MATH 1483: Math Functions and Uses, Section 05
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I am available other times by appointment. If you just drop by without an appointment, I will do my best to make time for you.

Calculator: The course will make extensive use of the graphing calculator, and we recommend a TI-82, TI-83, or TI-84. It is fine to use some other sort of graphing calculator if you wish, but if you do, I may not be able to offer much help in operating it.

If you dont have one, I recommend you buy one (about \$80 at Wal Mart). If you dont want to buy one you can check one out for free from the Mathematics Department. Calculator check out begins Tuesday, August 23 in MSCS 401. Calculators may be checked out Monday through Friday 8:30 to 11:30 and 1:30 to 4:00. IF YOU FAIL TO RETURN IT ON TIME AT THE END OF THE SEMESTER, YOUR BURSAR ACCOUNT WILL BE CHARGED \$150. YOU WILL NEED TO BRING YOUR CALCULATOR TO EACH CLASS MEETING AND BE PREPARED TO WORK ALONG WITH ME. YOU WILL NEED IT FOR HOMEWORK AND EXAMS.

Homework: Homework is a key part of the course. You will be assigned homework each class meeting and in general you will be expected to have it completed by the next class period. If things go as usual we will spend a lot of time discussing homework in class. Each week (generally on Fridays) you will turn in your weeks homework for selective grading. Homework is expected to be neat and well organized. Unreadable homework will not be graded. Late homework will not be accepted. Your ten best homework scores will be used to calculate your semester homework score.

Exams: There will be three exams and a final. Exam dates will be announced at least one week in advance. Approximately, these exams will occur in class some time during 5th, 10th, and 15th week. Make-up exams will only be granted in exceptional, serious, and unavoidable

cases. You must get prior approval in advance, to the extent that it is possible. The final exam is scheduled for Friday, December 16th from 10-11:50 in our normal class room. The final exam time cannot be moved, so mark your calendars.

Grading:

Homework	200
Hour Exams	300
Final Exam	200
Total	700 points

Final grades will be calculated on a 90-80-70-60 scale; grades will not be curved.

Attendance: You are expected to show up for class each class meeting. You will start with an attendance score of 100. You may miss class twice without affecting this score. No additional absences will be excused for any reason. Each day you miss in excess of 2 will deduct 5 points from your score. If it helps your grade, your attendance score will be averaged with your lowest 100 point test score (which may be half of your final exam score). If that does not help your grade, your attendance score will not be used.

Special Accommodations: If you think you have a qualified disability and need special accommodations for this class, please let me know as soon as possible, and request verification of eligibility from the Office of Student Disability Services (Student Union 315, tel. (405) 744-7116).

Syllabus Attachment: Important information that applies to all classes at OSU is on the web at:
http://academicaffairs.okstate.edu/faculty-a-staff/46-syllabus-attachment

Advice: Complete your homework each day, and DO NOT MISS CLASS. People who do these things generally are successful. Those who dont are generally not. I encourage students to study together. But when it comes time to actually write up solutions, be sure you do that all by yourself. If you need help, come see me right away. If you do, I can and will help you. There is also help available at the Mathematics Learning Resource Center in CLB 420.

Any changes in this syllabus will be communicated to you in class by the instructor.