

Fall 2007 CSE 254 Introduction to Discrete Systems (UConn)

- ★ *"Was very clear; gave good explanations"*
 - ★ *"Explained the topics well"*
 - ★ *"Very informative and very helpful"*
 - ★ *"Raj you were an amazing teacher!"*
- ★ *"Took difficult sections slow and explained everything very well"*
- ★ *"He was very organized and knowledgeable. He understood the complexity of each topic and allocated the correct time to explaining it"*
 - ★ *"Good Class!"*
- ★ *"Clear about what is expected; consistent teaching style; fast grader!"*
- ★ *"Very knowledgeable in book material, presented clearly & effectively"*
 - ★ *"Great class, I look forward to my next class with Raj"*
- ★ *"Clear, concise lectures, challenging exams, appropriate homework"*
- ★ *"I regret that I will not be learning from the Prof. any time in the near future"*
 - ★ *"Helpful to students"*
- ★ *"Very good reviews, exams contained no surprises! Perfectly happy to go into interesting tangents"*

Spring 2007 CSE 462 Randomized Algorithms (UConn)

- ★ *"Presenting the stuff really well"*
- ★ *"flexible, accessible, patient with students"*
- ★ *"He is very helpful and makes the class very interesting"*
- ★ *"Objectives of the course were clearly presented and many areas were stressed out"*
- ★ *"The most impressive thing is Prof. Rajasekaran's seemingly effortless command of this difficult and complex material. He was also very available for student questions."*
 - ★ *"Presented the ideas in an efficient manner."*
 - ★ *"Professor is very knowledgeable, and patient."*
 - ★ *"a different approach to algorithms."*
 - ★ *"Clarified the importance of the materials taught."*
 - ★ *"Presented the material in a clear & logical manner"*

Fall 2006 CSE 259 Algorithms and Complexity (UConn)

- ★ *"Very clear and concise on describing algorithms. Answers EVERY question that students have"*
 - ★ *"Overall, very nice job Raj!"*
 - ★ *"Raj is the man"*
 - ★ *"He knew everything extremely well and answer any questions immediately"*
 - ★ *"Excellent Professor"*
 - ★ *"Very thorough in explanations and answering questions"*
- ★ *"Very nice way of explaining hard concepts. Asks appropriate questions to see if students follow."*
 - ★ *"clear and concise lectures"*
 - ★ *"Raj is a great lecturer"*
 - ★ *"He was very helpful and clarified concepts well."*
 - ★ *"Really knowledgeable & explain things very well"*
 - ★ *"One of the best professors I've had"*

- ★ *"The instructor always gave very clear instructions on the assignments for the course, and was very helpful in/out of class"*
 - ★ *"overall it was a very well taught class"*
- ★ *"after many years of teaching it, the instructor still shows a great interest in the subject matter, it was a great class to take"*
 - ★ *"Answered any and all questions. Provided multiple examples and comprehensive notes."*
 - ★ *"Nicely done for such dense material."*
 - ★ *"Good attitude and very knowledgeable on subject matter"*
- ★ *"Raj was an expert on algorithms, and gave students every chance to learn the material. He was also very flexible and accommodating and presented course clearly."*
 - ★ *"Very knowledgeable hard stuff taught"*
 - ★ *"Tough class taught by a good teacher"*
- ★ *"Prof. Raj was incredibly knowledgeable on the subject and taught in a clear and effective manner. The assignments were challenging, but fair. Raj's style and attitude were perfect. Awesome class, all-around."*
 - ★ *"Really, I can't think of anything wrong with this course. It was great."*
 - ★ *"gets the material across without beating it to death."*

Spring 2006 CSE 300 Advanced Topics in Algorithms (UConn)

