MAT123: Precalculus
Summer II 2020 – Online Section, Remote Exams
COURSE SYLLABUS

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Overview: You will study functions and their properties with special emphasis on polynomial, rational, logarithmic, exponential and trigonometric functions, all skills necessary to be successful in a calculus course. This is NOT a calculus course.

Textbook: There is no textbook for this course.

Calculator: Calculator will not be used on exams but will be required to complete some of the homework problems.

Electronics: During exams, cell phones must be turned OFF. Do not wear a smart watch to the exam.

Blackboard: You are required to use Blackboard throughout the course to access assignments and other material, to view grades, to contact me and you are expected to check the site on a daily basis since you are responsible for any material posted. Use your NetID to log into Blackboard (get your NetID and set password in SOLAR). MyLabMath will be accessed from Blackboard as well (see below). All online materials and instructions will be listed under “Resources”.

Grading: Your course grade will be determined from the following items:

   Midterm = 30% of final grade

   Final Exam = 50% of final grade   (cumulative with an emphasis on material covered since midterm)

   Homework = 20% of final grade

Exams: Exam will be held online using Respondus – details will be provided on Blackboard. See Curriculum file on Blackboard for exam dates. Make-up exams will not be given under any circumstances. If the midterm is missed due to a documented emergency, the final exam score will replace that missing score (i.e., final counts as 80% of the grade!!!). Both exams are short answer with partial credit given where appropriate.

[*It may be possible to take the exam(s) offsite in an APPROVED proctored location, email me before the semester begins. I will send you a list of proctoring locations to call, etc. Note: some of the locations charge a fee. It is not guaranteed that you will be able to secure a place I deem suitable for you to take the exam elsewhere so better to find out sooner than later since the last day to withdraw without a W on your transcript is Friday, July 10th.*)

Homework Platform: There will be a web-based homework assignment corresponding to each lecture using Lumen. Access Lumen through Blackboard - you will not need a course key or login. There is no fee to access.
Homework Guidelines:

1. Working through problems is crucial to understanding math. An assignment will appear after each class and is to be completed by **Sunday** evening (11:59pm) of the following week.

2. You have the opportunity to ask homework questions via email, post questions on the Homework discussion board or during a scheduled virtual office hour session (see Blackboard for scheduling link).

3. While I **encourage** you to use a calculator on the homework, it will not be allowed during exams so be sure you also know how to solve the problems without the calculator.

4. Comprehension of homework questions as well as the examples I will cover in lecture will be instrumental in preparing you to do well on the exams. I encourage you to take good notes and form study groups.

5. There is a document on Blackboard in “Resources” labeled **Curriculum** itemizing the topics covered during each lecture.

Office Hours: While I do not hold on campus hours, opportunity to schedule time to video chat with me one on one – many 15-minute time slots are offered every week and I add extra sessions close to exams. The scheduling link will be posted on Blackboard/Resources.

Discussion Boards: You will be asked to participate in various discussion boards throughout the semester.

Concerns: If you have ANY problem related to the course, please feel free to discuss it with me. I truly want you to succeed in this course and will do whatever I can to help resolve the problem. You can talk to me before or after class, during office hours or via email.

Americans with Disabilities Act: If you have a physical, psychological, medical or learning disability that may impact your course work, please contact the Student Accessibility Support Center or SASC (formerly DSS), ECC (Educational Communications Center) Building, room 128, (631) 632-6748. They will determine with you what accommodations, if any, are necessary and appropriate. All information and documentation is confidential.

Note: once you are registered with them, you must also schedule a time to take an exam every time.

Academic Integrity: Each student must pursue his or her academic goals honestly and be personally accountable for all submitted work. Representing another person's work as your own is always wrong. Faculty are required to report any suspected instances of academic dishonesty to the Academic Judiciary. Faculty in the Health Sciences Center (School of Health Technology & Management, Nursing, Social Welfare, Dental Medicine) and School of Medicine are required to follow their school-specific procedures. For more comprehensive information on academic integrity, including categories of academic dishonesty, please refer to the academic judiciary website at [http://www.stonybrook.edu/uaa/academicjudiciary/](http://www.stonybrook.edu/uaa/academicjudiciary/)

Critical Incident Management: Stony Brook University expects students to respect the rights, privileges, and property of other people. Faculty are required to report to the Office of Judicial Affairs any disruptive behavior that interrupts their ability to teach, compromises the safety of the learning environment, or inhibits students' ability to learn. Faculty in the HSC Schools and the School of Medicine are required to follow their school-specific procedures.