldn’t change anything from discussion, except maybe make it longer so there’s more time to cover more material. Thank you Lester! ☺ “

“Lester is truly one of the best TA’s I’ve had in my 4 years of Davis. Really cares about students understanding the concepts, not just doing well on [sic] the exam. Tip: The formula sheets before each

midterm were really helpful. Perhaps make a copy of the formula sheet for everyone to have instead of having to copy it one by one in office hours.”

“Lester is very organized and explains the concepts very clearly and in detail. He is personable so I feel comfortable asking questions during session and going to his office hours. For the past midterms, I was above average because Lester covered the material really well and explained every detail intuitively so I could grasp it better. I really like the way he lectures which encouraged me to take up an Econ minor. I recommend him as a TA for all Econ students.”

“Lester was a great T.A.; even though discussion was not required, I enjoyed his enthusiasm with the subject. A+!”

“I never went to section so I cannot gauge how good of a TA he is. I went to section the first day in which he was organized and excited about the material.”

“I loved Lester’s section. He has been the most helpful econ TA I’ve had. His discussions are very organized and helps me learn the material. He does a great job and is extremely friendly. I’m very glad I’ve had his section. ☺ Thank you for a great quarter.”

“Lester is pretty awesome! He is able to take the complex concepts in econ and really explain and break it down. Not only is he helpful in the class but outside as well. I appreciate the time, effort, and thoughtfulness of Lester’s [sic] responses. I really think he will be an amazing professor one day (if he chooses to go down that road). Honestly understood more in discussion than [sic] in class thanks to Lester. Anyone to have Lester as a TA is lucky. Thanks for an awesome quarter!”

“TA provided good insight on how to prepare for the exams. His enjoyment for teaching was apparent and he is one of the best TAs I’ve had during my time at UCD.”

“One of the best TAs I have ever had. Very good at explaining the material. Keep up the good work. I can see you as a very successful economic professor someday, if that is the path you choose. Thank you & best of luck in the future!”

“He did a good job. The review sheets were useful. He always responded to questions and made it easy to understand.”

“Lester did a fantastic job as a T.A. this quarter. He was responsive and compassionate towards my concerns in the class and made every effort to help me.”

“He was a very informative and helpful TA that put the concepts in very understandable ways. Discussion was very useful.”

“This is the second time I am taking Econ 1B. Even though I am still struggling in the class, Lester has been a great T.A. He answers all the questions I had. I think grade scale in general is unfair. This is why I didn’t pass last quarter and I am very afraid of not passing again this quarter. Lester had good notes for econ section and has been very helpful.”

“He has extra office hours and prepares lesson plans for discussion.”

“You’re probably one of the coolest TA’s I’ve had yet at UCD. Thanks for those midterm formula sheets you composed before the tests!”

“I learned more from him than from lecture ...”

“Personally, I thought discussion was very helpful as it summarizes the lecture notes.”

Lester Lusher (TA)**1B****Section 0A****FALL 2011**

Enrollment % responding	116 63%	Strongly Agree	Agree	Neutral	Disagree	Strongly Disagree	N	% Agree	% Disagree	Score
1. The TA presents material in a clear and organized manner.		49	23	1	0	0	73	99%	0%	
2. The TA speaks audibly and communicates effectively.		52	19	2	0	0	73	97%	0%	
3. The TA stimulates discussions in sections.		41	22	8	2	0	73	86%	3%	
4. The TA is responsive to questions.		60	12	1	0	0	73	99%	0%	
5. The TA is punctual for sections and office hours.		57	13	0	0	0	70	100%	0%	
6. The TA is available and helpful to students during office hours.		53	12	0	0	0	65	100%	0%	
7. The TA is responsive to difficulties students have in understanding the materials.		50	21	2	0	0	73	97%	0%	
8. The grading was fair and timely.		40	14	14	4	0	72	75%	6%	
9. The discussion section was a good educational experience.		51	20	2	0	0	73	97%	0%	4.7
10. Overall, the TA did a good job in this course.		57	13	2	0	0	72	97%	0%	4.8

COMMENTS

“Really GOOD TA! Explained material clearly and well. Really helped me succeed in Economics. I could not have done well without him. He takes every concern very seriously from students and really wants to see us succeed. I would really like him to be my TA again. He’s very helpful and I learned a lot.”

“I thought Lester’s explanation of the material was really helpful and engaging. I think it was easier and more interesting learning the material from him than from the professor.”

“Lester helped so much. He had a very clear explanation of hard material. Great use of section time and wanted everyone to understand the material and do well. Lots of mess up with TA’s + Prof getting things graded + back to us but I don’t know whose fault in particular this was.”

“Good TA.”

“The content of TA session is a little bit easy and sometimes TA just repeats what the instructor has already done on lecture. So not effective enough. Attitude of TA is good enough. Thanks.”

“Well organize & informative.”

“Lester was a wonderful TA. He explained topics clearly and willing [*sic*] to answer questions. He shows a passion for Econ and it was nice to learn from him.”

“Lester did a great job in section. I couldn’t have asked for a better TA.”

“Good guy. Very helpful. Quick responses.”

