



FSB COURSE EVALUATION -- DETAILED BY CLASS

2024 MMS FOB Fall 1

F FUNDMNTL OF BUSINESS ECONOMICS 547F.101A (MGRECON) - McDevitt,Ryan C.

	----- RAW TOTALS -----							COURSE STATISTICS		
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	RESPONDENTS	MEAN	STD
	COURSE ITEMS:									
1. Learned Topics Covered:	0	0	4	1	17	49	71	6.56	0.78	
2. Relevance:	0	0	2	8	13	15	33	5.97	1.16	
3. Current Interest:	0	0	0	5	10	13	43	6.32	0.96	
4. Course Overall:	0	0	0	0	4	6	61	6.80	0.52	
	Instructor Items:									
5. Organized/Prepared:	0	0	0	3	2	2	64	71	6.79	0.69
6. Enthused/Interested:	0	0	0	3	2	2	64	71	6.79	0.69
7. Concern in Progress:	0	0	0	3	2	3	63	71	6.77	0.70
8. Fair/Showed Equity:	0	0	0	3	2	4	62	71	6.76	0.70
9. Managed Discussion:	0	0	1	3	3	2	62	71	6.70	0.85
10. Communicated Clearly:	0	0	0	4	0	5	62	71	6.76	0.72
11. Instructor Overall:	0	0	0	0	1	3	67	71	6.93	0.31
	Overall Assessment:									
12. Overall Assessment:	0	0	0	1	2	11	57	71	6.75	0.57
13. Hours Preparation:	5	30	23	6	5	2	0	71	6.33	3.61
14. Class Pace:	0	0	2	49	16	2	2	71	4.34	0.71
15. Class Level:	0	0	4	59	6	1	1	71	4.10	0.56

COURSE ENROLLMENT: 84

MEAN STD

COURSE AVERAGE: 6.80 0.52

INSTRUCTOR AVERAGE: 6.93 0.31

OVERALL ASSESSMENT AVERAGE: 6.75 0.57

HOURS PREPARATION AVERAGE: 6.33 3.61



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F FUNDMNTL OF BUSINESS ECONOMICS 547F.101B (MGRECON) - McDevitt,Ryan C.

	----- RAW TOTALS -----							COURSE STATISTICS		
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	RESPONDENTS	MEAN	STD
	COURSE ITEMS:									
1. Learned Topics Covered:	0	0	1	6	10	59	76	6.67	0.68	
2. Relevance:	0	0	1	1	16	16	42	6.28	0.93	
3. Current Interest:	0	0	1	2	8	20	45	6.39	0.87	
4. Course Overall:	0	0	0	0	2	13	61	6.78	0.48	
	Instructor Items:									
5. Organized/Prepared:	0	0	2	0	1	2	71	6.84	0.69	
6. Enthused/Interested:	0	0	2	1	1	2	70	6.80	0.76	
7. Concern in Progress:	0	0	2	2	1	1	70	6.78	0.82	
8. Fair/Showed Equity:	0	0	1	1	1	4	69	6.83	0.64	
9. Managed Discussion:	0	0	2	0	2	4	68	6.79	0.73	
10. Communicated Clearly:	0	0	2	0	2	4	68	6.79	0.73	
11. Instructor Overall:	0	0	0	0	1	6	69	6.89	0.35	
	Overall Assessment:									
12. Overall Assessment:	0	0	0	0	3	10	63	6.79	0.50	
13. Hours Preparation:	6	20	26	17	5	2	0	76	7.13	3.63
14. Class Pace:	0	0	1	53	14	5	3	76	4.42	0.80
15. Class Level:	0	2	2	57	6	4	4	75	4.27	0.91

COURSE ENROLLMENT: 87

MEAN STD

COURSE AVERAGE: 6.78 0.48

INSTRUCTOR AVERAGE: 6.89 0.35

OVERALL ASSESSMENT AVERAGE: 6.79 0.50

HOURS PREPARATION AVERAGE: 7.13 3.63



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2024 MMS FOB Fall 1

F FUNDMNTL OF BUSINESS ECONOMICS 547F.101C (MGRECON) - McDevitt,Ryan C.

