

*** PROVISIONAL REPORT ***

UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS AT AUSTIN
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 B000 Basic
 SURVEYED WITH: 16240 16245 16250

COURSE-INSTRUCTOR SURVEY
 INTRO TO EMBEDDED SYSTEMS

Spring 2012 DEPARTMENT COPY
 Enrollment = 78
 Surveys Returned = 50

	NUMBER CHOOSING EACH RESPONSE					NO. REPLIES THIS ITEM	AVG.
	Str Disag	Disagree	Neutral	Agree	Str Agree		
1 COURSE WELL-ORGANIZED	1	1	2	25	20	49	4.3
2 COMMUNICATED INFORMATION EFFECTIVELY	1	0	1	20	28	50	4.5
3 SHOWED INTEREST IN STUDENT PROGRESS	1	0	1	9	39	50	4.7
4 ASSIGNMENTS AND TESTS RETURNED PROMPTLY	1	0	4	17	28	50	4.4
5 STUDENT FREEDOM OF EXPRESSION	1	0	3	10	36	50	4.6
6 COURSE OF VALUE TO DATE	2	0	7	12	29	50	4.3
	Vry Unsat	Unsat	Satisfact	Very Good	Excellent		
7 OVERALL INSTRUCTOR RATING	1	0	1	16	32	50	4.6
8 OVERALL COURSE RATING	2	0	14	15	19	50	4.0
	Excessive	High	Average	Light	Insuffic		
9 STUDENT RATING OF COURSE WORKLOAD	13	34	3	0	0	50	
	Less 2.00	2.00-2.49	2.50-2.99	3.00-3.49	3.50-4.00		
10 OVERALL UT GRADE POINT AVERAGE	0	5	4	10	30	49	
	<u>A</u>	<u>B</u>	<u>C</u>	<u>D</u>	<u>F</u>		
11 PROBABLE COURSE GRADE	29	17	3	0	0	49	

 For the computation of averages, values were assigned on a 5-point scale so that the most favorable response was assigned a value of 5 and the least favorable response was assigned a value of 1.

COMMENTS:

Total Number of Comments: 23

1. Professor Yerraballi was incredible I wouldn't have changed a single thing from this class.

2. Yerraballi is probably the best professor I've had here at UT and probably one of my favorite of all time. He explained difficult concepts so well and was willing to help me personally when I came to his office hours. This guy needs a raise

3. The second exam seems to greatly reward those with previous programming experience. Further, having that one exam control the grades for the entire class you do well, you get an A you don't, you get a B or lower seems unfair. Good job teaching though, I feel like I learned a great bit even though I will likely get stuck with a B or less.

4. Dr. Yerraballi did a great job of teaching this course and made it very easy to understand the material and was always approachable for office hours and help outside of class. He explained the labs very well in class which helped a lot because I thought the lab manual was very disorganized and sporadic. It was not very clear about what we needed to do in some cases and many times had irrelevant information that Yerraballi cleared up. The labs were very time consuming and tedious but I enjoyed doing them in the end. I just wish they would have been explained better and that the TA's were more available to students with early lab check outs there were no weekend office hours . Yerraballi as a professor was one of the best I've ever had.

5. Very difficult class, but Yerraballi made it worthwhile!

6. Dr. Yerraballi is a great professor. His lectures are very helpful with the labs for the class. I've learned more from him in one semester than in any class I have ever taken.

7. Very good course. It could have gone a lot faster, though. Many classes seemed to be reviews, or going over material we ought to know already.

8. Great instructor, taught in a way that made the students understand. Highly recommended for others.

9. EE 319K is an incredibly challenging course. However, I believe that Dr. Y makes this course quite interesting for students to learn well and excel in this course. I would like to thank Dr. Y for listening to my complains and making this experience quite a memorable one.

10. Dr. Yerraballi is amazing. Whatever you pay him now, double it.

11. Great class. I really enjoy the lectures and tend to learn a lot each time. I like how the class is arranged by labs in the second half of the semester - it really helps to do the labs and understand them better. I feel like there are no weaknesses. I appreciate the office hours which are available - really helpful.

12. Dr Yerraballi was very helpful, especially during office hours and after class.

13. Towards the end of the semester, the labs became more difficult--as you warned us. But, you would review the material relevant to the lab on Wednesday and Monday. This was especially unfair to student who had check-out on Tuesday because it encouraged us to procrastinate. We would be wasting hours trying to figure out parts of the lab over the weekend that you would explain on Monday in two minutes. All in all though, the beginning part of the semester was great. If it's possible to record your lectures, that would be advantageous especially since coding is a methodological effort that cannot be followed well through notes because of the lack of an obvious sequence of thought. Thanks for a great year!.

14. The best teacher I've had. Straight up baller

15. You should make information more available on blackboard. Valvano's book is kinda hard to read. There should be better explanations on blackboard in the form of documents or videos, kinda like Khan Academy. This is especially helpful in things like knowing what memory locations to set and why in things like ADC and SCI etc. And just general concept things like baud rate and such.

16. Though I have only been at UT for two semesters, he is the best professor I have had so far. Great teacher, really cares for his students.

17. Really know his material, loved the professor

18. especially for the first labs on tuesday -- i think more time would've been better. we learned a lot of the concepts the day before the lab was due so it was too late by the time, since we would have had to start the lab way earlier and also those with the labs due on tuesday only able to attend one lab lecture thursday since going to the monday one would be too late as well. it felt like we were at a disadvantage.

19. I had a Tuesday lab time, and I sometimes felt like the people with Thursday lab times had it easier because your lecture schedule seemed like it was more fit for their schedule than ours. The Monday lecture over our lab that was always due Tuesday seemed a little late to me, but I don't know if that's your fault- I'm just letting you know. I really enjoyed this class this semester, and I thought you did a great job teaching the material. I could definitely see myself choosing embedded systems as my major or minor track for EE!

20. Great Teacher

21. YOU ARE AN AWESOME TEACHER!!! I'm extremely glad that I had you as my teacher. You explained the lab really well and felt prepared for most of them. The only problem was when you went over last minute lab material on Monday because Tuesday was my checkout day and so I was usually already finished by Monday. You are very approachable and I will make sure to have more classes with you in the future.

22. Although this class was tough for me, I truly enjoyed it. You can tell that professor Yerraballi enjoys teaching. He made the lectures interactive by asking questions as he taught. When students went to his office hours he would stay there until they understood the material regardless of how long it took. He was an interesting professor and he definitely cared about his students' progress. He was great!

23. The course required way more time than a 3 hour course should. There also wasn't enough help for the Tuesday lab.
