Columbia University: Arts & Sciences
A&S Spring 2023 Standard Evaluation

Course:	ECONGR5216_001_2023_1 - MACROECONOMCS ANALYSIS II: ECONG5216_001_2023_1_160562
Instructor:	Irasema Alonso
TA:	Thu Pham,Martsella Davitaya,Rodrigo Pacheco *
Response Rate:	34/75 (45.33 %)

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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	11/75 (14.67%)

• Clear and effective.

• Rodrigo is a good TA. He is helpful and accessible when we need help. His recitation is organized and inspiring.

• i like him because the teacher is very humorous!

• Rodrigo is awesome. He knows his shit, has a great sense of humour and seems like a nice person. One of the best TAs we had, I might probably just take a class if he was TAing.

• He deserves some bonus.

• My favorite TA among all. Teaching with a clear mind and a great sense of humor. Truly thankful to him for making the course materials less boring. Would definitely recommend his recitation session to others.

• Rodrigo was a wonderful TA. He knows the content well, his slides are great and he was also eloquent as a TA. He made the content easier to understand and his recitations and review sessions before the exam always helped a lot.

• Rodrigo Pacheco was the saving grace and silver lining of this course. Rodrigo is one of the best TA's I have had: his slides are reflective of the care and thought he puts into explaining a concept well to his students; they are also always comprehensive yet succinct. Rodrigo has an uncanny ability of covering large material in a reasonable number of slides, whilst simultaneously explaining it well, and finishing his recitations well in time. The class benefitted not only from Rodrigo's clear concepts, which were ably supported by his excellent communication skills, but also his calm and pleasant approach to tough problems. He went the extra mile on both counts (midterm and final), holding review sessions separate from his recitations, where he would go over challenging problems picked by class polls, step by step, even if it meant the review session lasting 3 hours.

• Rodrigo was very helpful during the whole semester. His recitation was very helpful in summarizing, understanding key intuition and solving issues needed to address the problem sets. His review sessions were very helpful for the exams. Overall, he was very good in answering our questions and emails.

• Rodrigo is an excellent TA. Despite the incompetence of Irasema, Rodrigo finds a way to create easy to follow lectures and does a great job explaining thoroughly the complex math behind the models. His humorous approach to teaching helps keep students engaged despite teaching in a very warm and uncomfortable room. He also has great review sessions and is very helpful when asking homework questions.

• Rodrigo is a great TA. He is nice and understanding, and did a great job of synthesizing the long lecture notes into a more brief, but still holistic, presentation. 10/10.

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

Response Option	Weight	Frequency	Percent	Percent Responses	Means
Excellent	(5)	19	76.00%		4.76
Very Good	(4)	6	24.00%		
Good	(3)	0	0.00%		
Fair	(2)	0	0.00%		
Poor	(1)	0	0.00%		

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Response Rate	Mean	STD	Median
25/75 (33.33%)	4.76	0.44	5.00