



Instructor Course Feedback for MATH 5040-001 Stoch Proc, Simultn I Fall 2024 (Firas Rassoul-Agha)

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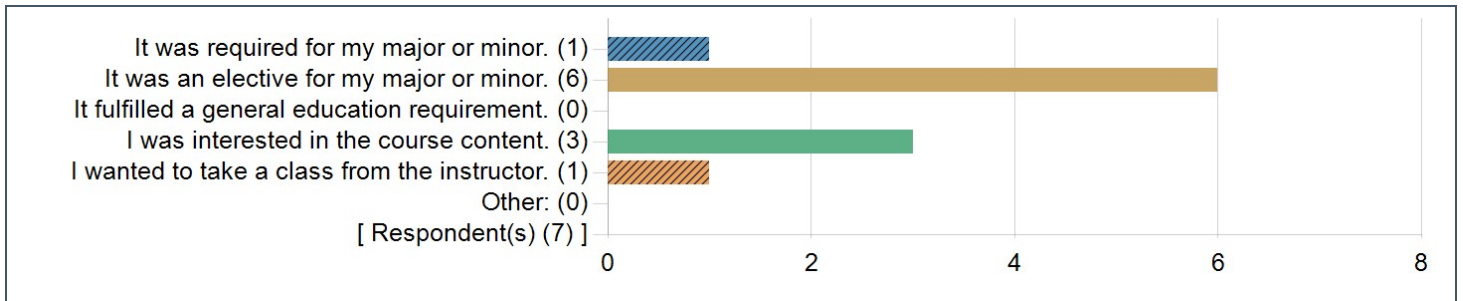
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Student Demographics

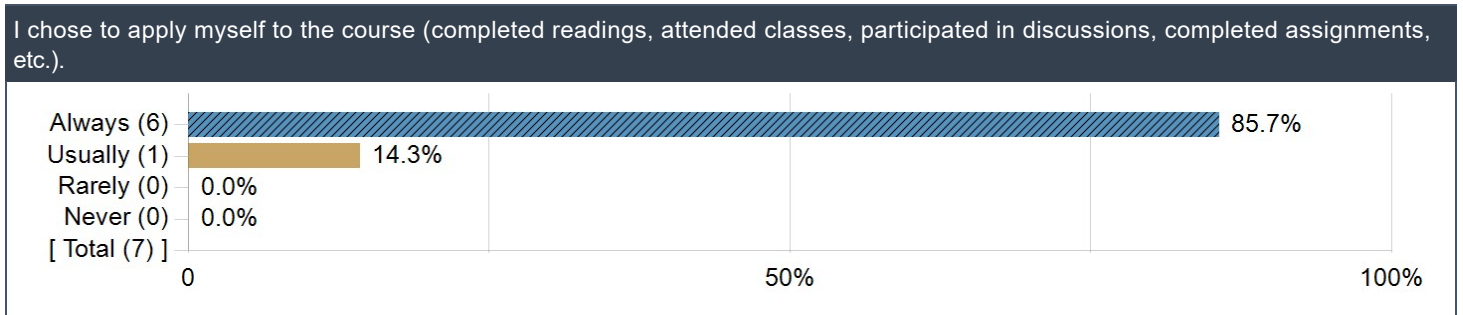
Why did you enroll in this course?



Please explain:

Comments
MSTAT, sounded interesting on the course page for electives

I chose to apply myself to the course (completed readings, attended classes, participated in discussions, completed assignments, etc.).

