



**Student IA Evaluation for Yuan Chai
Department of Linguistics**

LIGN 8 - Languages & Cultures/America (McIntosh, Justin Daniel)
Winter 2019

**Number of Evaluations Submitted: 24
Number of Students Enrolled: 185**

1. The Instructional Assistant was well organized and prepared for class.

16 (66.7%): Strongly Agree
7 (29.2%): Agree
0 (0.0%): Neither Agree Nor Disagree
0 (0.0%): Disagree
0 (0.0%): Strongly Disagree
1 (4.2%): Not Applicable

2. The Instructional Assistant consistently arrived at lecture, section/lab, office hours and exams on time.

15 (62.5%): Strongly Agree
7 (29.2%): Agree
2 (8.3%): Neither Agree Nor Disagree
0 (0.0%): Disagree
0 (0.0%): Strongly Disagree
0 (0.0%): Not Applicable

3. The Instructional Assistant presented course material clearly and answered questions accurately in class.

15 (62.5%): Strongly Agree
8 (33.3%): Agree
1 (4.2%): Neither Agree Nor Disagree
0 (0.0%): Disagree
0 (0.0%): Strongly Disagree
0 (0.0%): Not Applicable

4. The Instructional Assistant helped develop my thinking skills on the subject.

12 (50.0%): Strongly Agree
5 (20.8%): Agree
5 (20.8%): Neither Agree Nor Disagree
0 (0.0%): Disagree
0 (0.0%): Strongly Disagree
2 (8.3%): Not Applicable

5. Feedback from the Instructional Assistant on assignments, exams and/or papers was helpful and constructive.

10 (41.7%): Strongly Agree
8 (33.3%): Agree
2 (8.3%): Neither Agree Nor Disagree
0 (0.0%): Disagree
0 (0.0%): Strongly Disagree
4 (16.7%): Not Applicable

6. The Instructional Assistant's explanations were appropriate, being neither too complicated nor too simple.

11 (45.8%): Strongly Agree
11 (45.8%): Agree
1 (4.2%): Neither Agree Nor Disagree
1 (4.2%): Disagree
0 (0.0%): Strongly Disagree
0 (0.0%): Not Applicable

7. The Instructional Assistant answered questions clearly and effectively, helping students to make connections among the course readings, assignments, and lectures.

12 (52.2%): Strongly Agree
7 (30.4%): Agree
2 (8.7%): Neither Agree Nor Disagree
0 (0.0%): Disagree
0 (0.0%): Strongly Disagree
2 (8.7%): Not Applicable
1: [No Response]

8. The Instructional Assistant was genuinely interested in and enthusiastic about teaching.

15 (62.5%): Strongly Agree
8 (33.3%): Agree
1 (4.2%): Neither Agree Nor Disagree
0 (0.0%): Disagree
0 (0.0%): Strongly Disagree
0 (0.0%): Not Applicable

9. The Instructional Assistant was accessible to students outside of class (office hours, e-mail, etc.).

10 (41.7%): Strongly Agree
11 (45.8%): Agree
1 (4.2%): Neither Agree Nor Disagree
0 (0.0%): Disagree
0 (0.0%): Strongly Disagree
2 (8.3%): Not Applicable

10. The Instructional Assistant effectively connected the section/lab exercises with the material covered in lecture.

7 (29.2%): Strongly Agree
4 (16.7%): Agree
1 (4.2%): Neither Agree Nor Disagree
0 (0.0%): Disagree
0 (0.0%): Strongly Disagree
12 (50.0%): Not Applicable

11. In terms of communication skills, did the Instructional Assistant demonstrate any of the following? (check all that apply)

17 (70.8%): No issues
3 (12.5%): Too quiet
0 (0.0%): Too loud
3 (12.5%): Too fast
0 (0.0%): Too slow
0 (0.0%): Poor grammar and/or English language skills
1 (4.2%): Used filler words such as "um"
0 (0.0%): Other (please describe)

12. I would recommend this Instructional Assistant to other students.

11 (45.8%): Strongly Agree
12 (50.0%): Agree
1 (4.2%): Neither Agree Nor Disagree
0 (0.0%): Disagree
0 (0.0%): Strongly Disagree

13. Please describe this person's greatest strengths as a Instructional Assistant.
Please keep your comments constructive and professional, abiding by the Principles of Community

- Expert at Phonetics!! Her presentations are also very in depth and engaging!
- Explained material exceptionally well and very friendly
- Extremely knowledgeable about the topics, especially the phonetics portion. I don't know much about phonetics but she explained what seemed like a very technical topic into an easily digestible lecture. Hands down one of the nicest and most helpful IAs I've ever had. Also has a welcoming vibe so she's easily approachable if ever I have any questions. Makes sure to give me the help I need even through email.
- She answers emails super quick and is very good with explaining issues and concepts.
- She definitely seemed interested in what she was learning
- She gave intellectually stimulating lectures and was very responsive to the questions students have in class.
- She lectured one day on phonetics- her presentation was really interesting and she presented it with enthusiasm. Also was easy to contact for help.
- She reply my email on time and help me solve my questions.
- She shows great passion and interest in this subject and is willing to help others.
- She was very informed on the subject and answered all questions concisely
- She was very knowledgeable and passionate about the subject.
- This TAs greatest strengths are course material and knowledge of the subject and study of Linguistics.
- Understanding and easy to talk to.
- Yuan conveyed the course material very well. She also gave strong and helpful feedback on assignments and answered any questions I posed to her.

14. Please describe this person's greatest weaknesses as a Instructional Assistant.
Please keep your comments constructive and professional, abiding by the Principles of Community

- For area of improvement I would say this TA might want to practice explaining things a little more... at times when I need to speak with this TA her answers were very strategic but not very

relatable when it came to giving me examples or analogies for course materials or home work questions. But after I would ask a few times this TA then made sense in explaining the concept. I am not saying this TA did not help because she did, sometimes it was hard to follow her explanations. Very kind and hard working TA.

- I think she can talk a little bit slower and enunciate better.
- It was kind of hard to understand her when she lectured
- May come off as a bit timid and shy sometimes. I think she could be a bit more confident given that she knows what she's talking about and that she's knowledgeable in the subject.
- None really.
- Nothing
- She did seem to lose her train of thought and use filler words pretty often
- some pronunciation issues
- sometimes she didn't reply my email on time.
- When she did a lecture, she was slower than the professor, which is a positive, yet was still fast.

15. Do you have any other comments to add to your evaluation?

Please keep your comments constructive and professional, abiding by the Principles of Community

- No that is all. Thanks.
- She always answered emails very fast and gave a really REALLY cool lecture toward the beginning of the quarter!
- She did great and I hope she continues to
- Yuan did a great job as an IA. I hope that you keep up the good work if ever you choose to become an IA in the future. Keep up the humbleness, kindness, and caring attitude towards your students. Thank you.

Please note that any responses or comments submitted by evaluators do not necessarily reflect the opinions of instructors, Linguistics, Academic Affairs, or UC San Diego. Responses and comments are made available without auditing or editing, and they may not be modified or deleted, to ensure that each evaluator has an opportunity to express his or her opinion.