STUDENT TEACHING EVALUATION COMMENTS

ECONOMICS 130 LECTURE 2

MCGARRY, K.M.

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Great lectures, well prepared, organized and understandable. No complaints from me.

Good lecture, and the homework helps a lot to understand the textbook material, they are about the right amount. However, the class split into 3 short lectures per week, this is not so very effective on the time management.

This class had the potential to be very informative; however, it never lived up to that potential. The level at which the material was presented and tested was much too easy, reminding me of a high school class. Instead of being geared towards senior. I felt like I was back in Econ 1.

Professor McGarry is very concerned about us learning!! She was very helpful in answering questions about lectures and questions before the exams. Well prepared and organized.

This was one of best economics class I took. I’m actually considering a career in public finance because of this class and Professor McGarry.

Professor McGarry is one of the best economics Professors I have ever had.

Great Professor to have especially @ 9am in the morning. You were energetic, enthusiastic about the material which kept me up.

- I liked the extra credit where it gave me some more info on certain topics to read about.
- Thanks for a great quarter & have a great summer!

Dr. McGarry is definitely one of the best professor I have ever had. Her lectures are well-organized. I really like her style of teaching and her sense of humor. She knows the stuff very well and can answer hard question raise by students.

I feel extremely lucky taking 130 with McGarry. I had attended other’s lectures, and was confused be them. This professor is extremely clear, logical and neat in her lectures. The difficult material becomes more transparent & understandable. Excellent graphs of mathematical models in class. High pace made it a challenge to keep up.

Professor McGarry,
Thank you for a wonderful, well-presented, informative class! This course has definitely ranked among my top 3 here @ UCLA! In addition, I think this course is
immensely important for all econ undergrads and I would highly recommend this course to all of them, regardless of their interest level. You taught the course wonderfully and, I think, could make this a favorite course for all but the most-uninterested! I can't thank you enough for such a pleasurable class that I felt guilty for missing the one time I did! I would try to offer constructive criticism if I could, but there was nothing I found lacking! Good luck in all your future endeavors and it's been a pleasure!

Best Regards,
Scott Anderson

Professor McGarry is probably the best Economics Professor I had at UCLA. She cares about the students learning and enjoying the material. There is one incident that probably summarizes her the Best. I once came to her office for help. At that time she was preparing our exam so she would not let me in the office. She stepped out and both looked workable desk in the hall. As we found nothing she sat on the floor with me to explain me a graph. Thank You Professor.

I really enjoyed this course. I think that Professor McGarry is one of the best Economics Professor at UCLA. She was so enthusiastic about the material that it made it more interesting. I feel that I learned things that were really relevant. I am graduating this quarter, but I wish I had taken this class sooner, so I could have taken more public finance classes (That is how much I enjoyed the class.)

The instructor provides enough information relevant & crucial to the students’ understanding of the course material. She makes it pleasant to come to class and have a discussion in the topics being studied.

She uses all the teaching techniques that are available to professors (visual, auditory, etc.) One of the best Professor I've taken @ UCLA (of any department).

She was very clear + precise but she often went too fast. She would write a lot of information + I just ended up copying the whole time. There was not time to even take a breather. Sometimes she wrote too light on the bored. But it was nice to have an all female staff + such a prepared Professor.

Textbook was not helpful in understanding class material. Often in class, I felt like I was just copying down percentages and numbers. I did not like that. However, Professor McGarry is very knowledgeable & is a good teacher.

Instructor uses to much statistics in class. Statistics are not relevant for exams. Doesn’t talk much about more difficult material graphs.

Professor McGarry is an excellent Professor. She always comes prepared to lecture. I never feel intimidated to ask her questions or to repeat something. Her midterms are fair and returned promptly.

Professor McGarry was a very good and nice Professor. The midterms were very tough.
Professor McGarry is a good Professor, I knew she is very interested in what she taught, I wish she would have given us more real life stories and examples and less just putting up numbers on the board. But she is a solid Professor.

Thanks, Professor McGarry for teaching this course. UCLA need Professors like you.

Great teacher – very caring about students.

Probably the nicest, most caring Professor I have had my 4 years at UCLA. Great that she has real world experience as well. Respected her experience and knowledge. Approachable & willing to help. Great Professor. Don’t know why I am doing so poorly in the class though.

The Professor’s lecture presentations were clear, concise, and very organized. They pinpointed the important facts that the student needed to know. Her enthusiasm for the subject of her class is makes the class much more interesting. She was very concerned about student learning. Very good teacher.

Wonderful & informative class. McGarry made a great effort for us to understand her materials. One of the best econ teachers @ UCLA.

Very Pleasant teacher. Made economics interesting and easy to understand. Great structure to her lectures.

Professor McGarry is one of the best Professor at UCLA that I ever had.

Professor McGarry is an excellent Professor. Her lectures are incredibly well organized and easy to understand. Leah you are wonderful TA’s.

Real outgoing and informative Professor.

Sweet Professor! You care about students learning so much & your lectures are so organized + well-illustrated.

I don’t know how difficult this course is supposed to be but Professor McGarry makes this material seem very easy and she’s very patient about everyone know it.

McGarry Rocks!

Excellent Professor, knows and cares about material and students.

Extra credit assignments should be included in HW, which everyone should finish it.

Professor and TA’s are very energetic & enthusiastic in teaching I appreciate the course design. It’s interesting & fulfilling.
Professor McGarry is very great when it comes to communicating with the students. She is able to engage the class with the materials and it is a very good thing.

I thought this was one of the best Econ classes I’ve taken at UCLA.

Cookies-good =)
I like how she writes everything down & reviews the last 5 minutes of the previous lecture. Extra credit good.

Professor is great, she knew the material really well. Best of all, she knows how to teach not like other Econ Professor.

I enjoyed McGarry’s lectures a lot. She seemed friendly and her lectures were very clear and easily understood. The homework sets also helped a lot.

Very organized. But the material might not be that interesting.

Professor McGarry explained the course material very well. She made everything clear and easily understandable. Most econ Professor at UCLA are AWFUL (the econ department should work on this since we do pay to go to school), but Professor McGarry was GREAT.

Awesome Professor I wish we had more like her here at UCLA. I would take any class you decide to teach. Please continue your style.

Professor McGarry is one of the most enthusiastic and energetic econ Professor at UCLA. well organized.

I think Professor McGarry was a very caring and excellent Professor. She really seems to want to help the students as much as possible and I am happy to have had her as a teacher.

Very organized class. Probably one of the best Econ class I ever had.