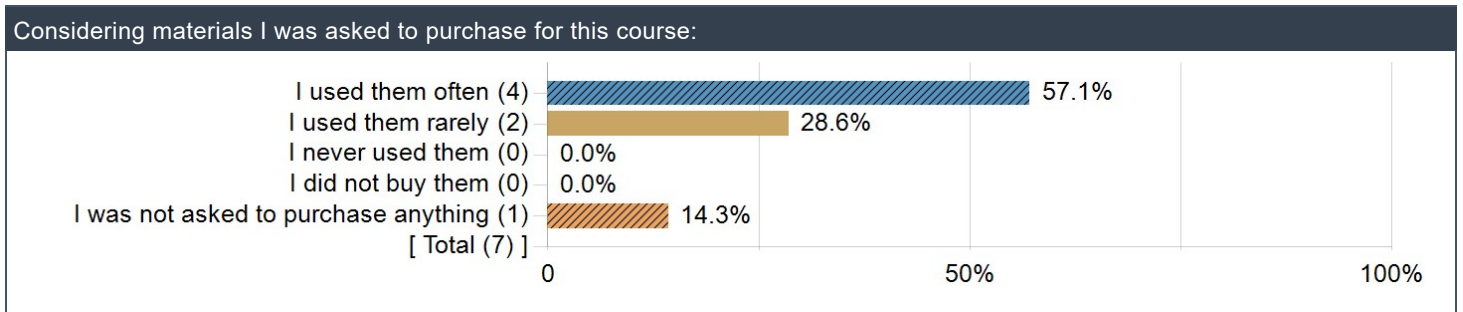


Please explain:

Comments
Attended every class, and always completed homeworks and studied.

Course Materials

Considering materials I was asked to purchase for this course:

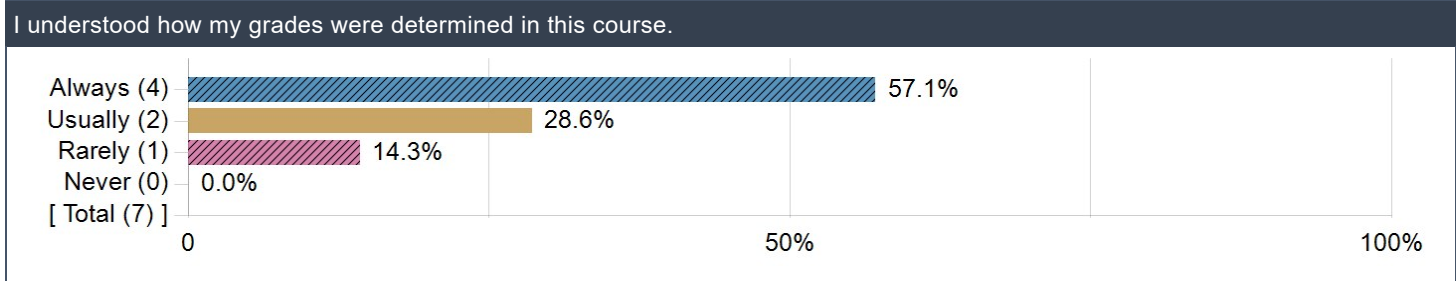


Please explain:

Comments
 I used a tone for reference

Grades

I understood how my grades were determined in this course.

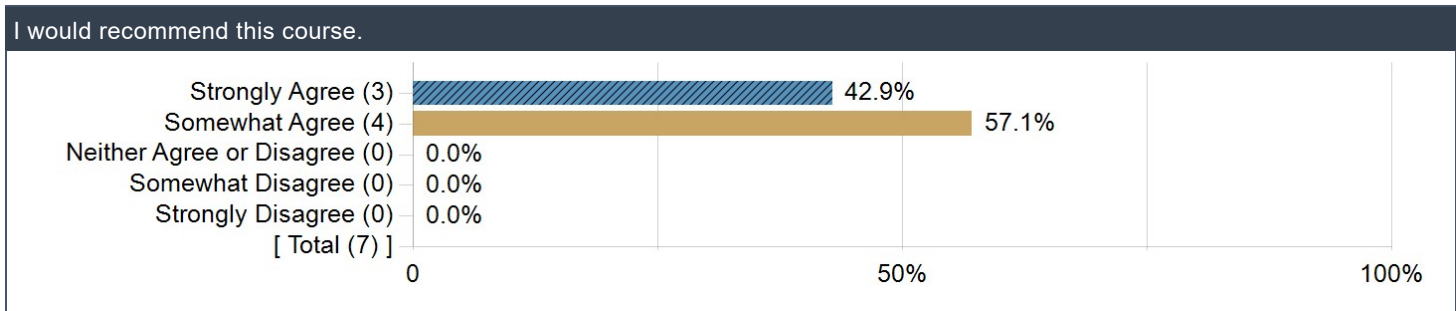


Please explain:

Comments
 There was no posted grading scale, so I knew how much things would contribute to my grade but I had no idea what my grade was.

