

Syllabus MA 141-005

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Basic Information

Course: MA 141-005
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Time: MTWThF 10:15-11:05
Text: Calculus: Concepts and Contexts, 3rd Edition, Stewart.
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Attendance Policy

You will each be allowed a maximum of four (4) unexcused absences. You may use these at your discretion. Use them sparingly. Attendance will be taken and you will be held responsible for these days. Any absences can be discussed with the course instructor. Excused absences will be proven illnesses, proven family deaths, proven school activities.

For absences obtained after the initial four days have been missed, only excused absences will not count against you. Each student has fifty (50) points automatically at the beginning of each semester. Every unexcused absence past the initial four days will result in ten points being deducted from that fifty points.

Exams

There will be four exams. The dates are tentatively listed as follows:

1. Test # 1, September 9th;
2. Test # 2, October 3rd;
3. Test # 3, October 28th;
4. Test # 4, November 21st;
5. Final Exam, December 7th at 8 a.m.

Grades

There will be four (4) in-class exams each worth 100 points. The final exam is worth 200 points. The WebAssign (<http://webassign.ncsu.edu>) assignments and Maple assignments (as well as any other assignments that are imposed) will be averaged to a ratio of 150 points. As mentioned beforehand, there will also be a 50 point attendance aid. This makes for a grand total of 800 points on the semester.

Grades will be rendered approximately according to the following scale:

- A 90-100
- B 80-89
- C 70-79
- D 60-69
- E Below 69

Academic Honesty Policy

This course will follow and define terms such as "cheating", "plagiarism" and others as taken from the NC State Code of Student Conduct as found at

http://www.ncsu.edu/policies/student_services/student_conduct/POL445.00.1.htm.

Further, there is an implied utilization of the NC State Student Honor pledge given as follows:

"I have neither given nor received unauthorized aid on this test or assignment."

If you are caught cheating, plagiarizing, or anything else that is deemed unfair or illegal, consequences will be severe and judgement will be rendered without delay. Cheating on a test results in a definite failure of the exam, potential failure in the course, and potential expulsion from the university.

Course Objective

The objective for this course is that each student leave having become proficient at the knowledge presented and the techniques taught from chapters one through five of the aforementioned textbook.

Disability Accomodation

"Reasonable accomodations will be made for students with verifiable disabilities. In order to take advantage of available accomodations, students must register with Disability Services for Students at 1900 Student Health Center, Campus Box 7509, 515-7653.

http://www.ncsu.edu/provost/offices/affirm_action/dss/.

For more information on NC State's policy on working with students with disabilities, please see

http://www.ncsu.edu/policies/academic_affairs/pols_regs/REG205.00.28.php."

Cellphones, Pagers, PDA, and PocketPC Policy

None of these devices in and of themselves are problematic. Having them is completely fine and well within your rights as an individual. However, please silence them before coming to class. Any phone calls, notifications, or alarms may result in your being asked to leave the class for the remainder of the meeting.

Final Clause

The instructor retains the right to change this syllabus in a fair manner towards the students when mutually agreed upon by the course participants and himself.