

What advice would you give to a future student taking this course?

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Hold on and hold on tight! Advice, I am definitely not good at giving advice. It always seems to me different people approach a class differently. But, if you want I will at least tell my personal experience with Dr. Kaw's Numerical Methods class.

On a January afternoon, I approached the classroom door and suddenly I got nervous. My hands started turning clammy and I felt my heart beating out of chest. Crazy huh! I know I am a worry wart, but any ways I was suddenly stepping into Dr. Kaw zone. I had heard horror stories about this class, but little did I know Dr. Kaw's class was going to be a great opportunity for me to show off my math skills.

As the semester started progressing I learned the tricks to the class, study everyday or every other day. The class moves at a fast pace and does not stop for you to catch up. You better be good at learning material in a week then demonstrating your knowledge the following week. It is a very demanding class, why, because of the study time, the work load, the special assignments, the programming projects, the five tests, and the concept tests that are all required to be complete in sixteen weeks.

Oh, by the ways there are some humorous days in Dr. Kaw's class. He loves to start clicker questions with at least one or two rapper trivia questions before he reviews the material. And even sometimes shocks you with lyrics from the rappers songs. Funny huh!

In just a few weeks, I have learned various ways to solve numerical problems that can be applied to real world challenges. One final recommendation, I will advise that all future students brush up on their MATLAB, integration, differential equations, and simultaneous equations problem solving skills. You will need all of these concepts throughout the semester. Good luck and hope to one day hear your story.