

# Introductory Applied Machine Learning (IAML)

Response to student feedback in 2019/20 course survey

I/We have taken note of the feedback from students in this course survey, and have the following comments in response.

- Wrt the comments about not getting individual feedback on coursework 1, for academic year 20/21 there will be two assessed courseworks.
- The ban on public discussion of the coursework content on Piazza is intended to ensure that what a student submits is their own work -- courseworks are not an exercise in the group solving problems, they are an individual student's work. This prohibition is also used in some other courses.
- However, as before we will be happy to receive private questions on Piazza if there are aspects of these courseworks that are unclear, and will publicise any issues to the class if appropriate.
- The use of Gradescope greatly enhanced the speed and consistency of coursework marking. In 19/20 students had to register separately with Gradescope. Despite being given plenty of notice and reminders, a few students left this very late (day of the submission of the assignment). However, all students who requested help with Gradescope were given help in time.
- We aim to make Gradescope integrated with the university systems for 20/21.
- We note that some of the comments are contradictory between different students, e.g. some like the flipped classroom, some do not. The flipped classroom will continue in 20/21.

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