

**Columbia University: Arts & Sciences**  
**A&S Fall 2022 Standard Evaluation**

**Course:** ECONUN3213\_002\_2022\_3 - INTERMEDIATE MACROECONOMICS: ECONW3213\_002\_2022\_3\_149115  
**Instructor:** Irasema Alonso \*  
**TA:** Roberta Tabajara, Sebastian Mayor, Jose Salvador Orellana Camargo, Rodrigo Pacheco  
**Response Rate:** 32/78 (41.03 %)

**1 - What are the strengths and weaknesses of Rodrigo Pacheco (discussion section leader, lab section leader, grader) as an instructor, and how might Rodrigo Pacheco's teaching be improved?**

<b>Response Rate</b>	7/78 (8.97%)
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Very detailed recitation slides.</li> <li>• He cares, goes over examples clearly</li> <li>• His strength is that he has no weakness. He is like Achilles, except they dunked his heel in too.</li> <li>• he is the best TA for econ i have ever had. he is engaging and forms actual connections with students. he takes feedback well and teaches students what they want to learn</li> <li>• Very tough grader. Good in discussion section. He is real and makes it entertaining while still learning the material. The slides and examples he uses in his discussion sections are also very beneficial to my learning. It is very helpful when he goes over some of the practice problems and makes jokes while teaching. I think to improve, he could be more confident of answers. Sometimes students will ask a question and he is not always certain of the answer.</li> <li>• Great TA! the way he understands and approaches the problems were amazing! if he changes to write "r" he would be a better TA</li> <li>• Rodrigo!! Hands down, best T.A. in the game. Extremely helpful, readily available, intelligent, patient and modest. Creates a comfortable environment for questions. I would recommend his section to all students.</li> </ul>	

**2 - What is the overall teaching effectiveness of Rodrigo Pacheco?**

Response Option	Weight	Frequency	Percent	Percent Responses	Means		
Excellent	(5)	13	86.67%			4.87	
Very Good	(4)	2	13.33%				
Good	(3)	0	0.00%				
Fair	(2)	0	0.00%				
Poor	(1)	0	0.00%				
				0 25 50 100	Question		
<b>Response Rate</b>				<b>Mean</b>	<b>STD</b>	<b>Median</b>	
15/78 (19.23%)				4.87	0.35	5.00	

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**Course:** ECONUN3213\_002\_2023\_3 - INTERMEDIATE MACROECONOMICS: ECONW3213\_002\_2023\_3\_171401  
**Instructor:** Irasema Alonso \*  
**TA:** Lorelei Loraine,Vincent Chartray,Zhao Rong Matthew Weng,Rodrigo Pacheco  
**Response Rate:** 56/97 (57.73 %)

**1 - What are the strengths and weaknesses of Rodrigo Pacheco (discussion section leader, lab section leader, grader) as an instructor, and how might Rodrigo Pacheco's teaching be improved?**

Response Rate	14/97 (14.43%)
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Also excellent. Very funny, articulate and a great teacher!</li> <li>• Rodrigo is awesome. Very clear and concise when reviewing topics, and is very responsive to student questions. Is respectful of the outlined recitation time, and is also funny and lighthearted which keeps students engaged.</li> <li>• Explains really well and very helpful. He knows the material really well and explains it in a very structured and understandable way. His review session is also really good.</li> <li>• Very helpful and organized</li> <li>• he is kind</li> <li>• Rodrigo is the best. He really understand the materials and explains in a clear manner.</li> <li>• best TA i have had to date... very knowledgable and great at explaining concepts</li> <li>• Was engaging in his explanations and put in extra effort to create slides that were easier to understand in his recitations. overall a great guy</li> <li>• Rodrigo is amazing. Kind, available, patient, moves slowly through his explanations, answers questions to the point. He is funny and enjoyable to listen to, as he relates well to his students and tries to make their lives easier without just providing them the answers to everything in the course. Rodrigo's recitation section is a necessary supplement to the main lecture of this course as it teaches everything we have talked about more clearly and concisely. Sometimes he gets caught up in longer explanations that can be simplified.</li> <li>• Phenomenal TA. His instructions were clear and he taught the coursework in a very effective way. Could not recommend him enough.</li> <li>• Explains material concisely</li> <li>• Rodrigo was super patient and helped a lot with better understanding the lecture material as well as doubts on the homeworks!</li> <li>• Very very good. Very helpful in OH and clear explainer in recitation.</li> <li>• Amazing TA who provides exceptionally clear explanations on topics. His recitations and review discussions are incredibly valuable to students.</li> </ul>	

