

# **GRS EC 709 A1: Advanced Econometrics 2**

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This course-based report contains an overall summary of scaled questions, as well as more detailed analyses of scaled and open-ended questions.

Please note that the textual analytics sections of this report (including the word cloud) are available only as a tool for the individual instructor and do not appear on any report produced for or by a chair or dean. Note, too, that we are piloting this specific feature of Blue reports and welcome feedback on whether we should continue to make use of it.

# **Response Rate**

| Raters         | Student |
|----------------|---------|
| Responded      | 10      |
| Invited        | 23      |
| Response Ratio | 43.48%  |

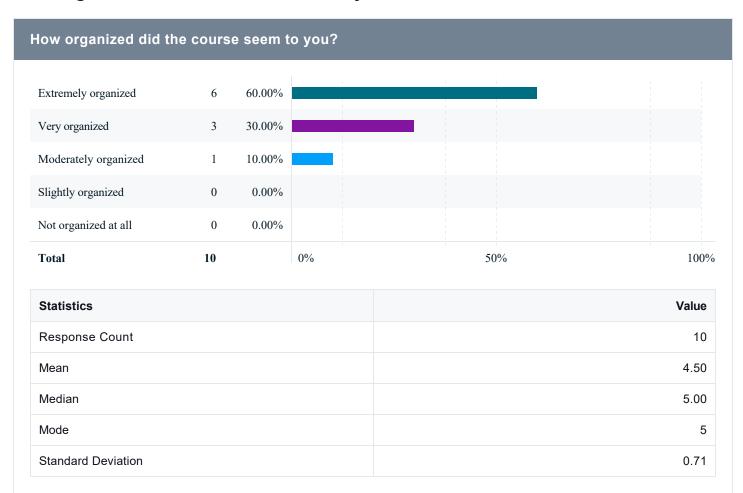
# **Summary**

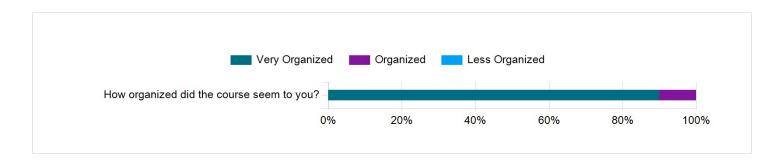
| Competency   | Average |
|--|---------|
| How organized did the course seem to you?  | 4.50    |
| How well were the course learning objectives communicated?   | 4.50    |
| How well did the course fulfill its stated learning objectives?  | 4.33    |
| How much did you learn from this course?   | 4.40    |
| How well did the course foster a sense of belonging and an inclusive climate that was supportive of learning for all students? | 4.50    |
| Total Score  | 4.45    |

# **University-Wide Student Course Feedback**

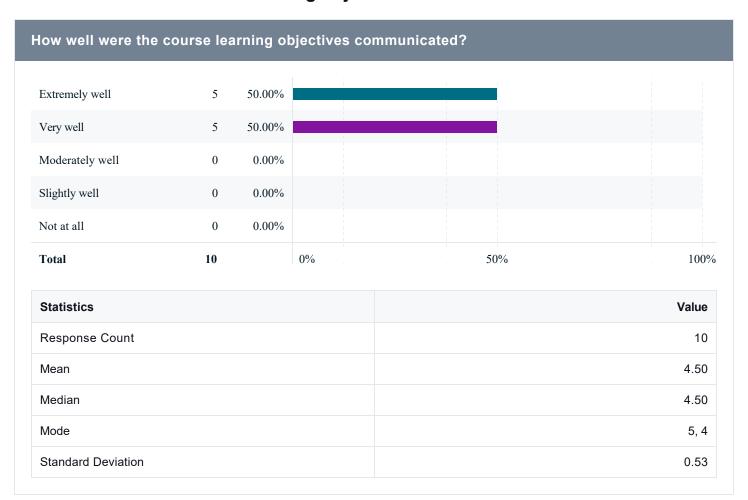
# **Course Content and Instruction**

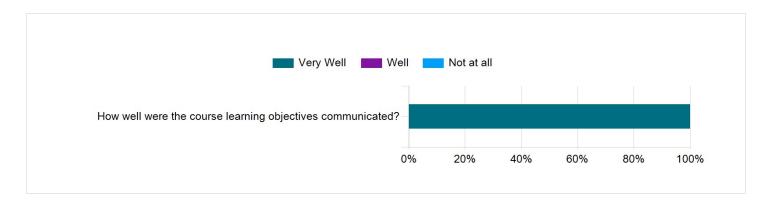
# How organized did the course seem to you?





