

Math 1300
Fundamentals of Mathematics
Section 15189
MoWeFr 12:00PM - 1:00PM CBB 120
Introduction

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next week) Or by appointment (e-mail me)

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I put syllabus, class notes, worked out notes, homework and
announcements there. Please check the website often!

Print out class notes and bring to the class.

What do you need for this class?

Textbook

The learning materials, including the textbook are available on the
CourseWare site at www.casa.uh.edu.

Students are **required** to purchase an access code at the Book Store
to access the learning materials.

No calculators are allowed!

Grading

What will the grade in this class be based on?

Homework – 8%

Daily poppers - 8%

4 semester Tests - 12% each (48% total)

Quizzes – 12%

Final Exam - 24%

Homework

- You will use EMCF (stands for Electronic Multiple Choice Forms) to turn in your homework. They are numbered and deadlined! Assigned homework is generally due at midnight of the day after the lecture on the material. Homework must be submitted **10 minutes prior** to the deadline in an online EMCF in your CourseWare account.
- There are no make ups for homework assignments. Some of your lowest homework scores will be dropped before calculating your average for the semester to allow for illnesses or excused absences of any sort.

Weekly quizzes

- There will be weekly online quizzes on the “Online Assignments” tab of your course site on CourseWare. You may take each quiz up to 20 times; your highest score for the period will be the grade recorded for the quiz. You must wait 10 minutes between attempts.

- You may get help with your quizzes in CASA.

There will NOT be an Amnesty Period at the end of the semester on quizzes. Once a quiz or homework expires it is over for the semester.

Please make sure you complete each assignment before the expiration deadline.

Tests

- There are 4 tests.
- All tests will be in CASA.
- There will be review before each test.
- Test dates can be found in the Calendar.
- No make-up tests. Your final exam grade will be used to substitute any missed test grades or the lowest test grade.

Missing more than one test will result in a 0 for the second (and any subsequent) test grade.

- You need to make reservations at your Courseware account to take tests.

Final

- Final is mandatory and comprehensive unless you are eligible for the OPT-OUT.

- Opt-out: At the end of the semester if your grade is 80% or higher you may choose not to take the Final and keep your current grade as your grade for the class.
- If your grade is below 80% you **MUST** take the final.
- More details on the opt-out will be given later.

Extra Credit

- 10% of each practice test is added to your test score.
- You may take it up to 20 times.
- Highest score is recorded.
- There will be a practice final that will be extra-credit on the final, as well.
- Extra credit will be added in your teacher's grade book at the end of the semester and **NOT** to your test grades posted in your grade book during the semester.

Courseware Account

- **Sign up for a CASA account in CourseWare at <http://www.casa.uh.edu>.**
- CASA refers to both a website and a tutoring center (located on the second floor of Garrison Gym).
- If you have not taken a math class that uses CASA before, you need to set up your account. If you already set up a CASA

account for another class or the placement exams, you do not have to create another account. Just log in after classes start, and you will have access to any CASA courses for which you are enrolled.

- If you have a problem registering with CASA, first make sure that you are enrolled (you can't get an account if you are not enrolled), then click on the "Email Tech Support" link on the CASA webpage. If nothing else works, go to 221A Garrison.
- I can not help you with technical problems!
- You should set up your account right after the first class session. Late CourseWare registration may result in grades being lost!
- You will use CourseWare to see your grades and to opt-out from of the Final.

How do I get help?

Go to CASA (222 Garrison) to get help from tutors.
Come to my office hours.

Classroom behavior and my expectations

- Come to class!
- Do your homework.
- Learn the course policies. Everybody (including me) should follow them.

- Ask and answer questions.
- Turn off your cell phones (If you need to answer a call, step out into the hallway so you do not disturb the class.)
- I grade strictly by the number. You get what you earn!
- You can NOT use laptops during lecture.
- You have to DO math to LEARN Math!