# MATH 241 SECTION BDB - CALCULUS 3 SPRING 2015

**Meeting:** 9-9:50am

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Office Hours: In lieu of regular office hours, all 241 sections share a tutoring room (see details from the course). I am (currently) scheduled to staff the tutoring room on Tuesdays 4-5pm. I will be available for additional office hours by appointment.

#### General Information:

We will spend most of our meeting time on worksheets aimed at both deepening your knowledge of the material and practicing your current skills. Worksheets will be graded based on effort. Quizzes will also be administered in these sections. Quizzes will be graded based on mathematical correctness and mathematical style.

This section is part of the Unit One program, and developing a learning community is a major goal.

## What I Expect:

During our meetings you should be respectful of everyone's time. Please silence cell phones and other devices and arrive (and depart) at the appropriate times. Food and drink is acceptable provided it is discreet. Please keep chit-chat to a minimum. Acting disrespectfully toward anyone is totally unacceptable.

I expect you to come to class prepared. This means having read and thought about any relevant material from the text, reviewing notes, and attempting the homework. I do not expect you to come knowing everything (otherwise you wouldn't need me), nor do I expect you to understand everything immediately after we discuss them. I expect you to ask questions. Often you are not the only one who has your question.

I expect you to be college students. That includes having decent time management and study skills, expecting to struggle from time to time, seeking help when needed, and presenting your work in at least a somewhat professional manner. I expect academic honesty and integrity.

I expect you to actually think about calculus. You should not try to memorize every formula and procedure. If you think you have an idea that you think is good, I am very happy to hear it. I expect you to prove to me that you understand; I am not psychic, nor will any of your future employers/clients be.

# What You Can Expect:

You can expect me to be in the classroom a bit before and/or after class. You can expect me to attempt to meet you outside of class time. You cannot expect

me to be constantly available to meet with you; I have my own studies and a life outside the university. I will usually reply to email quite quickly, but don't assume an immediate turnaround.

You can expect me to explain things in multiple ways and to the best of my ability. You cannot expect me to inject information directly into your brain; you'll have to work a little. ("Free knowledge; bring your own container.")

### Feedback:

You will have several opportunities during the semester to provide feedback on the course and on this discussion section in particular. Please make use of these opportunities, and have thoughtful comments ready. If, at any other time, you feel the need to comment on the way the course is going, you can talk to me directly, talk to Dr. Erdogan or Dr. Schenck, or drop an anonymous note into my mailbox (located in 250 Altgeld).

## **Academic Integrity:**

You are responsible for knowing and abiding by the university's policies regarding academic integrity, which can be found at http://admin.illinois.edu/policy/code/article1\_part4\_1-401.html . Sometimes it is hard for students to recognize plagiarism in group work; I think the best way to maintain your ethical standard in this case is to participate in the group then recreate the solutions later for yourself. This is also a good way to make sure you understand the problem rather than just nodding along with others.

I look forward to working with all of you this semester. Good luck!

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