

Student Evaluations for Robert E. Thomas
from Theory Courses

What did you like best about this course?

The availability of Dr. Thomas to meet with students after class to help with any problems in class.

- I like that all of us are involved in asking questions about the things we've learned, & also the prof. is being very clear about explaining material we've already done about new stuff. Also the Prof. is understanding about homeworks and he seems like he really wants to make sure we learn whatever we went over.

Everything was thoughtfully covered. You made sure everyone understood all the material before moving on. Had some fun along the way.

- The fact that we go over things - material more than 2 times.

in class work and discussion

What did you like best about this course?

Dr. Thomas was fun professor and very nice. The mood was very relaxed and enjoyable.

What did you like best about this course?

Dr. Thomas was very understanding

I felt like the instructor was very understanding and responsive to the students' needs.

teacher adapted the structure of the class to the needs of the students (spent more time on things we had difficulty on.)

The teacher

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

I didn't know any theory before this course.
Now I can analyze keys, ~~and~~ progressions, and chords

A greater knowledge and appreciation of music in general.

A good way to tie what I already know with what I need for the future.
Met with us before class to go over things.

Caused to pursue Honor music, study the liberal arts side

I learned concepts to help me musically outside of theory class

I can appreciate atonal music, and pick up on patterns faster.

I've become more interested in writing about music

What did you like/find helpful about course content/pacing/presentation of material?

We went over everything until we got it

Very Clear and well paced for people that do not get things

It was all helpful.

The content was challenging, in a good way.

Dr. Thomas took his time introducing the material and was very good about going slowly enough for us to absorb what he was teaching.

Very detailed. He was thorough about answering questions

Course instructor is willing to explain most unfamiliar terminology. Although class is paced quickly, things are gone over more than once.

Teacher was helpful in explaining things in and out of class

It was paced well for all students to grasp the concepts. Didn't push ahead if half the class understood and half didn't.

Did the instructor have a positive attitude toward assisting all students in understanding course material?

very much - there was a very open atmosphere to ask questions / express difficulties

Yes -- he was happy to meet with people after class if they needed extra help, and he made sure to teach at our pace!

Yes, he always had time to help his students.

Other Comments:

I like this class - understanding of the material is encouraged more than grading, the instructor is always available for extra help

I love the way Dr. Thomas is understanding. He even joined one of our study sessions at night which was helpful.