

COLLEGE OF ENGINEERING & COMPUTER SCIENCE COURSE SUMMARY

COURSE: ME 213-02

TITLE: Dynamics

INSTRUCTOR: Scott Thomas

TERM: Spring 2011

NUMBER OF STUDENTS: 34

GRADE DISTRIBUTION:

A	B	C	D	F	I	M	X	W	Drops
7	10	8	5	2	0	0	2	0	0

TEACHING EVALUATIONS:

of Evaluations Scanned: 23

Q #1	Q #2	Q #3	Q #4	Q #5	Q #6	Q #7
4.61	4.61	4.61	4.48	4.61	4.87	4.17

STUDENT COMMENTS (FROM CLASS EVALUATION FORMS):

Question #1: 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.

- "Liked his attempt to make it fun. Also like how he had many in class examples"
- "Does a lot of examples, willing to explain anything. Very helpful and accommodating. Very good professor. He's my boi"
- "Every class had the same boring structure: Instructor copied notes from the handout, did examples, then repeat the process. Overuse of the term "trivial". Was over-controlling of the classroom environment making him unpleasant to be around"
- "Dr. Thomas was really good at getting concepts across and large amounts of completion graded homework worth a significant about of the grade is how I learn best"
- "Very well prepared for course. Website was very helpful. If extra material (ie statics) is added, it would be nice if the same level of examples appeared on your website. Nice job: thanks"
- "One of the best @ WSU"
- "Great! Provided hundreds of examples problems in class and on-line"

- "He was very understanding on the subject. Show examples to help us understand what we were doing. Even was able to answer question after office hour. He want me to understand and do well"
- "Dr. Thomas was extremely helpful at all times"
- "Great explanations/examples, but perhaps too many"
- "Gives detailed explanations on similar problems to what we get tested upon"
- "Showing us how to do the problems helped my understanding"
- "Dr. Thomas provided lots of examples in addition to the lecture"

Question #2: Did the instructor aid in your understanding of this subject? Please give specific examples consistent with your response.

- "Mostly yes. Gave many problems as examples"
- "Did not motivate students well at all"
- "Yes"
- "The examples were very helpful"
- "Mathematically, yes. I would like to see more visual aids/simulations to be able to better visualize the forces & resulting motion of the bodies analyzed"
- "Homework assigned helped"
- "Yes, he was often available in his office for consultation"

Question #3: Please comment further on any of the items which you were asked about in this evaluation.

- "I thought he was fine. However, going over a process on how to evaluate some problems would have been nice"
- "Wish that instead of giving examples more notes that he would solve through a few problems to let the students see the process instead of the result"
- "Previous exams were easier than ours"
- "The practice exams were deceptively easier than the actual exams. To think that the other Dynamics class that got these exams had it so easy angers me"
- "Great instructor"
- "Dr. Thomas is a good teacher, although the subject is ridiculous"