Student Numerical Responses

Class Mean: 1.14 Rice Mean: 1.58
Responses: 49

Organization: The instructor's preparation for class was:

Class Mean: 1.17 Rice Mean: 1.74
Responses: 48

Presentation: The instructor's presentation of the material was:

Class Mean: 1.04 Rice Mean: 1.59
Responses: 49

Responsiveness: The instructor's response to student questions and requests for help was:

Class Mean: 1.06 Rice Mean: 1.57
Responses: 49

Classroom Atmosphere: The atmosphere that the instructor created in the classroom relating to respect, support, chivalry, and equitable treatment for all members was:

Class Mean: 1.08 Rice Mean: 1.64
Responses: 49

Class Mean: 1.18 Rice Mean: 1.68
Responses: 49
Instructor Evaluation for STAT 310 001 (10203) - PROBABILITY & STATISTICS

Term: Fall Semester 2018
Course(s): STAT 310 001 (10203) - PROBABILITY & STATISTICS
Cross-list(s): ECON 307 001 (10567)
Enrolled: 51
Instructor(s): Ernst, Philip A.

Student Numerical Responses

Independence: The instructor's ability to encourage and foster the development of independent thinking and/or creativity was:

Class Mean: 1.06 Rice Mean: 1.57
Responses: 48

Stimulation: The instructor's ability to stimulate intellectual curiosity was:

Class Mean: 1.08 Rice Mean: 1.68
Responses: 49

Knowledge: The instructor's ability to inspire confidence in his/her knowledge of the subject was:

Class Mean: 1.12 Rice Mean: 1.43
Responses: 49

Effectiveness: Overall, I feel that the instructor's effectiveness as a teacher was:

Responsibility: The instructor attended class, was on time for class, and returned assignments in a reasonable time.

Class Mean - Average score within the CRN (if not cross-listed) or in cross-list group (if cross-listed).
Rice Mean - Average score across all CRNs at Rice for the term.
Once in a while, you have the opportunity to take a course with someone truly magical. Dr. Philip Ernst is one of those people. Never will you meet another professor of his stature who cares so much about individual students and the delicate process of teaching undergraduates. The first week of class he memorizes everyone's names in front of you in about 5 minutes. 49 kids. Done. He's a casual genius and incredibly humble, which leads to many unintentionally humorous moments of him describing some accomplishment of his as if it's nothing, yet the entire class is like WHAT. He practiced his lectures in front of the mirror for 10+ hours before teaching the course. Have you heard of that EVER? He's polite, intelligent, charismatic, and empathic. He's an excellent lecturer and even better person. Truly a remarkable experience to have had a class with him, and I am blessed to have had the opportunity to meet such a man.

Dr. Ernst is an awesome professor who really made it clear that his goal was for students to learn the material. He always made sure he was available for as many people as possible to come to his office hours and would hold long review sessions before homeworks and exams. It was evident that he dedicated a lot of his time to the class and the students' needs, which I really appreciated. He presented the material in a clear and easy to follow fashion, and learned everyone's name in the first week of class. Overall, I think Dr. Ernst was a very impressive professor who really cares about his students.

Dr. Ernst may be the best professor I have had at Rice so far. Not only does he know his material, he does an excellent job of explaining it and takes careful time to answer any and all questions until we understand. He is very understanding with grades and believes that if you know the material and show up to class, you shouldn't have to worry about your grade.

Dr. Ernst is one of my favorite professors. He wants all students to truly understand the material without them having to stress about their performance. Because of this, Ernst's class is one of the best I've taken. He is amazing professor AND an amazing person. Thank you so much for being understanding and working with all of us students.

Dr. Ernst is awesome in every possible way

Dr. Ernst is a great professor! His lectures were presented clearly, he was happy to answer questions in and out of class and he posted his lecture notes online.

Ernst took difficult material and taught it in a way that the class understood. He provided several times throughout each week for office hours and was always asking for our feedback. A great professor.

Dr. Ernst was one of the best professors I've had at Rice. He was extremely effective at explaining complex concepts and was very helpful outside of class. His reviews before homework due dates and exams were also incredibly helpful, and it was clear he wanted us to learn in the most effective way possible and was willing to do anything to help us succeed in that.

LOVE Dr. Ernst. He genuinely cares about his students and is a joy to learn from.

Dr. Ernst is one of the best professors I've had at Rice. It's very evident that he cares about his undergraduate students understanding the material and doing well in the course. He makes time for multiple office hours and help sessions a week and actively seeks feedback on how to improve the course.

