

## Report Comments

### INTRODUCTION

Teaching is a fundamental purpose of the University of Florida and the dissemination of new knowledge in our classrooms, studios, and clinics enables our students and trainees to fully explore their intellectual boundaries. Assessment and evaluation of our courses are designed to enhance instruction and maximize learning to meet the mission of the university. This report contains the results gathered through the GatorEvals system. Students were invited to share their feedback on the teaching and course material. We invite every faculty member to examine the analysis in the report and utilize the resources provided in the report. Thank you for your continued great work!

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### Center for Teaching Excellence (CTE) resources to help you with this report:

1. Visit the [CTE Teaching Strategies by Question GatorEvals](#) page for additional resources.
2. Register and attend a [CTE workshop](#).
3. [Register for the Teaching Excellence Academy \(TEA\)](#), a six-session series for instructors at any career stage who want practical, time-saving strategies they can apply immediately in their teaching practice.
4. Ready to take it to the next level? [Register for Elevate](#), a CTE initiative to help you create a customized trajectory for professional development, focusing on growth in areas you have identified through self-reflection over two semesters.
5. GatorEvals offers the ability to [opt-in to a midterm](#) evaluation. This formative feedback offers you a chance to address student insights and adjust the course before the term concludes. Reports are only available to you and are not considered part of the T&P process.
6. Schedule a [consultation](#) with a CTE staff member or your internal unit to help you interpret your results and develop a course of action.

For additional information and resources in each of these question areas, please visit the GatorEvals Website at <https://gatorevals.aa.ufl.edu/resources--policies/question-set/>

University Lecture Form

University Lecturer Evaluation Form - Comparative Scores

| Question                                                                                            | Your Score |        | DPT Mean (Undergrad-LAS(LS)-Physics) |        | COL Mean (Undergrad-College-Liberal Arts&Sciences) |        | University Average |        |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------|--------|--------------------------------------|--------|----------------------------------------------------|--------|--------------------|--------|
|                                                                                                     | Mean       | Median | Mean                                 | Median | Mean                                               | Median | Mean               | Median |
| The instructor was enthusiastic about the course.                                                   | 4.56       | 5.00   | 4.40                                 | 5.00   | 4.38                                               | 5.00   | 4.52               | 5.00   |
| The instructor explained material clearly and in a way that enhanced my understanding.              | 4.53       | 5.00   | 4.27                                 | 5.00   | 4.27                                               | 5.00   | 4.46               | 5.00   |
| The instructor fostered a positive learning environment that engaged students.                      | 4.47       | 5.00   | 4.41                                 | 5.00   | 4.38                                               | 5.00   | 4.51               | 5.00   |
| Activities and assignments improved my ability to analyze, solve problems, and/or think critically. | 4.42       | 5.00   | 4.37                                 | 5.00   | 4.35                                               | 5.00   | 4.49               | 5.00   |
| Overall                                                                                             | 4.50       | -      | 4.36                                 | -      | 4.34                                               | -      | 4.49               | -      |

University Lecturer Evaluation Form

|                                                                                                     | %(1) | %(2) | %(3)  | %(4)  | %(5)  | Count | Mean | Median | SD   |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------|------|-------|-------|-------|-------|------|--------|------|
| The instructor was enthusiastic about the course.                                                   | 0.0% | 0.0% | 5.1%  | 33.9% | 61.0% | 59    | 4.56 | 5.00   | 0.60 |
| The instructor explained material clearly and in a way that enhanced my understanding.              | 0.0% | 0.0% | 6.8%  | 33.9% | 59.3% | 59    | 4.53 | 5.00   | 0.63 |
| The instructor fostered a positive learning environment that engaged students.                      | 0.0% | 0.0% | 10.2% | 32.2% | 57.6% | 59    | 4.47 | 5.00   | 0.68 |
| Activities and assignments improved my ability to analyze, solve problems, and/or think critically. | 0.0% | 0.0% | 13.6% | 30.5% | 55.9% | 59    | 4.42 | 5.00   | 0.72 |

**Please identify the instructor's strengths that contributed to your learning in the course.**

| Comments                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
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| best physics prof ever. the review slides were super helpful, slides were easy to follow, explanations were very clear and great. easily approachable and office hours were very helpful                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
| Great office hours, good lectures                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |
| He always stays after class to help students better understand and he is very patient and clear with his voice.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |
| He was a very thorough and clear explainer.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |
| Ethan showed great adaptability throughout the course. He responded well to feedback and genuinely listened to student input. For example, at the beginning of the course, some of the lecture slides were a little confusing and the written-out solutions could be disorganized. As the course went on, though, the slides became MUCH better and more organized, concise, and easy to understand.                                                                                                                     |
| He is also a kind and friendly person who made me want to understand physics on a deeper level. I remember coming to his office hours one day upset about my first exam score. He immediately started asking about my study habits and what resources I was using, and then we jumped right into the problems I was struggling with. After solving some problems, we also talked about the type of work and research he does involving superconductors, and I was amazed by how much I learned from him about the topic. |
| Ethan truly made students feel like they belonged and greatly motivated me to keep working and do better. With his help, I was able to improve from a D- early in the course to a B- by the end, which says a lot about the impact he had on my understanding and motivation.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
| One thing I do wish we had more of was live demonstrations during lecture, since I think they would have made some of the physics concepts even easier and more interesting to understand.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |
| If there is one lecturer I would recommend, it would be Ethan! Thank you, Ethan! It was a pleasure being your student, and I wish you the best!                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |
| N/A                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |
| Spoke clearly and confidently.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |
| Ethan was a great instructor and has great review sessions. I felt that he was great at making questions to go over in class. he truly wanted us to succeed.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |
| Very enthusiastic about the course and taught decently. Problem is in a course like physics 2 the concepts are already pretty difficult so it's going to be hard to stick with the material when first learning it. When I asked questions he always gave me answers that enhanced my understanding, and he never accidentally told me the wrong thing.                                                                                                                                                                  |
| The instructor clearly explained the lecture material and practice problems throughout the lecture and answered all questions in a helpful manner.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |
| Loved Ethan. Well spoken, good at answering questions, good lecture pacing. This is my second time taking Physics 2 and I would say he is the best instructor I have had throughout both courses. Clearly passionate about the topic.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |
| Definitely enthusiastic and knowledgeable on the topics, I could tell from the lectures                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |
| This kid explains topics so well, he talks at a great pace and has good qualitative reasoning for equations. He actually helps you understand why things work the way they do and then teaches how to solve problems in the course well on top of that. If he taught every lecture in this course I think no one would get less than a 20 on an exam. I find that the topics taught by some of the OTHER professors in this course are the only ones that my peers and I fail to grasp on the exams.                     |
| The instructor clearly explained the lecture material, practice problems, and answered any questions in a very helpful manner.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |
| Compassionate, patient, and makes an effort to study the background that leads to the use of certain techniques and formulas.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
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| Great lecturer                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |
| Definitely cares and is relatable                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |
| The instructor defined new terms in lecture well and went through practice problems in a helpful manner and answered all questions in a way that was very helpful.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |
| Better lecturer                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |
| Spoke clearly and confidently.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |
| Great lecturer                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |
| Ethan is very skilled in teaching this content in an intuitive manner.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |
| Spoke clearly and did a great job of clarifying a topic when someone in our lecture was confused.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |
| Knowledgeable about the material, very open for help                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |
| Ethan did a good job in explaining the concepts in multiple different ways so that everyone could understand.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |