

# Math 153

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## Course Description

This is a foundation course which stresses algebraic and elementary function concepts along with essential skills to learn and master calculus. In terms of topics, this includes functions, graphs of functions, polynomial and rational functions, properties of functions, exponential and logarithmic functions.

## Textbook and Materials.

The textbook I am using is an open textbook. [Click here for a copy](#)  
You do not need a graphing calculator. Desmos does an excellent job of taking care of our graphing needs.

## Graded Course Work

### Lectures and Handouts 40%

The course is broken up into modules. Each module has a specific topic with a video with a worksheet. The video and worksheet are closely related. Submit your worksheet as proof that you learned some of the material. These are graded based on completion. I expect everyone to get full credit here.

## Homework 40%

Homework is assigned weekly. Each homework is worth 40 points and each problem is worth 4 points. You are welcomed to work with other virtually, ask me for help during office hours, or find any additional resources.

## Final Project 20%

Instead of a final exam, we'll have a project.

Please see the canvas webpage projects for additional information.

## Grading Policy

Below is the standard CWU grading chart.

Letter Grade	Percentage
A	$\geq 93\%$
A -	$\geq 90\%$
B+	$\geq 87\%$
B	$\geq 83\%$
B -	$\geq 80\%$
C +	$\geq 77\%$
C	$\geq 73\%$
C	$\geq 70\%$
D+	$\geq 67\%$
D	$\geq 63\%$
D-	$\geq 60\%$
F	$< 60\%$

## Accommodations

I am understanding of the need to set up academic adjustments due to disabilities. Bring a copy of your *Confirmation of Eligibility for Academic Adjustments* to set up proper accommodations. If you need testing accommodations, let me know ahead of time (at least 48 hours prior to the exam date). Students with disabilities should contact Disability Services to discuss a range of options to removing barriers, including accommodations. Disability Services is located in Hogue 126. Call (509) 963-2214 or email [ds@cwu.edu](mailto:ds@cwu.edu) for more information.

## Student Expectations

As a student, you have certain expectations of me. These include knowing the material well, begin reasonable in the amount of work, respect, helpful and so on. In exchange, I expect you to

- Turn in work on time. If something happens that is out of your control, let me know. We can set up proper accommodations to set up
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In compliance with RCW 28B.137.010, Central Washington University makes every effort to deal reasonably and fairly with students who, because of religious obligations, have conflicts with scheduled exams, assignments or required attendance. Students must present written notice to their instructor within the first two weeks of class listing the specific dates on which accommodations are required. Contact the Dean of Student Success at (509) 963-1515 for further information or questions.

## **Professionalism**

CWU expects every member of the university community to contribute to an inclusive and respectful culture for all in its classrooms, work environments, and at campus events. As a student in this course, you are expected to treat your professors, fellow students, and other people affiliated with your work at CWU with respect, regardless of their sex, race and color, religion and creed, national origin, sexual orientation, gender identify and gender expression, disability and use of assistive devices or a service animal, and veteran or military status.

## **Academic Honesty**

Consult university policies (CWUP 5-90-040(22), CWUR 2-90-040(22), and WAC 106-125-020) for student conduct, cheating, plagiarism, and other academic expectations. CWU's policies and recommendations for academic misconduct will be followed, leading to disciplinary action up to and including failing the course.