

Student Evaluations for Robert E. Thomas
from Introductory (non-major) Theory Courses

What did you like best about this course?

Everything we learned was reinforced later because it all builds on itself.

Class was relaxed and I liked coming to it.

When I became discouraged, the professor helped me understand the material & motivated me to do my best & not drop out.

The teacher makes it fun and I understand the concepts he teaches clearly.

I liked the discussion of music before the class. The interesting stories that the professor told helped move the class along. I also liked the fact that he seemed to know everyone and would address people by first name.

It's challenging, very informative, and still is able to keep me interested in the subject matter.

I didn't like the course material at all. The only thing that made it bearable was that Rob was helpful and patient in assisting our questions.

I enjoyed that the class was small & intimate. I didn't feel intimidated about asking questions. The professor made me feel welcome in class and was eager to help.

Instructor is very helpful, always open to questions and always happy to answer them.

I liked the way the instructor was positive and encouraged the class to ask questions.

Prof Thomas was very prepared and showed great interest in the material. I learned a lot in this course.

The teacher was very pleasant and generated interest in material.

He's very friendly and welcomes questions

Good reception of students by prof.

The effective teaching style of Mr Thomas.
He helped me understand theory

The professor sparked interest in the course material through his teaching habits

My individual question regarding music, even non class related were well answered.

In what ways has this course or the instructor encouraged your intellectual growth and progress?

He provided motivation by showing his enthusiasm & love of the subject. His personality & guidance made the course easy to work through.

Prof. Thomas goes well above and beyond the call of duty. He's probably the best Professor I have ever had. I would definitely take another class w/ him. I can't possibly say too many good things about this class!!!

I feel more confident in tackling tough concepts to grasp.

I have played piano for over 3 years, but I have never really learned about the music theory. Now I know how the music works ~~and~~ whereas before taking the course I only knew how to read the music notes.

The professors enthusiasm for something that sometimes seemed so dull encouraged me to continue to work.

The instructor was very knowledgeable about his subject area, and interested; he encouraged me to think about music in new ways and ultimately, get even more enjoyment from it.

Instructor was interested in students learning the course.

The instructor displayed a great deal of interest and dedication towards the course, which is important; He was helpful whenever any questions needed to be answered and always stressed that we ask questions.

Other Comments:

The teacher was very concerned about helping everyone understand everything. He was extremely patient and would explain things as many ways as necessary until everyone was clear on it.

I enjoyed the class. I
feel as if I learned a lot !

Prof. Thomas was a good teacher. He tried to get the students involved in class & he helped you if you didn't understand the material.

The professor seemed to be really
eager to teach us about the subject
and was always prepared to class
and ready to help students after class.

Prof. Robert Thomas was very kind and patient in
teaching us. I think he was the first professor
whom I felt comfortable ~~to~~ ~~to~~ with for the
first time in my college years.

The instructor's attitude toward helping
students is outstanding.

ROBERT THOMAS DID AN EXCELLENT JOB... MADE THE COURSE INTERESTING & CHALLENGING! Woo!

I really enjoyed the course. Mr. Thomas was very effective in getting us to understand what we were going over. He introduced us to many composers both accepted + "nowhere" and explained some of their works so that even if the music didn't sound very pleasing - we can kind of understand the genius behind the finished work.

Professor Thomas was helpful in making sure that students understood the homework material. He did not simply assign grades; expect us to learn from our mistakes. He made sure to go over homework with the entire class.

I thoroughly enjoyed taking this course. Professor Thomas displayed an excellent depth of knowledge of music and had a great rapport with the students.