

Undergraduate Course Syllabus

MAT 121: Math Concepts and Techniques for Business

Center: Online

Course Prerequisites

None

Course Description

An anthology for business majors, this course enriches and augments the techniques developed in MAT 120. Special attention is given to developing the topics using business examples and employing calculators and computer packages. Topics covered include matrices and their applications, an introduction to linear programming, the summation notations and an introduction to calculus applied to polynomials. (Students who have completed MAT 150 may not register for MAT 121.)

Course Outcomes

- An ability to provide a solution to selected applied problems using graphing, matrices, linear programming and introductory calculus skills
- Upon completion of MAT 121 students will have demonstrated the following:
- An ability to make business judgments by applying the appropriate mathematical techniques
- An ability to differentiate and integrate polynomials

Required Materials

Mathematical Applications for the Management, Life, and Social Sciences Harshbarger Cengage 10th Edition 9781133106234

Instructor Availability and Response Time

Your class interaction with your instructor and your classmates will take place in Blackboard on a regular, ongoing basis. Your instructor will be active in Blackboard at least five days a week, and you will normally communicate with your instructor in the open Blackboard discussion forum so that your questions and the instructor's answers benefit the entire class. You should send emails directly to your instructor only when you need to discuss something of a personal or sensitive nature, and in those cases your instructor will generally provide a response within 24 hours.

Grade Distribution

| Assessment Item | Percentage of Final Grade |
|-------------------|---------------------------|
| Discussion | 25% |
| Quiz | 30% |
| Practice Problems | 30% |
| Final Exam | 15% |
| Total | 100% |

This course may also contain practice activities. The purpose of these non-graded activities is to assist you in mastering the learning outcomes in the graded activity items listed above.

University Grading System: Undergraduate

| UC-COCE Undergraduate Grading System: | | | |
|---------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|--------|--|
| Grade | Numerical | Points | |
| | Equivalent | | |
| A | 93-100 | 4.00 | |
| A- | 90-92 | 3.67 | |
| B+ | 87-89 | 3.33 | |
| В | 83-86 | 3.00 | |
| В- | 80-82 | 2.67 | |
| C+ | 77-79 | 2.33 | |
| С | 73-76 | 2.00 | |
| C- | 70-72 | 1.67 | |
| D+ | 67-69 | 1.33 | |
| D | 60-66 | 1.00 | |
| F | 0-59 | 0.00 | |
| I | Incomplete | | |
| IF | Incomplete/Failure* | | |
| IP | In Progress (past end of term) | | |
| W | Withdrawn | | |

^{*}Incomplete and Incomplete/Failure: Any student requesting an "I" grade must complete a Student Petition & Contract for a Grade of Incomplete and submit it to the proper offices prior to the final day of the term/semester. The petition will specify a deadline by which the coursework must be completed. The incomplete automatically becomes an "IF" if work has not been completed and a grade has not been submitted by the specific deadline.

Grading Guides

Specific activity directions and grading guides can be found in the Course Information area in the Assignment Guidelines and Rubrics folder.

Weekly Assignment Schedule

The Learning Modules area in Blackboard contains one module folder for each week of the course. All reading and assignment information can be found in the folders. All assignments are due by 11:59 p.m. EST on the last day of the module week.

In addition to the textbook readings that are listed, there may be additional required resources within each module in Blackboard.

| Module | Topics and Assignments |
|--------|--|
| 1 | Icebreaker Activity (Required) |
| | Understand Linear Equations and Use Them in Business and Economics |
| | Reading: Mathematical Applications for the Management, Life, and Social Sciences, Chapter 1 |
| | Discussion: Applying Mathematics |
| | Doing: Module One Exercises |
| | Practice Problems: Module One Individual Project |
| | Module One Quiz |
| 2 | Matrices and Real-World Applications |
| | Reading: Mathematical Applications for the Management, Life, and Social Sciences, Chapter 3 |
| | Discussion: Leontief Model |
| | Doing: Module Two Exercises |
| | Practice Problems: Module Two Individual Project |
| | Module Two Quiz |
| 3 | Linear Inequalities and Resources Constraints |
| | Reading: Mathematical Applications for the Management, Life, and Social Sciences, Chapter 4 |
| | Discussion: Module Three Discussion |
| | Doing: Module Three Exercises |
| | Practice Problems: Module Three Individual Project |
| | Module Three Quiz |
| 4 | Calculus through Limits, Derivatives, and Rates of Change |
| | Reading: Mathematical Applications for the Management, Life, and Social Sciences, Chapter 9 |
| | Discussion: Module Four Discussion |
| | Doing: Module Four Exercises |
| | Practice Problems: Module Four Individual Project |
| | Module Four Quiz |
| 5 | Research, Business, and Economic Applications of Derivatives |
| | Reading: Mathematical Applications for the Management, Life, and Social Sciences, Chapter 10 |
| | Discussion: Graphs and Functions |
| | Doing: Module Five Exercises |
| | Practice Problems: Module Five Individual Project |
| | Module Five Quiz |