“TA was very helpful, and friendly. He explained very well and made it easy to understand Economics. Always available. Well organized. Always willing to help. Very clear. He was a great TA!!”

“He was very helpful and did a lot of examples in session.”

“Wonderful TA, always answered questions clearly and promptly responds to emails.”

“He explain [*sic*] clearly and summarize [*sic*] the chapter did [*sic*] good job as TA.”

“Lester was very good and was clearly aware of the material. The discussion sessions were interactive and involved, and I learned a lot in his discussion session, especially because many people did not come.”

“Was always clear and easy to understand. Answered all questions. Helpful! Showed enjoyment in teaching and made class exciting.”

“It is clear that Lester is passionate about Economics and is able to articulate the concepts discussed in lecture clearly and in a way unexplored in lecture. A great TA.”

“Notes on overhead very clear! Sometimes you go a bit fast. A lot of material at once.”

“Lester Lusher was just a fantastic TA. He helped me a lot in macroeconomics. Also, when I forgot to attend one of the discussions, Lester took time out of this schedule. He truly is a great guy!”

“Very helpful w/ giving hints towards tests.”

“Informative. Provided necessary information in a quick and easy-to-follow manor [*sic*]. Intelligent-sounding.”

“Lester did a much better job explaining the material than the professor did. His 1 hour discussion sections covered more material than the 3 hours of lecture and he went in more depth. Overall an awesome job!”

“Lester did a great job covering all topics clearly. Great TA.”

“Very helpful review notes.”

“Props to you man, but TALK SLOWER. Grade faster please. Hey why aren’t you the professor? You know more about what you talk about and demonstrate better understanding. She kinda sucks.”

“He should talk slower, [sic] grading was slow getting back but I know that wasn’t your fault. I like how he got us to think about the stuff.”

“The TA was more beneficial to my comprehension than the professor. The TA focused on the most important aspects of what we were learning.”

“Lester was one of the best TA I’ve ever had. He’s very clear and well organized. He’s always available to help students, very dedicated to everything he does, especially in Econ. I’ve learned a lot from him. Actually, by far the best TA I’ve had at UC Davis. I’m very grateful! Thank you very very [sic] much, Leslie [sic]!! 😊 “

“Lester was very enthusiastic and approachable.”

“Lester was an awesome TA! He [sic] really easy going and explains the concepts well! He gives most of his time to help you esp w/ midterms <- mostly post midterm. He also gives you step by step advice. All in all 5/5!

“Lester was really nice and helpful. 😊 “

“Was a good section. Good at coming up with different examples that [sic] the book. Also good at presenting information in a clear manner. Overhead did not work well which didn’t play to your advantage, but not your fault. Overall good job. Enjoyed section.”

“Even though discussion wasn’t mandatory, I found most of them to be very useful. He was very accurate on guessing what would be on the midterm for the first time T.A.ing.”

“Lester really showed command of the subject. His discussions [sic] sections were really helpful. When we didn’t understand, he would try other examples till we did. He was always responsive on emails as well. One of my favorite TAs here @ [sic] Davis in the Eon [sic] department. I totally see him as a Professor one day, and a good one! 😊 “

(Drawing of face with big eyes and smile.) “Lester is awesome!”

“Really kind and overall a great TA. A real diamond in the rough.”

“The sections were awesome! I don’t think I would have done nearly as good w/o them. But he wasn’t very good at getting us involved. It really wasn’t a problem though I think we wanted him to talk as much as he did anyways.”

“Lester is a great TA, easily the best part of this class. He’s very positive & He graded on time. However the grades in this class were never posted on time & Aplia is a worthless [sic]. Lester was very helpful. & a good guy.”

“Lester is a very good TA. Section was the best part of the class. He did a very good job at making the lectures more clear and preparing students for exams.”

(Drawing of flower with a face next to a dog.)

“One of the best TA’s I have ever had. He taught the material in a clear and easy to understand manner. I learned a lot from him!”

“Lester helped students understand the course materials and answered all the questions people asked and made sure they understand the answer once he explained it. Lester helped me do well in this class.”

“Good teaching! You explained many things better than the instructor. I wish I had my test sooner / brought to discussion today so I could use it for class. But really, there were some things at the end that I would not have understood without your help. The honeybadger gets what it wants! Haha.”

“Lester is always super enthusiastic about the course & super helpful & one of the best TA’s I’ve ever had.”

“Very good TA!”

“Lester is very knowledgeable on [sic] the subject. Thoroughly explains complicated concepts in discussion. Really enjoyed having him as a TA. Also, he makes class FUN & is pretty funny.”

“Section was always well organized. Lester was very open and responsive to questions. It was very helpful to my understanding of the material.”

“Great TA. Very helpful. Took forever to get tests back but I’m not sure if that was his responsibility.”

“Lester is awesome! Very helpful, clear, & has a sense of humor. Engages the class. Positive attitude.”

“Learned & he made difficult concepts easy to understand. I enjoyed his section a lot.”

“Really helpful before exams. Thanks.”

“Lester is awesome! Very nice & informative, helpful w/ midterms & finals.”

“The 1 time I went to discussion he was good to listen to, and easy to understand.”

“Nice save on the second midterm with those mult [sic] choice questions that sh*t was cash money. Great job!”