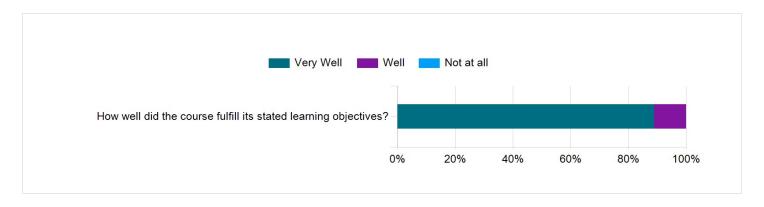
# How well were the course learning objectives communicated?



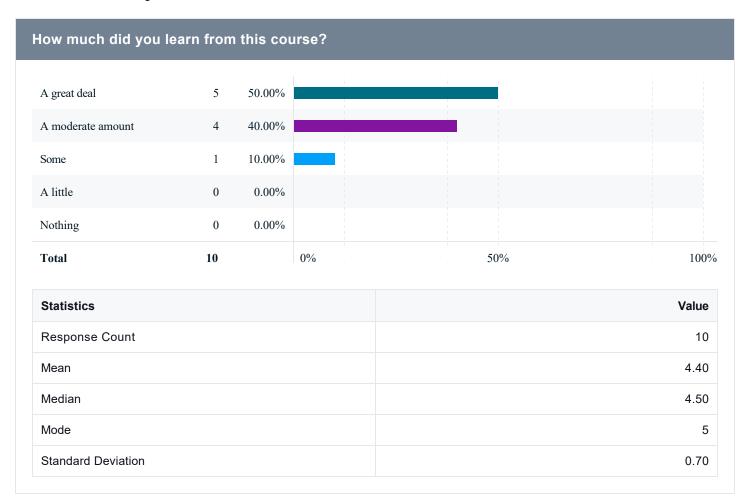


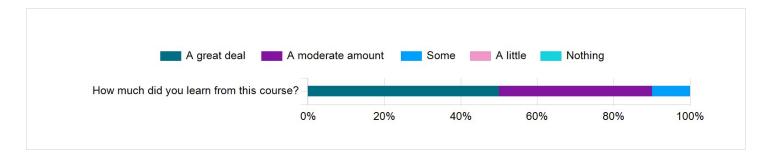
# How well did the course fulfill its stated learning objectives?





# How much did you learn from this course?





# Please explain your response.

### Comments

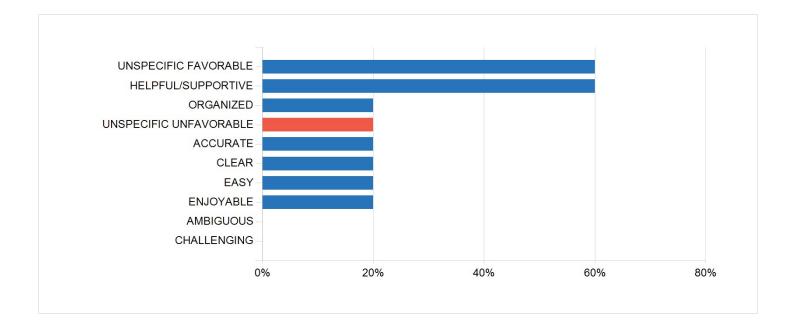
Liang is an excellent teacher, he communicates concepts in a way that makes them easy to understand intuitively. He is very precise and organized, and always willing to help.

Liang was generally good at providing perspectives on the teaching material, while supplementing it gracefully.

Liang is a high quality TA who was very helpful in all aspects of the course. I learned very little in the first half from the course itself, and so most of my knowledge came from Liang.

Liang's discussion section was one of the best TA discussions I've had as a PhD student. Liang explains key concepts from applied econometrics very well, and incorporates recent papers and frontier research into his presentations. His slides provide us with extremely current advances in the metrics literature. Moreover, he was able to answer all of our questions very clearly, and taught us a lot of content.

I really liked the TA sessions. They were incredibly helpful. I think sometimes I would have preferred a little more reviewing and explaining what Kevin covered in class and a little less new technical details or methods, but that is very much personal preference. For JJs part, I think I needed a lot more hand–holding on what was going on in class and would have been something I would like to see in TA sessions.