Indefinite Integrals and the Process of Differentiation 6 Reading: Mathematical Applications for the Management, Life, and Social Sciences, Chapter 12 Discussion: Integration and Its Applications Doing: Module Six Exercises Practice Problems: Module Six Individual Project Module Six Quiz Definite Integrals-Integration for Practical Purposes Reading: Mathematical Applications for the Management, Life, and Social Sciences, Chapter 13 Discussion: Applications of Definite Integration Doing: Module Seven Exercises Practice Problems: Module Seven Individual Project Module Seven Quiz Course Wrap Up Reading: Review all previous reading assignments in preparation for the final exam Discussion: Review for Exam Doing: Review and Discuss Test: Final Exam

Attendance Policy

Failure to participate during the first week of the course (12:00 a.m. Monday through 11:59 p.m. Sunday) will result in automatic withdrawal. Participation is defined as posting within a discussion board, wiki, or blog, and/or submitting an assignment. Students who do not participate during the first week forfeit their rights to be reinstated into the course.

Extended absences, defined as failure to post into the Blackboard classroom for more than five days, must be coordinated with the instructor. Students who fail to coordinate any such absence with the instructor, or who fail to withdraw from the course in accordance with the COCE official drop and withdrawal policy, will be graded appropriately.

All assignments must be submitted through the appropriate Blackboard tool by 11:59 PM Eastern Standard Time on the specified due date. Refer to the Assignment Guidelines and Rubrics folder for specific details on completing the assignments in this course.

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Withdrawal.revised.form.xsn&SaveLocation=https%3A%2F%2Fmy%2Esnhu%2Eedu%2FOffices%2FCOCE%2FAdvisin
g%2FCourse%20Withdrawal%20Library&OpenIn=browser

SNHU College of Online and Continuing Education Guide to Student Success

https://my.snhu.edu/Resources/StudentHandbooks/Pages/default.aspx

Blackboard Course Tools/Areas Overview

Your course will be delivered through Blackboard. Below are the most often used Blackboard tools and areas.

| Tool/Area | Description | You Should |
|--------------------|--|--|
| Announcements | This area is used to post day-to-day course details such as the status of or directions for assignments. | Check the announcements on a regular basis, at least several times each week. |
| Course Information | The course syllabus, assignment guidelines and rubrics, technical support, Student Handbook, and advising information can be found here. | Check this area at the start of the class. It is recommended that the syllabus be downloaded for future reference. |
| Learning Modules | This area contains course content, including lectures, readings, resources, and assignments. | Check this area at the start of each module and throughout the module week to review course materials. |
| Discussion Board | This is one of the areas for discussion and collaboration in the class. | Participate and contribute on a regular basis if your course includes discussions. |
| Research/Writing | SNHU library and research information can be found here. | Check this area for links and information on different library-related resources. |
| My Instructor | Instructor information is located in this area. | Check this area to find out about your instructor's background and contact information. |
| My Grades | Assignment grades are located in this area. | Check this area to find out your grades for your course assignments. |

Southern New Hampshire University Policies

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For questions concerning support services, documentation guidelines, or general disability issues:

Office of Disability Services, Exeter Hall, Suite 59

Hyla Jaffe, Director

603.626.9100 ext. 2386

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For questions concerning disability-related compliance matters, grievance, or legal issues:

Ms. Jet Goldberg, ADA/504 Compliance Officer

Director of Wellness Center

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Technical Support: Support for technology and Blackboard software issues can be found at http://www.snhu.edu/techsupport or by dialing SNHU 24/7 Live Support at 1-877-708-2909.

Academic Assistance: Online students enrolled in undergraduate courses in the areas of math, writing, accounting, and statistics will have access to Smarthinking online tutoring:

https://my.snhu.edu/offices/COCE/Tutoring/Pages/default.aspx.

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