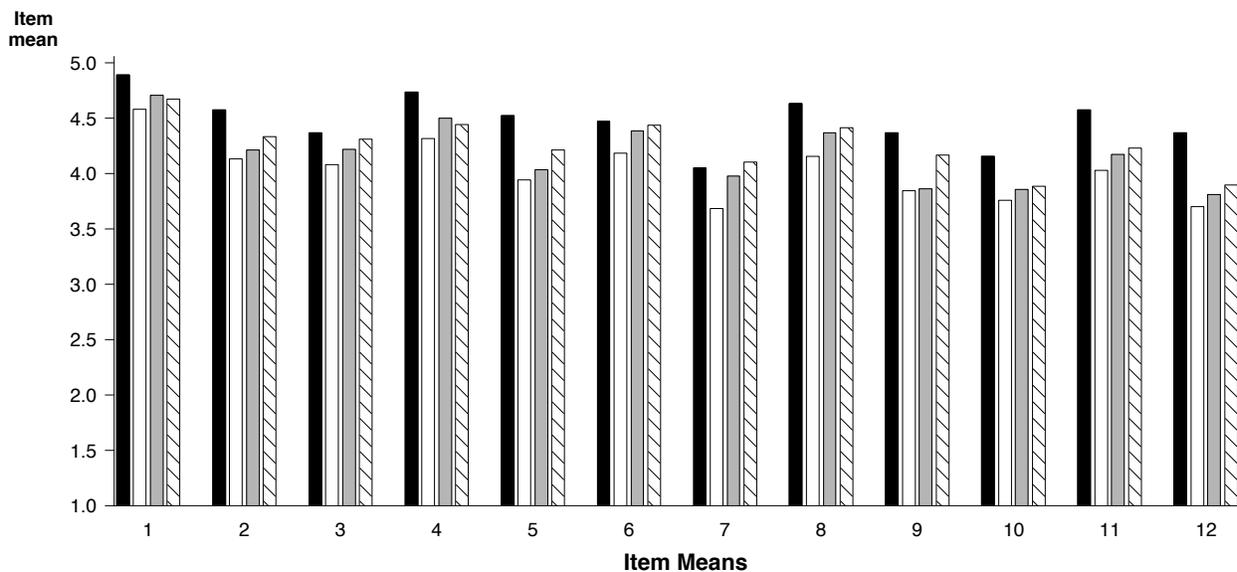


University of Massachusetts Amherst Student Response to Instruction (SRTI)
Individual Section Report
Mean Comparisons (Within Class Size)

Semester: SPR 2009 Instructor: FU, KEVIN
 Course: CMPSCI 201 Section #: 01 Class #: 12924
 Forms returned: 19
 Total enrollment: 34
 Response rate: 56%

				**COMPARISON GROUP: Undergraduate sections with 25 to 59 enrolled					
		Instructor		Dept: CMPSCI # Sections: 75 Resp. rate: 65%		College: NSM # Sections: 323 Resp. rate: 69%		Campus # Sections: 2,535 Resp. rate: 74%	
Item #	SRTI Item	Mean	St. Dev.	Mean	St. Dev.	Mean	St. Dev.	Mean	St. Dev.
1	The instructor was well prepared for class. (5=Almost always, 1=Almost never)	4.9	0.32	4.6	0.39	4.7	0.29	4.7	0.33
2	The instructor explained course material clearly. (5=Almost always, 1=Almost never)	4.6	0.61	4.1	0.48	4.2	0.57	4.3	0.51
3	The instructor cleared up points of confusion. (5=Almost always, 1=Almost never)	4.4	0.60	4.1	0.49	4.2	0.54	4.3	0.50
4	The instructor used class time well. (5=Almost always, 1=Almost never)	4.7	0.45	4.3	0.43	4.5	0.40	4.4	0.42
5	The instructor inspired interest in the subject matter. (5=Almost always, 1=Almost never)	4.5	0.77	3.9	0.59	4.0	0.59	4.2	0.54
6	The instructor showed an interest in helping students learn. (5=Almost always, 1=Almost never)	4.5	0.51	4.2	0.48	4.4	0.48	4.4	0.46
7	I received useful feedback on my performance. (5=Almost always, 1=Almost never)	4.1	0.62	3.7	0.59	4.0	0.55	4.1	0.55
8	The methods of evaluating my work were fair. (5=Almost always, 1=Almost never)	4.6	0.60	4.2	0.44	4.4	0.39	4.4	0.43
9	The instructor stimulated student participation. (5=Almost always, 1=Almost never)	4.4	0.76	3.8	0.66	3.9	0.61	4.2	0.59
10	Overall, how much do you feel you learned in this course? (5=Much more than most, 1=Much less than most)	4.2	0.69	3.8	0.48	3.9	0.56	3.9	0.52
11	Overall rating of this instructor's teaching. (5=Almost always effective, 1=Almost never effective)	4.6	0.51	4.0	0.56	4.2	0.56	4.2	0.54
12	Overall rating of this course. (5=One of the best, 1=One of the worst)	4.4	0.68	3.7	0.60	3.8	0.61	3.9	0.58



***Reported only if data were available for 10 or more sections. Means were calculated using combined data for academic years 2005-07.
 **Dept = all courses from the same department; College = courses from all other departments in the school/college; Campus = All UMass courses.
 For more information on comparison groups visit www.umass.edu/oapa/srti. Office of Academic Planning and Assessment, 06/22/2009*

Faculty Course Evaluation Comments (SRTI)

Spring 2009

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Fu

CMPSCI 201

Lect 01

12924

Architecture and Assembly Language

Enrollment (after Add/Drop) 34

SRTI Enrollment (end of semester) 34

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What do you like most about this course and/or the instructor's teaching of it?