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| Attributes - t&l<br>[No. of comments] | Overall [5] |
|---------------------------------------|-------------|
| UNSPECIFIC FAVORABLE                  | 60.00%      |
| HELPFUL/SUPPORTIVE                    | 60.00%      |
| ORGANIZED                             | 20.00%      |
| UNSPECIFIC UNFAVORABLE                | 20.00%      |
| ACCURATE                              | 20.00%      |
| CLEAR                                 | 20.00%      |
| EASY                                  | 20.00%      |
| ENJOYABLE                             | 20.00%      |
| AMBIGUOUS                             | 0.00%       |
| CHALLENGING                           | 0.00%       |

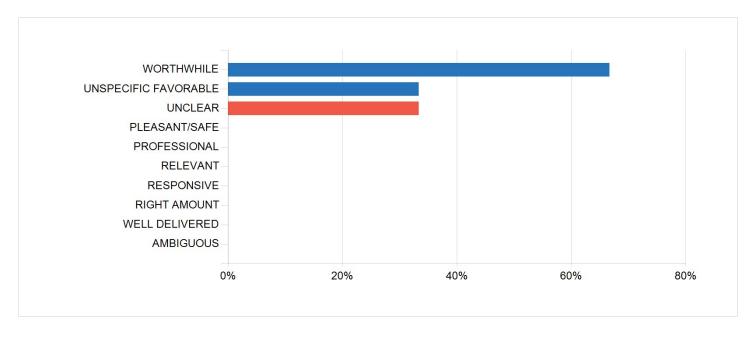
# What were the most valuable aspects of the course?

## Comments

Liang's TA sections were incredibly useful and generally much clearer than the curse itself.

Liang's knowledge of the metrics literature, and his ability to answer questions very well were some of the most valuable aspects of the course.

Understanding where the frontier research is and the technical details of material covered in lectures.



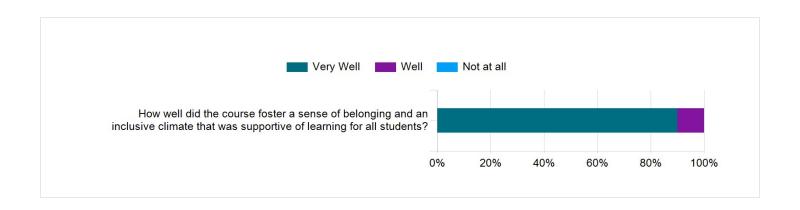


| Attributes - t&l<br>[No. of comments] | Overall<br>[3] |
|---------------------------------------|----------------|
| WORTHWHILE                            | 66.67%         |
| UNSPECIFIC FAVORABLE                  | 33.33%         |
| UNCLEAR                               | 33.33%         |
| PLEASANT/SAFE                         | 0.00%          |
| PROFESSIONAL                          | 0.00%          |
| RELEVANT                              | 0.00%          |
| RESPONSIVE                            | 0.00%          |
| RIGHT AMOUNT                          | 0.00%          |
| WELL DELIVERED                        | 0.00%          |

| Attributes - t&l  | Overall |
|-------------------|---------|
| [No. of comments] | [3]     |
| AMBIGUOUS         | 0.00%   |

# How well did the course foster a sense of belonging and an inclusive climate that was supportive of learning for all students?





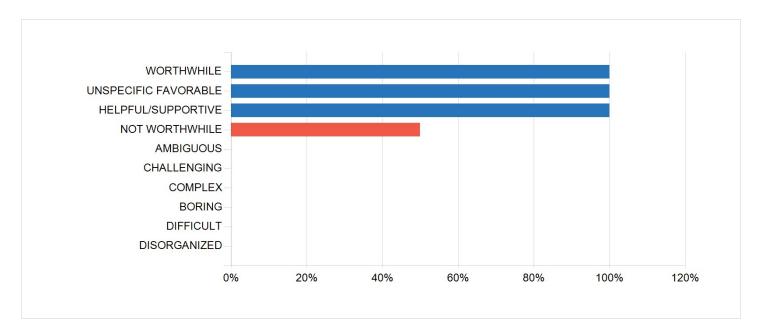
# Additional Feedback

# If you have additional comments about this course, please provide them below.

### Comments

Liang is a great TA, his slides are very useful, and he helped me learn through the first half of the course where the class itself was worse than useless.

Keep doing what you're doing! It was a great TA discussion section. I think you continued to seek feedback from us throughout the semester, which also helped both you and the class benefit more from the discussion. Your slides were great!





| Attributes - t&l<br>[No. of comments] | Overall [2] |
|---------------------------------------|-------------|
| WORTHWHILE                            | 100.00%     |
| UNSPECIFIC FAVORABLE                  | 100.00%     |
| HELPFUL/SUPPORTIVE                    | 100.00%     |
| NOT WORTHWHILE                        | 50.00%      |
| AMBIGUOUS                             | 0.00%       |
| CHALLENGING                           | 0.00%       |
| COMPLEX                               | 0.00%       |
| BORING                                | 0.00%       |
| DIFFICULT                             | 0.00%       |
| DISORGANIZED                          | 0.00%       |