Recommend Course & Instructor

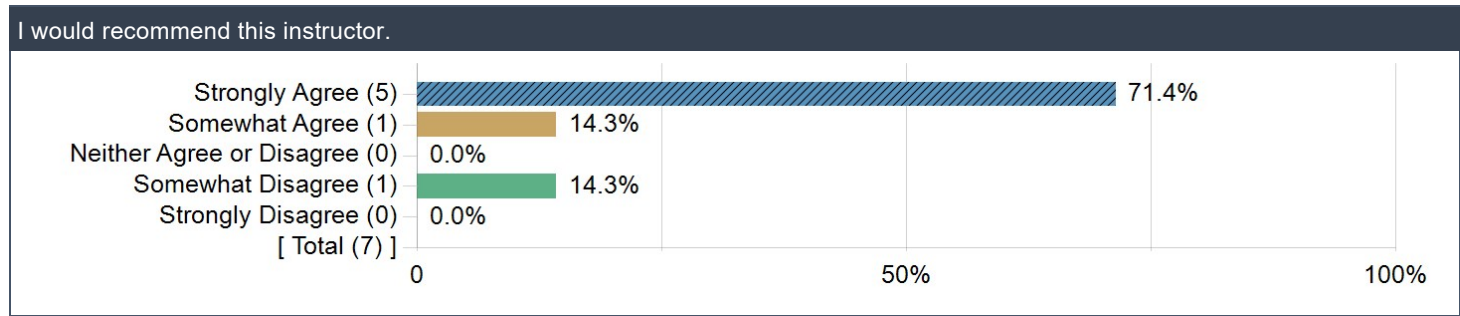
I would recommend this course.



Please explain:

Comments
 It's a really interesting class and I really enjoyed learning about Stochastics, but it was incredibly stressful given how heavily weighted the exams were and how difficult they were.
 I love the content of this course.
 I have learned so much in this class and it one of the most interesting courses that I have taken at the U
 Course material was interesting, but sometimes hard to follow along (the whiteboards weren't erased between classes and I would get lost)

I would recommend this instructor.



Please explain:

Comments

I think Professor Firas is a fine professor and is a pretty good teaching, the I usually able to follow the lectures pretty well, but how heavily he weighs the exams and how difficult they are is a deal breaker for me. Super stressful. The problems on the exam aren't even that the difficult though, it's that we only had 50min to solve multiple problems through should easily take an hour and a half. If he fixed the exam / grading structure, I would 100% recommend Professor Firas.

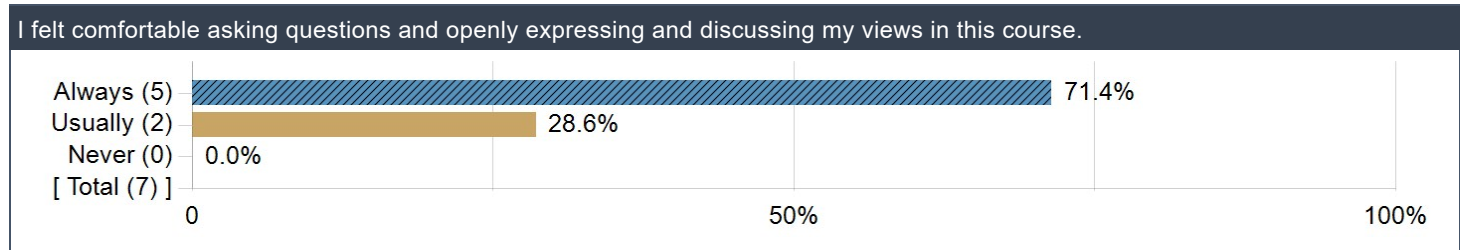
Firas is great, he is super into the content and that is reflected in his lectures. They are engaging and he is always willing to help you on anything you might not understand.

Professor Rassoul is engaging and deeply knowledgable about the subject. His lectures are always very interesting and he provides simple and concrete examples to make sure that some of the more complicated principles are fully understood by all. He is certainly one of the best professors in the math department.