	----- RAW TOTALS -----							COURSE STATISTICS		
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	RESPONDENTS	MEAN	STD
	COURSE ITEMS:									
1. Learned Topics Covered:	0	0	1	6	18	48	73	6.55	0.70	
2. Relevance:	0	0	1	3	13	14	42	6.27	0.98	
3. Current Interest:	0	0	1	2	11	16	43	6.34	0.92	
4. Course Overall:	0	0	0	0	3	9	61	6.79	0.50	
	Instructor Items:									
5. Organized/Prepared:	0	0	0	0	1	3	69	73	6.93	0.30
6. Enthused/Interested:	0	0	0	0	2	3	68	73	6.90	0.38
7. Concern in Progress:	0	0	0	0	1	4	68	73	6.92	0.32
8. Fair/Showed Equity:	0	0	0	0	1	4	68	73	6.92	0.32
9. Managed Discussion:	0	0	0	0	1	4	68	73	6.92	0.32
10. Communicated Clearly:	0	0	0	0	1	6	66	73	6.89	0.35
11. Instructor Overall:	0	0	0	0	1	2	70	73	6.95	0.28
	Overall Assessment:									
12. Overall Assessment:	0	0	0	0	5	15	53	73	6.66	0.60
13. Hours Preparation:	6	28	22	11	4	2	0	73	6.47	3.62
14. Class Pace:	0	1	0	39	22	8	3	73	4.62	0.89
15. Class Level:	0	0	6	48	13	3	3	73	4.30	0.84

COURSE ENROLLMENT: 86

MEAN STD

COURSE AVERAGE: 6.79 0.50

INSTRUCTOR AVERAGE: 6.95 0.28

OVERALL ASSESSMENT AVERAGE: 6.66 0.60

HOURS PREPARATION AVERAGE: 6.47 3.62

What did you like about the course and the way the instructor taught it?

Enjoyed how engaging the course was and how enthusiastic the professor was

The current events readings for discussions were relevant and stimulating, he also applies the course to real life situations which is extremely enlightening.

The best professor in the program so far. He is truly a DQ Fuquan

I liked his enthusiasm and efforts for us to enjoy class.

Very enthusiastic and well-prepared

Never loved econ before this but now i have a happier opinion about the course. The fun that econ could be was something i never knew and maybe never would have known had it not been for professor Mcdevitt!

I like how the professor connected course concepts with relevant articles and cases

Professor McDevitt was very professional and did a great job teaching the course. He was very personable as well and I was very engaged. By far my favorite professor I have had at Fuqua and I cannot imagine a better one in the future.

I liked the transparency, about being a front loaded course. Overall, I thought the flow was great and it being front loaded was great, and gave us time to learn and then apply. I liked the format of the quizzes, midterm and final. Really helped me learn the concepts and not rush through just to get a score. Helped my understanding a good deal.

McDevitt did an amazing job of keeping our class engaged and was very prepared with the cases and content everyday. He went back over problems that students struggled with on quizzes and genuinely cared about us succeeding in this course.

Professor was very thorough and well prepared for class. The articles were relevant to the course and not overly lengthy. It captured the essence of the topic and its very evident Professor McDevitt cares about the course and wants us to all succeed. He was great. As someone who dropped her Econ in the sophomore year of undergrad, this was such a relieving experience and a bit more exciting.

Professor McDevitt is by far one of the best professors I have had in my now 5 years at Duke. Coming from a non-business background with no experience in economics, this class seemed daunting at the beginning of the semester, but the outcome was far from it. The structure of this class was impeccable. I deeply appreciated knowing exactly what to expect coming into the class each day and made me motivated to put in the work outside of class to get the best out of each class period. Even at 8am Professor McDevitt in an incredibly engaging lecturer and discussion leader. Each case we did was both interesting and well tailored to the topic of the day.

The case discussions and in class exercises

From day one, you could see how much Professor McDevitt cared about his students, and their success in the course. He is incredibly passionate about the concepts, and provides engaging material (like cases and in-class simulations) to keep students excited. Additionally, these cases were relevant and recent, allowing students to relate more to the content. This course has truly been a highlight of my MMS experience.

Great organization, enthusiastic, knowledgeable, wants students to succeed, unlimited time quizzes, review sessions

I really liked how the course was well formatted. Which includes the real world examples, lecture, review sessions, and practice problems. I feel very prepared to take the final exam!

He effectively used the cases to give practical applications to what we were talking about.

Professor used recent examples for cases, and he also dived into a variety of industries, which made the lecture very interesting. He also incorporated good amount of interactive exercises - trading game / OPEC, which strengthened the relevance of economics application in the real world!

I like the cases and the handouts, very applicable and detailed.

Prof McDevitt was hands down one of the best professors I've ever had. He taught the class in a way that was super engaging and relevant to current topics. After taking this course, I have a new interest and economics and want to see how I could pursue a career adjacent to this field. The mix of problems and cases in the course were integral to understanding. Everything was organized, and Prof McDevitt was fostered a positive environment where questions and discussions were encouraged.

The professor is super engaging and willing to break the subjects down for us. He wants us to succeed.

I loved the interactive way in which the professor taught the course. He was very enthusiastic about the subject and made even the ones from without an economics background, understand the concepts effectively by relating to normal everyday scenarios and reactions. Especially loved the simulations that happened in class which helped us understand the real world workings of the concepts that were covered.

