

Hi Everybody,

This final note is posted on our main class website along with the comprehensive student evaluations, and SurveyMonkey results.

In the student evals, 21 of the 32 students rated me and the class about 3.7/5.0, as compared to the department average of about 4.2. The comments (all are posted on the website) are varied and are rather critical in my opinion. There was a common thread of requesting more structure for the projects. I don't know how to do this, but will wrestle with it. I've got two years to figure it out.

I think the most relevant comment dealt with truth in advertising. I should spend more time on the first day making clear what the course is and what the course is not, including the way that you will be graded.

16 of you filled out the SurveyMonkey. Thanks.

There is a strong call to improve the structure of the projects:

- 1) Make part of the project a question on the problem set.
- 2) Have a short presentation on the project around mid-quarter.
- 3) Develop better relationships and communication with outside.

Your communication to me is always welcome.

Thanks, and have a good summer

Pete