Math & 141  
PreCalculus /  
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■ INSTRUCTOR INFORMATION  

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■ TIME AND LOCATION  

Class sessions are in room 206 from 9:30 to 10:20 every weekday except:  
• Advising Day: Tuesday, May 13  
• Memorial Day: Monday, May 26

■ REQUIRED MATERIAL  

• The textbook (or ebook) is PreCalculus, 1st Edition, by Schulz, Briggs, and Cochran  
• A graphing calculator.

■ PREREQUISITE  

Math 80F or equivalent.

■ HOMEWORK  

• Homework will be assigned regularly and is to be submitted in MyMathLab. Each section consist of approximately 10-25 problems and MyMathLab learning aids are available for each problem. Category weight is 100 points.  

• Explorations & Notes assignments for each section will also be due regularly. These assignments must be written on the handout using pencil only. Assignment weight is 50 points.

Note: Late homework will be accepted only in the case of absence due to a school event.

• Plan to spend a solid two hours every day reading, studying, and working through problems. I encourage you to work in groups, use the resources available through MyMathLab, and to obtain help from the Tutoring and Learning Center (TLC) in room 244. At the same time, it is essential that you take personal responsibility to understand the course material and be able to solve the problems independently.

■ QUIZZES  

Quizzes will be given throughout the course. It is essential that you arrive on time to take the quiz. There will be no opportunity to make up missed quizzes. If you miss a quiz for a WWCC-related function, contact me at least one week in advance in order to make proper arrangements. Your lowest 2 quiz scores will be dropped at the end of the quarter. Quizzes must be written using pencil only. Also, cell phones, headphones, computers, and sharing calculators are prohibited during quizzes.

■ EXAMS  

There will be 3 one-hour exams, and a comprehensive final exam. Each one-hour exam is worth 100 points. The final is worth 150 points. If you are not able to be in class on the day of an exam and you notify me, prior to the exam, either in person, via email, or voicemail, an alternate time will be scheduled for you to take the exam. If you miss an exam without contacting me prior to the exam, you will receive a "0" on the missed exam.

Note: Exams must be written using pencil only. Also, cell phones, headphones, computers, and sharing calculators are prohibited during exams.
**ATTENDANCE**

Punctual attendance at every class session is expected and is crucial for success in this class. If you should miss a class, you are responsible for all announcements made concerning the course, for the material covered, and for any assignments missed. Cell phone use (this includes text messaging) is not allowed during class. If you are using your phone during class, I will ask you to leave for the remaining portion of class -- you will be not allowed to make up missed points.

**COURSE GRADE**

Course grade is based on a percentage of total points \( \left( \frac{\text{points earned}}{\text{points possible}} \right) \times 100 \) as follows:

1. A = (93 - 100)% of total points.
3. B+ = (87 - 89.99)% of total points.
4. B = (83 - 86.99)% of total points.
5. B- = (80 - 82.99)% of total points.
6. C+ = (77 - 79.99)% of total points.
7. C = (73 - 76.99)% of total points.
8. C- = (70 - 72.99)% of total points.
10. D = (60 - 66.99)% of total points.
11. F = (0 - 59.99)% of total points.
12. I = Incomplete grade. will be given only if minimum of two thirds of course is completed and with permission of the instructor.
13. Z = No credit. The student has not completed minimal course objectives due to extenuating circumstances (accident, illness, death in family, etc.). Instructor initiates this grade.

**EFFORT**

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**DISABILITY**

To request accommodations related to a disability, contact Claudia Angus, PH.D., Coordinator of Disability Support Services, at 527 - 4262 or email claudia.angus@wwcc.edu.

**EATING**

The classroom is not a cafeteria. Eating of food will not be allowed. It is disruptive to not only me, but to your fellow students.