

Course Information
MAS 4301, Section 3249, Five-digit code 14257
Abstract Algebra 1

Location and Time of Classes: 233 Little Hall, MWF 7th Period.

Textbook: Joseph Gallian: Contemporary Abstract Algebra, 9th edition.
(The 10th edition is also acceptable.)

Evaluation: There will be six in-class tests, and a final exam. Each test will contribute 12 percent to the final grade, with the final exam making up the remaining 28 percent (each half-final being worth 14 percent).

In this course, it is much more important to understand the concepts, then having the correct numerical answer. Solutions that do not show that the student understands the material will receive very low credit, even if they are numerically correct.

This is a difficult class, which is reflected by the grading scale.

You need 70 percent for an A, 60 percent for a B, 50 percent for a C, and 40 percent for a D. Fractional grades are given following this linear pattern.

Tests. They will be on September 6, September 20, October 4, October 21, November 6 and November 22.

Final Exam. There will be two half final exams, in the last two classes.

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