

To Whom It May Concern,

I have recently taken an Econometrics class with David Lang. Taking a class from David Lang was a very special experience, and David was an example of excellent teaching.

David demonstrated expertise in the material he was teaching, his lectures were well organized, and he explained the material clearly. The readings David assigned to the class were helpful, and he used his lectures to illustrate and clarify the challenging reading material while applying it to the new material and to applied research and lab assignments. When the material was especially difficult to master, David made an extra effort to deliver it well by providing outlines and handouts and by encouraging students to ask questions or/and to meet him individually during office hours.

David made the students work hard and meet challenges, but at the same time students did not feel frustration; they did the work and felt that they were learning a lot and being challenged and rewarded for their work, both by the new knowledge and their grades (and appreciation from David). David provided throughout the course meaningful feedback for each assignment and test. His feedback addressed both strengths and weaknesses.

As an international student that attended this class and had not yet a rich background in Economics, the extra help and effort I received from David had a significant impact on my success in the class and my motivation to work hard. During lectures David made sure that I understood special jargon and abbreviations, and after class David spent much time with me to make sure I would not fall behind.

This Econometrics class was one of the best classes I took and I owe it all to David Lang for being such an excellent instructor, one of the best I have ever had.

Sincerely,
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