Math 132, Fall 2009

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Office hours: Mon. 11:30am-12:30pm, Wed. 11:30am-12:30pm and 1:30pm-2:30pm, and by appointment.

Class Webpage: http://www.math.msu.edu/~richardl/teaching/math132. Weekly homework assignments and supplemental materials will be given here.


Grading policy: 10% on quizzes; 40% on midterms; 50% on final exam.

Quizzes: Weekly quizzes will be given every Friday starting from the second week, except Holidays or if a midterm is scheduled. Totally 8 quizzes will be given during the semester. Each quiz will be consist of 2-3 problems related to the materials that have been covered in class. It will be given at the beginning of the class and take 15 minutes. Graded quizzes will be returned and discussed in the class the following Monday.

Midterm Exams: One midterm exam will be given for each chapter of the textbook covered by the course. Totally there will be 4 exams tentatively scheduled on 09/25, 10/16, 11/06, 12/04. No book, notes or calculator will be allowed during the exams. No makeup for missing exams except for a severe medical problem or dire family emergency. A written note from an appropriate person (doctor, father, etc.) is required.

Final Exam: There will be a uniform comprehensive final on 12/14, 10:00-12:00 noon. The room locations will be announced when they become available.

Homework: Homework is assigned each week and will be collected every Wednesday starting from 16/09, except the week after Thanksgiving. Totally 12 sets of homework will be collected. It is important to do all assignments as most questions on the quizzes, midterms and the final exam are made of similar problems. Few problems will be discussed briefly in the class.

Gateways Exams: All Math 132 students will be required to take the Gateway Exams. There are two during the semester. For room locations and daily schedules, please visit http://www.math.msu.edu/CurrentStudents/Gateway/

Help: The Mathematics Learning Center (MLC) is located in the A-wing lobby of Wells Hall. Please come to the MLC for free, friendly, courteous help with your mathematics class. For more information about the location of the MLC, please go to http://www.math.msu.edu/mlc/
Also, the Engineering school is offering the PAL program
Important dates:
Monday - 08/25/08 - Classes Begin
Friday - 08/29/08 - Online open add period for Fall ends at 8pm.
Monday - 09/01/08 - Labor Day - University closed
Tuesday 09/02/08 to Friday 09/05/08 - Students go to Undergraduate office, A212 Wells Hall for Mathematics enrollment changes. (late adds, drop to lower course, section changes)
Friday - 09/05/08 - Last day to late add a course or change sections within a course. Last day to drop to a lower level course.
Thursday - 09/18/08 - End of Tuition Refund
Tuesday - 10/14/08 - Middle of Semester, Last day to drop a course without a grade being reported.
Thursday 11/27/08 to Friday 11/28/08 - Thanksgiving Break
Friday - 12/05/08 - Last day of classes.

The University’s policy concerning academic integrity is covered in the Spartan Life booklet, General Student Regulations. According to the handbook, ”No student shall claim or submit the work of another as one’s own.”