

Samples of Students Comments from the Teaching Evaluations

In my opinion, the most meaningful measure of teaching excellence is the success and appreciation expressed by the students I have had the privilege to teach. Below is a selection of unsolicited comments from the teaching evaluations over the past 24 years, which reflect the effectiveness of the teaching principles and strategies I have implemented, as well as the students' experiences in my classes.

“ Dr. Tayebi is one of the best teachers I have met in my entire studying career. I am very honored and cherish this short semester of studying with him. ”

“ Dr. Tayebi is a great professor and I am glad to have him teaching me this course. ”

“ Dr. Tayebi is probably one of the best professors i've had at Lakehead University. Things are very clearly explained and tests are challenging but fair ”

“ Dr. Tayebi is an expert in the field of Control Systems and it shows. He answers almost every question that is asked. He is respectful, smart, and, at times, funny. ”

“ Wish all teachers taught like Dr. Tayebi. ”

“ I enjoyed the course content and how there are many examples done in class. It is appreciated when the professor is constantly checking if students are looking puzzled. Majority of the time, students are too shy to ask questions. This professor is dedicated to making sure his students are doing well by constantly checking to see if students are understanding the material. When he is given blank stares, he will try another method or repeat what was said to make sure everyone is following along. ”

“ The instructor is best teacher in LU, thank you! ”

“ The knowledge of the professor was fantastic and the way he teaches was the best..... ”

“ The teaching methods of the instructor were the best i have so far experienced in lakehead. I was able to understand the concepts most of the time and if questioned the instructor, he always politely responded. ”

“ I like teaching style which is much easier to understand than the textbook. The instructor teach all the contents very clearly, and also emphasize the core contents and give exact examples in point. ”

“ Dr. Tayebi is a great teacher ”

“ I enjoyed the way the class was taught. It was my favourite class to attend this semester. I wish all classes were taught in a similar method. ”

“ Dr. Tayebi knows in and out of the course which made the course really interesting. He didnt read from slides or book or notes. He just came in class take chalk and start presenting the materials. Awesome professor. Thank you for the knowledge. ”

“ Very good teaching. Clear, interesting, and insightful. Appreciated learning about the practical applications of the theory in the course, as well as the use of MATLAB. ”

“ The topics were very interesting and I can see myself applying the techniques used in class to design and solve real world control systems issues. Will probably take Controls Systems III as an elective. ”

- “ Dr. Tayebi’s lectures are great, he knows his stuff and knows how to teach well. ”
- “ I am highly pleased about the course. I would recommend others to take this course under this instructor because he is helpful, well presenter and knows how to motivate the students towards the research. ”
- “ Professor is a great role model, great at teaching with passion and transfer of knowledge. ”
- “ Great Professor. Taught the course really well and I learned a lot. ”
- “ Dr. Tayebi is an excellent teacher, he answers questions appropriately, respectfully and professionally. ”
- “ The instructor is always prepared and explains the concept clearly. ”
- “ The course was very clear and procedural. There was a very exact method to solving the problems that could be applied to any system regardless if you have never seen it before. There was enough examples and he worked through them in class with students so we could reference them when studying or doing practice assignments. ”
- “ This course was extremely interesting and an appropriately challenging. ”
- “ Dr. Tayebi is a extremely passionate teacher, his presentation at the beginning of the semester was greatly appreciated because it helped students to make the link between what is being learned in the class and how it can be used in real life scenarios. ”
- “ I particularly appreciated the amount of examples done in class. If something wasn’t learned after the first example, I definitely caught on by the 3rd example! With how the course was taught, there was no need for assignments. The instructor was very well prepared for the lectures and strongly encouraged the students to participate when solving the examples. The instructor made this course and enjoyable course to learn. I will most likely take Controls III as one of my electives specifically because the instructor will be the same. ”
- “ Interesting topics and a great professor, would recommend both to anyone in a similar field. ”
- “ I loved the pacing of the course. Dr. Tayebi made sure that the work wasn’t overwhelming. ”
- “ Excellent instructor. Dr. Tayebi is a very good communicator and conveyed the concepts in a very thorough, clear manner. ”
- “ I enjoyed how the prof presented the class, and didn’t just read off of organized slides like some classes. ”
- “ The professor knew how to teach. ”
- “ Concepts presented clearly. Actually feel like I’m learning something useful. ”
- “ The content is well structured and logically connected to previous content, building up over the length of the course. Most topics are covered both from a theoretical and practical lens. Covering the theory in a general form, how various problems on that topic can be solved by hand, and how to use matlab to solve the same problem. ”
- “ Interesting concepts and new ways of looking at control systems. ”
- “ Very helpful in and out of class to ensure that the material was understood. ”