**2 - What is the overall teaching effectiveness of Rodrigo Pacheco?**

Response Option	Weight	Frequency	Percent	Percent Responses	Means		
Excellent	(5)	27	79.41%			4.76	Question
Very Good	(4)	6	17.65%				
Good	(3)	1	2.94%				
Fair	(2)	0	0.00%				
Poor	(1)	0	0.00%				
<b>Response Rate</b>				<b>Mean</b>	<b>STD</b>	<b>Median</b>	
34/97 (35.05%)				4.76	0.50	5.00	

# Columbia University: Arts & Sciences

## A&S Spring 2024 Standard Evaluation

**Course:** ECONUN3213\_003\_2024\_1 - INTERMEDIATE MACROECONOMICS: ECONW3213\_003\_2024\_1\_185152  
**Instructor:** Irasema Alonso \*  
**TA:** Ariana Gamero,Rodrigo Pacheco,Sijie Lei,Yueming Li  
**Response Rate:** 73/119 (61.34 %)

### 1 - What are the strengths and weaknesses of Rodrigo Pacheco (discussion section leader, lab section leader, grader) as an instructor, and how might Rodrigo Pacheco's teaching be improved?

**Response Rate** 12/119 (10.08%)

- Always available during office hours. During recitations, he teaches topics very well and helps clarify any misunderstandings or questions students have about the lecture content. Is a very understanding, easygoing, and approachable person.
- She's good!
- Rodrigo was a great TA -- he held such helpful OH that broke down complex course topics, and was always prompt and thorough in his responses to emails and questions.
- Goat. Go to all his stuff.
- open to questions, explains p set questions thoroughly
- he is great super helpful. Appreciate his revciation and office hours help. He is very approachable and supportive. Explained very well.
- Rodrigo was a huge support system for everyone in this course. He was extremely prompt responding to all emails and grading. I was thrilled to hear that Rodrigo will be instructing a course in Macroeconomics this summer!
- So good he's the best, and very humorous to keep the class engaged.
- Rodrigo is very responsive and always gives very clear and helpful feedback. When something is not understood well, he explains it until you get it.
- Rodrigo was enthusiastic and an amazing TA. He was always available to reach out to and created his own material to recap and teach his sections of recitations. I went to every single one of his recitations because they were what was needed.
- really helpful with problem sets and simplifies course material effectively
- He was great at going into more detail on topics and helping me better understand the material that we learned in class. I went to his recitation a lot and it was very helpful and it made me feel way more confident in myself and my ability to do what we are doing for the homeworks and in class.

### 2 - What is the overall teaching effectiveness of Rodrigo Pacheco?

Response Option	Weight	Frequency	Percent	Percent Responses	Means		
Excellent	(5)	29	76.32%			4.66	
Very Good	(4)	6	15.79%				
Good	(3)	2	5.26%				
Fair	(2)	1	2.63%				
Poor	(1)	0	0.00%				
				0 25 50 100	Question		
<b>Response Rate</b>				<b>Mean</b>	<b>STD</b>	<b>Median</b>	
38/119 (31.93%)				4.66	0.71	5.00	

# Columbia University: Arts & Sciences

## A&S Fall 2024 Standard Evaluation

**Course:** ECONUN3213\_003\_2024\_3 - INTERMEDIATE MACROECONOMICS: ECONW3213\_003\_2024\_3\_193635  
**Instructor:** Irasema Alonso \*  
**TA:** Rodrigo Pacheco, Muhammad Ilham Mohamed Azlan, Alex Zhang, Yueming Li, Laura Hernandez Nunez, Oksana Kuznetsova  
**Response Rate:** 79/149 (53.02 %)

### 1 - What are the strengths and weaknesses of Rodrigo Pacheco (discussion section leader, lab section leader, grader) as an instructor, and how might Rodrigo Pacheco's teaching be improved?

**Response Rate** 10/149 (6.71%)

- Rodrigo's lectures and slides are much more helpful than the professors. wish he had more time
- Rodrigo was the sole purpose I retained my soul in this class. He is a blessing from above. A lot of people didn't go to the actual class, but to his recitation instead. We referred to him as Savior Professor Rodrigo Pacheco. He is a god-send. Thank you, Rodrigo.
- He is ever helpful during office hours and recitations.
- Rodrigo is awesome -- super clear and helpful, and going to his recitations every week are genuinely what saved me.
- Very helpful, encouraging, clear, gave strong analogies.
- Excellent TA all round
- So helpful and willing to go the extra mile for students. Truly appreciated having him as a TA.
- I LOVE RODRIGO. HE IS AMAZING AT TEACHING AND RELATING TO STUDENT ISSUES.
- very dedicated. great help during OH. exam review sessions help a lot
- 10/10 TA. Answers questions into the night even if he is tired. Super helpful guy.

