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Course: ECO 1000	Focus group date: 10/9/23
Students: ~28	Groups: 8 Groups

The text below is a transcription of student writing from the small group portion of this exercise. Student comments are unedited, but have been sorted to emphasize common themes. *Any comments in italics are based on notes or clarifications from the discussion.* Numbers in parentheses indicate the number of groups giving a similar response.

**What aspects of this course are most helping you learn?**

- Homework in-class x5
- Smart Books x5
- Slide access, graphs x2
- Quick email response
- Passionate about subject- *students appreciate the passion you bring inot the classroom!*
- Good at visual teaching
- He is very understanding and will do a lot to help us understand x5- *there was overwhelming agreement here- students recognize the effort you out into being available for them and appreciate the personalized help.*
- Office hours and explanation of deadlines

*Students really recognize and appreciate your enthusiasm for the material as well as your collective availability- they recognize that you care about their learning.*

Students appreciate your accessibility and appreciate the time and take into reaching out to students individually and how responsive you are to their questions and concerns on email.

**What aspects of this course would you recommend be changed to enhance your learning? Specific suggestions?**

- Slowing down the content x4- *class lectures feel a little fast to students*



- Slide content is sometimes confusing x5 – *it seems like there is a lot of information on the slides- it is hard for the students to digest all of that content, students are unsure of the take home points and find the information a little confusing.*
- Explain in-class graphs more x3
- Do more in-class work
- More class engagement, different teaching methods x2
- Adding in some group work would be helpful x3 *students find some of the individual in-class work intimidating and would appreciate having the opportunity for some in-class group work*
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**What could you be doing as a student in this course that would enhance your learning and/or that of your peers?**

- Starting smartbooks sooner x4
- Reading and note taking during class
- Study in groups outside of class
- Ask more questions in class, *be more engaged in-class x6- students recognize they could do more to engage with the material in-class. Perhaps you can consider finding new ways to make the information relevant to the all the students in the class.*
- More in- class problem solving
- Utilize office hours more

**What else would you like to tell the professor about this course?**

- You can see that he really cares about econ and us and will always help us
- Thank you for open note tests
- Cool shirts!
- Supportive environment for learning
- Really great prof
- Enjoying our class experience
- Doing a good job
- He is nice with good mood/ energy