Office Hours: My office hours are Monday, Wednesday 12:30-1:20, Tuesday 3:30-4:20, and by appointment.

Course Log: This is a daily course log on my website. (Go to the UNL Math Department site, from there to “People” and from there to “Faculty.” A click on my name will get you to the right page.) If you miss class, you can check the update to find which topics and sections were covered, which problems assigned, etc.

Homework: The homework, with minor variations, is as it appears on the syllabus. Though the homework will not be collected, you are responsible for all assigned problems and reading. Doing the homework is the best way to master the material and to prepare for quizzes and exams.

Calculators: Graphing calculators, cell phone calculators and calculators equipped with a CAS (Computer Algebra System) are not allowed on quizzes and exams. A graphing calculator is not strictly necessary, though you might find one handy for some of the homework. At the very least, you should have a calculator that does logarithms and exponentials.

Quizzes: We’ll have nine quizzes. There will be no makeups. If you take all nine, I’ll drop your lowest two; take eight, I’ll drop the lowest one. Quiz problems will be based mostly on the homework, lectures and assigned reading. To receive substantial partial credit on a quiz problem, you must show significant progress toward a correct solution. The probable dates of the quizzes are

January: 20, 27,
February: 10, 17, 24,
March: 10, 24,
April: 7, 14.

Exams: We’ll have four 55-minute exams and a comprehensive final. There will be no makeups. Exam problems will be based mostly the homework, lectures and assigned reading. To get substantial partial credit on a problem, you must show significant progress toward a correct solution. The probable dates of the four exams are February 3, March 3, March 31 and April 21. The final is scheduled for Thursday, May 6, 6:00-8:00 PM.

Grading: The regular exams count for 40% of your grade, the final exam 40% and the quizzes 20%. There will be no extra credit assignments.

Missed Exams and Quizzes: For a valid reason (e.g., military service, university sponsored activities requiring your participation, illness, family crisis) you may be excused from up to two exams and four quizzes.* Your course grade will be based on those exams and quizzes which you have taken. If you need to skip an exam or quiz, let me know as soon as possible, and provide me with the necessary documentation.

* This does not apply to the final exam, which must be taken.