

MGF 1107 MATH FOR LIBERAL ARTS MAJORS 2 SYLLABUS

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Office Hours: MWF period 11 (6:15 – 7:05pm)

Class time: MWF period 10 (5:10 – 6:00pm)

Classroom: LIT 127

Prerequisite: none

Course Description: The course is designed to serve non-science and non-business majors in fulfilling their Gordon Rule mathematics requirement. This course demonstrates the beauty and utility of mathematics and will include topics such as financial management, linear and exponential models, mathematics in the arts and statistics .

Textbook: Using and understanding mathematics (6th edition) by Bennett and Briggs

Required Calculator: You will need a scientific calculator. Graphing or phone calculators are not allowed.

Online course evaluations: Students are expected to provide feedback on the quality of instruction online at <https://evaluations.ufl.edu>.

Homework: Homework will be assigned regularly for each section. Although not collected, the homework plays a key role in understanding mathematical concepts and is an important part of your involvement in this course. Plan approximately 1 – 2 hours of homework outside class for each lecture (3 – 6 hours per week). The class material should be read and understood before attempting to complete the homework problems.

In class activities: There will be 6 in class activities, timed for 15 – 20 minutes. The lowest quiz score will be dropped.

Exams: There will be 2 in class exams, scheduled tentatively on Feb. 22 and April 12.

The final exam will replace the lowest midterm exam score (only one).

Final Exam: The final exam is scheduled on April 25, in class, from 7:30 to 9:30am.

All students are required to take the final.

Final Grade:

Your final grade will be based on 5 in class activities (35%), 2 exams (40%), and final exam (25%).

Your grade is your responsibility. You have exactly one week once your assignment has been returned to you to discuss that grade. After that week, the grade is final. No additional points will be awarded to “boost” your grade. Alternate assessment will not be administered.

Grading Scale:

A [90, 100]; A- [87, 90); B+ [83, 87); B [80, 83); B- [77, 80);

C+ [73, 77); C [70, 73); C- [68, 70); D+ [65, 68); D [60, 65); E [0, 60)

Attendance: Your attendance in class shows your commitment to your education. All students are expected to attend class regularly. This will be a factor in determining the final grade of borderline students. If you need to leave the class earlier, let me know before the class starts. If you miss a class, it is your responsibility to get notes and determine any announcements made in class. Make-up work will be given only in the case of documented illness or for students participating in official UF events.

Academic Honesty: On all work submitted for credit by students at the University of Florida, the following pledge is either required or implied: "On my honor, I have neither given nor received unauthorized aid in doing this assignment." The UF honor code is available here:

<https://www.dso.ufl.edu/sccr/process/student-conduct-honor-code/>

Reasonable Accommodations: Students with disabilities requesting accommodations should first register with the Disability Resource Center (352-392-8565, www.dso.ufl.edu/drc/) by providing appropriate documentation. Once registered, students will receive an accommodation letter which must be presented to the instructor when requesting accommodation. Students with disabilities should follow this procedure as early as possible in the semester.

Resources: I encourage you to work together and get help regularly during the term. Do not wait until you are in trouble. Besides contacting me, you may get help at the Teaching Center, which is located on the ground level of SW Broward Hall. The regular hours are Monday-Friday, 8am-5pm. Please check the website <http://www.teachingcenter.ufl.edu/> for any changes.

Special Dates: 01/10: Last day to drop without financial liability; 01/16: MLK holiday; 03/04 - 03/12 Spring break; 04/19: Last day of classes; 04/22, 24 -28: Final exams days; 05/03: Final grades available on ISIS

** I reserve the right to alter the syllabus at any time during the semester, if it is necessary. **