

Hello everyone,

This Friday, April 22, 12:01 am, the scheduler for the Final Exam will open. Make sure you that you schedule your final exam as soon as possible. As a reminder, I cannot alter the testing dates for anyone regardless of the situation you are in. The dates of the testing window are May 6 – May 10. **Everyone must take the final exam; there is no opt-out for any section of MATH 1314.**

Also, the final exam will replace your lowest test grade. That means that it will count for itself and that exam. We will calculate your average three times: once without the final exam replacing anything, second with the final exam replacing either Test 1, and third with the final exam replacing either Test 2, 3 or 4. Your course grade will be the highest of these averages. The final exam will replace the raw score of an exam only, meaning that if you received 4 points for taking Practice Test 1, those 4 points will still apply to Test 1 even if the final replaced that score. The extra points on the final exam will not transfer to the exam it replaces.

As per my previous email, completing the Teacher Evaluation will earn you 5 extra points on the final exam (combined with the Practice Final Exam, this means you have an opportunity to earn up to 10 extra points added to the final exam). Please make sure you complete that as soon as possible. Once the deadline passes, I cannot reopen the Teacher Evaluation form.

Any assignments that are going to be dropped from your average will be done on the morning of May 3. In the letter grade calculator, once the NADFA row contains a non-zero value that means that the assignments have been dropped. All of your grades, including the dropped grades, will still be visible in the letter grade calculator, even after this is done. I would suggest you take a screenshot of your letter grade calculation once the grades have been dropped, as you will not be able to view it after the last day of classes (the exact date this closes out can vary).

I will be offering Online Tutoring during Finals Week at the following times:

Wednesday, 5/4: 10:00 am - 1:00 pm

Friday, 5/6: 9:00 am - 11:00 am

Monday, 5/9: 5:00 pm - 8:00 pm

I try to post final grades as soon as I can. However, I cannot post grades for individuals, only for the entire class. This means that before I can post anyone's grade, I need to receive testing materials from numerous locations on campus. This takes time. Once I have that material received, posting grades will only take me about twenty minutes, but I cannot do that until this happens. Emailing every ten minutes to ask when your grade will be posted will not speed up this process. Once I post grades, they will be visible in PeopleSoft under the screen where you register/drop classes. They need to be given final approval by several offices before they move onto Unofficial Transcript. This process can take 24 to 48 hours to happen. Again, emailing me every ten minutes to ask when you will get your grade will not speed up this process. The due date for me to post grades is 5/16. I will try to post them earlier than that, but I am limited by how quickly I receive materials from other offices.

Once your grade is posted, if you believe there is a discrepancy, please feel free to contact me. It is very unusual for a grade to be miscalculated since everything is done electronically, not manually, but it is possible. I cannot discuss your individual grade by email, but I will be able to meet with you on campus, most likely in early June, to discuss the matter in person.

If there are any questions, please do not hesitate to ask.

--Dr. Matt