

Instructor: Olszewski, Brandon
 Subject: Sociology
 Catalog & Section: 312, 1

Course Title: Quantitative Meth Soc
 Enrollment: 73 Responses: 54
 (Declined: 6)

1. Written Comments

Please use this space to provide any comments you might want to, such as why you would or would not recommend this professor and course, how the course might be improved, your reactions to the readings, exams, etc.

- "I think that the professor made the class interesting. He related to students and was there to help when it was needed. He was understanding of students' situations and that is very rare in an instructor. I would recommend any class he is instructing because he is engaging and brings the materials or the class into terms that students understand with current examples." -- Julie Turner
- "I was dreading taking this class again, I have taken it once before and was not successful. This term it was a breeze. Brandon breaks it down so anyone can understand it, he makes sure that everyone understands what is going on before moving on to new material. He is very easy to approach with questions. A very successful class." -- Jordan Hadfield
- "I found this teacher very helpful and was able to explain the material very well. I enjoyed this class." -- Rachel Holguin
- "I am impressed with the instructor, let me tell you!!!!!! I understood what was going on, and just enjoyed lecture. He is extremely talented!!!!!! I found the homework load doable, the tests were what I studied for, and I find myself actually learning what we are going over." -- Trisha Jackson
- "I would totally recommend Brandon! He was an exceptional professor! He let it be known that he really wanted people not just to memorize and repeat back every word he said, but to understand and to LEARN the material and information." -- Jennifer Hookland
- "I felt that the instructor did a great job making such boring and often difficult material interesting and understandable!" -- Veronica Faber
- "I would recommend Brandon to any student. He really broke down the concepts and taught it to us in a simple way so we'd actually understand what was going on. I was quite scared to take stats because I'm horrible at math, but the way Brandon approached the subject matter really helped me understand. He also was very approachable, I don't think I've ever asked as many questions as I did in this class. Brandon provided not only an excellent learning environment but also a safe one where I felt comfortable enough to ask questions. He was an awesome instructor." -- Katarina Marie Bahnsen-Reinhardt
- "Brandon communicated with the class very well. I feel like what I learned will effectively assist me throughout the remainder of my college experience and into my professional life." -- Katherine Chase
- "I have taken many stats classes before and this was one of the most enjoyable ones that I have taken. Brandon was funny and got the points across well. it was a great class." -- Meghan Dunn
- he was a great instructor, fair grader.
- "I would highly recommend this instructor. He came to class well-prepared to teach, very motivating, entertaining, funny and outgoing. Exams and HW were just like he said they would be so no surprises." -- Whitney Sleight
- "great class, easy to understand, and interesting...never boring! Good Job" -- Ashley Gauthier
- being a first time teacher to this course he did a great job had passing on the material and adjusting his plans to things that went wrong.
- "Brandon is an excellent instructor that works with well with his students. He is exceptional at presenting the data and helping students understand it. He is the best instructor I have had at the UO." -- Brittany Nabors
- "I would highly recommend this instructor. Brandon always came to class with high energy and his enthusiastic approach to teaching was inspiring to all. His class structure made it real easy to learn the material. The easy to follow lecture notes made it impossible to get lost. The examples he used to illustrate formulas and the like were always right on point. If I had trouble with any homework assignments, I could always figure it out by running back through the lecture notes. He provided examples that correlated 100% to the homework. He was also well spoken. His lectures were clear and to the point. His fresh approach to the subject matter kept my attention, as well as everyone else's in the class. I have enrolled in Brandon's Soc. 450 course, for the sole reason that he will be instructing it. I believe his teaching style could be successful in any other academic field." -- Danny Miller
- "He was a very good teacher in a class that is pretty difficult. He made sure that everyone understood what to do." -- Megan Robertson
- "Knew what he was teaching, and made it fairly easy to learn." -- Kyle Garrett
- i was absolutely dreading this course. but brandon made the material easy to understand. i have a total and complete math phobia, but i had no trouble understanding how to do these problems. he should teach this class every term.
- "Brandon, did such a great job teaching this course, he had great communication with the class and quick

response with e-mails. all of the lecture slides were very relevant to what he tested on. and was very specific to the needs of what was needed for the tests. I don't think he needs to change a thing for next term" -- Alysha Swan

- "Brandon was very good instructor in that he made sure to explain everything he wanted us to know in a clear and concise manner. I personally have a harder time with anything math related, but he really simplified the course so that it was easy to understand the statistics. Also if there was any confusion him and Matthew were both available and a review session was held every Friday." -- Tim Cooper
- "Brandon is a really engaged and energetic teacher, which is vital for a class like this. No one really likes sitting for over an hour talking about statistics formulas, particularly soc majors, but Brandon made it enjoyable. The lectures were well formatted, the information presented was easy for me to understand, and the homework assignments helped me to solidify key concepts. I really enjoyed this course." -- Andrew Finley
- "I really enjoyed the class. I thought Brandon was a great instructor. Treated students like friends rather than students which made for a good atmosphere in class. He actually seemed like he was having fun teaching this class. Good sense of humor." -- Ian Sholian
- "Great teacher, went at a perfect pace throughout the term." -- Jamie Ware
- "Brandon, Nice work. You were very well organized and always prepared for class. Thank you for having answers available for the homeworks. It was a good way to check where I went wrong, thus, helping me grasp the equation process a lot better. Where you could improve...proof read the class slides before posting them. Had trouble keeping up with the revised slides, and eventually, losing track of them all together. Take care, Michelle Rodrigue" -- Michelle Rodrigue
- "This is the second time I took this class and Brandon made the class a lot easier to understand than the teacher who I took it from prior. Brandon is very charismatic and has a teaching style that makes it easy for students to learn the material. He came to class everyday with a powerpoint which was also available on blackboard and this helped me comprehend the material. He also knew a lot of the students names which was impressive considering it was a larger class." -- Elizabeth Jinings
- It would have been nice to have a book to follow. The slides were easy to use but giving a few different approaches to a problem can help several types of learners to understand what is being taught.
- Great teacher, makes the material really understandable.
- "This is my second time taking statistics and Brandon did an outstanding job of teaching such difficult material. He utilized many examples and provided powerpoints that greatly enhanced my ability to comprehend the material. He's constantly encouraging his students to speak with him if they have any problems or concerns in the course. He's available outside his office hours and easy to get in contact with. I didn't understand anything when taking it the first time... so when I took it the second time.. it was almost as if it was an entirely different class in a way that it seemed like all new material. I liked how his exams reflect the homeworks which means you know what to expect. I love his willingness to work with his students! Great teacher! I'd recommend him 1st to none for students who have to take STATS." -- Kavina Hall
- "Brandon was extremely entertaining and made math fun! I am horrible at math and he helped us as long as we wanted. He made sure that we understand the material. I really hope to take another class from him in the future. I really wish we would ha" -- Khelli Davis
- "great class brandon. you made the class fun and interesting. glad you were my teacher. take care man cheers" -- Robert Mason
- "Brandon did an amazing job teaching math, I have the hardest time learning math but I understood and he would stay after class to help me. Great teacher:)" -- Katie Goewey
- "Classes were informative and the assignments and tests covered the material from class very well. In my opinion Brandon did a very good job teaching a tough course." -- Steven Eichhorn