Math 251-01, Winter 2020

Course Syllabus, Call # 22834

Title: Multivariable Calculus I
Text: A PDF of the textbook can be found on the Blackboard site for this class, it is labeled as “Math 251 Texbook by Trapp”
Classroom: JB 138
Meeting time: 4-5:50 PM, MW
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Final Exam Date: Wednesday, March 18th.
Midterm Date: Wednesday 2/12
Quiz Dates: Quiz #1: Monday 2/3
Quiz #2: Monday 3/9
Other important dates: No class January 20.
Office Hours: Tuesdays 2-5 PM

Course Website: (a copy of this syllabus may be found there)
http://www.math.csusb.edu/faculty/dunn/251-201/251-201.html

General Information

1. Information on content: We will cover Chapters 1–3.

2. Information on Grading: Grading will be in the A range for 90% and above, B range for 80% to 90%, C range for 70% to 80%, etc. Grades including a + or - will be added at the far ends of the scale. The grade breakdown will be as follows.

   Quiz Average: 30%
   Exam: 30%
   Final Exam: 40%
3. **Student Learning Outcomes:** The CSUSB Mathematics Department is committed to developing and measuring the outcomes of our teaching efforts. Please see the following website for a list of these outcomes:


4. **Information on Homework:** There will be no homework that is collected or evaluated for credit. For each section that we cover, I will give you some problems to try (at home, i.e., homework) which will test your understanding of a particular topic, and the quiz and exam questions will look very similar to the questions assigned and selected as examples in class; these homework questions will not be collected or evaluated, although you may wish to go over any questions you have with me in my office hours or ask about them in class (every class will begin with me asking if you have any questions you want to discuss). What that means is that you don’t have to do any homework if you don’t want to because I understand you all come from very diverse mathematical backgrounds, but since the quizzes and exams will be based on these questions and subjects, it is in your interest to spend time on these on your own. I strongly suggest doing as many questions as you feel the need to do on your own, and I am always happy to spend some time in class answering any questions you have.

5. **Information on Quizzes:** There will be 2 quizzes this term, the dates are given above. You’ll notice that each quiz is about one or two weeks before each of the exams, and that quizzes are worth less than the exams. This way the quizzes are a good practice for the exams, and if you screw up the quiz it won’t be as bad as screwing up the exam. The quizzes will usually be during the first 20 minutes of class.

6. **Information on Exams:** There will be one midterm exam which begins at the start of class. The date is above, and they will usually take the entire class time.

7. **Information on the Final Exam:** The final exam will be cumulative, at the date given above.

8. **General information regarding the class:**

   (a) Prerequisite: Math 212 with a grade of C or better.
(b) Cell phones and attendance. Quite frankly, I don’t care if you spend all day text messaging your friends in class—just don’t be disruptive. But if that’s all you are going to do in class, please just don’t come. I don’t have an attendance policy (except for administrative drops the first two weeks of the term), and so just don’t come to class if you’re not going to listen. PLEASE save yourself the embarrassment of your cell phone going off by turning it on silent before class starts. It’s embarrassing to you, and disruptive to the class. I’m pretty easy going, but matters of respect to each other are very important to me—please keep this in mind.

(c) If you are in need of an accommodation for a disability in order to participate in this class, please contact Services to Students with Disabilities at UH-183, (909)537-5238.

(d) Please refer to the university policy on academic dishonesty and plagiarism. I endorse these policies and generally have no tolerance towards any and all acts of academic dishonesty or plagiarism—NONE.

(e) In general, I think this course is going to be awesome! I really can’t stress enough how important it will be to stay on top of your homework and to see me when you have difficulties. This is the only reason I have office hours, and, unless there is an unavoidable conflict, I will always be there. Email (not phone) is the best way to contact me, as I check it often. Good luck, and ROCK ON!!!