- ★ *"It was his approach to teaching. Explains everything on the Board. Very good approach to making the subject interesting."*
 - ★ *"Excellent Teacher."*
- ★ *"Its amazing to me how he remembers everything including the names of the authors for every proof & Theorem!!"*
 - ★ *"organized and clearly. Stimulated"*
- ★ *"Extensive amount of research articles were used. It helped to develop a great insight into the theory."*
 - ★ *"Dr. Raj deserves A+ for his capabilities inside & outside the class. His knowledge on the subject, friendly approach & willingness to help are unparalleled. He is SUPERB!"*
 - ★ *"Instructor on time - Willing to answer all questions - Organized"*
 - ★ *"He is very easy to access and thoughtful of his students."*
 - ★ *"THANKS A LOT!"*

Fall 2005 CSE 361 Complexity of Sequential and Parallel Algorithms (UConn)

- ★ *"His patience and ability to explain stuff in a clear & concise manner"*
 - ★ *"Its perfect as is"*
 - ★ *"He's the best."*
- ★ *"He never brought in notes. He really knows his stuff. Liked him writing out everything on the board."*
 - ★ *"The professor outstanding knowledge."*
 - ★ *"Interesting examples. Strong relationship with the real world."*
- ★ *"The instructor explained everything with relevant examples, which made the concepts very clear."*
 - ★ *"Clearly presented course material on white board"*
 - ★ *"Very much knowledge and very friendly!"*
- ★ *"The way he used the board - the order of lectures and the amount of material covered were extremely good aspects of the course."*
 - ★ *"He is extremely good at what he does in class. He should not do anything more ..."*

- ★ *"One of the best professors I have been taught by. Wish I had been taught by him in my under grads."*
- ★ *"He is the best"*

Spring 2005 CSE 300 Advanced Topics in Algorithms (UConn)

- ★ *"I like his examples and insight into the material."*
- ★ *"Very interesting & explanatory. Raj always takes special care to enjoy the course himself which makes it so interesting for students."*
 - ★ *"He is by far the best teacher ever."*
 - ★ *"Raj is awesome!"*
 - ★ *"He was very prepared."*
 - ★ *"IT'S ALREADY PERFECT."*
- ★ *"Lectures are clear and well-paced. Instructor is clearly very knowledgeable and is also accomidating to students. "*
- ★ *"Good selection of homework problems."*
- ★ *"The instructor is very capable of explaining very advanced material - Very organized - Encourages discussion"*
- ★ *"This course was very well-organized and well-prepared. I really like the way he organized the information on the board."*
- ★ *"The instructor was very good at interacting with students in the class, getting students involved in the lectures positively."*
- ★ *"INSTRUCTOR's wide knowledge about the course. He answered every question asked by any of the students in the class about the course and explained very well."*
 - ★ *"Instructor's teaching is perfect."*

Fall 2004 CSE 259 Algorithms and Complexity (UConn)

- ★ *"Great Class!"*
- ★ *"Very interactive and knows his material really well. Thumps Up!! Great teacher."*
 - ★ *"The professor was great."*
 - ★ *"Divided the material in an organized manner, to make learning easier."*
 - ★ *"Very accessibe"*
 - ★ *"interesting class"*
 - ★ *"easy to meet with, lots of examples, fair grading"*
 - ★ *"Thank you, Great job Raj."*
 - ★ *"Made the topics interesting."*
 - ★ *"Interesting material, and a clear/effective style of teaching it."*
 - ★ *"Very organized. Good examples."*
 - ★ *"Excellent class, excellent teacher."*
 - ★ *"Could come to office any time to get clarifications"*
- ★ *"Very accessible to students in and out office hours (email). Model exams give students hint of what to expect on exam day."*
 - ★ *"Keep up the good work!!"*
 - ★ *"Best CSE class I had in 3 years at UConn. You are the best!"*
 - ★ *"Clear progression of material over time."*
- ★ *"Very complete; Covered more material, more completely than other alg. classes"*
 - ★ *"He taught very tough material in a fashion that made it easy to learn"*
 - ★ *"Awesome teacher"*
 - ★ *"Writing material on the board and explaining it in clear way."*
 - ★ *"Extremely clear, interesting, concerned, ..."*

