

Instructor: Christensen, Jens G.

Course: Linear Algebra

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Reason(s): Elective within major or minor  
 Other requirement  
 Interest in the course material

Additional Reason(s):Effort:Understanding & Appreciation:Intellectual Growth:Quality:

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9: A	15: A	20: A	19: A	6: A	22: A
12: A				11: A	
18: A				16: A	

Student:2

Reason(s): Exploration of possible major or minor  
 Interest in the course material

Additional Reason(s):

Effort: When I have time I would watch the video lectures the night before class and come to class already understanding some material. Sometimes I just go to class and watch the lecture in real time. I do the in class and hand in portions of the problem sets every week and use the extras as review for tests.

Understanding & Appreciation: I think this class content was simple and straight forward. It's hard to say how much I can appreciate it without having used it as my learning basis in the future.

Intellectual Growth: I think the format is interesting and it allows for the student to self study a lot. I have definitely learned to self pace my study better.

Quality: I think the format of uploading the video lectures and just having those recorded lectures as class content is interesting. It's definitely helpful because it's a morning class and people might not all be in EST. It's also easy for students to catch up or just go back to the lecture if they missed or were unsure about something. But at the same time it also kind of discourages people to go to class sessions because you can just watch the videos yourself. I think the class should have something for people attending to gain. Besides the format, I think Professor Christensen is awesome. He is accessible and explains anyone's question clearly. One minor fault is that his slides have somewhat frequent errors that don't align with his videos, but they get fixed (mentioned through email) very quickly.

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1: SA	3: SA	8: A	5: SA	2: SA	13: N
7: A	10: SA	14: A	17: A	4: A	21: N
9: A	15: A	20: A	19: A	6: SA	22: A
12: A				11: A	
18: SA				16: A	

Student:3

Reason(s): Elective within major or minor

Additional Reason(s):

Effort: As the material was more abstract than other kinds of math, it was difficult to visualize the math I was doing. I used outside sources to learn more about the concepts.

Understanding & Appreciation: We worked through practice problems together so we could see how to apply what we were learning in the class. Question sessions after lecture also helped relieve questions at hand.

Intellectual Growth: It was interesting to see how this field of math was being used in many aspects of our world and made me appreciate how much math makes living life easier than when we didn't have these available.

Quality: If we had more practice problems it would help better understand how to solve problems using the techniques. It would also

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be nice if there were other components making up the grade for the course, as there were only the four exams that was used for the total course grade.

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1: A	3: A	8: A	5: A	2: A	13: D
7: N	10: SA	14: D	17: A	4: N	21: D
9: A	15: A	20: A	19: SA	6: N	22: N
12: A				11: A	
18: A				16: N	

**Student:4**

Reason(s): Major or minor requirement

Additional Reason(s):

Effort: I put a great deal of effort in this class since it is a part of the major I am trying to pursue. I worked on the class homework every week except for one or two due to some issues that got in the way. Even though they weren't graded in any way, I tried to complete the homework to further my understanding in the material.

Understanding & Appreciation: We learned more about not just the math of linear algebra, but also proving how the math is the way it is. So, it caused me to understand more about how the math worked out to be more so than usually simply learning about what the method was.

Intellectual Growth:

Quality: Professor Christensen was an okay professor. His lectures became boring since they were simply videos instead of him teaching us. He just put the video on for our 8 am class and then we were to watch it for 45 minutes and then we would talk about if there were any questions. For a STEM class, you should usually do one of two things. You should either teach during the scheduled time or give the video before and tell us to watch before so that the class is only asking questions and working on problems. I never would want to wake up early to watch a video that I could do on my own at a more reasonable time. I would want to wake up and learn from a professor instead of watching a 45 minute long video. He took a long time to give us back our exams, as I usually received my exam about three days before the next exam. Each exam was a month apart.

Another issue I had with professor was that he was not very kind to when I had an issue with an exam. I was having computer issues and I took more time for an exam that anticipated. This was something completely out of my control, yet he still decided to take off points for my exam. I have worked hard in this class to get a good grade, but because of something that I had not been able to control, my grade was heavily affected.

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7: D	10: A	14: A	17: D	4: N	21: NA
9: D	15: A	20: A	19: D	6: A	22: A
12: A				11: A	
18: A				16: A	

**Student:5**Reason(s): Elective within major or minor  
Reputation of the instructorAdditional Reason(s):

Effort: I put a lot of effort into this course. The course required consistent practice solving problems and attending office hours regularly in order to master the material before each exam.

Understanding & Appreciation: Professor Christensen taught the material very thoroughly and clearly which allowed me to learn a lot. I really enjoyed this course and I feel like through his lectures and practice problems I have a strong grasp on the material.

Intellectual Growth: This course contributed to my intellectual growth beyond the course subject because Professor Christensen taught us aspects of linear algebra that have real world applications. By using examples of linear algebra in different industries and technology, it allowed us to further understand the importance of the subject and make connections.

Quality: Professor Christensen is a great professor who wants all of his students to do as best as they can. It is clear that he cares a lot about each student. He returns homework very quickly and is always eager to help answer questions both in class and in office

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18: SA				16: SA	

**Student:6**

Reason(s): Major or minor requirement

Exploration of possible major or minor

Additional Reason(s):Effort: I studied hard for this course, reviewing the lectures and regularly doing optional homeworks.Understanding & Appreciation: It has pushed me to pursue a math minorIntellectual Growth: n/aQuality: Professor Christensen was very clear in his instruction and incredibly methodical showing all his students step by step how to solve a question or explaining an idea. It was really nice to take his course and despite the pandemic, I feel like I am finishing the semester, confident in my knowledge.

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12: SA				11: A	
18: SA				16: SA	

**Student:7**

Reason(s): Major or minor requirement

Additional Reason(s):Effort: I put in moderate effort.Understanding & Appreciation: This class is very challenging but I learned a lot through doing problem sets and taking notes asking questions in class.Intellectual Growth: I dont think it helped me with intellectual growth. It is very quantitative and challenging but the skill is definitely necessary.Quality: I think he is a great teacher and is always available to help students.

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