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Pre Calculus

Text: Functions Modeling Change, $2^{\text {nd }}$ Edition, by Connally, Hughes-Hallett, Gleason, et al. We will cover chapters 1 through 9. A TI-83 graphing calculator is required for the course.

Office: My office is in building two, room 2307. I plan to hold office hours 9-10 MWF and 10:00 - 11:00 TTh If you need to see me at some other time, please feel free to drop in or make an appointment.

Attendance: Attendance on time is expected and required. If you know you will be absent, tell me before hand and get the assignment or call one of your classmates. Falling behind in a math class just doesn't work. Irregular attendance is grounds for being dropped.

Homework: The only way to learn math is to practice. I encourage you to work together and expect you to get help when you need it. I will assign homework at most class meetings to be collected during the next. I will check that you have completed the assignment and will correct and comment on a few selected problems. The homework and quizzes together will count for $15 \%$ of your grade.

Quizzes: Periodically we will have a quiz on current material. Quizzes will be announced sometimes, but sometimes will be a "pop" quiz. Some quizzes will count twice as much as one homework assignment, some less than that, but I will tell you what each is worth when you take them. There will be no make-up quizzes. The homework and quizzes together will count for $15 \%$ of your grade.

Exams: There will be approximately 7 exams, usually at the end of a chapter. There will be no makeup exams, but your lowest score will be worth half of the other exams. Exams will count for $65 \%$ of your grade.

Final: $\quad$ The final exam will be given on Wednesday, Dec 17 from 11:10-1:40 and will cover all the material from the class. Check your final schedule now to make sure you don't have too many on one day. It's too late to notice this in December! The final will count for $20 \%$ of your grade.

Grading: To get a C in this class, you MUST have a C average on the exams and the final. The homework and quiz grade will not enable a student to pass who has not passed the exams. All letter grades will be determined by the following standard grading curve:


Dates: $\quad$ Sept 3---------> last day to drop w/partial refund
Sept $12--------->$ last day to drop w/o appearing on record
Nov $18------->$ last day to withdraw
Dec 17----------> final exam

