



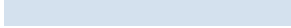


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 Course: **MATHV1102_001_2018_1 / CALCULUS II**
 Instructors: **Elena Giorgi**

Dates: **04/23/2018 - 05/03/2018**
 Responses: **22/27 - 81.48%**
 Number of Participants: **27**
 Enrollment of All Students: **27**

Instructor Graph Report for: **Elena Giorgi**

1 What is your overall assessment of the effectiveness of the instructor? N=22

1	Poor		0 (0%)
2	Fair		0 (0%)
3	Good		0 (0%)
4	Very good		0 (0%)
5	Excellent		22 (100%)
Median 5 Interpolated Median 5.00 Mean 5.00 Std Dev 0.00			

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Q1 Please evaluate your faculty instructor. What are the instructor's strengths? In what ways might his or her teaching be improved? In answering this question, you might address the clarity of the lectures or presentations and their relationship to the other elements of the course, the ability of the instructor to generate enthusiasm and facilitate discussion, the quality of feedback, availability, the timeliness of the return of assignments, etc.

- ELENA GEORGI IS A GEM. If you are reading this review, keep in mind that I am writing at a time where Columbia has slowly leeched the initial excitement of my first-year at Columbia out of me. I have been disillusioned with not only Columbia but higher education in general. Elena Giorgi's class is one of the only bright spots in my academic life at Columbia. As an instructor, she cares about her teaching and teaches in a clear and understandable matter. I understand that Columbia is a research university, but most of my ~highly regarded~ professors do not care about the effectiveness of their teaching and whether the undergrads in their class are learning or not. But, in Giorgi's class, a rare phenomenon in my experience at Columbia occurs: I go to class, she lectures in a clear and organized manner, and I actually learn. I could write an essay on how great this class is but here are some highlights:

Strengths: Organized, easy to understand lectures, addresses students questions and concerns, is willing to adjust her teaching/structure of the class according to what would be the most helpful for her class, highly responsive to emails/questions in general

Improvements: The final could be worth a little less. I think 30-35% is a fair amount. But the rest of the grade apportionments are fair.

Ability to generate discussion: Open to questions during lectures

Quality of feedback: personally goes over exams with you after it is graded, easily accessible through office hours or email, grades VERY quickly

- Prof Giorgi clearly knows the material well and can explain things very easily. She is a great communicator and responsive to email/office hours. Only comment on the course is webassign homework was not helpful for learning the material, just somewhat annoying.
- Elena Giorgi is a fantastic instructor. She understands the material perfectly and can articulate the subject matter in a clear and concise manner. She is very patient, understanding and is an engaging energetic teacher. I am very thankful she was my professor this semester.

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- Professor Giorgi is one of the best teachers I have ever had. Her lecture style is clear, concise, well-paced, as well as entertaining with her appropriate injections of humour in lecture. I can truly say that I have rarely learned so much so efficiently, and I have truly enjoyed math in her course. Professor Giorgi is very approachable and accommodating, both inside and outside of class for office hours, etc. She is very good at answering questions, and will do the best she can to explain her methods and thought process behind exams/grading/teaching. With Professor Giorgi, you really have the feeling that the teacher is on your side and willing to help in all her capacity.
- ms giorgi is an excellent instructor who is able to explain and elaborate in a very clear manner. Her lecture is extremely useful for learning both the concepts and problem solving skills. I can completely understand all the materials solely by attending the lecture, without doing the readings and optional problems.
- Professor Giorgi is a great calculus teacher, and one of the best math teacher's I have had at Columbia. She's funny while keeping the lectures clear and informative.
- she's a great professor cares about our strengths, she teaches clearly assigns only important,
- She gave practice midterms that were similar to the actual exam. She was funny. She always posted the grades on courseworks super fast.
- Really good at explaining everything. Was willing to accommodate based on my medical issues
- great instructor; available to meet one on one; good at explaining concepts; patient
- The professor is a very nice young woman who teaches very well and doesn't leave anything unexplained.
- Professor Giorgi was incredible! She was approachable and helpful during class and office hours. She was one of the very few math professors I had who tried to motivate the class with examples (of the topics) relevant in other subjects. She was always open to questions, and has answered them clearly. I would take another class taught by her again!
- I loved Professor Giorgi. Wonderful woman 'nough said.
- Elena greatly cares about the success of her students and encourages students to ask questions if they are struggling with the material. Elena also talked about the history of certain mathematical methods and notations which I found very interesting. Assignments were often graded within 5 days of submission which I consider expedient.
- SHE IS AMAZING. Culpa says other calc 2 teachers are the way to go, but she is definitely the best. She is clear, concise, nice, understanding, and really wants to make sure you understand calculus.
- Professor was great, very willing to work with students and made sure content was understood

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- Elena Giorgi is awesome! I found out on the last class of the semester that this was her first time teaching, and I was astounded. She's an extremely fair teacher in that she doesn't expect students to remember equations she struggles with, so those go on the tests's equation sheets. Her practice exams are structured and ordered just like the actual exams, so you know what to expect and what to study. After people take the practice exam, she asks about its difficulty before the test. Her tests are designed so that if you know what you're doing (what method of solving to use for the problem at hand) you'll do fine. She'll look over your exam when she gives it back and if she thinks her grading was too harsh somewhere she'll adjust the grade. She's just great.
- As mentioned before Professor Giorgi is an incredibly bright (and funny) professor. She lectures like a student, teaching students and that's invaluable to understanding the material. She goes over an insane amount of problems and suppleimnts with theory when needed. She wants us to understand how the theory applies to problems which, I believe, led to the overall success of many students in her course. When students ask for help, she gives it. When students are stressed about grades, she helps find a solution. I hope she teaches again, any student is lucky to have her.
- She is very clear on the materials in lectures. The class is also fun with her topic related stories and fun fact. She is also very approachable and encouraging!
I have gained a lot strong math foundations and confidence of pursue further as an econ-math major.
- The best instructor I have ever had for math.

She makes everything easier and she is amazing!!
