

MATH 142 section 001      8 – 8:50 MWF Bin 326  
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Textbook: Precalculus (6th edition) by Stewart, Redlin, and Watson.

Topics to be covered : In this class, parts of chapters 1, 2, 5, 6, 7, and 8 within the textbook will be covered. A calculator will be needed for use only as a scientific calculator.

Grading policy: During the semester there will be five tests each worth 100 points toward your final grade. In addition, homework papers will be periodically taken up and spot-checked to determine a daily work grade, which will be equivalent to one of the tests. In case a test is missed, documented proof of an excusable absence is required, in which case the final test score will be used twice, once as a replacement test. To avoid the difficulties of dealing with late homework papers, the three lowest homework grades will be dropped and no late homework papers will be accepted. At the end of the course, the six scores will be averaged and the ten point grading scale will be used to determine your final grade. The test schedule is as follows:

Test 1 Wed., Feb. 6    Test 2 Fri., March 8    Test 3 Wed., April 10

Test 4 Wed., May 1    Test 5 (final comprehensive test) Mon., May 6 (8 – 10).

Getting help: Requests from students with disabilities for reasonable accommodations must go the Academic Support Committee. For more information, contact the Director of Disability Resources and Services, Halliday Student Services Building, room 303D, or call 886-5835.

Attendance and participation in classroom activities are expected. According to the Student's Guide Handbook, Policies and Procedures, Conduct, all students enrolled at the University shall follow the tenets of common decency and acceptable behavior conducive to a positive learning environment. Because class attendance is so important for a positive learning environment, students with excessive absences (6) will be dropped from the class with an F. According to current rules students with an F and not attending 60% of the scheduled classes for a particular class are required to repay their student loan for the class.

Let's all work hard and have a happy, productive semester.