

Math 0220

Student Guidelines and Syllabus

About the course

This is the first in a sequence of three calculus courses for science and engineering students. The goal is to prepare you to make use of calculus as a practical problem-solving tool.

Course Prerequisites

Minimum math placement score of 76 or Math 0200 with minimum grade of C.

Textbook

The textbook for this course is Essential Calculus, Early Transcendentals, second edition by James Stewart. All students who register for this course are automatically enrolled in the [RedShelf Inclusive Access](#) program and will be charged on their Pitt student bill unless they [opt out](#) before the end of the add/drop period. This program provides students with discounted access to the digital version of the textbook and the publisher's WebAssign content, but only the textbook itself will be required. If you already have a copy of the textbook or would prefer to purchase it from a different source (for example, you may be able to find a used copy of the first or second edition at a lower cost), then you should opt out of Inclusive Access. You will be able to opt out by clicking on the "RedShelf Inclusive Access" link in your course on Canvas. You may also consult these [additional instructions for opting out](#). If you do not opt out of Inclusive Access, then you will be able to access the digital textbook through a link provided by your instructor in Canvas.

Labs and Online Homework

Graded homework will be completed online using LON-CAPA. During one session each week, you will meet in the Calculus/Engineering Computer Lab in Posvar Hall (WWPH 1200A) to work on your LON-CAPA assignments. In the lab, you will work individually on problem solving skills, using computer generated problems. Your TA will be available to help if you get stuck, but you are expected to solve the problems yourself.

You may not complete all of your work during the scheduled lab sessions, in which case you are expected to complete it on your own. You will be able to work on your LON-CAPA problems from any computer with an Internet connection and web browser.

Read the [LON-CAPA Instructions for Students](#) to learn how to log into LON-CAPA, how to correctly set your math display settings, and how to begin completing your assigned problem sets. Your TAs will also go over this information during the first lab meeting.

Recitations

In addition to the weekly lab meetings, you will meet once each week with your TA in a classroom (without computers) to go over problems related to the material covered the previous week. Quizzes may also be administered during the recitation.

Practice Homework

The class schedule includes a common list of practice problems from the textbook. You are expected to solve these problems, although they will usually not be collected or graded. Exam and quiz problems will often be modeled on these problems.

Grades

Your course grade will be determined as follows:

- Two midterm exams 50% (25% each)
- Final exam 30%
- LON CAPA assignments 10%
- Quizzes 10%

Some sections may deviate slightly from this recipe. Any deviations will be announced by your instructor at the beginning of the term.

Final Exam Policy

All day sections will take a departmental final exam at a day and time to be scheduled by the registrar. Calculators will not be permitted on the departmental final exam. Evening sections will meet through final exam week, and the final exam will be given during the last one or two scheduled class periods.

Exam Dates

See the class schedule for the date and time of the departmental final exam and the tentative dates of the two midterm exams. The date and time of the final exam will also be announced by your instructor and in PeopleSoft.

Materials

In addition to the textbook, a scientific calculator may be necessary for some homework assignments. Any calculator with logarithms, exponentials, and trigonometric functions will do. Programmability is desirable but not essential. A graphing calculator, such as the TI83, is better still. However, be aware that calculators will NOT be allowed on the departmental final exam.

Computer Accounts

As a University of Pittsburgh student, you should already have a Pitt computer account. You will need to know your username and password to access the computer resources in the lab. You are also expected to regularly check your Pitt email account and your instructor's Canvas course since course materials and information will usually be distributed through those channels.

Getting Help

Tutoring

The Mathematics Department offers free tutoring services at the Math Assistance Center (MAC), which is located on the second floor of the O'Hara Student Center. More information and instructions can be found on the [MAC webpage](#). TAs will also be available at the Calculus Lab in WWPB 1200A to assist with LON-CAPA assignments outside of the scheduled lab sessions (see the MAC webpage for details).

Office Hours

Your instructor and TA will announce their office hours, which may be held through Zoom or in person.

