

Pre-calculus  
Math 153, Meeting Daily 1:00-1:50 in Bouillon 109

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Daily or by appointment

Required Materials

- Text: Pre-calculus 9<sup>th</sup> edition by Sullivan.
- A graphing calculator is required. TI-83/84 is recommended. However, if you have an alternative calculator, not your phone, you can meet me during office hours for help using your calculator. You will not be able to use your smart phone on quizzes or tests
- Pencils. I want all assignments that are turned in to me to be done in pencil.
- You will need computer access. I am hoping to use WebWork for your homework and Canvas to post grades, assignments, the course syllabus, test dates, and other important information.

Grading: I hope to post all graded material to Canvas, so you will be able to check your grade as often as you want.

- 25% Homework
- 20% Quizzes
- 25% Tests
- 10% Corrections
- 20% Final
- 5% Attendance
- 105% Total

A	A-	B+	B	B-	C+	C	C-	D+	D	D-	F
100-93	92-90	89-87	86-83	82-80	79-77	76-73	72-70	69-67	66-63	62-60	59>

Homework

I will assign homework through WebWork ([webwork.math.cwu.edu](http://webwork.math.cwu.edu)). I may assign problems from the book, these will be odd problems and will not be graded. The assigned homework will be by section. You will have two weeks from the first day the section is discussed to finish it for full credit and till the end of the quarter for partial credit for those questions not completed. ***Be warned that the topics covered in class will be on the quizzes so don't procrastinate.***

Quizzes

I will give one/two quizzes during a week. Quizzes will only cover topics that were covered between quizzes.

Tests

Tests will be given at the end of each subject section. You will only be able to use a graphing calculator and a 3X5 notecard (both sides and handwritten by you). ***Once again no smart phones.***

### Make-ups

It will be your responsibility to schedule a make-up quiz or test. I will warn you that make-up quizzes and test are shorter and harder and the answers are either right or wrong, no partial credit for make-ups. My reasoning is you have more time to study, so should be better prepared than those who took the quiz/test when it was given. So if you know you will miss a quiz/test, you might want to come to me and arrange to take

### Corrections

I believe in the saying that *"if one does not learn from mistakes then one is doomed to repeat them"*. Once a test or quiz has been graded you have two weeks to turn make corrections. There are two different aspects to this assignment. The first are the corrections. This part will include all calculations, steps and math required to solve the problem. If you just right the correct answer it will be marked wrong. The second is a written evaluation of what went wrong or what you needed to do to get the right solution.

### Final **Tuesday, December 9<sup>th</sup> at 12:00**

The final is comprehensive. There will be 55 parts/questions, which will have a total of 110%. If you are a student who does reasonably well throughout the course, you could pass the class and not even have to take the final. However, if you have not done well throughout the quarter, and need more than 110% to pass. The final can act as a last minute save. Meaning that if you pass the final with a 75% or better you will receive a C for the course.

### Attendance

Attendance is not mandatory, but a bonus. For every absence 0.5% will be subtracted from the bonus. You are responsible for deciding whether you want to attend class and participate. However, you are also responsible for the information and assignments given during the classes you missed. I suggest you find someone that you can contact to get the notes. (I will attempt to keep up assignments and up-dated announcements for quizzes and tests on Canvas)

### Extra Help

Please come to me and either drop in during office hours or schedule an appointment. If you don't feel comfortable with coming to me for help there is the University Math Center, located in ARC on the first floor of Brooks library has tutoring hours. If you need other options please speak to me and we will work out a plan of action.

### Accommodations

"If you have a disability and require accommodations for this course, please speak with me privately as soon as possible so that your needs may be appropriately met. If you have not already done so, you will need to register with Disability Services (DS). DS is located in Bouillon 140. Call (509) 963-1202 or email [ds@cwu.edu](mailto:ds@cwu.edu) for more information."