College Algebra Fall 2002
Swatee Naik

GREAT TEACHER
TEXTBOOK A LITTLE DIFFICULT TO USE

Swatee Naik was very helpful and knowledgeable. She was always prepared.

THE COURSE WAS COVERED VERY WELL IN ALL ASPECTS. THE TEXT WAS VERY HELPFUL ALSO.

THE CLASS WAS TO BUCKLED DOWN! EVEN IF YOU GOT THE RIGHT ANSWER YOU COULD STILL BE DOCKED MANY POINTS.

I do like the instructor. She is very sweet. I have never been very good at math & I don't know why I took this course. If I had been a more math oriented student I may have had an easier time learning. She's a good teacher.
Stat 152 Spring 2005
Swatee Naik

Very nice and fun teacher.
I just don't like Stats.

The course was very well taught. Instructor Swatee Naik was a great teacher and made the class fun!

I really enjoyed this course and the instructor. Although the exams were a little difficult.

Sometimes it was difficult for me to understand the concepts explained in class. I found it helpful to go and read the book. Minitab was very helpful when it came to doing homework assignments.

I like our teacher. She was always willing to help us with any problem we had.

Thank you for being so understanding when it came to personal problems and thank you for helping through e-mail.

Two instructors by Dr. Naik were recommended here as excellent course instructors. This homework was fair by how it is this term.
Business Calculus Fall 2000, Swatee Naik

I thought the instructor did an excellent job making sure that everyone understood everything before moving on to the next subject. She was more concerned about us understanding than sticking to a set course. The only problem was that when she changed homework problems for the tests, the way the problem was changed, changed the whole problem I feel was one of the best teachers I have come across in 2 1/2 yrs @ uni.

Mrs. Naik is a very nice teacher and although this is my worst subject - I learned more from her than I have most other math teachers. She is a great teacher very willing to help all the time.

I thought that it was very good, and the tests were very fair. Hope to have this teacher again.

I think this course along with the teacher was very beneficial. She was willing to help us in any way she could. She even offered 2 types of extra credit. I learned a lot in this course and am very happy.
Business Calculus Spring 2003, Swatee Naik

I enjoyed this class very much. I have not had math in 16 years, but this class was very challenging, but Swatee was always there to help and answer any questions.

Ms. Naik made calculus, a difficult subject, easy to understand and fun at times. Her enthusiasm for the subject is apparent. She is an excellent instructor; very helpful.

I liked the course because I learned a lot and understand the material. I really like Ms. Naik because she is helpful and always willing to help people understand the material.

I do not consider myself a good math student, was very afraid of Calculus. But I feel that she made the material understandable and was very helpful. At times she did seem to go a bit too fast.

This instructor is very good, I am retaking this class, and it is very nice to have a teacher that is easy to communicate to.

The instructor did a great job at helping students with material. I would be at her office, and she would always show me what I did wrong, and how to make it right. She made the material easy to understand.
Differential Equations, Spring 2003
Swatee Naik

Dr. Naik is a good instructor. Very fair.

The teacher taught very well despite the terrible textbook.

The text was hard to understand without the help of lectures. I really liked diff eq. Swatee is a great teacher and I have really enjoyed having her!

The teacher was very helpful in overcoming my math inadequacies for not having a math class in a very long time.

There wasn't much I didn't like. I think more technology should be used.
Differential Equations, Spring 2003
Swatee Naik

Professor Naik was wonderful. She was also very encouraging.

The textbook on the other extreme was horrible & confusing. It was for the professor I wouldn't have been able to interpret it. The book had incomplete scattered explanations that were not clear.
The course website was very helpful, especially when I missed class.

This was a good and useful course.

The course was very well planned and was presented in a way that made the material not too difficult, but not easy. Swatee Naik is an excellent instructor.

The material was very difficult, but Prof. Naik was very thorough and made every attempt to help us understand it.

Diff Eq
Fall 04
Swatee Naik

Dr. Naik is a great teacher and always open to helping students. I didn't particularly like the textbook, but she did a great job explaining the concepts.

The instructor was very helpful outside of class.

The textbook was very easy to read and follow.

One of the best math teachers I have had.

I liked the format of her class and the fact that we did not have to turn in homework. Instead, I got graded on the material.

Great class.
Maybe include more proofs in homework.

I enjoyed taking this course. I liked how structured the class was.
Linear Algebra, Summer 2003, Swatee Naik

I liked how the class had other assignments and wasn't based solely on exams. I liked how the instructor understood that people need time to finish exams and always provided that extra time when needed.