Dr. Ernst is, by far, one of the best professors I've ever had. Not only does he constantly make an effort to ensure we understand the material by planning review sessions or re-explaining concepts, but he also just somehow also gets all of us extremely interested in the material. He only wants the best for his students and this can be seen in all that he does. If you get a chance to take a class with him, please please do!
Student Comments

Total Comments: 32

Professor Ernst is an exceptionally good person and professor. He provides all you need to prepare for exams, and make the exams as easy as possible. Moreover, his standards for A's are really lenient. If you ever want to take STAT310, take it with Professor Ernest.
12/12/2018 10:12 P.M.

Professor Ernst is so nice and patient. The class is pretty chill and the material will be easy after listening to his lecture. He will try to make everyone getting a good grade.
12/12/2018 10:12 P.M.

Ernst is a real one.
12/11/2018 02:12 P.M.

There is literally no one in the world who likes statistics more than the Professor Ernst. Utterly dedicated to his students, if he has a flaw it's that he is too accommodating.
12/10/2018 08:12 A.M.

Professor Ernst is amazing. Very passionate to teach and wants the students to succeed. Offers to give extra help whenever you ask. Always asks students if they have any questions before moving on to the next topic. Learned a lot and had lots of fun doing it which is very rare.
12/10/2018 04:12 A.M.

Professor Ernst was a great professor, and I can't imagine a better professor for Stat 310. He is very engaging and usually thinks of interesting statistical questions in history to introduce new concepts. He also does a great job making reducing the stress of grades and rewards those who attend class with the participation portion of the class.
12/09/2018 09:12 P.M.

Actually listens to students and is concerned with their opinions on the class.
12/09/2018 08:12 P.M.

One of the best I've had at Rice. Always willing to answer any questions in and out of class. He does not care to fail anyone, and openly states you can't get lower than a B if he sees you go to class and at least try. Despite his lax grading structure, students stay involved throughout the course and come out having a strong foundation in statistics. He has a fundamentals-driven intuitive approach to the course and likes to add a touch of philosophy every know and then which made the class MUCH more interesting than the other STAT course I had ever taken. Can't recommend his courses enough if you have the option.
12/09/2018 08:12 P.M.

Dr. Ernst is incredible! He is very nice and accommodating for the needs of the students. He graded assignments very fairly and returned them promptly.
12/09/2018 07:12 P.M.

Dr. Ernst is probably one of the best professors I've had during my time at Rice. I've rarely encountered anyone else who cares so much about each and every student understanding what's going on. He takes all the time necessary to explain and re-explain things even if only one person does not understand. He's also very passionate about the subject and it clearly shows - this increases morale of the class and just generally makes it a lot more enjoyable.
12/09/2018 01:12 A.M.

Dr. Ernst is very knowledgeable about the subject. He explains complicated subjects in a simplistic way. He also answers all the questions.
12/08/2018 05:12 P.M.

Dr. Ernst is one of the best professors I've ever had. He's kind, incredibly intelligent, funny, very open to helping students outside of class, passionate about the material, and a good lecturer. Unlike many college professors, you can tell that Dr. Ernst cares about his students' name on the first day of class, for instance. I hope I get to take another class with Dr. Ernst some day.
12/07/2018 06:12 P.M.

Dr. Ernst was an excellent teacher. He took his time to explain everything. He went out of his way to host extra review sessions. And it was clear that he genuinely cared if we learned the material. I can't give him a good enough review.
12/06/2018 10:12 A.M.

Ernst is one of the most personable, caring, and brilliant professors at Rice! He's a brainiac that can memorize a hundred names in one go and compute square roots in his head, but he's also a great people-person that can see the course from the student's perspective and anticipate difficulties in course logistics and conceptual understanding of the material.
12/05/2018 08:12 P.M.

Dr. Ernst is a great professor. He loves the material and tries hard to come up with examples that make it easier to understand. He is fair in his exam grading and accommodating to individual needs. Go to lecture, he will make sure you know what you need to know.
12/05/2018 06:12 P.M.
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Student Comments

Professor Ernst is an amazing teacher! He clearly cares that each student in his class learns and makes himself available to everyone for office hours. He is a very nice grader, which allows us to focus on learning stat and not worry only about grades.
12/04/2018 09:12 P.M.

10/10 teacher. Always willing to go above and beyond to help students.
12/04/2018 06:12 P.M.

Ernst is fantastic.
12/03/2018 10:12 P.M.

Total Comments: 32