All

I liked the way that Professor McDevitt catered the class to our interests by preparing cases that were geared towards our generation's interests as a whole. Professor McDevitt is by far the best professor I've had here at Fuqua, and arguably the best professor I've had in all my years of higher education. He is attentive to our needs as students (i.e. needing more practice problems, review sessions, and adapting the pacing of the class to our needs), passionate about economics (especially at 8am when we could all use a little energy at that time of day), and above all, cares. It is refreshing to be in a class where the professor cares about us not only as students, but as individuals. He cares that we have a greater takeaway from the class that goes beyond just grades--that we truly leave the term with a greater understanding of economics.

McDevitt is one of, if not the best professor at Fuqua. This course is his bread and butter and he excels at making this class interesting. Blessed I had the opportunity to learn from him.

Dr. McDevitt was always available to help and for further explanation outside of class times. The course was well organized and followed a schedule that was shown to us ahead of time.

Mr Ryan , I am not giving you any feedback Because feedback is for someone who needs to get better in life Couldn't get a perfect mentor than you I believe, Trust me , You honestly made our classes intresting Have a great one sir! There's not a single person I have written this about, hope you teach us again in some other term

Instructor has evidently put a lot of reflection and energy into how best to shape the course. Loved how he used students feedback to tailor the course and to ensure everyone was following on. Using the real life

cases to explain economic concepts was great and something I think was central to the success of this course.

The course was well-structured and easy to follow. The professor is highly skilled, knowledgeable, and ensures the classes are interactive. He is one of the best teachers I have ever had, and I would love to have him as our strategy professor next semester. His teaching abilities are truly exceptional.

I liked the discussions on all the cases.

To say Ryan is passionate about Economics is probably an understatement. The energy he exuberates during the lecture truly set the course apart!

I enjoyed everything Professor McDevitt had to bring to the table, including his attitude, positive remarks, and how relatable he was to us. I felt that Professor McDevitt provided excellent ways to try and visualize the material, and had interesting readings that made me want to read them. He was very caring, kind, and overall an incredible professor.

I would like to thank professor Ryan for teaching this subject and making us understand the subject to its core. He absolutely killed it and in near future I would love to be his student again.

The class was great! Relevant topics and super applicable concepts

well organized class materials

Articles, humor and games

Phenomenal teacher in every metric- presentation (written and verbal), organization, discussion, games, dad jokes - made econ very enjoyable.

Best professor I've ever had. In Germany, we don't have professors that show that much equity in managing a course and its students.

Professor McDevitt is probably the best professor we have had so far in MMS. He is a great speaker, answers questions effectively, chooses engaging examples, and clearly enjoys what he does.

This class was absolutely fantastic and one I truly enjoyed. I don't say this about many classes but I will truly miss going to his classes. The way Professor McDevitt interweaved fundamental concepts of economics with interesting and real business cases was genius. He was extremely prepared for each class, the structure of the class was crystal clear, and he was not only very knowledgeable about the material, but also extremely passionate which helped me stay engaged. It was clear how he truly cared about the students in his class and made sure we were keeping up with the material. He was not only extremely structured during every class, but he was also extremely structured on Canvas. He posted slides before and after class as well as both lecture notes and lecture summaries, making it really easy to review classes and key concepts. Honestly I have never had a professor like Professor McDevitt who was both extremely competent, professional, and serious but also likeable, fun, and understanding at the same time. I would highly recommend him for any and all teacher awards.

I really liked the jokes Professor McDevitt made in class and it makes it entertaining. He was also super energetic and genuinely cared about his students. The class simulation games were also very fun.

One of the best courses I have taken in my entire academic career.

I greatly appreciate how organized Ryan was throughout this course. From the very beginning to the end, I always knew exactly what was going to happen as he laid everything out clearly on Canvas and in his syllabus. He always stayed on track and had everything clearly laid out. He used real-world examples in class, that actually made me interested in Economics. Ryan has a good sense of humor and made what could be a rather dry subject and turned it into something I looked forward to learning about. I also enjoyed the simulations and lots of health examples throughout the term. He also truly cares about his students and made it a point to check in with me to make sure I was okay. Any future MMS student will be lucky to have him as a professor and will certainly walk away feeling as if they learned a great deal about the world and Economics!

I liked all the real world examples and case studies that we used.

He showed up very professional and prepared to answer every questions asked by our classmates.

Everything was great. Best Professor I have ever had!

I liked how the instructor did a good job of showing us the bigger picture of what we were learning

- very enthusiastic -very well prepared -cared about the students progress

What did you like about the course and the way the instructor taught it?

I liked how the professor was very open to adjusting the speed of the course to meet our needs and make sure we understood the topic of each lecture. I like how much effort he put into the class. It made me excited to attend class and learn knowing he was all in for the 6 weeks we had class with him.

