

UC RIVERSIDE - Student Comments of Instructor, Laboratory Courses - Spring 2021

Course: CS 161L Section: 021 - LAB-DESGN & ARCHTCTR COMP SYS Instructor: Yujia Zhai

Question # 20: YOUR CONSTRUCTIVE COMMENTS ON YOUR GRADUATE STUDENT INSTRUCTOR'S TEACHING SKILLS ARE EXTREMELY IMPORTANT. PLEASE WRITE YOUR COMMENTS IN THE TEXTBOX BELOW. PLEASE LIMIT YOUR COMMENTS TO 2000 CHARACTERS.

- Great TA! Absolutely nothing negative I can think of for Yujia.
- Yujia Zhai is a very helpful and amazing TA. Without him, us students would be very lost. Each lab, he has given incredible help with any confusing material and has shown that he cares about the undergraduate students. Even during office hours, he is just as committed to helping students get on the right track. He is probably one of the best TA's I've ever had.
- I've had yujia for what seems like at least 2 or 3 classes, and each time he's been a helpful TA. I have to say that this class' content particularly was a bit harder to help, I don't want to blame that on him per se, because I think he did more than the professor to help (with coding labs specifically). Taking the class over quarantine is hard but I think he did his best.
- one of the best TA's in BCOE. extremely helpful and makes himself available. has a great understanding of the labs and is able to explain every part of the lab. clearly explains all parts of the labs and answers all questions.
- The TA was extremely helpful with the labs for this class. Any confusion I had was cleared up in the lab sections. Also, when going over the code, he explained why the syntax was written the way it was written. As someone who has not used verilog and other coding languages in a while, the TA's explanations were extremely helpful.
- Yujia is honestly a one of the best TA's I've ever had. He always explained each lab clearly, provided us with help, and was not difficult to approach. He really seemed like he cared and was on our side.
- One of the best TAs I've had in awhile. Overall great teacher. Explained everything to a T.
- Yujia is hands-down the most helpful teaching assistant I have run into so far. Very helpful, walks through the assignment with the students. He explains himself and the thought process very thoroughly behind his approach to the assignment, instead of blindly handing out the answer on a silver platter.
- Best TA ever.
- The lab was conducted extremely well. The sessions were really helpful, and it made the labs much easier to do.
- Explains lab well. For some of the labs, he showed us how to do the labs. However, the labs were difficult to understand (especially since it seemed like he didn't show us all the hints at the end). Sometimes, while following him, I would struggle to figure out exactly what changes I should make to my code. Otherwise, I liked lab.
- Very good T.A.
- Yujia was very helpful during this quarter. He was aware of the fact that Verilog is not a language most students are familiar with. He took that into account and helped us to understand the way the language worked. Just as important, he helped us to understand how the MIPS processor works. Every aspect from binary math to pipelining, Yujia went over. If anyone had a question, he would do his best to answer.
- Yujia is very understanding. He explains concepts very well and that helps me a lot. He is also very patient and nice to students when we have questions.