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Office Hours Tuesday 11:00am-12:00pm

Thursday 11:00am-12:00pm

and by appointment

TEXTBOOK The textbook is Calculus: Early Transcendentals, 2nd edition, by Briggs, Cochran and Gillett.

We will be using the online homework system MyMathLab which also contains the ebook if you

do not want a physical copy.

Prefequisite You must received a minimum of a C in Math 123 or gotten special permission from me in order

to take this course.

MATERIAL TO BE Generally, Chapters 3-6 in the textbook.

Covered

The pace of the course is very fast. A comfortable working knowledge of virtually all Appendix A material and content from Chapters 1-3 is assumed. The demands of the course will require a serious time commitment, in terms of both class attendance and homework time outside of class.

LEARNING GOALS Learning Goals and Objectives for the Math 123 & Math 124 Sequence

AND OUTCOMES

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I. Students are able to interpret quantitative information (i.e., formulas, graphs, tables, models, and schematics) and draw inferences from them.

- (a) Students will understand how functions are represented by graphs.
- (b) Students will sketch graphs of polynomial, exponential and trigonometric functions, and interpret graph parameters.
- (c) Students will understand the relationship between the graph of a function and its inverse.
- (d) Students will identify the graph of the derivative of a function from the graph of the function itself, and do the same for the antiderivative of a function.
- II. Given a quantitative problem, students are able to formulate the problem quantitatively and use appropriate arithmetical, algebraic, and/or statistical methods to solve the problem.
 - (a) Students will find the rate-of-change of a function (e.g., velocity) from the function itself (e.g., position) and find the function (e.g. position) from its derivative (e.g. velocity)
 - (b) Students will find relative maxima and minima of a function (e.g., maximize profit or area)
 - (c) Students will solve for the zeros of the derivative of a function
 - (d) Students will evaluate areas under curves and compute the net change in a function between two values of the independent variable.
- III. Students are able to evaluate logical arguments using quantitative reasoning.
 - (a) Students will interpret quantitative solutions to problems for plausibility and accuracy
 - (b) Students will understand how to use various formulas for computing derivatives, and know why these formulas hold.

- IV. Students are able to communicate and present quantitative results effectively.
 - (a) Student exams will be graded in part on clarity of presentation of work and not just on the final answer.
 - (b) Students may from time to time be asked to explain concepts qualitatively on exams and quizzes.
 - (c) If students are involved in group work they will be required to explain concepts to peers.

LEARNING ASSISTANT

We are very lucky to have been assigned a Learning Assistant (LA) for this semester. Her name is **Emily Engdahl** and her email is **eengdahl@gmu.edu**. She will be available weekly both in class and outside of class to help with questions and problems. She will also be assisting me with Orals, which are kind of like guided study sessions. These will be optional but I would strongly recommend attending at least once early in the semester to see if you think you would benefit from them. If for some reason you miss weekly participation points, you can attend weekly sessions with Emily to make those up. You may also attend sessions for extra participation points in order to raise your overall grade. Full participation in two LA sessions will count for one weekly participation grade.

CALCULATORS

Because this course is designed to be the second half of Math 113, one of its primary goals is to help students acquire competence with basic algebraic and functional concepts and relationships. Accordingly, we will use calculators sparingly. I encourage you to attempt all homework problems without calculators, though some questions may require one. With rare exceptions, **use of calculators** will not be permitted during tests or the final exam. In the event that calculators are permitted, absolutely no sharing of calculators is allowed.

MyMathLab

MyMathLab is a powerful online, homework, tutorial and assessment system that accompanies your new textbook. Students can take assessments, and receive personalized study plans based on their results. The study plan diagnoses weaknesses and links students to tutorial exercises for objectives they need to study. In many cases students can also access video clips, PowerPoint presentations, and other animations for each section and from selected exercises.

You will be able to use the same student access code that you used for Math 123, however we will be signing up for a new course within MyMathLab. If you have trouble registering for the course DO NOT BUY A NEW CODE. Please email me or come see me and we will work out the problem but there is no need to purchase another code.

MyMathLab is NOT a program operated by GMU. If you are experiencing technical difficulties using the program, then you can email or chat with Customer Support directly through the Pearson Education Customer Service website. Go to 247pearsoned.custhelp.com for more information. Help is available 24 hours a day, seven days a week. You could also call the Pearson Customer Service and Technical Support number at 800-677-6337. DO NOT CALL THE GMU HELP DESK OR YOUR PROFESSOR!

REQUIRED TECHNOLOGY

We will be using the online learning system MyMathLab. To sign up, please go to the website mymason.gmu.edu and click sign-in using your GMU NetID. Click the **Math 124 Spring 2018** course link. On the left hand side there is a link for **MyMathLab**. In there click the link for the **MyLab/Mastering Course Home** and follow the instructions.

You are required to have signed up for MyMathLab by class on Tuesday January 30th.

This course uses BlackBoard as the learning management system. You will need a browser and operating system that are listed compatible or certified with the BlackBoard version available on the myMason Portal. Log in to MyMason at mymason.gmu.edu to access this course.

