

Dr Rajen Shah is an outstanding lecturer who has transformed the statistical offering of the Maths Faculty.

Most remarkable is his clarity of lecturing; Dr Shah is adept at making complex concepts accessible by carefully breaking them down into manageable parts. He also makes good use of real-world examples to give context to theory, often using computer simulations to aid intuition. His students also appreciate his care for teaching, attention to detail and approachability beyond the lectures.

Dr Shah's main contribution to the Tripos however has been to modernise the statistical courses on offer. He introduced the courses 'Mathematics of Machine Learning' and 'Modern Statistical Methods' from scratch, and produced a definitive set of notes for 'Statistical Modelling'. These changes have helped to integrate some of the most useful tools in statistics research into the modern Tripos. This contribution is even more impressive given the short length of time that he has been with the Faculty.

All in all Dr Shah is an excellent teacher, who has made efforts to improve the mathematical Tripos in Cambridge.

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