- ★ *"You're by far the most excellent instructor I've had here at uconn"*
- ★ *"Raj is very friendly and goes far out of his own time to help all of the students."*
- ★ *"Always prepared. Taught without lecture notes! Clearly knows the subject inside and out. Did not speak down to students."*
- ★ *"Homework assignments really reinforced class material."*

Spring 2004 CSE 361 Complexity of Sequential and Parallel Algorithms (UConn)

- ★ *"Was teaching very clear"*
- ★ *"Well organized lectures"*
- ★ *"GREAT EXPERIENCE, NO PPT - LECTURE"*
- ★ *"Raj is awesome!"*
- ★ *"ABILITY TO TEACH WITHOUT LECTURE NOTES + ANSWER OFF-THE-WALL QUESTIONS WELL"*
- ★ *"he answered all questions and took his time to do so"*
- ★ *"It's good."*
- ★ *"He is the best."*
- ★ *"Very organized and clear"*

Fall 2003 CSE 259 Algorithms and Complexity (UConn)

- ★ *"Raj is to algorithms as coke is to soda"*
- ★ *"Raj is the man. He is obviously extremely knowledgeable in algorithms"*
- ★ *"Answering everyone's questions so well"*
- ★ *"Very friendly & approachable. Also very knowledgeable regarding subject matter"*
- ★ *"Raj knew everything about every question asked. He was always prepared for class. Very nice and easy to talk to – very helpful"*
- ★ *"He has a way of explaining things in a slow and concise manner so that he leads his students into complete understanding of the material"*
- ★ *"He may be the best professor I've ever had!"*
- ★ *"Raj takes algorithms to a whole new level of clarity and understanding. A+"*
- ★ *"Would give 11 on some, but no bubble for it"*
- ★ *"Friendliest teacher ever"*
- ★ *"Yay Raj!"*
- ★ *"Nice & easy going manner of teaching. More concerned about students understanding the subject, rather than rushing thro' "*
- ★ *"Thank you for all the help outside of class, it's greatly appreciated"*
- ★ *"He was very thorough and his test and homework pertained very well to what was discussed in class"*
- ★ *"Fair, interesting, nice, funny teacher. Concern for students. Explains things well. Great job!"*
- ★ *"Raj is the best prof. I've ever had"*
- ★ *"Raj explained the algorithms very well; he truly loves his job"*
- ★ *"Raj is one of if not the best teacher(s) in this school"*
- ★ *"Never seen anyone better than this instructor"*
- ★ *"Very good course-instructor!"*
- ★ *"Excellent teaching style. AWESOME"*
- ★ *"RAJ IS AN EXCELLENT PROF"*
- ★ *"Good teacher & did not need a book to teach. Has everything in his head"*
- ★ *"Three cheers for Raj!"*

Spring 2003 CSE 361 Complexity of Sequential and Parallel Algorithms (UConn)

- ★ *“Overall an excellent course, I learned a tremendous amount & would highly recommend the course”*
- ★ *“Homeworks really emphasized the concepts in class-Hard enough to make us work, but not impossible. Historical perspective was very good”*
 - ★ *“Clear logic”*
 - ★ *“Very clear, took time to explain. Good job”*
 - ★ *“Great teacher, very nice man”*
 - ★ *“He is the best”*
- ★ *“He explained everything very carefully with enough examples & at a pace such that we can grasp it”*
 - ★ *“He was wonderful instructor”*
- ★ *“The way in which he explains the problems & solutions make the subject look very interesting & easy”*
 - ★ *“I don’t see any way that this course can be improved. It’s already perfect”*
 - ★ *“I would like you to teach me how you manage to teach so well!”*
 - ★ *“Clarity of thought. Clear, concise explanations”*
- ★ *“I liked the order of the topics, as well as the insight of the proofs which gave intuition about the subject. Raj’s presentations are very organized and interesting”*
 - ★ *“Broad coverage of material was given”*
- ★ *“Very systematic presentations of the material. Clear explanation of the concepts”*

