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*Balancing lessons from teaching throughout the early to mid 2020s*

In this talk I will reflect on how my teaching and mentoring has evolved over the past several years. In 2020 we witnessed an institutional push for kindness and accommodations. I have spent a lot of time thinking about how to retain that philosophy in 2026 when many students have lost motivation to generative artificial intelligence. I will also reflect on how the work of graduate TAs has changed over the years.