

Course Policies
Math 104, Spring 2010/11

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Text: *Brief Calculus: An Applied Approach*, eighth edition, by Ron Larson.

Office Hours: Monday, Wednesday 2:30-3:20, Thursday 3:30-4:20, and by appointment.

Course Log: You can find the course log on Blackboard. If you miss class, you can check the log 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: 19, 26,

February: 2, 16, 23,

March: 9, 16,

April: 6, 13.

Exams: We'll have four 50-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 9, March 2, March 30 and April 20*. The final is scheduled for *Tuesday, May 3, 6:00-8:00 PM*.

Grading: I'll compute grades using the these schemes:

a. Each 50-minute test will count for 20% of your grade, the final exam 30% and the quizzes, 10%.

b. Each 50-minute test will count for 15% of your grade, the final exam 45%, and the quizzes, 10%.

Your course grade will be based on the higher of the two.

Missed Exams: For a valid reason (e.g. military service, university sponsored activities requiring your participation, illness, family crisis) you may be excused without penalty from an exam. If you need to miss an exam, let me as soon as possible, and get me the relevant documentation. Your course grade will be based on the exams that you have taken.