

# Recitation Instructor Evaluation Form - Fall 2021

**Date of Observation:** 2021-10-28  
**Recitation Instructor** (Last name, First name): Bu, Alison  
**Reviewer** (Last name, First name): Bowles, Malcolm  
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**Course and Section:** Math 135 Sections 22-24

**Please rate the overall performance of this Recitation Instructor:** Excellent

**Please comment on the technical aspects of the RI's teaching performance.**

AJ was extremely well-prepared for her recitation, with outstanding (virtual) board work, and a good pacing that solicited student's thoughts on steps through problems.

**Please comment on the mathematical content of the RI's teaching performance.**

The recitation was structured in a clear way with notes that AJ discusses and a worksheet for students to work on. The material complements lecture very well as it allows students to see and try a variety of problems, including some challenging ones.

**Please comment on the engagement of the students.**

This was a virtual recitation which always has challenges with student engagement. I observed that student engagement was relatively high in comparison to other virtual recitations, and I think the way AJ went through each problem asking for their thoughts and input, encourages a learning atmosphere where the students are comfortable to contribute.

**If the class was online, were breakout rooms used? If so, please comment on how well they worked and on the transition in and out of breakout rooms.**

In this recitation section, AJ has used breakout rooms previously, but decided based on student feedback to try the recitation I observed without breakout rooms. Instead, AJ asked for input to solve a problem. I thought this worked quite well and the engagement of the students seemed quite high.

**If the class was face to face, what techniques were used to elicit student-student interaction and how well did they work?**

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**Please evaluate the assistance of the RI in grading and constructing exams and quizzes, and in following course policies.**

AJ has been efficient in grading exams and following course policies without any issues.

**Were the Learning Assistants (LA's) involved in the teaching? If so, please comment on the effectiveness of the way they were used.**

LA's were not involved in this recitation.

**Would you recommend that this RI be assigned to teach his/her own course? Please comment:**

Yes, I would recommend AJ be assigned to teach her own course. I feel that she is able to create a supportive and interactive learning environment with a positive student response.

**Additional comments:**

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