

## **Student IDEA Comments**

(All comments are included; both positive and negative)

### **ENGR 101 - Fall 2003**

- I think Dr. Zeiny is an excellent teacher. He knows what he is teaching very well.
- Good open office hours and extra help sessions were good. Having TAs for the course was awesome. Sometimes the oral presentations got a little confusing and unorganized. Jumps in the material were a little confusing. Overall good.
- Great class, I still want to study civil engineering and that is what counts. Dr. Zeiny is great

### **CE 341 - Fall 2003**

- I enjoyed this course. Doing problems on the board helped me the most.
- Dr. Zeiny was always more than happy to help with any questions you have.
- I very much enjoyed taking this course. Zeiny has a different way teaching that I found to be quite helpful and much easier to understand. He is always willing to help his students in any way he can.
- When helping students you need to explain more rather than just do their work for them. Explain why things need to be done a certain way instead of just saying that's how it is.
- Dr. Zeiny was always available for help. He was very patient and understanding with students. His tenacity and enthusiasm made the class very enjoyable. I have learned more this semester because he makes you excited to learn about whatever the topic is.

### **CE 342 - Fall 2003**

- Give homework more regularly so that students know if they really understand the material. Make then small, regular, weekly assignments.
- Dr. Zeiny helped students to learn and held out of class study sessions for those students who need help on projects or homework. I believe that Dr. Zeiny is a good teacher.
- Dr. Zeiny has improved a lot from last year teaching style to encourage everyone to participate.
- I feel more example work helps me to understand the material better. I like the use of various methods to solve a problem.
- It would help to correct what is wrong on tests instead of just marking an "X" or may be go over the test in class.
- Lengthy power points, which we really only use 4 or 5 pages of, become more of a hassle than a help. Adding up instruction on the board is much better this year and I think has really helped.
- Dr. Zeiny is a very valuable professor and will bring much technology and real world education to the engineering program. He has put a lot of effort into outside class help. He cares about his students and always works around our schedules.

### **MCE 212 - Spring 2003**

- I believe that Dr. Zeiny did a very good job teaching this class. He made it easy to learn and interacted well with students

### CE 341 - Spring 2003

- I think that Dr. Zeiny is a brilliant man whose understanding of structures is phenomenal. However, he has a hard time connecting with the students and teaching the information in a way they can understand. The power points are ok, but I find it easier to follow along with a professor when they actually write things out, as well.
- Dr. Zeiny has very informative and organized lecture. 1<sup>st</sup> test lengthy, 2<sup>nd</sup> test ok. He is willing to help the students if needed. The project is a good idea because it takes all the information that we have learned and put it into one. May have needed more directions on some SAP2000 parts. Overall course is informative and I have learned a lot.
- Looking into a power point presentations everyday turns into, for me, a passive learning pattern and habit. When you are not forced to take notes – there is less incentive to even bother coming to class. The first month and a half, I was retaught the subject matter I did in the first month of Structures III (concrete). That was a waste of my time.
- I would have liked more questions on test two because if you miss one then you get a really bad grade. Liked the class.
- I would like it if some examples could have been worked out on the board instead of just having all of them worked out on the power point presentation. Overall, I enjoyed this class.
- Spend less time on the basics and more time working examples on the board. This will increase class participation as well as better prepare us for exams.
- I liked the power point presentations but it might have been better if you made copies for us instead of us printing them out. Project submittals are a good idea.

### CE 443 - Spring 2003

- Dr. Zeiny has good knowledge of the subject matter, but is not efficient at teaching at an understandable level. He was quite confusing at times.
- I like how Dr. Zeiny integrates the use of computer aid as well as using the board in class. I feel like it was easier to follow along in class when he wrote the problems on the board and not just use the computer presentations. I like his teaching style much better this semester than last.
- I saw a great improvement in Dr. Zeiny teaching style from last semester to this one. I believe as he becomes more acclimated to U of E, he will become a fantastic teacher. Dr. Zeiny is extremely knowledgeable of the subject matter and is also a terrific person outside of the class.

**Note:** I have attached copies of all comments in both the spring and fall semesters of 2003.