

## COLLEGE OF ENGINEERING & COMPUTER SCIENCE COURSE SUMMARY

<b>COURSE</b>	<b>ME 1020-03</b>
<b>TITLE</b>	<b>Engineering Programming with Matlab</b>
<b>INSTRUCTOR</b>	<b>Dr. Scott Thomas</b>
<b>TERM</b>	<b>Spring 2015</b>
<b>NUMBER OF STUDENTS</b>	<b>15</b>

### GRADE DISTRIBUTION

<b>A</b>	<b>B</b>	<b>C</b>	<b>D</b>	<b>F</b>	<b>I</b>	<b>M</b>	<b>X</b>	<b>W</b>	<b>Drops</b>
2	2	6	3				2	2	

### RESULTS FROM TEACHING EVALUATIONS

# of Evaluations Scanned: 11

#### **NUMERIC RESPONSE SECTION**

*Students mark A-E: A=Strongly Agree (5 points); B=Somewhat Agree (4 points); C=Neutral (3 points); D=Somewhat Disagree (2 points); E=Strongly Disagree (1 point)*

- 1. The instructor was available for consultation**
- 2. Student responsibilities for this course were well defined**
- 3. Class time was well spent**
- 4. I learned a lot from the instructor in this course**
- 5. Course materials contributed to my learning**
- 6. I was challenged in this course**
- 7. Coming into this course I was motivated to learn this subject**

<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>7</b>
4.91	5.00	4.18	4.27	4.55	4.73	4.55

\*Out of a possible 5.00 points\*

## STUDENT COMMENTS (from back side of evaluation forms)

**Please comment on aspects of the instructor's teaching, such as clarity of explanations and examples, handling of questions, stimulation of thinking, and respect for individuals and their differences.**

- "He handled questions very well during class. I liked that you would walk around the class to help and answer questions."
- "I think the powerpoints at the beginning of the chapters help understand the background behind the material. I think maybe doing on basic problem after step-by-step in class would help."
- "Dr. Thomas was always available to help someone in class if they had questions and gave detailed explanations from topics that he considered to be slightly confusing or essential. He's very respectful to his students and is very available for help out of the classroom."
- "Professor Thomas is really good at making sure we know what needs to be done for exams. He also is very helpful whenever anyone has questions."
- "Could use more in depth teaching such as working through a problem with the class. Assignments were well thought and beneficial."
- "I really enjoyed the amount of freedom. "
- "This class was mostly based on learning from the textbook and asking any questions we had in class. I found this effective."
- "I liked the way professor Thomas taught this class. He would give a small intro to each chapter then just let everyone work while he answered questions this was much better than if he had just lectured the entire class."
- "While I understand Dr. Thomas's intentions with allowing us to teach ourselves, this strategy just was difficult for me. I did recently in this class but still feel as if there is a lot more I could have learned through lectures and examples."
- "I like the manual solution that you gave us. It really helped to learn the course."

**Did the instructor aid in your understanding of this subject? Please give specific examples consistent with your response.**

- "You could tell this was the first time teaching this class. Class as a lab time to do work is good idea but flawed. I often found myself confused and teaching myself. I think a little more lecture time (maybe half the class). This would give time to teach the material and go over a few examples problems."
- "Yes, Dr. Thomas was always walking around answering questions. Which helped a lot."
- "Yes, the format of the class where you would work on practice problems during classtime has really helped me get to understand the material. This number of problems that I did to practice is a great substitute for lectures in my opinion."
- "Ye, Professor Thomas was very good at answering questions and providing help when needed."
- "Yes and no. When lectures were given they did help me understand, but they were fairly infrequent. This was both good and bad in that I go more freedom during class time, but somethings were left unclarified."
- "Yes, he would answer any questions we had."
- "Somewhat I feel like a little more classtime should have been spent instructing/lecturing."
- "Yes, he made sure everyone understood the material."
- "Dr. Thomas was always kind and tried to help, however, being his first year teaching the course made it difficult on his part and mine when I got confused."

**Please comment further on any of the items which you were asked about in this evaluation.**

- “The tests greatly reflected the material covered. If you showed up to class you would have no surprise on exams. Dr. Thomas did a great job staying on schedule.”
- “This class would be better if there were short lectures about how different parts of MATLAB work. Especially for people with no coding background.”
- “I wish we could’ve got our exams back to see what we did wrong.”
- “In questions 4 on the front side, I gave a B, because it was up to us to learn the majority of the information from the book. Overall I found him an effective instructor.”
- “I appreciate the effort and I did enjoy having Dr. Thomas. He did what he felt was best to aid in our learning even if it didn’t work perfectly for me personally.”