MA 2160: The Secret Syllabus

The other syllabus has information about all Calc 2 sections. This page tells you what you’ll need to know to succeed in my Calc 2 section.

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Things you should do and know in my class:

1. **Homework**
   - **Due Dates:** There is homework for every section. The schedule will go like this:
     (a) I will tell you in class when we finish a section.
     (b) On the next day of class, I will take questions.
     (c) Homework is due at the beginning of the next day of class after that.
     For example: If we finish Section 13.1 on Wednesday, I will take questions on Friday, and the homework for 13.1 is due Monday at the start of class.
   - **Show your work!** Almost all of your homework grade comes from showing work. *How you got your answer is much more important than the answer itself. If you look in the back of the book and just copy that down, you will earn absolutely nothing.*
   - Tear off fringes. Staple your pages.
   - You are welcome to work with others while doing your homework. However, what you hand in must show me what you understand. If you don’t understand someone else’s explanation, do not write it down. *If you got an idea or help from someone or used your calculator, indicate that next to the problem.*
   - **I will not accept late homework.**

2. **Easy things to do to make yourself look good**
   - Borderline grades are determined at my discretion. Do the things below and I’ll be more likely to give you the benefit of the doubt:
     - Show up to class every day (I notice if you don’t).
     - Always hand in your homework (I notice if you don’t).
     - Ask me questions in class and in my office hours. No really, ask lots of questions!
     - Generally appear interested in Calculus at 8 am!

3. **Miscellaneous**
   - If problems come up *let me know ahead of time* if at all possible. I’m happy to work around absences, exam conflicts, etc. if you let me know early. Otherwise, I will not let you make up any missed work.
   - In case of an emergency: contact Gloria Melton, Dean of Students: (906) 487-2212.