I liked how cases were apart of each class. I really enjoyed the professor and it would be great to learn from him in other subjects.

I really liked the time the professor took to explain the concepts and engaging us and making sure that we understand what the concept is and how to apply it into the real world. The professor is also very flexible and adaptable to student suggestions ensuring that the course is tailored to the best learning of the students.

The course was really interactive and relevant to the concepts being taught. Each class was really well organized, and the instructor made it a point to bring out the best in each student. This was one of the best classes I have ever been a part of and I am grateful to be part of this class.

No words can describe how interesting and engaging our instructor/professor made this class. From the silly jokes to the multiple cases, this class was more than a pleasure to be a part of. The daily examples really helped keep us students interested the whole time. I believe some of the more complicated concepts were made easy to understand thanks to the multiple articles presented and the professor's willingness to stay after class and explain everything.

It was a great pace, and professor McDevitt made it an enthusiastic environment.

the way class organized and powerpoint slide is well delivered.

Really loved the cases and how they were used to support the concepts we learned

The instructor really cared about the students learning the material, and included many relevant case studies to show how it was applicable.

very good!

Professor McDevitt's clear learning objectives, focus on economic intuition, genuine passion, and integration of relevant case studies was extremely engaging and rare amongst professors. Quite frankly, his teaching and personal research made me reconsider pursuing academia.

Loved professor mcdevitt

RYAN MCDEVITT IS THE GOAT. Favorite teacher so far. No one cares about their students more. He really wants to help everyone. The man is all in for 6 weeks. He went to war with us and I will miss him. He utilized recent cases and was passionate every single day. He has great dad jokes. Overall I learned a ton and it made economics actually enjoyable.

Prof Ryan was deeply invested and it is shown in the cases he gives and the discussions he initiates. He can engage the class well and gives interesting case studies and readings.

Great teacher

Professor Ryan was very engaging throughout the class. He made a lot of efforts to ensure that the class was interactive. The case studies were very interesting

He was very personable and used real world examples. It was helpful to be challenged and pushed by professor when our comments didn't fully bring out everything he wanted. He was patient with us when we took time to think about how to respond to his challenges.

He is very energetic when teaching the class as well as discussing the topics. Although he tried his best to make jokes during class, but I still laugh when I get the point. We learn within a nice and fun world of economy.

The way Professor ensured that everyone keeps at par with the course was commendable. Really loved the classes

The greatest point of the course is that Prof. McDevitt really cares about students' idea, feedback, suggestions and feelings. He is really dedicated and willing to adjust the course to make it accommodate to our needs. This is incredible-this is the most important quality of an extraordinary professor!

I really liked the way the instructor used cases to explain concepts. Liked the way he explained game theory and pricing. Liked how he organised activities involving everyone in the class.

No one else could have taught Economics better than him!

I absolutely loved this course and the professor! He was so enthusiastic and genuine, and put so much effort into the content. He offered extensive review sessions, and even did a survey after every class to check on how students were doing and feeling. Also, I really enjoyed the practice problems he offered after every lecture, and the entire class was organized so well that the content was very clear.

I loved how prepared Professor McDevitt was, how he taught the class, how open he was to feedback and how he actually implemented the feedback he was given, how communicative he was, how kind and caring he was to each student, and how much he cared about everyone succeeding. I also really liked the simulations!!

I enjoyed the case discussions during class. I also enjoyed the passion that Professor McDevitt taught with.

The professor was very engaging! He always brought a positive attitude, and treated every day as a new day with exciting things to talk about. I'm very glad to have taken his class. His research is very interesting as well. Go Professor McDevitt!!

Very well structured course, one of the best lecture experiences I have ever had. Slides are helpful, and the professor is extremely passionate about the subject.

Instructor was super enthusiastic and well prepared. Super interactive. The cases he selected were interesting. Lots of real life examples. Very approachable and encouraging of class participation.

I liked the course involved a lot of topics and case studies that are relevant to today's time. The instructor is very organized and takes student's feedback very seriously. I like how he always makes adjustment to each class based on the feedback he received from the previous lecture.

Very enthusiastic and cares about students being interested

It was so incredibly organized and thoughtfully constructed. I loved the cases chosen, and how the concepts and structure for each class would be communicated each and every class. He brought such passion and care for his students and it really showed each and every class.

I think Ryan is an outstanding economics professor. His lectures are not just informative-they're genuinely entertaining, always starting with something that grabs everyone's attention. He's super responsive to feedback, too, always tweaking things here and there to make the lectures even better. He handles every class with great care and patience, and he's really prompt and thorough when it comes to responding to emails. Btw, I remember Ryan's sense of style. Every morning, he shows up in a crisp suit, really bringing that economist flair to the classroom. It makes the whole experience feel special and professional!:) All in all, he is one of the best professors I have ever met! I really hope that he can teach me more courses in the future.

