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MATH 1711 SYLLABUS

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Course Title: Finite Mathematics

Course Meeting Times: Lecture, Physics L1, TR 9:35-10:55; Recitation, various locations, MW 9:05-9:55

Text: Goldstein, Schneider, & Siegel, *Finite Mathematics & Its Applications*, 10th ed. MyMathLab is required and contains an electronic version of the textbook. You can purchase it separately, on-line, or packaged with the text (text is optional). We will cover chapters 2, 3, and 5-10. NOTE: To access the class page on MyMathLab, you need to register for the course "Math 1711, Spring 2011" with course ID "**grodzinsky17197**".

GRADING SYSTEM

HOMEWORK: Homework assignments will be required on-line using MyMathLab. On-line homework will be due weekly, typically on Monday evenings. You are expected to understand all homework problems for the tests. At least one homework grade will be dropped, so **no late homework will be accepted**.

PARTICIPATION: Class participation will be based on your attendance in the lectures and participation in the recitations. We will use PRS clickers to measure lecture attendance, beginning on the second week of classes. Your TA will give practice problems often in recitation, which will count for your recitation grade and must be completed in class.

TESTS: There will be five in-class tests, administered on the following days: Wednesday, February 2; Wednesday, February 16; Wednesday, March 2; Wednesday, March 30; and Wednesday, April 20. No books, notes, calculators, cell phones, or other electronic devices are allowed during the tests. If a student has a disability that may require accommodation on tests, please make an appointment with the ADAPTS office to discuss any special needs, as well as meeting individually with me.

FINAL EXAM: The final exam will cover all course materials and will be administered on the date assigned by the official school calendar. You MUST take the final exam on the officially scheduled date, so **do not make travel plans** during final exam week until the official final exam schedule is announced. The *tentative* date is **Thursday**, **May 5**. Students who have taken all tests AND have an average over 92% after the last test, WITHOUT dropping a test grade or counting any extra credit, may exempt the final exam

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GRADING SCALE

Your final average will be computed as follows:

Assignment	Option 1	Option 2
Homework	100 points	100 points
Lecture Attendance	40 points	40 points
Tests	500 points (keep all 5)	400 points (drop lowest)
Final Exam	100 points	200 points
Total Possible Points:	740 points	740 points
Recitation	0-2% added onto average	0-2% added onto average

Midterm grades will be assigned on **February 18**. A satisfactory grade will be assigned to all students with a midterm average of 70% or higher (based on the above weighting of grades).

Do not expect any deviation from the following scale:

A: [90%,100%]; **B**: [80%, 90%); **C**: [70%,80%); **D**: [60%, 70%); **F**: [0, 60%).

CLASS POLICIES

ATTENDANCE: You are expected to come **prepared** and actively participate in every lecture and recitation session. In the event of an absence, you are responsible for all missed materials, assignments, and any additional announcements or schedule changes given in class. Class disruptions of ANY kind will NOT be tolerated and may result in your removal from the classroom and loss of attendance/participation points for that day. Please show courtesy to your fellow classmates and instructor by adhering to the following class rules: turning off all laptops, cellular phones, i-pods and pagers (and other electronic devices, unless being used for note-taking) during class, coming to class on time and staying for the entire class period, refraining from conversing with your fellow students, and putting away any reading materials unrelated to the course.

ACADEMIC DISHONESTY: All students are expected to comply with the Georgia Tech Honor Code (the honor code can be found at http://www.osi.gatech.edu/plugins/content/index.php?id=46). Any evidence of cheating or other violations of the Georgia Tech Honor Code will be submitted directly to the Dean of Students. Cheating includes, but is not limited to: using an unapproved calculator, books, or any form of notes on tests or quizzes; copying directly from any source, including friends, classmates, tutors, or a solutions manual; allowing another person to copy your work; using another person's PRS clicker or having another person use your clicker for forging attendance; taking a test or quiz in someone else's name, or having someone else take a test or quiz in your

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test or quiz in someone else's name, or having someone else take a test or quiz in your name; or asking for a regrade of a paper that has been altered from its original form.

CALCULATORS: While you may need a scientific calculator for help with some of the homework problems, only a simple, non-graphing, non-programmable, non-scientific calculator (i.e., a "dollar store" calculator) may be used on the in-class tests.

REGRADING OF PAPERS: If a problem on your test has been graded in error, you must submit a regrade request to me (not your TA!) **in writing,** along with your paper, no more than *one week* after the tests have been returned in class. Should you wish to have your paper regraded, *do not change or add to the work on your paper*! If you must write on your returned paper, be sure to write in a different color ink and clearly indicate what you have added. A regrade request can only be submitted if you have done something CORRECT on your test that has been marked as incorrect. You MUST check your answers with the solutions BEFORE submitting such a request.

MAKE-UPS: In an emergency situation, I may allow a make-up test if I am notified **prior** to the exam and provided with a reasonable, **written confirmation** of your absence. Any make-ups must be completed before the corresponding test has been graded and returned to other students. If you will miss a test due to a university-sponsored event or athletics, please provide me with the official documentation in advance.

WORLD WIDE WEB: I will frequently update the class web page with class information and materials. *You are responsible for obtaining any announcements or materials placed on my web page* (http://www.math.gatech.edu/~klarag), *MyMathLab* (www.coursecompass.com), *or T-square* (t-square.gatech.edu). In addition, the solutions to all tests are available on T-square and on reserve in the library (www.library.gatech.edu).

ADDITIONAL HELP: Please stop by my office hours or your TA's office hours whenever you have questions. In addition, free tutoring is available on a first-come/first-serve basis Monday-Thursday in the Math Lab, Skiles 257.