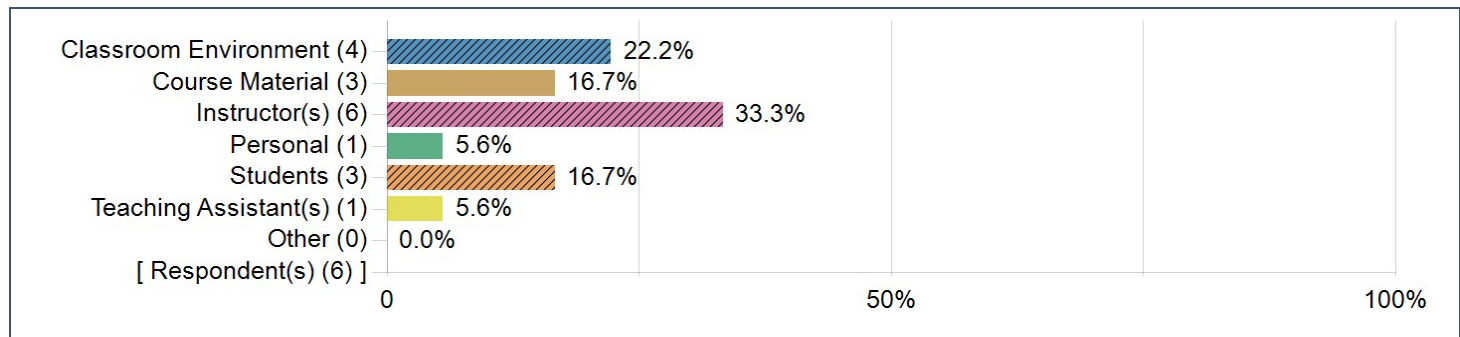
I had trouble distinguishing proofs from examples in class and found it hard to follow along, but Professor Assoul-Agha was great to work with one-on-one

Asking Questions and Discussing Views

I felt comfortable asking questions and openly expressing and discussing my views in this course.

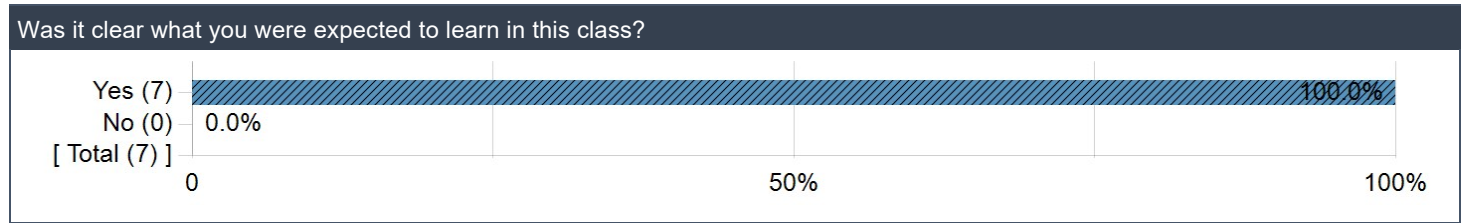


Which of these contributed to your answer?



Learning Objectives

Was it clear what you were expected to learn in this class?



Additional Comments

What does this instructor do to help you learn?

Comments
Lecture's are very engaging and he will always chat with you after class about the content if you need.
Interesting homework assignments, interactive lectures
Intro to Stochastic Processes
Provides examples, makes homework/classwork expectations very clear, answers questions quickly on Piazza
Office Hours, quick to answer questions in Piazza

What could this instructor do to improve or increase learning opportunities in this class?

Comments
The class was very interesting and extremely informative. I would suggest going digital instead of writing on the chalk board. This way you can post your lecture notes and it wouldn't be so hard to see the board.
More hard examples in lectures, rather than general examples
A few more examples for module 2

Is there anything else you would like this instructor to know?

Comments
Loved this course! Cannot wait for 5050 in the spring.
Thank you for a great semester!
This was a great class, and I really enjoyed taking it. Thank you for taking the time to teach it well and for making the material interesting and useful for all of us.
One piece of feedback is distinguishing between proofs and examples.