Math 32 Section 03Y CRN 27583

## Precalculus II

This course prepares students for calculus. Topics include extending the elementary functions of first-quarter precalculus to include the theory of periodic functions; composition of trigonometric functions with other elementary functions; polar co-ordinates; further exploration of the complex plane; introduction to the algebra of vectors.

Instructor: **Dr Zack Judson** 

Modality: 80% Face to Face / 20% Online

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(Note: I will not answer Math questions over email)

Prerequisite: Math 31 or an equivalent course or placement

Text: "Algebra and Trigonometry," Abramson, et al, OpenStax

# **Student Learning Outcomes**

1. Formulate, construct, and evaluate trigonometric models to analyze periodic phenomena, identities, and geometric applications.

# **Grading Scale**

Due to the complexity of the material the grading scale we will use is as follows:

A: 90-100 B+: 80-84 C+: 67-69 D: 50-59 F: 0-49

A-: 85-89 B : 75-79 C : 60-66

B-: 70-74

All grades will be computed using multiple measures. Students will receive the highest possible grade they achieve through these measures.

### **Accommodations**

Those of you who need additional accommodations, due to disability, campus-related activities, or some other reason, please meet with me during the first two weeks of class to discuss your options.

#### **Exams**

Four exams will be given with no make-ups. If an exam is missed under <u>extreme</u> circumstances and for a very valid reason, an alternative will be found. Exams will represent 30% of your grade.

#### Final Exam

A two-hour comprehensive final exam will be given on Wednesday, December 11, from 7:00am-9:00am. The final will represent 20% to 30% of your grade. (see quizzes below)

# Quizzes

Quizzes will represent up to 10% of your grade. However, all points that are missed on quizzes will be replaced by your final. For example, if you average a 60% across all quizzes and then score a 75% on the final, you will earn back 75% of the points you had missed on quizzes so that your final quiz score will be a 90%. In this way quizzes are designed to be a place where you can make mistakes and learn from them.

As with your midterms, you are expected to do your own work on quizzes. However, unlike midterms, quizzes will be given asynchronously. On the day a quiz is assigned, you can click on the quiz at any time. The quizzes are designed to be completed in 20 minutes. You will need to answer the questions and upload a pdf of your solutions. You must upload your solutions before midnight.

The best way to create a pdf of your work is to do the work by hand. Then take a picture of your work. You can convert your picture to a pdf using any number of free apps. Your first quiz will be a short informational quiz designed to make sure everyone knows how to create a pdf.

Due to the fact that all missed points are covered by the final, quizzes will only be graded if they are submitted as a single pdf through the CANVAS quiz.

As part of this online component to the class, there will also be a self-reflection after each of your quizzes. This will provide you the opportunity to think about your experience with the material assessed in the quiz. This will provide me with the ability to check and see if you have questions. For you, this means an easy 5 quiz points. For me, this means an opportunity to address any confusion you might be having.

#### Labs

Five times throughout the quarter we will have lab assignments. The intention behind lab assignments is to encourage students to think more deeply about the material. For this reason, the labs often cover topics you haven't seen in the course. By the time each lab is assigned the Precalculus sequence will have covered all of the skills you need in order to complete the assignment.

These labs will be worked on in groups of three or four. You will need to work on them outside of class to complete them. Although every student must turn in their own lab assignment, you will be graded as a group on the assignment. No late lab assignments will be accepted. Each Lab will be graded out of 100 points.

At least 3 days prior to the lab due date, we will have a lab check-in day. A rough draft of the lab must be submitted before midnight on the evening immediately preceding the Lab Check-In. The rough draft will be worth 10 points and will be graded solely based upon attempting all parts of the exam and asking meaningful questions about those parts you do not know how to do up to that point.

In addition, each Lab will have a Lab discussion worth 10 points where you will document your interactions with your group. This discussion will be graded both for the work you share with the group and for your responses to the posts of other group members. You are more than welcome (and even encouraged) to interact with your group in other ways; however, you need to make sure to document this interaction on your discussion board. This documentation needs to show what interactions are happening in your group. Bad example: "we met in zoom today and did the lab" Good example: attach a transcript of the meeting.

Labs will represent 10% of your grade. Your lowest aggregate lab score will be dropped.

## **Group Work**

In my experience, every calculus class understands the lecture right up until the point they have to work through a problem. To help facilitate this process, we will often break into groups and work on problems and get our hands dirty. This work will take place in small groups at the whiteboards. You will be graded based on your active participation both while you are writing on the board and while others are doing the writing.

Group Work will account for 10% of your total grade.

#### Homework

As with all courses you are expected to put in at least 2 hours of work per unit per week outside of class. Some of this time will be spent on your labs and quizzes and preparing for exams. Other time will be spent learning and practicing the course material. The grade attached to this additional time is your homework. We will have two types of homework in this class. We will have the traditional problem sets, where you are practicing exercises sets on your own and we will also have homework lectures. Each type of homework will be worth 10% of your grade.

### **Homework Problem Sets.**

The only way we can learn mathematics is by practicing mathematics. At the beginning of each section of the textbook you will be assigned homework related to that section. You will have a minimum of 72 hours to complete each assignment. The homework assignments will be completed online through canvas. Our **Course ID: 45205** 

#### **Homework Lectures.**

The online part of this hybrid class will see us completing one lecture online a week. Each weekend, there will be a collection of lecture videos you are expected to watch. The total time for each group of videos will be about one hour. To honor the time spent watching the videos there will be a short assessment for you to take while watching the videos. Since, the purpose of these assessments is to reflect on your time spent watching the lectures, the answers should come from the material in the videos. These lecture checks will be due Sunday night. Feedback will be provided through the quiz comments by the following Tuesday.

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# Office Hours:

M	12:30 PM	01:20 PM	In-Person	G5

T,TH 12:30 PM 01:50 PM In-Person