Econ 11-Section 2, Spring 2010

- Professor McGarry is the best econ professor I’ve had here. Her explanations were thorough and easy to understand. Instead of using slides with the math already done, she took the time to go through every single example, on the board, step by step, by hand. She was easy to follow and her great personality made it feel comfortable seeking help outside of class. You can tell she genuinely cares for her students. Give her a raise. Stat.
- Professor McGarry is one of my favorite professors in the Econ department. She presents lectures in manner that is easy to understand. She cares about the students, and she makes sure we understand the course material. Although sometimes the material went by really quickly, I really enjoyed this class, and I think this class will prepare me well for Econ 101.
- Prof. McGarry is extremely friendly and approachable. Her lectures are clear and thorough and remarkably understandable given the difficulty of the material. The only weakness of this class is that I felt as if there were not enough homework and practice questions given to feel confident in having mastered the materials taught.
- Prof. McGarry is an extremely knowledgeable and passionate instructor and she is the best instructor I have had in the Econ department so far. Everything is amazing except sometimes the lecture pace tends to be a bit fast and it’s hard to keep up.
- Professor McGarry really made students feel welcome seeking help outside of class and really wanted her students to master the material. Sometimes she moved a little too quickly through lectures. I wish that there would have been additional practice problems outside of the hw. I appreciate the fact that she wants us to use the same book for Econ 101, but I didn’t find the book useful at all.
- McGarry is genuinely concerned with students learning the material and she makes herself available for help not only for the course but for anything concerning economics and possible jobs opportunities and career paths. She is really organized and her midterm was fair in my opinion.
- Professor McGarry is one of the best professors I’ve had at UCLA. Her concern for her students encourages them to master the material. It is clear that she wants her students to learn all the material and makes her tests to be very fair. Thanks so much!
- You are a very clear professor. You are kind, polite, clear, and very intelligent. I felt like everything was fine in this class. I think you could have taught us more material with the same level of mastery if you gave us more problems to complete but let them partly count towards our grade. I thought the way you integrated hw and exams was fine this quarter though. Thanks, I really like your way of teaching and will look for your classes so I can take more.
- Fantastic instructor, but it’s hard not to feel jaded by the econ program as a whole. Students consistently enter UCLA hoping to learn business-related skills to prepare them for their futures, but they don’t find these skills within the econ dept. More practical academics are necessary to maintain student interest.
- Try to provide more relevant material with what’s in the book, and sometimes the structure of the notes are difficult to understand. Otherwise, she’s a very concern professor which is good.
- Her lectures were very clear and information was presented in an organized fashion. You could tell she actually cared about learning. Everything she did was helpful (i.e. sheet of all the discussion sections TA’s office hours and her office hours through out the week was really nice) She was just a warm person to be around.

- Prof. McGarry is very concerned about learning! SHE IS THE BEST Econ Prof. I’ve had thus far. The only criticism I have of her course is that it was difficult to connect the book to lecture because we did not cover things in order, other than that everything was great!

- Prof. McGarry is the most genuinely caring professor I’ve ever had. She provides supplemental examples and readings, and even attempts to get to know the students in the class. She simplifies economics principles so that we can really grasp them. I’ve learned a lot in this class and it has challenged me to learn more about the subject.

- I thought professor McGarry was a great teacher. I really liked how she incorporated real world examples which made it easy to see how the material can be applied in everyday life. I did feel that sometimes the lectures jumped around a little and it was a little difficult to study for the exams. Also, I felt the exam had a few unfair questions. However, overall, I learned a lot from professor McGarry and thought this class was better than other econ classes that I have taken.

- Professor McGary is one of the best teachers I have ever had. Her concern for her students really makes it much easier to motivate ourselves to work hard and really learn the material. I am even considering grad school for Economics after taking this class. I rarely ever went to office hours for my other classes but McGarry is so welcoming and nice that I actually wanted to go to her office hours. I’m very thankful I had McGarry for Econ 11!

- Professor McGarry is the best professor I’ve had at UCLA because she is truly concerned about her students’ mastery of the material, she is an excellent communicator, her lectures are well organized, she is available for help even with her busy schedule and her class has inspired me to continue studying Economics.

- I think you really brought out the best in this course. This material could have been confusing and boring but you really made it interesting and intuitive. I knew this class was going to be a good one from day one when you gave us all those HW. Organization is a plus! Also, you are very easy to talk to. One note, I feel that the 2nd half of the course’s material was somewhat rushed in comparison to the 1st half. I felt that the fist ½’s material was a bit easier so it might have been better to have gone over it more quickly... Thank you for the awesome quarter.

- She’s a great professor.

- She’s super enthusiastic and sweet, and a really great teacher!

- I believe she really had no weaknesses. She always answered questions and was very thorough with the material. She always had many supplements to help the students master the material. Honestly, I’m ad that I didn’t utilize her class better.

- Amazing professor, really cared about the students and kept them engaged during lecture. Very helpful and great with making herself available. Very fair teacher and very helpful. Thanks for a great quarter! PS. Thanks for the cookies.

- Very concerned for student learning. I would love to take more econ class with her, although her class is difficult, I had Zame las t quarter for econ 11 and dropped and am so happy!

