

Cornell University  
 Course Evaluation Response Summary  
 Semester: Spring 2023 Course Owner: PHYS  
 Course: PHYS 2214 DIS 206 CID: 3990  
 Title: Phys III-Osc Waves & Quan Phys  
 Instructor: Kiely  
 11 Responses, 18 Enrolled, 61.11% Response

Please evaluate HOW THIS COURSE WAS TAUGHT. Evaluate each component of the course (lectures, Discussion classes, labs, assignments, and exams) separately. In particular, try to separate your feelings about the subject matter and exams/grading from your evaluations of lectures, recitations, labs, and assignments.  
 YOU MAY SKIP ANY QUESTION THAT DOES NOT PERTAIN TO YOUR SECTION.

Question	Mean	StDevP	Count	1	2	3	4	5
1. OVERALL rating of discussion class instructor: 1= poor; 3= satisfactory; 5= excellent	4.64	0.48	11	0	0	0	4	7
2. OVERALL rating of the DISCUSSION CLASS: 1= poor; 3= satisfactory; 5= excellent	4.55	0.65	11	0	0	1	3	7
3. Did discussion classes help you learn the course material? 1= helped very little; 3= helped somewhat; 5= helped greatly	4.36	0.88	11	0	0	3	1	7
4. Was the discussion class instructor (TA) knowledgeable about the subject matter? 1= not at all; 3= somewhat knowledgeable; 5= very knowledgeable	4.73	0.61	11	0	0	1	1	9
5. Did the discussion class instructor (TA) arrive on time and prepared for class? 1= rarely; 3= about half of the time; 5= always	4.91	0.28	11	0	0	0	1	10
6. Was the discussion class instructor willing and available to help students who had difficulty? 1= not willing and available; 3= somewhat willing and available; 5= very willing and available	4.82	0.38	11	0	0	0	2	9
7. How effectively was the discussion class instructor (TA) able to communicate? 1= not effectively at all; 3= somewhat effectively; 5= very effectively	4.64	0.48	11	0	0	0	4	7
8. Teaching skill of the discussion class instructor: 1= poor; 3= satisfactory; 5= excellent	4.64	0.48	11	0	0	0	4	7
9. Did the discussion class instructor (TA) grade and return work promptly? 1= rarely; 3= about half of the time; 5= always	4.73	0.61	11	0	0	1	1	9
10. Rate the difficulty of the section quizzes, relative to the coverage of material in class: 1= too easy; 3= about right; 5= too hard	4.00	0.85	11	0	0	4	3	4
11. How well did the cooperative learning problems help you practice applying the new material to questions? 1= not well covered; 3= somewhat covered; 5= very well covered	4.09	0.89	11	0	1	1	5	4
12. How well do you feel you and your co-op partners worked together to develop understanding of the physics concepts in the co-ops? 1= not at all; 3= fairly well; 5= very well	3.91	0.66	11	0	0	3	6	2
13. If you had an undergraduate teaching assistant (UTA) in your discussion section, please rate his or her impact on the section 1= not applicable; 2= made it worse; 3= no impact; 4= some improvement; 5= made it much better	2.00	1.73	4	3	0	0	0	1
14. If you had an undergraduate teaching assistant (UTA) in your discussion section, please rate his or her preparation and understanding of the material you worked on: 1= not applicable; 2= unprepared; 3= somewhat prepared; 4=prepared; 5= very prepared	2.00	1.73	4	3	0	0	0	1
15. If you had an undergraduate teaching assistant (UTA) in your discussion section, how supportive and encouraging was she or he? 1= not applicable; 2= not encouraging; 3= somewhat encouraging; 4= encouraging; 5= very encouraging	2.00	1.73	4	3	0	0	0	1
16. If you had an undergraduate teaching assistant (UTA) in your discussion section, how well do you feel she or he helped to facilitate your understanding of physics concepts in section's activities? 1= not applicable; 2= not at all well; 3= fairly well; 4= well; 5=very well	2.00	1.73	4	3	0	0	0	1
17. If you had an undergraduate teaching assistant (UTA) in your discussion section, please rate his or her overall teaching skill: 1= not applicable; 2= fair; 3= good; 4= very good; 5= excellent	2.00	1.73	4	3	0	0	0	1

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**1. Please write any comments about your discussion classes or your TA here.**

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26795. I found the discussion section super helpful! Thomas was a great TA and was always willing to help, even when I had a lot of questions or was very stuck on a question. The coops were very useful to me in practicing and learning the course material and I never skipped discussion section for that reason.

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26724. Thomas is great and was essential to my learning in this class.

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26679. I thought Thomas was a great TA, one of the best that I had in Cornell physics courses.

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26785. Thomas is the best TA I have ever had!

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26725. I also at Thomas for my 2213 section, I can attest that he is very knowledgeable about the material he teaches and his ability to explain the necessary information about the dense amount of material we cover during class. For students who care to learn more about the material, Thomas also provides new insights into the topics. Assessed us fairly with the quizzes and was always helpful with the homework and co-op questions. Great TA!

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26834. I want to commend Thomas for his excellent work. His knowledge of the course material and also ability to explain the different concepts and the parts of the co-op is probably the in the top 2 TA's out of any course I've had on campus as a sophomore. He always made sure that you understood a concept thoroughly. He was always very prepared and knew the co-op material well. He also got back grades very quickly and gave useful feedback.

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26833. Thomas is an amazing TA and made learning lecture much easier!