Fall 2002 CSE 259 Algorithms and Complexity (UConn)

- ★ *“Raj did a great job with the class”*
 - ★ *“He covered everything well. Used examples very well. Overall it was very good”*
- ★ *“Professor knew his subject matter very well and was able to clearly explain anything and everything we needed to know”*
 - ★ *“Very Good instructor and I would definitely take a class with him again”*
- ★ *“This prof is extremely knowledgeable, and it shows. Shows much personal alacrity for the subject. Extremely patient with rude students”*
 - ★ *“We need more profs like you”*
- ★ *“The Prof was patient with us, and would answer any questions we had. The tests were challenging, but fair. He gave us a lot of freedom with what algos we could use on the exams”*
 - ★ *“All in all one of the better CSE teachers”*
 - ★ *“Teacher was very pleasant and excited about his work”*
- ★ *“He was always enthusiastic, and he explained every concept clearly and completely. Additionally, he knows the material perfectly”*
 - ★ *“Very knowledgeable of the material. Overall I was pleased with his teaching”*
- ★ *“The thorough, steady pace of class. I did not get the feeling that the professor was trying to weedout the students, just teach them. Good, challenging tests. Good explanations”*
 - ★ *“Very thorough in algorithms. All the way done to the pseudocode”*
 - ★ *“Knew his stuff”*
 - ★ *“Helpful putting everything on web. Also very helpful during office hours”*
- ★ *“He encourages his students to ask questions, send him emails with questions. He replies his emails with explanation”*
 - ★ *“You were very willing to help in office hours”*
 - ★ *“This was a pretty good class in comparison w/ other CSE classes”*
 - ★ *“I enjoyed your enthusiasm; it was clear you enjoyed what you were teaching”*

Fall 1999 COT 5405 Analysis of Algorithms (UF)

- ★ *“Great knowledge to the content of course”*
- ★ *“Excellent knowledge and teaching skill”*
- ★ *“clarity of voice and flow of instructions and teaching”*
- ★ *“His teaching skills are excellent. I think he is one of excellent professors”*
 - ★ *“He is one of the best teachers”*
 - ★ *“He knows his material well”*
- ★ *“Yes. It is a very difficult course but I have learned much more than expected & it makes you think on a deeper level”*
- ★ *“excellent professor thank you for your patience in teaching us this material”*

Spring 1999 COT 5405 Analysis of Algorithms (UF)

- ★ *“He knows his subject. Therefore, students can always count on the fact that wherever we have a question it will be answered”*
 - ★ *“Dr. Raj should keep offering the course every semester”*
 - ★ *“GREAT EXPERIENCE!”*
 - ★ *“Very clean in his logic, easy to follow”*
 - ★ *“very expressive & clear language; organized; total knowledge of the subject”*
- ★ *“Dr. Raj is a pleasant intelligent instructor. He is fair and nice, and sometimes funny!”*

Fall 1997 COT 5405 Analysis of Algorithms (UF)

- ★ *“Raj is a good guy and you could tell he cared about how much we learned. He was also extremely knowledgeable about the course material, perhaps more so than any professor I have had”*
 - ★ *“enthusiasm, clear explanations, willingness to stop to clarify”*
 - ★ *“Smart, dominate his subject, very interesting, learned a lot”*
- ★ *“Dr. Raj is a very compassionate and understanding person in or out of the classroom which makes a subject as difficult as algorithms somewhat bearable.”*
 - ★ *“Excellent knowledge of the subject!! Raj is awesome.”*
 - ★ *“This was a very hard class material-wise, Raj made learning a joy!! Two-thumbs up”*
- ★ *“Raj is a great guy and a great teacher. One of the best, if not the best, teachers in the faculty”*
 - ★ *“He is sincere and respect students”*
- ★ *“Prof Raj appeared to really enjoy the subject. He lights up when it appears that a student is getting a deeper understanding of the material. The grading was extremely fair.”*
 - ★ *“The teacher is full of knowledge about the materials.”*
 - ★ *“It’s an excellent class”*

