

MATH 1715 Precalculus (Summer 2012)

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The Course: The purpose of this course is to prepare the students to be successful in calculus (Math 2144, 2153, and 2163). This means that students must be fluent in basic algebra and trigonometry. We will cover the first nine chapters of the book; time allowing, we will go over chapter 11.

Textbook: Precalculus, Fifth Edition: Stewart, Redlin, Watson. A webassign access code comes with your text.

Homework: Most of your homework will be completed on line at the WEBASSIGN web site. You should sign up for WebAssign right away. Follow the directions to self-enroll on the attached sheet. You will need to enter a 'class key'. This is a code for our class, it is okstate 9245 7422. You will also need your 'student access code'. It comes with your textbook. To logon each time you will enter the following:

- Username: enter your username
- Institution: okstate
- Password: enter the password you made up.

You can submit each exercise up to 3 times.

Quizzes: Quizzes will be given frequently at the beginning of class. Some quizzes may be take-home. There will be NO make-up quizzes for any reason.

Examinations: There will be three in-class examinations (dates: 06/14; 06/28 and 07/12, respectively) and one comprehensive final. The final examination will be Thursday, July 26th at 9:00am.

Make up examinations may be made only for serious and unavoidable circumstances, and only if approved in advance by your instructor.

Calculators: A graphing calculator will be required for this course. A calculator may be used on some exams and quizzes. You may check out an acceptable calculator from 401 MSCS.

Attendance: Students are expected to attend all lectures. An attendance score will be computed as follows. Each student will begin the semester with 40(5% of 800) attendance points. There will be two free absences. Each lecture missed

after the second absence will reduce the score by 5 points. Your final attendance score will be considered as extra credit, which will be added to your total scores.

Grade Distribution: There are 800 possible points for the semester. Each in-class exam is worth 100 points, the final exam is worth 200 points, the homework will be scaled to 200 points and quizzes will be scaled to 100 points. The following grades are guaranteed as minima: 90% A; 80% B; 70% C; 60% D.

Academic Integrity: Working with another person or in study groups on problems can be helpful in learning the material; however, all written work submitted must be your own. Copying someone else's problem solution or showing your written solution to someone else is prohibited. Such behaviors are regarded as violations of academic integrity and will be treated according to the University's policy.

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

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