

Teaching Evaluation Summary (2009-2010 Spring)

Comment Summary

Instructor: **Hong, Guosong**
Subject: **CHEM**
Catalog & Section: **36, 4**

Course Title: **ORG CHEM LAB I**
Enrollment: **16** Responses Incl Declines: **16**
(Declined: **4**)

1. Please comment on the section leader's knowledge and presentation of the material and how well he/she coordinated the sections with lectures.

Strengths

- He was very knowledgeable and helpful.
- Wow. If I described my ideal lab TA before the course, he would not have been half as good as Guosong-I could not even imagine someone being nearly as helpful with individualized attention as Guosong. His helpful explanations and suggestions for the lab reports propelled me through the course, and made the labs all that more enjoyable to perform.
- Guosong gave us background information about the labs we conducted beyond the scope of the course, but this information was extremely helpful in truly understanding our labs.
- Guosong was SO helpful in lab. This is a stressful class, but he was always cheery, smiling, and willing to help, which helped a lot in making it a better and more interesting 4-hr lab.
- BEST TA I HAVE YET HAD AT STANFORD. ABSOLUTELY AMAZING!
- Excellent teaching! Made everything very clear
- Guosong answered our questions clearly whenever we had any, and he was helpful in letting us know generally what we needed to include in our lab reports.
- Very friendly, helpful

Suggestions for Improvement

- none.
- none
- none

2. Please comment on the section leader's effectiveness as a discussion leader, his/her ability to answer questions and keep the discussion on track.

Strengths

- He was able to answer questions effectively.
- No question is too small or grand for Guosong. If you need help finding, say, capillary tubes for the fourth time, he'll help you no problem. Or if you want a deeper understanding of chemiluminescence, he'll gladly explain the process in depth. If anything went wrong in the lab, he'd have the perfect remedy to fix it. This combined with his time-saving alterations to the lab procedure streamlined the lab process and made it a great experience.
- Guosong was always available to answer questions, give feedback on our lab progress, and give suggestions for lab report improvement.
- great feedback, patient, amazing
- Constantly provided us new information to enhance our knowledge of lab techniques, chemical principles

Suggestions for Improvement

- none.
- none

3. Please comment on the attitude of the section leader towards the students and his/her availability outside of class.

Strengths

- He had office hours.
- Again, fantastic.
- Guosong was extremely friendly and approachable; he often contacted the class by email to inform us about future labs and techniques.
- again: great feedback, patient, amazing
- Guosong was super nice and helpful.

Suggestions for Improvement

- None.
- none

4. Please comment on the overall performance of the section leader.

Strengths

- He is the best chemistry T.A. I've had at Stanford. He really cares about his students and actually learned our names--something not all other T.A.s do.
- Guosong was an amazing TA; he was extremely helpful in pushing our conceptual learning and our practical learning in the lab. He was prompt in answering questions by email, gave excellent feedback, and was very friendly.
- Extremely, outstandingly EXCELLENT.
- best TA I've had at Stanford
- Guosong is the man! He was so great and so nice. It was great to have him as the TA!
- He was a great section leader. He was always very helpful and explained concepts clearly but still allowed us to work independently and think critically.

Suggestions for Improvement

- None.
- none!