

Course Policy Statement

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1 Basic information

Time and place.

Section 5025: MWRF period 5, Chauvenet 220

Section 6025: MWRF period 6, Chauvenet 220

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When sending e-mail to me, make sure to put “SM223” in the subject line.

Extra instruction. I am generally available in my office MWRF (not T) during the day. Feel free to stop by without notice if you have quick questions. If you need extensive help, or if you want to guarantee that I will be available, contact me to schedule an appointment.

Textbook. J. Stewart. *Calculus: Early Transcendentals*, 7th edition. Brooks/Cole, 2012.

Calculators. You are expected to have a calculator like the TI-*inspire* that can graph and do symbolic calculations. You will be instructed on quizzes and exams whether you may use your calculator.

Course website. <http://www.usna.edu/Users/math/uhan/sm223/>

All course materials (e.g. this course policy statement, syllabus, lesson notes) and course announcements will be posted on the course website.

WebAssign. Homework must be submitted through WebAssign (see below). Make sure you are able to access WebAssign as soon as possible.

2 Course components

Class. In each class, you will be introduced to new concepts, and given examples of how these concepts work. You will also work in small groups on short exercises to help you learn these new concepts.

Homework. Homework will be assigned almost every class and is due at the beginning of the next class (see the syllabus). The homework problems are designed to reinforce the material introduced to you in class, on your own time. Late homework will not be accepted under any circumstances. There will be 46 homework assignments throughout the semester. Your 6 lowest homework grades will be dropped from consideration.

Homework must be submitted through WebAssign. Note that there will be assigned problems that are not on WebAssign. You do not have to submit these problems, but you should make sure to do them as well; for instance, you may be quizzed on them (see below).

Quizzes. Approximately twice a week, there will be a short quiz in class (3 to 15 minutes), typically based on recently due homework. Quiz dates will not be announced in advance. These quizzes are designed to make sure that you are keeping up with the course material. There will be a total of 25 quizzes. Your 5 lowest quiz grades will be dropped from consideration.

Exams. There will be 4 in-class exams (see the syllabus) and a final exam (to be scheduled). Exams are designed to assess the depth of your understanding of the course material.

3 Grading and academic honesty

Course grading. Your course grade will be computed as follows:

In-class exams (4 exams, equally weighted)	60%
Final exam	20%
Quizzes (20 <u>best</u> quizzes, equally weighted)	10%
WebAssign homework (40 <u>best</u> homeworks, equally weighted)	10%
<hr/> Total	<hr/> 100%

Note that your 5 lowest quiz grades and 6 lowest homework grades will be dropped from consideration. A course grade of $x\%$ corresponds to the letter grade

$$\begin{array}{lll} \text{A} & \text{if } 90 \leq x \leq 100, & \text{B} & \text{if } 80 \leq x < 90, & \text{C} & \text{if } 70 \leq x < 80, \\ \text{D} & \text{if } 60 \leq x < 70, & \text{F} & \text{if } 0 \leq x < 60. \end{array}$$

I reserve the right to lower these standards at the end of the semester if deemed necessary. These standards will not be raised.

Makeup exams and quizzes. No makeup exams or quizzes will be given unless you have an excusal or movement orders, or are sick-in-quarters.

It is your responsibility to arrange for a makeup exam or quiz. Arrangements for a makeup exam or quiz must be finalized within 1 week of the original exam or quiz date.

Regrading. You may ask for a regrade of a quiz or exam if you feel it is appropriate. This should be done in writing, with your reason for requesting a regrade, on a separate piece of paper stapled to the front of the original quiz or exam. Regrading requests should be submitted no later than one week after the quiz or exam was returned to the class. If you submit a quiz or exam for a regrade, your entire quiz or exam may be regraded.

Academic honesty. You are encouraged to work with other midshipmen whenever possible. Discussing the course material and homework assignments is a great way to learn.

However, cheating will not be tolerated. Cheating includes, but is not limited to: looking at another student's quiz or exam paper, copying someone else's homework, using unauthorized notes during a quiz or exam, and turning in an altered quiz or exam for a regrade. Any act of academic dishonesty will be reported to your company officer, the department chair, and your academic advisor.

See *Policies Concerning Graded Academic Work* (USNAINST 1531.53B) and *2010 Honor Concept of the Brigade of Midshipmen* (USNAINST 1610.3H) for more information regarding academic honesty.

Classroom conduct. You are expected to behave professionally in class. Unprofessional conduct includes, but is not limited to: sleeping, side conversations, eating food (beverages are OK), and non-class-related use of electronic devices in class (e.g. checking Facebook, texting your friends). Persistent poor classroom conduct will be reported to your company officer.