Course Grades

Your final grade will be calculated as follows:

Participation	5%
Homework and In-Class	15%
Quizzes	15%
Tests (20% each)	40%
Final Exam	25%

PARTICIPATION

You will have a weekly participation grade. This will be based on your participation and attendance in class both Tuesday and Thursday. To get participation credit for the week you must come to class on time, stay until all activities are completed and actively participate in group assignments. Students who are using their phones during group activities will receive a zero for participation, with the only exception being the need of a calculator for very select activities. This is an all or nothing grade each week and is designed to encourage collaboration and boost your overall grade. If you lose participation points, you will be able to make them up during LA sessions.

Homework & Quizzes

Homework assignments will be listed on MyMathLab. The homework is broken into each section, however multiple sections may be due each week. Homework will be available on Monday at the beginning of the week and will be due at 11:59pm the following Sunday evening. For full credit you must submit your solutions to the homework during this designated time period. Homework submitted late will receive a 25% deduction.

Homework assignments are provided with a help menu which includes links to things like videos, practice problems, similar examples, and the link to the textbook section pertaining to the material. You will have 3 chances to complete each homework problem, so if you miss a question please take advantage of these help menus. Two homework assignments will be dropped.

Quizzes will cover material from the homework as well as lecture and will be similar to homework problems. In class quizzes will be given on Thursdays. If you are not in class on the day a quiz is given there will be no makeup for the quiz, no exceptions. No quizzes will be dropped and quizzes will not be given on weeks where there is a test scheduled.

There will be some sort of graded assignment in every class. Whether it is a quiz, test, worksheet or exit slip you are expected to be in class and participating every day. Makeups will not be given for assignments that are missed.

Tests & Final Exam There are 2 tests scheduled in this class. Tests will cover material from the homework as well as the lecture, however test questions will usually be more challenging than homework and quiz questions. The tests and the final will be held in Exploratory Hall room 4107.

It is expected that students will take the test in class at the scheduled time. If you are unable to be in class on the day of a test you must ask me beforehand (by email only) so that I can determine if your situation warrants a make-up test. **Do not assume you will be given a make-up unless you get confirmation from me.** You must be able to validate your excuse with documentation or you will not be allowed a make-up. The make-up test will be different and more difficult than the in-class test. You must make up the test by the next class period to receive full credit.

The final exam will be cumulative and will include material from Math 123.

Below is the tentative schedule of the tests, any changes will be announced in class or on Blackboard. Exact material to be covered on the tests will be determined the class before the test. The final exam will be cumulative.

Test 1 Thursday, March 1 Test 2 Thursday, April 19

Final Exam Thursday, May 10 (7:30am-10:15am)

These dates are tentative and subject to change.

Honor Code

THIS IS IMPORTANT. It is expected that each student in this class will conduct himself or herself within the guidelines of the Honor Code. Among other things, this means that sharing information of any kind about exams or quizzes (either before or during the exam) will result, at a minimum, in a grade of zero for all parties involved. See academicintegrity.gmu.edu for a copy of the Honor Code. The right is reserved to check a picture identification during any of the exams.

Computers

CELL PHONES AND I expect to receive the same level of respect that I give to you. This means that cell phones and computers are not to be used during class. Your cell phone should be on silent or vibrate during lecture and I should not see them at all during tests or quizzes. Students who are using their phones during group activities will receive a zero for participation. If I notice you using a cell phone during a test or quiz then I will assume that it is an Honor Code violation and take appropriate action. This could result in you failing the assignment, failing the class or being suspended from the university.

OBTAINING HELP

There are many outlets available for you to get help in this class. I understand that the pace of the class is very quick so I will try to be available as much as I can to students. In addition to my set weekly office hours, I am very happy to schedule appointments. The Math Tutoring Center, is in the Johnson Center room 344 and offers free tutoring to Math 124 students. I highly recommend using it. The schedule of the tutoring center can be found at http://math.gmu.edu/tutorcenter.htm.

ACCOMMODATIONS If you are a student with a disability and you need academic accommodations, please see me and contact the Office of Disability Services. All academic accommodations must be arranged through that office. Office of Disability Services Student Union Building I (SUB I), Room 4205 Phone: 703.993.2474

E-MAIL & Blackboard

E-mail is an effective form of communication outside the classroom. I frequently send announcements through email so make sure that you activate and check your GMU email account regularly. All students are required to use their George Mason email for communication and for MyMathLab. Please put Math 105 in the subject field anytime you send me an e-mail. If you want to discuss your grade via e-mail it must be done using your GMU e-mail account. I will be using Blackboard 9.1 in this class to post class announcements, grades and other important information pertaining to the class. You can access this by going to mymason.gmu.edu and logging in using your NetID.

Late Closings

Unscheduled and If the university has an unscheduled closing-because of weather or some other unforseen occurrence you should assume that we will pick up with the schedule where we left off. In particular, if a test was scheduled for a day in which school was canceled or an assignment was due that day you should assume that the test will be given or the assignment will be collected the next time class meets. If the university has a late opening on a class day we will begin class at the time the university opens. A test scheduled for a day the university opens late will be postponed until the next class day. Make sure you check your GMU e-mail account for any announcements.