

Spring 2018 Comment Report

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Course Sections

A CS 130 (01): Programming II: Data Struct

B CS 365 (01): Theory of Computation

Comments -

- A**
- The best teacher I've had so far in the SITC department. Wasn't afraid to be himself and have fun.
 - I really enjoyed this class this semester.
 - Great teacher.
 - Homer is THE MAN. When I look back on my college education, it'll be classes like Homer's that I remember and say, "This is what made my time at ACU worthwhile." Going to his class was never a chore-granted, the quizzes suck, BUT I'LL ADMIT THEY ARE HELPFUL. I can't believe I just said that... Anyway, I'm looking forward to algorithms, until then enjoy all the meetings your job requires you to go to and remain "as happy as a sheep in a tree stump."
 - Homer is my favorite teacher he makes the course fun and interesting. He really tries to get us to work together and interact in class because it created a community within the class and in my major. If I have not mentioned Homer is my favorite.
 - Thank you Dr. Homer for the opportunity to learn a lot about programming. Despite not mastering the content, I feel far more prepared for future computer-oriented classes and careers.
 - N/A
 - Brownie points?
 - Honestly I think this was my favorite class I've taken, I've always enjoyed being there. One suggestion is for the abstract data programs is either allow more submissions or have a different page to test it with Athena so we don't waste submissions crossing our fingers it runs
- B**
- The style in which you designed the class works very well. The timing of assignments was good. Lectures were informative and the pace was reasonable. Obviously we wouldn't have taken this class if we didn't take an interest in the material to begin with, but the class was also made interesting because of your obvious excitement about the topic. It is much easier to take a class when you know the professor really enjoys what they are teaching, so thank you for taking an interest in this topic as well as our success. Great class.
 - The homework was good until the packet. The packet was just too much. A few problems took 6+ hours with an average of about 2-3 hours per problem. In my opinion, a final exam would have been much better. Having to dedicate 3-6 hours per day (including weekends) on one class was very hampering. The rest of the class was great though, 10/10 lectures. The teaching style for this class was hyper effective, especially when he made us solve problems on the whiteboards. Dr. Homer gives the best lectures and does a great job of explaining difficult concepts.
 - I don't understand why all assignments are always only on a scale of 0 to 1 instead of 0 to 100. I feel like switching to the method of 0 to 100 would allow for grades to appear less surprising to students. For example, the mental effect of getting a 50 on a quiz is much greater than getting a .5, but in reality, the grades are the same.

What specific actions and attitudes did you notice from your instructor that demonstrated his/her Christ-like character and conduct? -

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- N/A
- Despite this area of study seeming to be farther from God's influence, Dr. Homer made it a point several times in discussion about how God is definitely involved in this field.
- I don't know how, but he managed to bring Christ into a logical, calculated field through his humor and openness.
#oneOfTheBestProfessorsOnCampus #camelCase
- Good teaching
- He lives a good Christian life and has really cute kids. He should bring them to class more often.
- Friendly, personable, great teacher

B

- He brought his kids to class one time. That was pretty cool.
- The idea of "Christ-like character and conduct" is a very vague statement and difficult to gauge. As (imperfect) humans we cannot possibly understand what it means to be perfect and to act as such with the love and compassion that the savior of all of mankind did. If this question means how close did he come to acting as if Christ himself were teaching this class? Probably pretty far. But, I know that he is constantly striving to be humble. He reserved all judgement he might have had for our idiotic questions and comments (to the best of his abilities). He was very helpful and took an interest in our wellbeing outside of school work. Overall he was an amazing professor, and I'm sure did his best to embody who Christ calls us to be while teaching us about the theory behind computation.
- Homer is the type of person who would be willing to throw a dog out of a helicopter for the greater good. Also he does a great job giving the message of the Bible in group chapel.