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Class Meetings: MWF 10-10:50 am in Brighton 104, Thur 10:30-11:20 am in Brighton 204

Office hours: Mon 8-8:50 am, Wed 2:30-3:30pm, Fri 12-12:50pm and by appointment

Website: I will post the syllabus, homework assignments, handouts and other useful information on SacCT. I will also send messages via SacCT so please check at least daily.

Catalog Description: Designed to prepare students for calculus. Topics: trigonometry, points and lines in the Cartesian plane; lines and planes in space; transformation of coordinates; the conics; graphs of algebraic relations; the elementary transcendental functions. 4 units.

Prerequisites: MATH 11 or three years of high school mathematics which includes two years of algebra and one year of geometry; completion of ELM requirement and passing score on the Intermediate Algebra Diagnostic Test (IAD). You must present verification to me that you have a score of 27 or better on either the Intermediate Algebra Diagnostic or the Calculus Readiness Test no later than 3 pm on Monday, Feb 1, 2010. If you fail to do so, you will be dropped from this class. Information on these test can be found at www.csus.edu/math/courses/diagnostic.htm

Text: Precalculus Essentials 2nd edition, by Robert Blitzer

Coverage: A detailed outline of the course topics can be accessed at http://www.csus.edu/math/Syllabi/index.htm. Due to furloughs we will not cover all the topics in the course outline, I will strategically omit and abbreviate some topics.

Grading:
Weekly homework  100 points
Midterms (3)  300 points  Midterm 1 will occur before end of 6th week
Comprehensive Final Exam  200 points  Monday, May 17  10:15 am-12:15 pm

No makeup exams. If you have a substantiated medical emergency, bring documentation and we will work out a suitable alternate grading scheme.

Calculus Readiness Test: You will be required to take the Calculus Readiness Test outside of normal class meetings during the last week or two of the semester. The test is 90 minutes long and will be given by the Math Lab at dates which will be announced near the end of the semester. If you do not pass the CR test, the highest grade you can earn in this class is a C-.

Letter grades will be assigned according to the following percentages:
93 - 100% A  73-76.9% C
90-92.9% A-  70-72.9% C-
87 - 89.9% B+  67-69.9% D+
83-86.9% B  63-66.9% D
80-82.9% B-  60-62.9% D-
77 - 79.9% C+  below 60% F

Absence: Attendance at all class meetings is expected. You are responsible for all material covered in class, whether or not it is in the textbook. If you are unable to attend class, obtain the notes from a classmate and read the relevant section of text. If you are absent for a legitimate reason, you may ask me questions related to the missed lecture during my office hour only after you have made a serious effort at getting yourself caught up. My time is better spent preparing thoughtful lectures for the entire class rather than repeating old lectures.
in my office for students who miss class for frivolous reasons. Please let me know if you anticipate an extended absence from class. Fill in the contact info for three classmates below.

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**Office Hours:** I do like to help students during my office hour, so if you have questions (with the caveat given under Absence) please come!

**Homework:** Will be assigned weekly. Homework will be graded based on the correctness of several randomly selected problems. Late homework will not be accepted for any reason, but I will drop your lowest homework score at the end of the semester. Homework may include assigned reading from the text or other sources. Homework will be due during the last week of instruction.

**Participation:** In order for you to learn the material, it is important that you participate in class activities. If you feel uncomfortable with my calling on you in class, let me know.

**Cheating:** Academic integrity is of utmost importance to me. Do not cheat. Cheating incidents will be reported to the Dean of Student Affairs and appropriate punitive action will be taken. Punitive action may include: a permanent record of the incident in your academic file, a failing grade in the course, suspension or expulsion from the university. It’s better to fail with your integrity intact than to pass without it.

**Furloughs:** My furlough days for Spring 2010 are shown below. Class is cancelled on furlough days.

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**E-mail:** Please submit questions specific to Math 29 via SacCT. I will check my e-mail at the beginning and end of each workday. Typically, I will not check e-mail outside of normal business hours (8-5, Mon-Friday), on holidays or furlough days so please plan ahead. Some mathematics questions may be difficult for me to answer by e-mail. If that is the case, I will request that you ask the question in class or during my office hours.