Professor McDevitt took a genuine interest in the progress of his students and made sure that the concepts were understood by the class

instructor was very enthusiastic and enjoyable

The course is well-designed, combining theory with case studies. Ryan is an outstanding teacher. He's my favorite teacher this semester. His lectures are clear, easy to understand, and engaging. He is a sincere teacher who genuinely cares about his students.

Professor McDevitt is an excellent instructor, he is very enthusiastic and my favourite part of the course was the case studies that he chose.

He was very well prepared with the material. He made sure we understood the concepts. Always replied to mails. Best professor hands down

Loved the instructor and his enthusiasm. He taught the course very passionately which helped all the students be attentive and engaged. He has been the best professor by far. I loved every minute of his class. He prompted class discussions and simulation games for us to understand the real world applications. I had economics during my undergrad but never understood or developed interest in the course earlier but the way Ryan Mcdevitt taught, I love the subject. I have never seen any other professor being so supportive to our progress and understanding for the course.

Amazing professor who provided very relevant example and teaching. A class that shows how you can make any subject engaging with the right teacher.

Instructor was prepared, gave great explanations and was fully concerned with each student's progress. One of the best teachers I've ever had.

Taylor swift references to explain econ concepts were pure gold. Keep em coming. Additionally, the way the professor took feedback after each lecture, and implemented it in the next lecture was really good.

very good

EVERYTHING IS GREAT i LOVE HIM

Professor McDevitt is one of the best professors I've had through both my undergraduate experience and my time at Fuqua. He is engaged, knowledgeable, and made this course a great overall experience. I was excited to come to class because of Professor McDevitt.

I enjoyed the way professor taught and engaged the class, through practical games, cases and asking questions. My interest for economics have increased after this course.

I liked the way he introduced topics and then provided real-life examples to solidify them. The teacher listened to our feedback when we asked him to slow down. The instructor was so positive and cared about how we were doing. When we did not grasp a concept, he gave us more examples to help reinforce it. He wants nothing more than for all of us to succeed in class and our careers. Additionally, I liked how we did game simulations.

I think that the professor showed a clear interest in the topic and the students. I actually wished we had more discussion time for his research in the dialysis industry - very cool stuff.

He was perfect

Everything - McDevitt is the man!

the course was taught in a very practical manner and the instructor was very involved, economics topics that were covered were basic ones, so it could be more vast and more contents

I really enjoyed studying the course especially because it included real-life case-discussions and readings. I found the class discussions really insightful and very relevant. Also the activities like trading games and activities like the Oil market (OPEC) etc., really helped with conceptual clarity. The professor was very proactive with regards to taking feedback and improving delivery during lectures over the course period.

Prof. McDevitt is the best professor I've had so far. He consistently brings energy to the classroom and made it enjoyable while also teaching very effectively.

Ryan did a great job of thoroughly covering topics and making sure everyone was following along.

Loved the case discussions

What did you like about the course and the way the instructor taught it?

Everything was excellent.

He always brought the same energy and was positive.

Everything was perfect. Professor McDevitt is one of the best teachers I have ever had.

I really enjoyed how much Professor McDevitt cared about students' learning. He went above and beyond to make sure that we all understood the concepts covered in this class. I honestly wish I had more professors like him.

Professor McDevitt did a fantastic job and brought energy and enthusiasm to the class daily. He keeps everyone engaged and does more than any professor or teacher has done in my academic career.

I love everything about it. The instructor is great and really professional.

He provided great explanations and clarity. He kept in touch with students.

Instructor was super enthusiastic Always prepared and ready to learn. Cared a lot about his students

The instructor was passionate and very caring about the course, implemented interesting cases and exercises to keep discussions relevant and engaging.

Really engaging and made Econ fun

He was very organized, managed class participation effectively. Always ready to help students beyond class timings and was able to communicate the concepts very clearly. We need more instructors like him

Ryan was very structured in his way of teaching. It always started the same way with recapping etc. He was very accessible outside of class and wanted us to succeed.

the professor was great!

Course was overall okay, the formulas and concepts cleared up eventually.

Professor McDevitt was excellent. He did a great job covering the breadth of an economics course in just 6 weeks and drove home topics well.

Professor McDevitt clearly cared about the success of his students and it showed in his teaching style.

The professor had a lot of energy and used relevant cases to keep class interesting.

I loved the variety of classes and the way professor McDevitt prepared his classes with relevant and up to date cases. His teaching style is incredible and he is awesome!

I liked the balance between lecture and discussion, and Professor McDevitt was very enthusiastic about the topic which made classes much more enjoyable. He was clearly very knowledgeable on the topic and was well prepared for every class. I also liked the simulations.

The instructor was incredibly passionate and relatable, making for a very enjoyable classroom experience even when the material was not easy.

