UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS AT AUSTIN

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COURSE-INSTRUCTOR SURVEY
INTRO TO EMBEDDED SYSTEMS

Spring 2013 DEPARTMENT COPY Enrollment = 76

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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: 24

1. Yerraballi is a great professor! The only thing I would change about the course is the lab manual. At times I felt the lab manual didn't give enough detail on the assignment it seemed like it was purposely holding back information, leading me to waste hours just trying to figure out what the lab instructions are asking for.

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2. Awesome Teacher. Shame you don't teach more classes.

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3. Yerraballi is probably one of the best professors I've had so far.

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4. Very interesting subject. Dr. Y is a great guy as well as educator.

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5. Very engaging professor. Makes class fun and the subject very interesting.

6. I learned guite a bit from the course, but because most of the material used was focused on Professor Valvano's class there were occasionally discrepancies in assignments concerning when or how something was to be done. Perhaps a mini-syllabus sort of thing that laid out the slight differences in expectations between teachers could have been nice. Over all, I really liked the class. Being completely new to coding, it was quite the uphill load, but the lectures really helped me piece things together when I couldn't understand vague explanations from the internet. I never asked questions in class, but many of my peers voiced most of the same questions I had. I think this class prepared me to put some serious irons in the fire. Thanks!

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7. Thank you so much for teaching this semester!

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8. Had problems with lab partner that was very stressful but Dr. Y helped sort out the issue. Very open minded professor and willing to listen and help students

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9. I had Dr. Y for 306 and now 319k. My favorite professor at UT to date.

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11. Yerrabali effectively teaches and makes the class very interesting.

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12. Very good teacher. Hope I go on to the next class though as the second exam really felt like an all or nothing test. Either you got everything or nothing. It felt sort of cheated though, as one should not really place a time limit to programming. Always one more bug.

13. Great instructor, no complaints whatsoever. Unfortunately, this class is far too intense to be a 3 hour course. I spent 20-40 hours a week on the labs because course material and lab material don't align, and lab partner selection is forced on us tooearly in the class my partner did no work but got full credit for my solutions on every lab . I also don't think having a programming test in this class is even remotely useful. The amount of cheating that happens on that test is ridiculous. A lot of people who write literally zero code for the labs get 100s by chance or because they have no ethics , while some people who do their work get tripped up over one concept and get 50s. It's honestly not a fair way of evaluating what we've learned.

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14. Dr. Y did a good job teaching the material. He is always avaliable and answers questions thoroughly making sure you understand what he is explaining.

15. Yerraballi is definitely one of my most favorite professors at UT!!	
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16. Dr. Yerraballi is one of the best professors I have had because he enjoys teaching students, so he is willing to help the students at all times. In addition, any student can easily approach him with any kinds of questions.

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17. Very good job. Enjoyed having you as my Professor for both 319k and 306.

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18. The class is very fun and well built, but it can be improved are 1 For Tu Th lectures, possibly split up the lecture time? It is hard to pay attention after 50 minutes of lecture, and I find myself wishing to make sure what I have learned is correct. Prof Valvano does worksheets in class, perhaps that can work well in this class too? 2 Provide more incentive beyond extra credit to go above and beyond in ALL labs. After lab 7 I found myself wanting to go beyond the assignment and really make an impression, but I found little incentive to do so since I've already guaranteed myself an A. I'm not saying make the class harder, lots of students struggle as it is, but give more incentive and structure for going beyond what is asked.

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19. Dr. Y is one of the best teachers I've had at UT. He encourages questions, is neither too serious nor too light in class, and is infectious with his interest in the subject matter. He is the type of teacher who shapes the future careers of his students.

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20. Great Professor.

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21. Some of the labs were very confusing and hard to understand. Also 1 week to do the lab is tough when you have homework for other classes as well. I personally had to stay up all night a couple of nights to get some of the labs done.

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22. Very enjoyable, informative class. Excellent professor

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23. Dr. Yeraballi is an excellent professor with an immense interest in the progress of his students. He has allows made me feel welcome and worked to explain things to me how ever many times it takes to reinforce a concept.

24. Great Professor

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