

**2011-12 Course and Instructor Evaluations - Fall / Winter**

**Instructor Comments**

Unit: Mathematics  
Instructor: Khaikhali, Masoud  
Course: Calculus 1000A <002>  
Session: 1119

- You are very funny and it makes the class fun. Funny quotes: Newton was no Joe Average guy.
- Very good at making calculus interesting and understandable. It is a pleasure coming to this class; very enthusiastic and entertaining, but also a very good teacher. Very good that he remembers some students' names.
- Thank you for being an understanding, charismatic teacher. I very much enjoyed coming to your classes and hope to one day have you as a Professor in the future.
- When answering a question from a student in class try to not repeat what you said the first time you explained it.
- Thank you very much for the specific instructions and how-to-do problems: Even though the first principles problem in midterms was sort of unfair (other classes learned the definition of @ and examples) all the other concepts were clearly taught. Good learning experience well obtained!!
- Very funny, enthusiastic teacher who makes me enjoy calculus most times.
- Assign homework. Update WebCT with chapters covered each lecture.
- Should assign suggested Q's from the textbook weekly.
- You remind me of Mr. Doofin Shmerts for Phinneas and Ferb... It's a TV show, look it up.
- Masoud is a cool guy. He talks to us. He knows my name. He was enthusiastic about the fundamental theorem of Calculus. This made me excited too. It's funny when he laughs. I like him enough to buy him coffee. He has nice glasses.
- Presents material well with lots of examples. Goes over material too quickly.
- Explains ideas very well through multiple examples so that we know many approaches to questions. Favourite instructor I've had because of how he teaches; very useful to learn through examples & maintains a good attitude without being "serious" about everything.
- Enthusiastic teacher. Would have liked more special cases for some of the harder problems. Always available for extra help. Understanding and fair evaluations.
- I feel that slowing down the pace of lectures and actually spending some time on complex problems would've been better than using most of the lecture time for simple questions. Also going over the midterm and assignments would've been very helpful.
- He's a really good instructor who teaches students with enthusiasm and helps students to learn the materials in an interesting way. I'm really satisfied with his lectures!
- Thank you for being such an energetic, fun, and enthusiastic Professor. Your high energy encourages many students to come to class and enjoy calculus.
- Our Professor is a very enthusiastic man who effectively incorporates humour and his fun-natured personality into each lesson. However, his lack of explanation of some material and quick-paced lessons make it difficult for students to grasp concepts in the long term. I find that I have to dedicate much time and effort to teaching the course content to myself before I can fully grasp the concepts.
- It never ceases to amaze me how genuinely interested Prof. Khaikhali is in his field. His enthusiasm and energy are truly inspirational. I couldn't ask for a better Calc Prof.
- Should respond to questions more clearly. He is nice and enthusiastic. Should not put students down when responding to their comments or questions.
- This instructor is by far the best calculus instructor that this University has got.
- Very enthusiastic, which makes the course a lot better. Had a lot of fun in this course.

I like your hats.
You're great but Yanyu Xiao who teaches Calc 2000 at 5:30 - 6:30 pm isn't... She needs to have better, more organized notes and needs to start off with easier examples & go slower.
Hard to understand because he doesn't explain stuff thoroughly. Goes through material way too fast. Nice guy though.
Consider moving slower through out examples, to ensure understanding to all students. Also, encourage office hours to students who struggle.
Enjoy the humour in class. Good teacher.
You're a funny guy!
Awesome Prof. One of the best.
Professor Khalkhali is my favourite Professor because he makes class interesting and entertaining. I've approaches him a couple times with questions and each time he has gone out of his way to help me. His interests definitely lie in the success of the student and I really appreciate this. The only thing I would suggest is trying to answer in-class questions more thoroughly.
Excellent teacher, very upbeat and enthusiastic. Funny, makes class interesting. "Janet over Janet is Janet".
Mr. Khalkhali is an enthusiastic, funny and practical Professor. We don't waste time on things that aren't important, and we spend extra time on difficult concepts. Only problem would be the answering of questions, it would be nice if he would answer them a little more clearly.
Great learning experience! Keeps me engaged throughout the whole lecture. I've learned a lot so far.
Concepts are always presented clearly, but you tend to jump around a lot when doing examples. Your enthusiasm makes the course far more interesting.
Mr. Khalkhali has a unique way of teaching the class, as he made the class very fun to attend, and at the same time, I have learned many things. There isn't really anything negative to say about him.
Take questions more seriously, often they are either dismissed or the asker of the question is mocked. This doesn't encourage understanding, even if it is amusing.
Keep up the good job.
Great. Maybe avoid skipping step.
Please organize your notes before writing on the board.
Please organize lectures and notes in an orderly fashion. It is hard to keep track of what's written on the board.
Would be great if there are more assignments.
You're awesome, one of my favourite classes. Keep up the good work. But, for harder concepts like related rates, try going over a few more problems to clarify how to do them.
Very enthusiastic Professor, with clear and concise notes. Assignments are very helpful and I recommend Professor Khalkhali to continue giving assignments to his students. Overall, excellent Professor.
Makes this class fun.
Your openness to questions and the effort that you put in to all your lessons does not go unnoticed. We're the envy of the other Calc 1000 classes. Please don't stop teaching first years, Professor, you're one of the best Profs that I have and that's saying something.
Very good at connecting with students. Takes time to learn students names.
Prof makes class enjoyable, we are excited to come to class.
Very cool.
Nice hat!
Great teacher, very enthusiastic.
Excellent teacher and really funny!
I really like how you use lots of examples in your lessons.

Thank you so much for introducing first year Calculus. I had fun listening to your lecture.

Very witty and effective teacher. Look forward to go to class everyday.

He's a great guy. Exams are a lot harder than previous years but he's a very good Prof.

You're pretty good.

Go over word problems of implicit differentiation more.

Teaching methods were really good!