

MATH 1715: Precalculus

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Desire to Learn: You must regularly check our Desire to Learn site for Announcements, Exam Dates, Notes, and other important information regarding this course.

The web address is: oc.okstate.edu

Textbook: *Precalculus, Mathematics for Calculus 5/e*, by Stewart, Redlin, & Watson.

Calculators: A graphing calculator (not a TI-89) and a scientific calculator (with trig functions and log functions) will be required for this course. You may check out an acceptable graphing calculator from 401 MSCS. I will be using TI 83 or TI 84 in class.

Computer Homework: WebAssign will be used to grade computer homework. You should sign up for WebAssign right away. Follow the directions to self-enroll on D2L. You will need to enter a **class key**. This is a code for our class, it is okstate 3642 9855. You will also need your **student access code**. This code is different for each student; it comes with your textbook. Then you will create an account. Use your okstate username for your login name, then make up a password. To logon each time you will enter the following:

Username: enter your username

Institution: okstate

Password: enter the password you made up.

Quizzes: Quizzes will be given twice a week at the beginning of the class and each quiz lasts only for first 10 minutes of class. **There will be no make up for showing up late in class.**

Examinations: There will be four in-class examinations and one comprehensive final. Exam dates will be The final examination will be Wednesday, May 5th at 8:00am. Write this on your calendar now, because you may not move the final exam!

Make up examinations may be made only for serious and unavoidable circumstances, and only if approved in advance by your instructor. The following criteria are used to allow students to make up missed examinations and quizzes:

(A) A student shall be offered reasonable accommodation in the event that he or she misses a major assessment activity for a valid and documented reason.

(B) Appropriate documentation shall be provided by the student in a timely fashion to support his or her request for accommodation.

(C) Major assessment activities are those such that a zero on that activity could reasonably be foreseen to impact the student's grade substantially; this category includes,

but is not limited to, exams.

(D) Valid reasons include official University activities, activities associated with military service, illness, family emergencies, mandatory court appearances, and any other events of comparable gravity.

(E) Reasonable accommodation means that the student will be given the opportunity to earn a grade on the assessment activity that is based on criteria as similar as possible to those used to grade his or her classmates. This opportunity should normally be made available in a timely fashion.

Exam Dates

Exam 1: Friday, Jan 27th

Exam 2: Friday, Feb 17th

Exam 3: Friday, Mar 16th

Exam 4: Friday, Apr 20th

Final Exam: Monday, Apr 30th, 8:00-9:50 am.

Attendance: All students will begin with **45 points bonus points for attending classes**. Each absence after the first two classes will deduct 3 points from your extra credit. Students must be present in the class for the entire class session in order to earn these extra points.

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.

Special Accommodations for Students: If you need special accommodations of any nature, I will work with you and the Office of Disabled Student Services, 326 Student Union. Please advise me of the desired accommodations at some point before or immediately after the first class.

Grade Distribution:

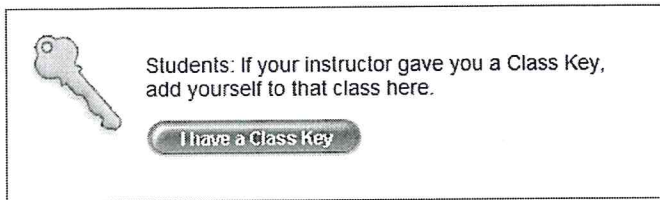
Item	Points
Exam 1	100
Exam 2	100
Exam 3	100
Exam 4	100
WebAssign	100
Quizzes	100
Final Exam	150
Total	750

Points Earned	Semester Grade
675-750 (90% and up)	A
600-674 (80%-89%)	B
525-599 (70%-79%)	C
450-524 (60%-69%)	D
449 and below (< 60%)	F