Fall 1997 COT 5405 Analysis of Algorithms (UF)

- ★ *“Raj is, weu, the Raj. He’s an excellent instructor with a great mind and he truly knows his subject. When he lectures, you can tell his enthusiasm because he can’t hide it! which is a good thing, because it is infectious!
Great job and a fantastic, energetic course!”*
- ★ *“Raj is very organized & concerned about the students. He is a wonderful teacher! The class is very difficult, but he is fair & I learned a lot. A wonderful teacher!!”*
 - ★ *“His amazing knowledge base and infinite patience.”*
- ★ *“Instructor has an extensive knowledge of the subject. Very impressive teaching techniques.”*
 - ★ *“Raj’s willingness to help outside of class was an invaluable asset!”*
- ★ *“Great Course! RAJ made intimidating material easier to learn with his good teaching!”*

Spring 1997 COP 3530 Data Structures (Section 1080) (UF)

- ★ *“Good Knowledge of all subject areas”*
- ★ *“Very understanding nature”*
- ★ *“Dr. Rajasekaran is a brilliant man and I enjoyed following his thoughts throughout the term.”*
- ★ *“RAJ is a great guy, and he knows this subject inside and out, and he knows how to explain it. He’s a damn fine teacher.”*

Spring 1997 COP 3530 Data Structures (Section 1079) (UF)

- ★ *“Great teacher! Possible one of the best CISE teachers”*
- ★ *“The instructor proved to be quite knowledgeable on this subject.”*
- ★ *“He was very patient & understanding of the student always took time for them.”*
- ★ *“His cooperation with student in solving all course related problem was outstanding and very helpful.”*
- ★ *“Worked with students well. Made material easy to understand.”*
- ★ *“Raj is an excellent teacher who communicates ideas logically and with fluency and depth.”*
 - ★ *“Friendly, and articulate, communicated well.”*
 - ★ *“Expresses ideas clearly & simply.”*
 - ★ *“Very knowledgeable in his field.”*
- ★ *“Dr. Rajaskeran is a very good professor – he is fair, flexible, and enthusiastic”*

Fall 1996 COT 5405 Analysis of Algorithms (UF)

- ★ *“Dr. Raj would encourage feedback from students.”*
 - ★ *“openness to questions.”*
 - ★ *“good ability to communicate difficult facts”*
- ★ *“He was very friendly and willing to help the students.”*
 - ★ *“I enjoyed it.”*

Fall 1995 CIS 3020 Intro to CIS (Section 10979) (UF)

- ★ *“Raj was very thorough with his teaching methods; He didn’t go too slow but he didn’t rush through it because some of the people (like myself) obviously didn’t have tons of computer experience. He made it possible for us to learn.”*
- ★ *“His knowledge of the material & willingness too accept questions during lecture”*
 - ★ *“Knew subject. Very courteous.”*
- ★ *“I loved his use of technology as an in-class teaching method. Instead of writing out the notes on the board, he had them all prepared on a computer. They were displayed on a screen w/an overhead projector.”*
 - ★ *“Very helpful when necessary”*
 - ★ *“The ability to answer each individual question with a well explained answer.”*
- ★ *“He listens to questions, makes sure material is understood before moving on, doesn’t assume we know the answer but waits for a general concensus”*
 - ★ *“Knows material well, encourages student interaction during lectures.”*
 - ★ *“Very excellent!”*

Fall 1995 CIS 3020 Intro to CIS (Section 10978) (UF)

- ★ *“AVAILABILITY AND GREAT CONCERN FOR EACH STUDENT.”*
- ★ *“His high level of patience. His concern for those students who were having trouble grasping some of the concepts. The few minutes of class time that were well spent on bringing some of the slower students upto speed also helped refresh the memories of the more advanced students.”*