- The professor was very concerned about student learning lectures were very well presented!
- She is very experienced as a professor and explains everything clearly and is intent on our learning the material of the course. She is well-organized and makes us feel like the subject is worth out time and energy.
- Professor McGarry is definitely by far the best econ professor I’ve had at UCLA. Her lectures are straightforward and easy to follow. She is extremely helpful to the students, and she really cared about us! I gained a new interest in economics after her class. She made this quarter a great quarter for me! Thanks prof. McGarry!
- Professor McGarry is by far the best professor I have had at UCLA. She explains everything very clearly with multiple examples and provide summaries of the lecture afterwards. She provides ample help with review sessions for finals. Last, but not least, she actually cares about students, which makes lectures fun and entertaining. The con department needs more people like her.
- Absolutely one of, if not the, best professor I’ve had in my 2 years at UCLA. Lectures were very clear and concise, the professor made it clear what she expects from us for exams, and she is very concerned about students. I will definitely be on the lookout for any other econ classes she teaches and will love to take them.
- One of all the bus/econ classes she was the most personable. She really cared about us understanding the concepts mathematically and logistically. I loved how she did a calendar and discussion schedule for us. I learned valuable facts and I become more interested in econ I wish we had more extra credit or math help. Pace was a little too fast because covered a lot of material.
- I really enjoyed this class. Lectures were always well structured and clear. McGarry is a wonderful professor and she really cares about her students. She even brought us cookies! The book wasn’t really needed for this class because McGarry really explained everything very clearly.
- Well prepared class. Exams were difficult. I had taken this class before with Professor Zame and the course content was completely different. Went to discussion and OH every week. Sometimes multiple times and still did very poorly on the midterm. But I can tell the professor cares and she is clear in lecture.
- Talked too quickly and blocked the board so it was hard to read/ keep up, text a bit confusing.
- McGarry is very concerned about presenting the topics well. The lectures are very informative and interesting. She doesn’t go on to the next topic without making sure that students understand the current topics fully. I really enjoyed her lectures and I think that I learned a lot in this class.
- Good lectures presents good examples and explanations. Speak too fast sometimes prefer write somethings on board than rapidly saying things (AVC, MC, MR, ATC, etc) Good practice exams allowed students apply knowledge in class to tests.
- Professor McGarry was a very efficiently, caring and organized lecturer. I like that she doesn’t use powerpoint presentations and she seems very knowledgeable on all the materials. This course was very challenging for me mostly because the tests are weighed so much so maybe consider having homework worth at least a small percentage of our grade.
- Strong in all areas, really. Very motivated and there for students. Wish I made use of the office hours.
- Professor McGarry is very thorough and clear in her lectures. She explains the material very well is able to make it easier to understand. She also really cares about her students and that they understand the material. Overall, a very good professor.
- Great teacher. Made hard material manageable
- Instructor gave good examples and covered material well put pace during class was quite fast
- Professor was very organized and clear, but I still found course material difficult.
- Good professor. Clear lectures. Very nice and welcoming. Tests were a bit too tricky.
- She was very kind. Cares for students a lot. Good lecture notes. She printed out all times of office hours and discussions, very useful. Knows materials very well.
- Prof. McGarry is one of the best professors I’ve had. She is truly concerned about her students and their performance. She is approachable and very kind. She also returns the material to real life (interesting) examples. She is a much better professor than Zame, who I took last quarter. Thank you Prof. McGarry!
- You are the 1st professor I have given more than 2 “9’s”. Because your class is already so awesome I would suggest bring in group assignments to were the students can get more applications and participations.
- Bravo! Clearly cared about students, very nice, very helpful, very clear, easy to understand
- Instructor was very concerned about student learning. She would not continue lecture until all questions were answered.
- Focus too much on the visual learning style. It is obvious that McGarry is a visual learner, however, most people are audible. (Too many graphs)
- I have loved professor McGarry’s class. She’s the best professor I’ve had at UCLA. She really cares about teaching her students and is always available. I’ve learned a lot from this class and I really like how she draws in real life examples/issues. Overall, fabulous! =)
- I feel like there was a lot to cover in a short amount of time. Lectures were great but spending more time on them would have helped.
- I love the teaching style of this professor. She is caring and concerned with students. She explains concepts very clearly. Applications to real life are very helpful. Go Lakers! =)
- Very caring professor, organized, fun, held interest
- Best econ professor I’ve had. Excellent at communicating core concepts. Made sure students understood material. Provided outside help. Very approachable (not like Bresnock). Went beyond material to provide real world examples of concepts.
- Excellent communication of a difficult subject. Also, clearly interested in student learning.
- This is a hard class to teach due to the fact that we covered a lot of topics. Professor McGarry did an excellent job overall.
- Class was good overall.
- A more suitable textbook to refer to would be useful. I feel that the book was too advanced and difficult to follow.
- Professor is really nice and funny. I am so happy that she is willing to have office hour and arrange the review session. And when it’s not clear, she always ok to go over again. I love this professor. She is really thoughtful and also makes sure we know everything.
- Prof. McGarry was very concern with how we did and had an excellent method of teaching
- Prof was very good during lectures. Explain material well and allows a lot of time for questions.
- She’s very concerned and helpful. Good professor.