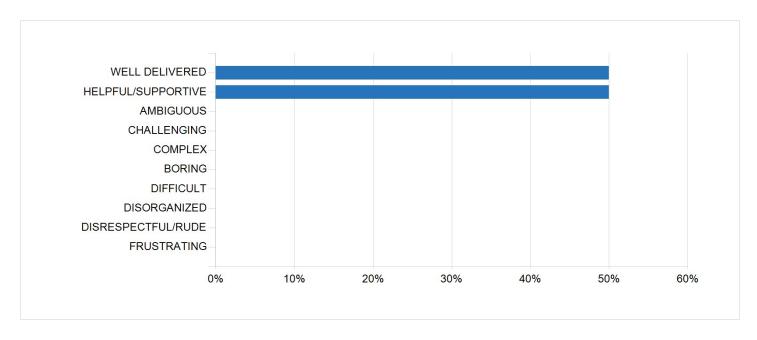
# **Student learning**

# What skills or knowledge did you learn or improve in this course?

# Comments

Every topic that we were meant to cover in the first half of lecture was actually learned during Liang's sections. Liang is very good at teaching the topics we were meant to cover in Kevin's half of the course.

As mentioned previously, I learned about the current work in various fields, such as DID, matching, RD, etc. This was very helpful for me as an applied microeconomist. Moreover, Liang filled in the gaps of our understanding throughout the semester in terms of the main content.





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|---------------------------------------|----------------|
| WELL DELIVERED                        | 50.00%         |
| HELPFUL/SUPPORTIVE                    | 50.00%         |
| AMBIGUOUS                             | 0.00%          |
| CHALLENGING                           | 0.00%          |
| COMPLEX                               | 0.00%          |
| BORING                                | 0.00%          |
| DIFFICULT                             | 0.00%          |
| DISORGANIZED                          | 0.00%          |

| Attributes - t&l<br>[No. of comments] | Overall<br>[2] |
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| DISRESPECTFUL/RUDE                    | 0.00%          |
| FRUSTRATING                           | 0.00%          |

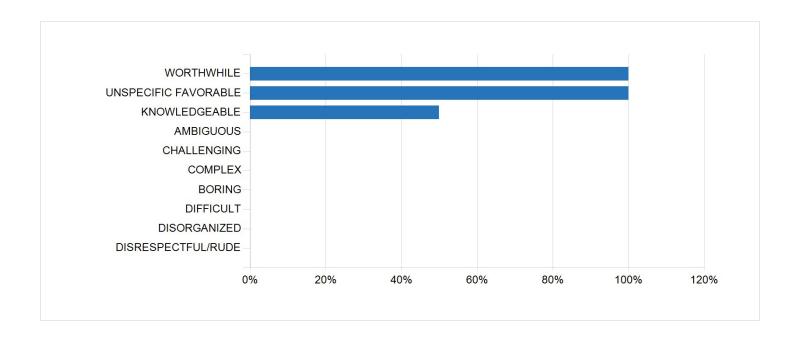
# **For Students**

# What advice would you give to students considering taking this course in the future?

### Comments

Attend Liang's TA sessions! He is very useful, and if you would like to learn the applied econometrics portion of the course, this is your best opportunity.

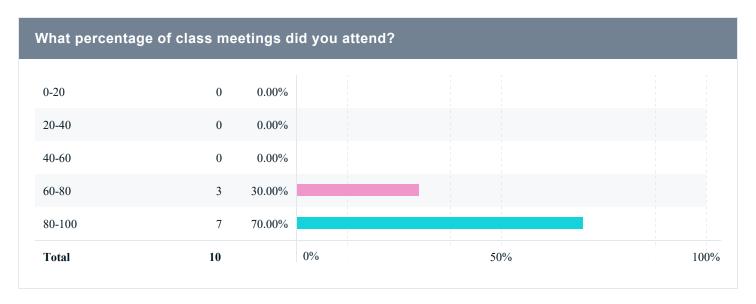
Liang is a great educator. He is able to adapt the content to make it useful for the students, and is very knowledgeable in many areas. I recommend taking his course!

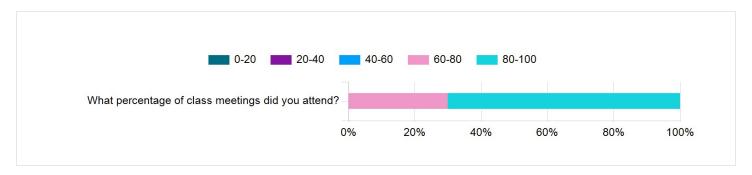


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| WORTHWHILE                            | 100.00%     |
| UNSPECIFIC FAVORABLE                  | 100.00%     |
| KNOWLEDGEABLE                         | 50.00%      |
| AMBIGUOUS                             | 0.00%       |
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| COMPLEX                               | 0.00%       |
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| DISRESPECTFUL/RUDE                    | 0.00%       |

# What percentage of class meetings did you attend?





# Outside of class, how many hours per week on average did you spend preparing for class and working on course-related projects and assignments?