- ★ *“Raj was very knowledgeable.”*
- ★ *“liked the use of technology - using the www & notes on the computer”*
- ★ *“Very helpful; good explanations”*
- ★ *“A deep knowledge and understanding of the subject.”*
- ★ *“Thorough explanations”*
- ★ *“Very patient”*
- ★ *“He Enjoys Teaching”*

Spring 1995 COT 3100 Discrete Mathematics (UF)

- ★ *“Consistent, clear teaching and knowledge of subject.”*
- ★ *“He’s very open and shows unconditional concern for his students. He was very available around exam time and extended his office hours.”*
- ★ *“He was able to do problems on the board such that they were easy to understand.”*
- ★ *“Professor knew material very-well, was very proficient and knowledgeable in subject.”*
- ★ *“Very intelligent - knows a lot about the subject”*
- ★ *“Dr. Raj knows his stuff.”*
- ★ *“Excellent knowledge, Good attitude, Excellent instructor, clear, patient.”*

Fall 1994, COT 3100 Discrete Mathematics (UF)

- ★ *“The instructor was very interested in problems the students might have had & worked to resolve any problems. His understanding was a very nice quality not found in many profs.”*
- ★ *“The professor knew his subject very well, and was able to make it seem easy at times because he was able to explain it well.”*
- ★ *“Was very helpful, knew the material very well”*
- ★ *“Prof. Raj seemed very interested in the subject matter, which increased my interest. He also explained things very well.”*
- ★ *“He was very patient when asked questions about things.”*
- ★ *“Enjoyed his teaching.”*

Comments of UPenn Students

- ★ *“Rajasekaran is the best CSE prof I have had in three years. His lectures were clear and concise. Made potentially dull material interesting”*
- ★ *“Excellent professor. Outstanding. Brilliant.”*
- ★ *“I like Raj and hope to be able to take more of his classes.”*
- ★ *“My most interesting computer science course so far. It’s not easy but it’s sure worth the effort! Raj is cool!”*
- ★ *“Dr. Rajasekaran is an excellent teacher, always well prepared (in fact never speaking with notes), and able to communicate very well. The fact that this is a new field and the instructor is on the cutting edge only adds to the excitement of the course”*
- ★ *“A very interesting course given by a highly motivated and extremely well-versed and competent professor.”*
- ★ *“This course was very enjoyable and worthwhile. The professor was quite helpful during office hours, and was always available. Homeworks were graded promptly and returned, along with suggested solutions. I learned a lot from preparing my presentation, and getting feedback from the class was a good idea. Overall, I consider Raj among the best instructors in the CIS Dept!”*
- ★ *“Very well organized course with knowledgeable and friendly instructor providing a very firm foundational course.”*
- ★ *“As usual, Raj was well prepared and organized. His practice of distributing copies of the overheads used in class is very helpful. He is always receptive when visited during office hours.”*

- ★ “Raj is an excellent teacher. Engineering needs more profs. like him.”
- ★ “More lecturers should take the kind of interest RAJ takes. He is always willing to explain and is very flexible. He is receptive to students needs.”
 - ★ “Course was excellent! Instructor presented difficult material in a very clear manner.”
 - ★ “An excellent teacher but very difficult exams.”
- ★ “I appreciated Raj’s emphasis in homeworks and quizzes on constructing new algorithms rather than just memorizing the algorithms presented in class. This made the class much more interesting.”
 - ★ “The professor was very generous with his time and made sure to be available for outside discussions.”
 - ★ “Dr. Raj is a great lecturer!”
- ★ “Raj is a great prof and course material is very interesting. The book is wonderful, very helpful, & self-explanatory. It’s not an easy course, but very interesting. Grading is a bit hard”
- ★ “Raj is an excellent professor. He is very clear, organized, and willing to discuss the material with students”
- ★ “Prof. Raj is very approachable & friendly teacher. It’s not a stressful class at all. But there are still a lot of interesting and enlightening ideas got across in class.”
 - ★ “Baase is an excellent text! RAJ is the best!”
 - ★ “An excellent survey of the topic”
 - ★ “Great professor! Great teaching method.”