Counsel was good, I thought.

I learned a lot even though I always failed the exams.

Good class, though.

Good teaching.

Everything was great, only suggestion may be to look into some other textbooks.

"The problems in the book were hard to understand and were very unclear."

"The homework would have been more beneficial if we had them back sooner, but because the grader did not return them in a timely fashion we did not get as much feedback as I would have liked."
Abstract Algebra, Fall 2002, Swatee Naik

I thought Dr. Naik was an excellent teacher. She made a genuine effort to make sure the material was understood.

I was disappointed that the course ended early - we didn't need to spend so much class time reviewing.

I was quite pleased with this class. Although this course was on very hard material, Dr. Naik's personality and ability to communicate ideas made this class very pleasurable.

Swatee is great. She is probably my favorite teacher in the department. I instructor is awesome. If I could have put a better score for "Respect students and communicate a genuine desire to help students learn," I would have.

WELL TAUGHT COURSE
Abstract Algebra, Fall 2004, Swatee Naik

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The textbook was very easy to read and follow.

The material was very difficult, but Prof. Naik was very thorough and made every attempt to help us understand it.

I enjoyed taking this course. I liked how structured the class was.

I liked the format of her class and the fact that we did not have to turn in homework instead just grizzled on the material.

Great class. Maybe include more proofs in homework.

This was an enjoyable course.
Topology, Spring 2001, Swatee Naik

Doctor Naik is EXCELLENT. I wish she could also teach MAH 310 & 311. I would NOT like UNR to lose HER.

I really enjoyed the class and the teacher. She is the best math professor I’ve ever had.

Sometimes I felt that we should have been a little more challenged on the homework.

This class was taught very well. The teacher is very knowledgeable in this subject. She does a very good job at conveying the information. She was available for office hours whenever I dropped in to see her.

Great Instructor.
I wish I had taken more classes from her.

This instructor should instruct other instructors.

Probably the best teacher I’ve had in more than 7 years at UNR. Very effective teaching. You even show a little (I thought “enough”) concern for the fact that some of us were not doing as well as you would expect, and I think your expectations are good.

Your own HW questions are very effective—your own style and pointed to exactly what we should know. The test problems (beginning of the semester) were a little abstract compared to lectures. I would guess that may be due to unfamiliarity with the concepts, but we do some straight-from-analysis.
Topology Spring 2001  
Swatee Naik

Swatee is helpful with her assignments. She prepared me for the exams a lot.
Swatee’s teaching style is relaxed and allows students to feel at ease to ask questions.
She is interested in the students’ progress and is available when we need her. I enjoyed the class and feel I’ve learned a great deal. My only suggestion is to have the last HW before an exam earlier.

One of the best instructors I’ve ever worked with!
Her willingness to give help outside of class was much appreciated.

Thanks,  
Prof. Naik.

Dr. Naik is a very good plath instructor. The equation sheet, I think, is an unfair evaluation for her. There should be a category for "beyond expectation" since she met this criterion. Visiting her during and after office hours left me with a better understanding of the class.

I hope to have her in future classes as an instructor.
Topoogy, Spring 2002, Swatee Naik

Dr. Naik is one of the best instructors I've ever had. She is always very clear when explaining the material and willing to answer any and all questions without belittling anyone. Prof. Naik did a great job teaching this hard class, it is difficult and she explained it very well.

Great class. Love your teaching style. Great choice of difficulties. Except the one outside somewhere.

Dr. Naik is a very good professor. I wish they taught all classes like they taught in your classes.

Great location. I wish I could have attended more of the classes.

I really enjoyed my course.

I really enjoyed the homework discussions. The instructor was very helpful during the office hours. The material was very helpful.
Swatee was an enthusiastic teacher. I liked the fact that she was "learning" it at the same time as us.

She used slightly different notation than Pfaff at times which confused me a little but that's not her fault.

She was also very approachable. Pfaff is a little intimidating.

- I would have liked more examples that related the theories to math as I knew it prior to the class.
  For example:
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  \frac{a}{b} + \frac{c}{d} = \frac{ad + cb}{bd}
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  \therefore \boxed{[a,b] \otimes [c,d] = [(ad+cb), bd]}\n  \]

Swatee is very thorough and open to questions.

I enjoyed your lectures, but had a hard time adjusting between your style of writing proofs and Don's. I think if you were the only teacher it would have helped.

Example are good, so the more you can do the better students will understand.