- “ Professor is amazing, shows great passion on the topic and is more than willing to help out. Keep it up. ”
- “ The instructor explained concepts and encouraged student engagement. ”
- “ While the concepts covered in this course are intense the instructor does a good job of breaking down material into a manageable format. ”
- “ Very well-taught class with fair testing which is very rare from my personal experience at Lakehead. I made some small mistakes on the midterm in my process and was not heavily punished for them and was very much appreciated. One of the best professors I have had here and made this class enjoyable and easy to follow along and actually learn the concepts instead of the normal learning concepts from one slide of a slideshow and having no textbook resource to follow up. ”
- “ I find this course to be stimulating because I am learning new concepts that I previously have not learned about in any prior courses. ”
- “ you can observe that Dr. Tayebi really enjoys controls system and delivering the content appropriate to your level of understanding. I enjoyed his structured manner and can see his classroom would be a better experience than online learning. All in all a great experience and learned a lot. Fair but a tough marker. ”
- “ The teacher explains the concepts clearly and goes thoroughly over each example. ”
- “ Online delivery has gone off without a hitch. ”
- “ Notes are organized and easy to follow. ”
- “ This course made me keep looking forward to every tomorrow throughout this whole semester. ”
- “ Our instructor Dr. Tayebi is one of the best teachers I have ever met. He is very straight forward and always making everything super clear. ”
- “ Interesting material that is exactly what students were led to expect from the course. ”
- “ Very involving and interesting course. Professor delivered in such a way that intrigues interest and encourages participation. ”
- “ The professor was very good. Professional and explained the concepts well. He encouraged in class participation and wrote very detailed notes that were easy to follow. The exams were fair and I enjoyed the content in the course. ”
- “ The professor provided excellent theory, examples, and homework. He encouraged students to try examples on their own and then completed the examples in class. The homework had solutions which made a great learning tool. ”
- “ Dr. Tayebi is an amazing professor. Great work. ”
- “ The instructor was enthusiastic about the material he was teaching and his teaching style broke down complex control techniques into a easily understandable first principles. ”
- “ The teaching and the delivery. Professor shows he really cares about the topic and wants his students to learn. ”
- “ I always appreciate when a professor uses the whiteboard rather than slides or such. The professor writing out notes always limits the speed information is presented to what students can write (compared with

- classes where a slide is shown with information that needs to be recorded and the professor is also talking about something else you need to record). ”
- “ Dr. Tayebi is exceptional ”
- “ Professor Tayebi is a fair, just, and soft-spoken professor. ”
- “ Professor Tayebi is an exemplar of professionalism. Shows up prepared, well dressed, and is very well spoken. Great prof teaching what could be a very tough class. ”
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- “ Enjoyed this course.
Very interesting to see how almost simple ideas can make very complicated systems behave. ”
- “ Excellent teaching strategy. ”
- “ Probably the most thorough instructor I have ever had. Dr. Tayebi doesn't leave out much information. ”
- “ Best instructor I have had. ”
- “ Excellent course! Challenging but rewarding. Can actually see using this in my career. ”
- “ Dr, Tayebi is one of the best instructors here. ”
- “ The teaching method is very effective. Dr, Tayebi is the best prof by far over my 3rd year being in LU. ”
- “ One of the only fun and practical courses in the semester.
Professor thoroughly knows the material/subject. ”
- “ This class is very interesting and keeps me stimulated from start to end. The ideas are always presented well and he takes the time to explain things more than once. You never feel he is rushing to get through topics. He is very knowledgeable about the topics and can relate the topics to real-life situations. He is an excellent instructor. His finals are very challenging but you feel you have actually learnt something when you are done. Excellent course. ”
- “ Dr. Tayebi is one of the best prof in Electrical Engineering department at Lakehead University. ”
- “ Great Professor, very clearly explains the topic and ensures the class understands by asking if there are any questions. I wish more were taught this method. ”
- “ This course was excellent, and the professor's mastery of the topics, along with their clear and comprehensive explanations and practical examples, greatly helped me understand how to apply these concepts in the real world. ”
- “ The course provides a clear explanation of control system concepts. The material is easy to understand, and numerous examples are included to enhance comprehension. The instructor presents the material well and patiently answers questions. I think this course is very good. The teacher taught it very carefully. ”

“ Professor Tayebi is a very professional teacher. His ideas are very clear, and his lectures are very organized. He can explain many abstract concepts to us with very simple examples or methods. He takes class very seriously and writes clearly on the blackboard, stroke by stroke, which enables us to keep up with his pace well.

He is the best teacher I have ever met at Lakehead University. I highly recommend taking his course. ”

“ I love Professor Tayebi. He has clear English pronunciation, excellent teaching skills, and can adjust the teaching pace according to our learning progress. He is also humorous and often brings laughter to the class. I am willing to give him a full score, he deserves it. ”

“ This course is my favorite in this term. I really enjoy it. ”

“ I really like the way the teacher explains things. ”