Loved it, Ryan is great

This was my favourite course at Fuqua so far. Professor McDevitt is very enthusiastic about the content he teaches. He goes out of his way to help his students and truly wants each of us to succeed. His classes are interactive and engaging as well.

He was super enthusiastic, clear when he spoke, cared about the students, lecture notes were clear, class was fun and engaging, topics were super interesting. He is an amazing teacher who really cares about his students and Econ!

I like that he was teaching very fast. He is very engaging and truly one of the best instructors that I have ever had.

I loved the enthusiasm he brought everyday when teaching and how engaging the course was. One of the best professors Ive had.

Ryan was very enthusiastic and brought a lot of energy to class. Made it a lot more fun and engaging. He was structured and organized which worked well. The cases studied were very relevant and helped understand the concepts well. Great class overall!

He was very logical in his approach grounding everything we learned with real world case examples. The application to real world examples was great.

IT WAS PERFECT AND THE CASE DISCUSSIONS IN CLASS WERE REALLY GOOD AND I LIKED THEM THE BEST

good quiz exercise

combine economic theories and cases together is great. course activities are interesting.

I was an economics major in undergrad so I really enjoyed being in a business economics course and learn more about Econ I love it! The professor did a great job of incorporating great discussions, real world examples and math problems throughout his slides. I really liked how he showed us a lot of current events from the WSJ. The professor was very passionate about Econ and wanted everyone to do super well, it was a great class!

To be honest, I have taken many classes across various universities in the U.S. and also at Fuqua, but this has by far been one of my favorite courses throughout my entire educational career. If I had to describe this class in one quote, it would be, "Excellence is a lifestyle, not an event." The course was professional in every aspect-its structure, content, and most importantly, Prof. McDevitt's high expectations for preparation and engagement, matched by his true commitment to our success. Prof. McDevitt's dedication was clear from the start. He made himself available even on Sunday afternoons, organized review sessions, responded to emails within hours, and actively sought anonymous feedback after each class through QR code surveys. What stood out was his genuine interest in that feedback-each session began not just with a review of content but with a reflection on the class's "temperature" based on our responses. The incorporation of real-world simulations like the OPEC exercise and trading game further demonstrated how this class was

designed to develop our economic intuition and professional skillset, setting us up to thrive beyond Fuqua. Tackling 25 case studies (which were up-to-date, 20+ cases published post 2021!) and 25 technical economic subjects in just 6 weeks is no small feat, yet Prof. McDevitt set the tone early on, emphasizing that while the course would be demanding, it would ultimately be incredibly rewarding. Thank you, Prof. McDevitt, for creating an environment of excellence, pushing us to be our best, and delivering a truly impactful learning experience!

The course was very engaging and the use of cases and real world examples really helped to make the concepts come through. I enjoyed the course and Prof Ryan is one of my favourite instructors so far.

The Disney Examples

I liked how well prepared and engaging the professor was. He seemed like he really wanted us to learn and get better.

The professor did a great job of keeping us engaged with real world cases.

Everything was phenomenal. Expectations and schedule were outlined very well. Enthusiasm was brought to class with a great mixture of old and new relevant topics and applications. There's not enough wonderful things to say about Professor McDevitt and the way he brings this course to life. Incredible learning experience.

I loved how enthusiastic and prepared Ryan was whenever he would come to class. He was patient and made sure we understood what he was teaching and made it relevant to real life which I appreciated. He made a topic that is sometimes dense fun, and I looked forward to his class.

Prof. McDevitt is one of the best professors I've seen. Keeps everyone interested and very effectively maintains discussion. He is very organized and I never felt lost during his lectures.

This professor is amazing, he truly loves what he does and wants students to succeed. His class was very fun to attend.

I liked the in-class discussions, the engagement of the professor in athletics, the professor's humor and the live in-class cases

everything was great - it was clear the instruction is very passionate and as such all qualities and aspects of his teaching were top tier.

I liked the way the instructor took feedback, and adjusted the pace of his teaching accordingly.

I loved how Professor has been very kind to all of us. He encouraged us to participate in the class while it being a safe space for us. Loved his humour too.

Really love the in-class activities, and the professor is always ebullient and listen to the student's opinion

Ryan was always professional, well-prepared, and energetic. He had great communication skills and had the ability to make complex concepts easy to understand. The lecture notes and summaries were very helpful, and the readings were interesting and relevant. The trading games were super fun!! My favorite case was the dialysis industry case. Very grateful to have this highly respectable scholar this term.

The instructor was ver passionate and was available to clarify doubts. In class simulation of trading game was the best part of the class.

Professor McDevitt was one of my favorite teachers I have ever had. He went above-and-beyond in his preparation and engagement in the course. He really showed a deep care for the success of his students.

He is incredible.