Disability Resource Services

If you have a disability for which you are or may be requesting an accommodation, you are encouraged to contact both your instructor and the [Disability Resources and Services](#) (DRS), 140 William Pitt Union (412) 648-7890, drsrecep@pitt.edu, (412) 228-5347 for P3 ASL users, as early as possible in the term. DRS will verify your disability and determine reasonable accommodations for this course.

Course Policies

Academic Integrity

Students in this course will be expected to comply with the [University of Pittsburgh's Policy on Academic Integrity](#). Any student suspected of violating this obligation for any reason during the semester will be required to participate in the procedural process, initiated at the instructor level, as outlined in the University Guidelines on Academic Integrity. This may include, but is not limited to, the confiscation of the examination of any individual suspected of violating University Policy. Furthermore, no student may bring any unauthorized materials to an exam, including dictionaries and programmable calculators.

Students suspected of violating the University of Pittsburgh Policy on Academic Integrity may incur a zero score for the assessment in question. Additional sanctions may be imposed, depending on the severity of the infraction. Even during this COVID-19 pandemic, Academic Integrity policies will be enforced. If there is any doubt about the originality of a student's submission for an assessment, they may be asked to explain their work during a one-on-one meeting with their instructor. If the student's explanations are unsatisfactory, they may receive a zero score for the assessment, or the instructor may choose to administer an alternative assessment in a different format. Please note, in particular, that Pitt has a data sharing arrangement with Chegg.com that enables us to identify instances in which Chegg.com has been used to cheat on assessments. Consequences of being caught in this academic integrity violation have included zero scores on assessments and F grades for the course.

To learn more about Academic Integrity, visit the [Academic Integrity Guide](#) for an overview of the topic. For hands-on practice, complete the [Understanding and Avoiding Plagiarism tutorial](#).

Health and Safety

During this pandemic, it is extremely important that you abide by the [public health regulations](#), the University of Pittsburgh's [health standards and guidelines](#), and [Pitt's Health Rules](#). These rules have been developed to protect the health and safety of all of us. The University's requirements for face coverings will at a minimum be consistent with [CDC guidance](#), and masks are required indoors (campus buildings and shuttles) when COVID-19 Community Levels are High. This means that when COVID-19 Community Levels are High, you must wear a face covering that properly covers your nose and mouth when you are in the classroom. If you do not comply, you will be asked to leave class. It is your responsibility to have the required face covering when entering a university building or classroom. Masks are optional indoors when Community Levels are Medium or Low. Be aware of your [Community Level](#) as it changes each Thursday. [Read answers to frequently asked questions regarding face coverings](#). For the most up-to-date information and guidance, please visit the [Power of Pitt site](#) and check your Pitt email for updates before each class.

If you are required to isolate or quarantine, become sick, or are unable to come to class, contact your instructor as soon as possible to discuss arrangements.

Diversity and Inclusion

The University of Pittsburgh does not tolerate any form of discrimination, harassment, or retaliation based on disability, race, color, religion, national origin, ancestry, genetic information, marital status, familial status, sex, age, sexual orientation, veteran status or gender identity or other factors as stated in the University's Title IX policy. The University is committed to taking prompt action to end a hostile environment that interferes with the University's mission. For more information about policies, procedures, and practices, visit the [Civil Rights & Title IX Compliance web page](#).

Everyone in the class should strive to help ensure that other members of this class can learn in a supportive and respectful environment. If there are instances of the aforementioned issues, please contact the Title IX Coordinator, by calling 412-648-7860, or e-mailing titleixcoordinator@pitt.edu. Reports can also be [filed online](#). You may also choose to report this to a faculty/staff member; they are required to communicate this to the University's Office of Diversity and Inclusion. If you wish to maintain complete confidentiality, you may also contact the University Counseling Center (412-648-7930).

Classroom Recording

To ensure the free and open discussion of ideas, students may not record classroom lectures, discussion and/or activities not already recorded by the instructor, without the advance written permission of the instructor, and any such recording properly approved in advance can be used solely for the student's own private use.

Lectures may be recorded by the instructor, and this may include student participation. Students are not required to participate in the recorded conversation. The recorded lecture may be used by the faculty member and the registered students only for internal class purposes and only during the term in which the course is being offered. Recorded lectures will be uploaded and shared with students through Canvas.

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