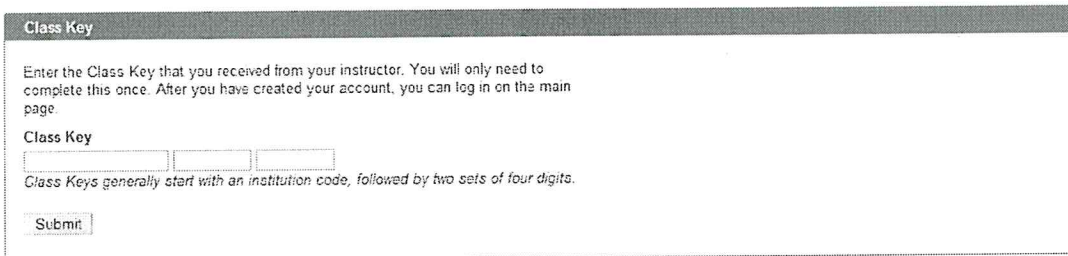
****Any changes in this syllabus will be communicated to you in class.****

WebAssign Self-Enrollment for OSU Math 1715

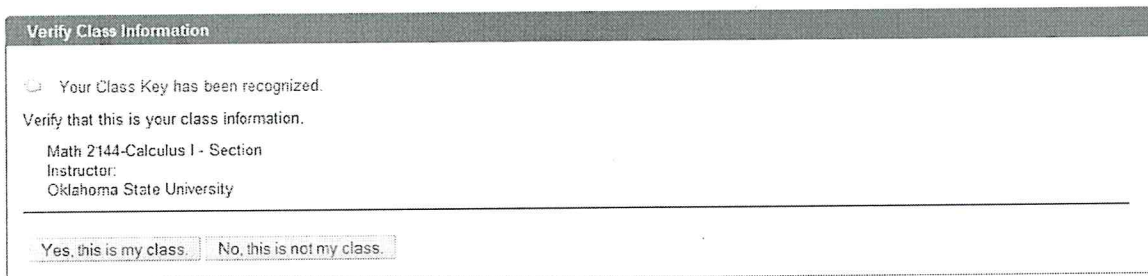
1. Go to <https://www.webassign.net/login.html>. At the bottom of the page, it should say, "Students: If your instructor gave you a Class Key, add yourself to that class here." Click the button that says, "I have a Class Key."



2. You fill in the blocks below with the following class key. Then click submit.

A screenshot of a form titled "Class Key". The text says: "Enter the Class Key that you received from your instructor. You will only need to complete this once. After you have created your account, you can log in on the main page." Below this is a label "Class Key" followed by three input fields containing "okstate", "3642", and "9855". A note below the fields says: "Class Keys generally start with an institution code, followed by two sets of four digits." At the bottom is a "Submit" button.

3. You should get a screen that says that your Class Key has been recognized. Make sure the section and instructor information match the class in which you're enrolled. (Your screen will have a number after "Section" and an instructor after "Instructor:" in the picture below.) If not, check to be sure you have the right Class Key. If the information is right, click "Yes, this is my class."

A screenshot of a form titled "Verify Class Information". It shows a message: "Your Class Key has been recognized." Below that, it says "Verify that this is your class information." and lists: "Math 2144-Calculus I - Section", "Instructor:", and "Oklahoma State University". At the bottom are two buttons: "Yes, this is my class." and "No, this is not my class."

4. You will then be asked if you already have a WebAssign account. If you already have a WebAssign account from another class at OSU (not at another institution), then you may use that one. If not, select, "I need to create a WebAssign account," and click continue.

- I need to create a WebAssign account.
 I already have a WebAssign account.

5. You will now be asked to pick a username and password. For your username, we recommend that you use your O-Key in the firstname.lastname format. For example, Jane Doe would use the username jane.doe. Your institution code is okstate, and that should be entered already. Pick a password that would be hard for others to guess. Then under student information, please enter your first and last names (capitalize the first letter of your name), e-mail address, and OSU student number. When you're done, click "Create My Account."

6. You will be prompted at some point for an Access Code, which you should have received bundled with your textbook. You may use WebAssign for 14 days without entering the code, but eventually you'll be locked out if you don't enter it.