I absolutely loved this class and professor. He genuinely cares for his students and has so much passion about the subject. He raised the bar for all our teachers to come. He was funny, I learned a lot but was never overly stressed about the class. I genuinely feel like I have a great understanding of Economics after taking this class. Fuqua should feel so lucky to have a teacher like this, who goes all in for the 6 week period. He related it to current events and media that made it easier to understand (Ex: I sent my friend group at home the Bridgerton reference he made when learning game theory and they all loved it, and claimed to understand the concept). This guy is awesome and I am sad our time with him is over.

Spoke very clear and in a very professional way. Made material clear and easy to understand while still covering high level ideas. Very great professor overall, would definitely take any class he teaches.

I really liked how the course was organized, including class discussions and math problems we studied. Our professor was very helpful and enthusiastic about the course material.

good

I liked everything. He is my favorite professor so far.

I really appreciated Prof. McDevitt's enthusiasm throughout the term. In the first class he mentioned that this is his passion and I think that has a strong effect on the students' attitude toward the class. Whenever passion is displayed, the class, in turn, gets excited and becomes attentive. I think Professor did a great job of that. He was also extremely well spoken and dressed professionally every day.

How can the course or the way the instructor taught it be improved?

A little slower at times to hammer home examples

N/a

Maybe getting the students more involved.

N/A

I think its already perfect! Loved everything about it!

N/A

N/A- great course! I really enjoyed it!

Honestly the best professor I have had. Thank you.

To be honest, I'm finding a bit hard to say something that could be improved. Every detail of the class was well thought out!

To me this course is pretty close to perfect. As someone who does best with structure, this course was great for me. My only wish would be that we had more time than 6 weeks.

Go over the answers of the online quizzes

Honestly cold calling would help everyone to participate

N/A. Thank you so much for the amazing term!

NA

Honestly, in no way. I had no issues with this course at all. I think the after class surveys also helped Prof McDevitt change his teaching based on our needs in real time.

Nothing!

No improvements needed. This course has been my absolute favorite so far.

None

Professor McDevitt is fantastic--wouldn't change a thing!

Nothing

Economics is perfect!

Great use of real life cases/news article cutouts to explain concepts but I think maybe you can spend even more time on these. I would have loved if for example with one of the news articles you took time to show exactly how the economic concepts applied eg draw out the supply/demand curve for the firm at question

I believe more practical questions should be added into the class modules.

I think some of the cases could be related back to the class/current topic a bit better. Like they were interesting, but I found it hard to relate to the class sometimes. Forget the exact cases though.

Being as candid as possible, I wonder if there's any way it can be improved any further :)

I do not think the course should be changed / how it should be taught. Professor McDevitt did everything flawlessly and I hope he is the professor for next year's MMS class.

Working through the math a little bit slower

Going slow with the equation parts.

Foster discussion (cold call), voice variation (more emotions) would be appreciated.

n/a - for the time restrictions for the 6 week course Prof. McDevitt was great

The weekly quizzes could be a bit harder to solve, otherwise all good.

Sometimes at the end of class, the last few slides would be a bit rushed. However, I attribute that mostly to the fact that many students didn't read the cases for class and therefore our discussions took longer than they otherwise should have.

I truly cannot think of any way to make this a better class, and I cannot reiterate how fantastic Professor McDevitt was!

Some concepts are brushed over quickly because some of the stories or news article too over some time.

Nothing, he truly is a great professor and was fair in his course structure.

More practice problems

Nope. He was great

Nothing at all.

I thought the class was great

-maybe some in class quizzes

How can the course or the way the instructor taught it be improved?

N/A

No improvements. Really enjoyed the course.

Honestly nothing!!!

N/A

Maybe more interactional games, they were the highlight of the course for me.

the pace can be little slower.

Professor McDevitt did a great job. He was really engaged and I thoroughly enjoyed the class.

I don't think it can be improved/ I don't have any ideas on how to improve it.

No meaningful changes needed.

I'm not being lazy, I tried to think of things and couldn't. Awesome economics course.

n/a

It's perfect

Having practice problems in class in which you have us try them ourselves and then we do it together would be helpful!

I think he could go a bit slower and during the lecture while spending less time discussing about cases or overall article discussion.

I think the course was perfect

At the former part of the term, I feel like there was not enough time to discuss every case and articulate every point really clear, but thankfully, Prof. McDevitt listened to the suggestion cut down some cases. I think it's really important for professors to understand that sometimes "less is more", it is better to articulate one question clear than to ambiguously go through many questions.

Do not have any complaints.

No improvements necessary

Honestly, the professor was so great for this course that I don't have many suggestions for improvement. The only suggestion I have is to maybe slow down a little when doing the math calculations during class. There were times where we sped through them a bit to get to the case discussions, and I personally think spending slightly more time on the calculations would have been helpful.

