

GPCO 453 - Quantitative Methods 1 (Fall 2018) (Taught with Professor Teevrat Garg)

In Fall 2018, I taught Quantitative Methods I in the Graduate School of Global Policy and Strategy at UC San Diego. The course provides students with quantitative methods that are used for optimization and decision making. Statistical theory and regression analysis are also introduced. Here is a summary of selected teaching evaluations and student comments for this class. The percentage is converted from a survey in which students answer each question anonymously using a scale of 1–5. Missing data are dropped.

Table 1: Teaching Evaluation, Fall 2018

Question	Mean
Shane is well organized and prepared for class.	92.22%
Shane is genuinely interested in and enthusiastic about teaching.	90.83%
Shane is accessible to students outside of class.	92.22 %
I would recommend Shane to other students.	91.71%

Selected Student Comments

- Shane goes through the material in a very slow and methodical manner which was very helpful for the slower TA session.
- Shane is the ray of sunshine that lightens the dark, dark path of QM1. He understands the material so well and could explain the material clearly.
- Shane's lab is the best.
- Shane was immensely helpful during the quarter. He was readily available to students at all times and the information provided during office hours and labs were valuable.
- Shane is very good at explaining complex problems and ensuring you truly understand them.
- Shane has a talent for explaining concepts. He is patient, friendly, knowledgeable, and moves at a comfortable pace. He's great.
- He was simply friendly and seemed to care about us as human beings.
- Shane makes lectures funny!
- Shane is very clearly knowledgeable with the subject matter and is a confident instructor.