The group activities in discussion

What about this course and/or the instructor's teaching of it needs change or improvement?

nothing

What suggestions can you offer that would have made this course a better learning experience for you?

More group activities/hands-on

Any additional comments?

excellent class.

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What do you like most about this course and/or the instructor's teaching of it?

Prof. Fu was very enthusiastic; it was easy to see that he really enjoyed teaching, which made it enjoyable for me to learn.

What about this course and/or the instructor's teaching of it needs change or improvement?

Wish we had more toys to play with

What suggestions can you offer that would have made this course a better learning experience for you?

More interactive discussion sections -- more hands on

Any additional comments?

We need moar like Prof. Fu!

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What do you like most about this course and/or the instructor's teaching of it?

He's very clear while teaching and shows interest in what he is doing.

What about this course and/or the instructor's teaching of it needs change or improvement?

More office hours - better times to accommodate the due dates

What suggestions can you offer that would have made this course a better learning experience for you?

Any additional comments?

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Great teaching style, always kept
my interest in the subject.

What about this course and/or the instructor's teaching of it needs change or improvement?

LC3 needs to be 32 bit.

What suggestions can you offer that would have made this course a better learning experience for you?

Any additional comments?

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What about this course and/or the instructor's teaching of it needs change or improvement?

What suggestions can you offer that would have made this course a better learning experience for you?

I didn't understand why malloc was needed. It was introduced early, which was good. But I was confused as to why I did not need to use it on either programming assignment. Now I understand the difference between Heap & Stack.

Any additional comments?

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What do you like most about this course and/or the instructor's teaching of it?

Interesting methods of addressing material
Good TA
Guest lectures

What about this course and/or the instructor's teaching of it needs change or improvement?

Introduction to C language is choppy, rushed.
I found it to be little help with the first few C
programs.

What suggestions can you offer that would have made this course a better learning experience for you?

Any additional comments?

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- Always interesting teacher is very enthusiastic about teaching the material.

What about this course and/or the instructor's teaching of it needs change or improvement?

What suggestions can you offer that would have made this course a better learning experience for you?

Accompany slides with examples on chalk board like Mr. Fu usually does.

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The course content was very interesting. I liked the stoplight implementation.

What about this course and/or the instructor's teaching of it needs change or improvement?

Your emphasis on rules and strict deadlines is expected since you are in security, but it is not fully necessary in the classroom. Learn to relax.

What suggestions can you offer that would have made this course a better learning experience for you?

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I like the order in which the material is presented; it makes a lot of sense.
Prof. Fu is always enthusiastic and listens to questions.

What about this course and/or the instructor's teaching of it needs change or improvement?

What suggestions can you offer that would have made this course a better learning experience for you?

More introduction to the ideas behind using the breadboards before we did the project.

Any additional comments?

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What do you like most about this course and/or the instructor's teaching of it?

The Prof always seemed to be
enthusiastic and he always tries
to involve the students

What about this course and/or the instructor's teaching of it needs change or improvement?

slow down!
Tic-Tac-Toe Proj was too long
to prog.

What suggestions can you offer that would have made this course a better learning experience for you?

"slow"

Any additional comments?

I hate assembly prog.

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What do you like most about this course and/or the instructor's teaching of it?

He takes his time to make sure we understand what he was teaching. There was never a time where he would just teach something as fast as possible.

What about this course and/or the instructor's teaching of it needs change or improvement?

More Assembly / C exercises besides programming assignments

What suggestions can you offer that would have made this course a better learning experience for you?

N/A

Any additional comments?

N/A

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What do you like most about this course and/or the instructor's teaching of it?

I liked Kevin's enthusiasm and down-to-earth style of teaching. Kevin has managed to turn what I think is a boring topic into an interesting class!

What about this course and/or the instructor's teaching of it needs change or improvement?

The beginning parts were a little slow, but it picked up pace well.

What suggestions can you offer that would have made this course a better learning experience for you?

I would have liked more time to play with the circuit boards!

Any additional comments?

Thanks for a great course.

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What do you like most about this course and/or the instructor's teaching of it?

I enjoy the material immensely and how Prof. Fu delivered very interesting lectures. The discussion sections were a good time to review difficult concepts, and the TAs were always working closely with US students.

What about this course and/or the instructor's teaching of it needs change or improvement?

I strongly advocate for more opportunities to improve grades because it seems as though the second midterm was (by comparison) extremely difficult. It didn't feel fair to me that by receiving a bad grade when I thought I knew the material well, I have endangered my chances of doing well in the course.

What suggestions can you offer that would have made this course a better learning experience for you?

Any additional comments?

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What do you like most about this course and/or the instructor's teaching of it?

He was Always very approachable and helpful

What about this course and/or the instructor's teaching of it needs change or improvement?

I thought it was pretty good the way it was

What suggestions can you offer that would have made this course a better learning experience for you?

I can't think of any

Any additional comments?

NOPE

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What do you like most about this course and/or the instructor's teaching of it?

Instructor was clear and concise with the material. He explained topics well and had a good system to keep organized and make sure he got through everything for the day. The circuit lab was very interesting and helpful.

What about this course and/or the instructor's teaching of it needs change or improvement?

A few of the discussions were exactly the same as the lectures, which was a honest mistake but a bit of a waste.

What suggestions can you offer that would have made this course a better learning experience for you?

I think more programming projects involving both C and LC3 assembly language would have been good.

Any additional comments?

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What do you like most about this course and/or the instructor's teaching of it?

The material covered and the often clear teaching of it.

What about this course and/or the instructor's teaching of it needs change or improvement?

Some times, much of class is spent on clearing up tangents that a student might have a question about, and hence the class moves slower.

What suggestions can you offer that would have made this course a better learning experience for you?

less explanation, more straight-forward curriculum

Any additional comments?

Fantastic work.