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Math 153

Number of credits: 5

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Pre-Calculus I

Office Hour: 1:00 p.m.

Fall 2021

Thursday

Textbook: Lippman, David, and Melonie Rasmussen. *Precalculus: An Investigation of Functions* \. 2nd ed., Open Textbook Library., 2017.

Note: The textbook is part of the Open Textbook Library and is free to use. However, if you would like a physical copy of the textbook you can purchase it through Lulu or Amazon. Those that are interested I will provide the information.

Recommended Materials: Desmos graphing application

Additional optional materials: Graphing Calculator (TI-83/84 preferred), pencils, erasers, lined paper or graph paper, notebook, and large eraser.

Course Description: A foundation course which stresses those algebraic and elementary function concepts together with the manipulative skills essential to the study of calculus.

Prerequisites: A math placement test score resulting in eligibility for MATH 101 or successful completion of MATH 100B or 100BC with a grade of C or higher.

Math Mission Statement: In support of liberal education, scientific careers, teacher preparation, and actuarial science, the mathematics department prepares students for quantitative and symbolic reasoning and advanced mathematical skills through general education, service, major, and graduate programs.

Attendance: I do expect regular participation and attendance throughout the term. You have until **11:59 p.m., September 28th, 2021**, to be eligible for a refund. If you have to be absent for some emergency, be sure to contact me at the earliest possible time.

Grade: Grades will be assigned using 90% - 100% = A 80% - 90% = B 70% - 80% = C 60% - 70% = D; + and – grades apply if your score is within 2% with the exception of A+ and F-.

Grading: Grades will be based on

Assignments

In-class Activities (5% per unit)	Total: 25.0%
Homework (5% per unit)	Total: 25.0%
Preview/Practice (2.5% per unit)	Total: 12.5%
Exams 6% each	Total: 30.0%
Final 7.5%	Total: 7.5%

Assignments: Assignments will be given throughout the term in the form of in-class activities, homework, and occasionally assignments will be given that practice and preview assignments.

In-class Activities: The majority of the assignments will be completed in-class and will covering the major concepts to prepare you for both pre-calculus and calculus.

Homework: Homework will be assigned through Canvas using a program called MyOpenMath. Homework is opened every Sunday until its due date list in Canvas.

MyOpenMath: The majority of work will be done in Canvas using an open education resource called MyOpenMath. MyOpenMath has recorded lectures over many of the major topics, and a free online textbook separated by section. The homework assignments are typically very short and can be done multiple times. Many problems have supports such as the option to watch a video or use a hint for this exact problem.

Preview/Practice assignments: As we cover major concepts there will times were covering prior topics or skills will be necessary.

Late work: Exceptions are given pending only with instructor approval, but otherwise no late work is accepted after the due date. You are given three late passes which can used on homework assignments as well as quizzes where one can be redeemed.

Homework advice: Success in math goes hand-in-hand with completing the homework assignments. When doing your homework, feel free to ask for help. The Math tutor center is an excellent resource that is available to all CWU students. You can access math tutoring at <https://www.cwu.edu/academic-success/schedule-appointment>. The homework is assigned to provide you with enough practice to retain the ideas and techniques you're learning. Doing homework daily gives you the advantage of taking in smaller amounts of information at a time and getting help early when you need it. This is the class to begin to develop good study habits. If you need help outside of the classroom there are several options available to you: get a second opinion from a classmate, an assistant in the Math tutor center, or from me via office hours, canvas, or e-mail.

Exams: There will be five exams given throughout this course. All will have no make-ups, if you know you will not be able to attempt/complete an exam, it is your responsibility to arrange to take the exam before it is given. You will be given an allotted period for the exam displayed before you take the exam.

Office Hours/Appointments: Unless otherwise stated in Canvas or in the weekly announcements, I will maintain office hours throughout the term 1:00 p.m. every Thursday. If you would like to set up an appointment outside of these times please contact me and I where possible I am happy to accommodate you.

Disability Resources Statement: Central Washington University is committed to creating a learning environment that meets the needs of its diverse student body. If you anticipate or experience any barriers to learning, discuss your concerns with the instructor. Students with disabilities should contact Disability Services to discuss a range of options to removing barriers, including accommodations. Student Disability Services is located in Hogue 126. Call (509) 963-2214 or email ds@cwu.edu for more information.

Academic Honesty: Consult university policies (CWUP 5-90-040(22), CWUR 2-90-040(22), and WAC106-125-020) 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.

Addendum for COVID, Face Covering, and flexibility throughout term

COVID Statement 2021

In accordance with Proclamation 21-14.1, CWU has chose to make vaccinations a priority this fall. We believe a fully vaccinated community is the best way to protect our individual and collective health and safety. **Proof of full vaccination against COVID-19 will be required by October 18, 2021** for all employees and students. Medical and/or religious accommodation requests will be considered. All employees and students are required to wear masks while indoors.

Face Covering Policy 2021

Cloth face coverings must be worn indoors by all CWU students, employees, and visitors. The mask must cover mouth and nose, fitting as snugly as possible again the sides of the face. Students not wearing a mask will be asked to put one on, if they refuse, students will be asked to leave the classroom and building.



Face to face instruction to online instruction

There are several situations that can occur this term that may directly or indirectly impact the ability for me to continue teaching this course face-to-face. In the event that this occurs, I will give as much notice as possible what changes will need to be made such as shifting to an online course temporarily.