### 2 - What is the overall teaching effectiveness of Rodrigo Pacheco?

Response Option	Weight	Frequency	Percent	Percent Responses	Means
Excellent	(5)	40	83.33%		
Very Good	(4)	6	12.50%		
Good	(3)	2	4.17%		
Fair	(2)	0	0.00%		
Poor	(1)	0	0.00%		
				0 25 50 100	Question
<b>Response Rate</b>			<b>Mean</b>	<b>STD</b>	<b>Median</b>
48/149 (32.21%)			4.79	0.50	5.00

# Columbia University: Arts & Sciences

## A&S Spring 2025 Standard Evaluation

**Course:** ECONUN3213\_003\_2025\_1 - INTERMEDIATE MACROECONOMICS: ECONW3213\_003\_2025\_1\_206668  
**Instructor:** Irasema Alonso \*  
**TA:** Emilio Zaratiegui,Rodrigo Pacheco,Alia Bonanno,Esha Modi,Gulan Dilsu Tanal  
**Response Rate:** 83/145 (57.24 %)

### 1 - What are the strengths and weaknesses of Rodrigo Pacheco (discussion section leader, lab section leader, grader) as an instructor, and how might Rodrigo Pacheco's teaching be improved?

Response Rate	14/145 (9.66%)
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Great slide.</li> <li>• Rodrigo's great! He gives comprehensive content review and good examples for us to see the content in action.</li> <li>• HES THE BEST!!! He got me through this class. Wish he was my teacher instead of alonso</li> <li>• He is a rockstar. The most caring, listening, accommodating TA I have ever had. If you ask this guy for help he will stop the class and give you undivided personal attention. He also has EXTREMELY clear instruction, cracks jokes, alleviates pressure, and goes and a proper pace for learning and absorbing.</li> <li>• Love him what a goat</li> <li>• Rodrigo was the best TA I've encountered during my Columbia experience. His recitations were simply amazing. He truly made an effort to develop our economic intuition, come up with examples that would make us remember the content better, and quite frankly make a difficult class a lot easier. I can confidently say that my intermediate macro experience would have not been the same if it were not for Rodrigo. He is a truly charismatic lecturer and I can say I looked forward to attending his recitations every week!</li> <li>• Very helpful and knows the content really well. Also a really nice person and wants to help students.</li> <li>• Super helpful TA that wants to make sure that material is understood in a simple and efficient manner. Always willing to stay extra time if so necessary to make sure that everyone understands the topic. Super friendly as well.</li> <li>• Rodrigo was the best TA I have had for an economics class at Columbia. He was incredibly clear and was able to provide information that was very complementary and built upon what we had been learning in the main lectures. He was very available for any questions or concerns we might have had throughout the course.</li> <li>• Great TA - really went the extra mile in all aspects</li> <li>• Rodrigo is a great TA - he explains things clearly and creatively, is super attentive to the class, and you can tell he really cares about the material and the students understanding it.</li> <li>• One strength of Rodrigo Pacheco as an instructor is his ability to succinctly explain a concept and how to use it to solve a problem. This was particularly helpful for understanding how to complete the problem sets. One way his teaching might be improved is by moving through the section a little more slowly, so as to give more time to take relevant notes.</li> <li>• Rodrigo Pacheco was an excellent instructor who brought a lot of positive energy to his role as a TA. His humor helped create a relaxed and engaging environment, making the class feel approachable and enjoyable. Rodrigo's ability to explain complex concepts clearly was a key strength and he always highlighted the main points of the material, ensuring students could grasp difficult topics without feeling overwhelmed.</li> <li>• Excellent, 10/10 teaching assistant. Engaging, punctual, enthusiastic, and clearly knows the material very well. I honestly don't know how his teaching might be improved because he is so excellent a teacher - it would be great to have him in capacity as a professor.</li> </ul>	

### 2 - What is the overall teaching effectiveness of Rodrigo Pacheco?

Response Option	Weight	Frequency	Percent	Percent Responses	Means		
Excellent	(5)	34	82.93%			4.76	
Very Good	(4)	4	9.76%				
Good	(3)	3	7.32%				
Fair	(2)	0	0.00%				
Poor	(1)	0	0.00%				
				0 25 50 100	Question		
<b>Response Rate</b>				<b>Mean</b>	<b>STD</b>	<b>Median</b>	
41/145 (28.28%)				4.76	0.58	5.00	