Maybe teaching the math a little slower, but it was perfect other than that

Maybe add a midterm in the middle of the term to break it up.

The professor could slow down slightly. Also, he could spend a little less time on the cases assigned as homework. Other than that, excellent class! In my opinion, the best professor I've had at Fuqua so far.

I love this course. Professor McDevitt is a super nice and energetic professor. His course is very informative and taught me a lot (even for me who had taken a Econ major in undergrad). He is also very professional, I love his suits!

Too fast. While he encouraged discussions, the pace and level of the discussions were more suited to people who already have a higher degree of understanding of this course as opposed to those who are learning for the first time/might need more time to grasp the concepts. This can result in the rest of the class falling behind even more. Also, while I appreciate the interactive nature, I think he spends too much time taking people's opinions - time which could have been spent behind going slower on the concepts. Overall, would recommend allocating time in a way that allows a slower pace when discussing the core concepts and maths.

Sometimes, it may feel like the course is going a little bit too fast. However, I think this is due to the nature of the curriculum and less about the way instructor teaches.

No notes!!! amazing class

Just keep the same! You are awesome!

required participation

Nothing. It's perfect.

Make it more regression/econometrics related.

NA

Nothing I can think of. Really loved it!

Nothing - it was great.

none, good enough

ALL GOOD!

The cases felt a little fast but in general everything was perfect.

It was a little fast at times, but he slowed down when we ask him to.

Because all of our other classes provide us slides to take notes on, I found the slides in this class very long, but I do see that we have lecture notes and what not to reference which is a good solution. I think we spend a lot of time on discussions where we are trying to figure out what Prof Ryan is looking for exactly (looking for a specific answer or term), rather than a general concept or an actual brainstorming type of discussion.

As such, I didn't always find the discussion that fruitful. BUT, I actually wished we had more discussion time for his research in the dialysis industry - very cool stuff.

Nothing

No complaints.

it was good

I really liked the course, however would love to go more in-depth on this subject, but I also understand that it is difficult to fit that in such a short term duration.

Somehow clone the professor and have two of him in the class.

No improvements

n/a

How can the course or the way the instructor taught it be improved?

Everything was excellent.

The pace could be a little slower.

No improvements to be made

No cons, it's simply a perfect and magnificent and marvelous class.

N/A! Great!

Maybe more hands on problems and less case oriented. Aside from that the class was pretty great.

I think spending two classes as review sessions was a complete overkill. Would've much preferred to learn more or do more cases. Honestly it felt like a waste of time.

N/a

N/A

n/a

Maybe a little more in class examples followed with key concepts.

No notess

nothing

No comments

n.a, maybe more simulations!

If there was opportunity to look at the previous classes assessments (quizzes) within the next class period, I am sure that would be appreciated.

N/A

No more scope for improvement, I thought the class was perfect!

It was a bit fast, especially when going over practice problems I felt a bit overwhelmed in how fast it went.

No comment here.

Needs no improvement in my opinion.

Having the content more spread out could help.

less case analysis

everything is great.

Going a little bit slower on some problems and go over quizzes.

In the first class, Prof. McDevitt prepared for his tendency to share cringe dad jokes; with only five counted to date, there is surely room for improvement, as we had a set of 12 learning adventures throughout the term.

I think the pace of the class can be slightly slower especially since the content in the first few weeks is heavy and sometimes was a little unclear.

N/A

Honestly, I thought the professor and the structure of the class was very good.

N/A

N/A

I would suggest within his slides to have a review page that we can refer to with everything major we had learned in that class at the end of his presentations. By having something at the end of each lecture, it would make it easier for each of us to go back through and know what we learned that day. Also having steps written out for how to solve certain problems in words would be super helpful.

I really don't know how can this course or the professor be better. I was overall very satisfied with the course and believe the Prof. McDevitt deserves a raise, or an award.

Keep doing what he's doing

No paper handouts makes it more difficult to keep being focussed. And some students sitting in the front of the classroom were difficult to hear at times.

no real issues to address

I don't find any scope for improvement. He is one of the best professors at Duke.

I think it was just perfect. I hope the next batch of MMS can experience this course the way we did.

I hope we could have some team assignments/exercises so we could discuss as a team before class. Since the term is very short, spending 1.5 lectures as review sessions was a bit too much. Hope we could use this time to discuss more materials together.

In my opinion it was perfect!

We don't need to spend two classes reviewing.

It was great, no notes from me.

Nothing, great class.

The course can cover less math topics or might be slower paced in the second hour.

good

Nothing. His class is perfect.

Any type of class interaction throughout the two hour course would help focus. Professor did a good job in terms of questioning and trying to get student opinion or idea but a student that has lost focus for a brief moment will not take part in this interaction because they are afraid they missed something or their idea has already been covered.