

Svllabus

Mathematics Department

Physical Sciences, Mathematics, & Engineering Division

Math 31: Precalculus I **Syllabus** Winter 2022

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Required Materials

- 1. Precalculus on OpenStax*
- 2. MyOpenMath account*
- 3. https://www.desmos.com/calculator
- 4. Scanner such as CamScanner app, Genius Scan app, a printer, or any other scanning application/device.
- 5. A webcam such as a stand-alone device, laptop, or phone is strongly recommended.

Course Description

This course covers polynomial, rational, exponential & logarithmic functions, graphs, solving equations, conic sections, systems of equations & inequalities, & sequences & series.

Class Structure

This class will be meeting synchronously over Zoom during the scheduled days & times, i.e., Monday through Thursday from 1:30 pm to 3:45 pm. Class attendance & participation are expected.

Student Mentality

Students are encouraged to come into this course with a new mindset. This means that students are encouraged to leave behind any prejudice or previous bad experience with math & begin this course with a positive attitude. (Yes, it's a big ask but it's important!) Furthermore, successful students will ask questions, seek help, & be proactive with their education.

Instructor Commitment

My goal in this class is to create a welcoming environment for all students. I will assist students with the content as well as encourage students to ask questions & seek help when needed.

Communication

I will communicate via email &/or thru Canvas, so it is essential to check your email frequently & be aware of any communication posted or sent in Canvas. When emailing me, please write in the email's subject line the (1) course name, (2) section number & (3) the email's subject. For example, Math 31, Section 50, Homework Question. You can expect a response from me within 24 hours when emailing during the week.

To be current with the communication in Canvas, you can update Canvas notification settings following these steps: log into Canvas \rightarrow go to Account \rightarrow go to Notifications & adjust your Notification Preferences so that you have selected "Notify me right away" for Announcement, Submission Comment, Discussion Post & Conversation Message. The other notification settings are up to you.

Course Evaluation

(1) Practice 15% (2) Checkpoints 10% (3) In-class Participation 5%

(4) 3 Midterm Assessments

45% 25%

(5) 1 Final Assessment

^{*}See Canvas Homepage for details.*

Homework

Expect every section to have a homework assignment. All homework assigned in any given week will be due the following Monday by 11:59 pm. You should aim to chip away at the homework everyday – don't procrastinate.

Checkpoints

The checkpoint assignments are intended to (1) assess & challenge your understanding of the material, (2) ensure you are writing correct mathematics, & (3) prepare you for the exams. Checkpoint assignments are given in class & are due in Canvas by the end of class.

In-class Participation

The learning experience is enriched when we (1) ask questions, & (2) work with others. Expect to participate in our Zoom class meetings by typing in the chat, speaking, answering polls, or working with others. On occasion you will have the opportunity to do groupwork with your classmates via Zoom breakout rooms where you are strongly encouraged to have either your webcam or microphone on.

Exams

The 3 Midterm Assessments will be assigned on the weeks shown in the class schedule. The Final Assessment will be administered at the end of the term. You are asked to have your camera on to ensure sufficient proctoring of academic integrity. If you do not take the final exam, you will **not** receive a passing grade.

Grading System					
A	$94\% \le x$	C+	$77\% \le x < 80\%$		
A-	$90\% \le x < 94\%$	C	$70\% \le x < 77\%$		
B+	$87\% \le x < 90\%$	D	$60\% \le x < 70\%$		
В	$83\% \le x < 87\%$	F	x < 60%		
B-	$80\% \le x < 83\%$				

Academic Integrity

In the 2020 – 2021 academic year, I reported three incidents to the Dean & the College Disciplinary Officer of De Anza Community College. Academic dishonesty will not be tolerated. Students are not to copy, cheat, forge, nor obtain an unfair advantage with any assignment in this course. Appropriate actions will be pursued in suspicion of academic violations. For more information, read https://www.deanza.edu/policies/academic integrity.html.

Disability Accommodations

"Students who have been found to be eligible for accommodations by Disability Support Services (DSS), please follow up to ensure that your accommodations have been authorized for the current quarter. If you are not registered with DSS and need accommodations, please go to the DSS office in the Registration & Student Services Building (RSS) – Room 141 for information on eligibility and how to receive support services. You can also go online to https://www.deanza.edu/dsps/ (Links to an external site.) for additional information."

Recording Policy

"To ensure compliance with the Family Education Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA), student recording of class lectures or other activities is generally prohibited without the explicit written permission of the instructor and notification of other students enrolled in the class section. Exceptions are made for approved accommodations under the Americans with Disabilities Act."

Student Learning Outcome(s):

- * Investigate, evaluate, and differentiate between algebraic and transcendental functions in their graphic, formulaic, and tabular representations.
- * Synthesize, model, and communicate real-life applications and phenomena using algebraic and transcendental functions.