

# Spring 2022 MATH231 Syllabus

This document can be found on [the course webpage](#).

## Course info

- **Instructor:** Xinran Yu
- **Time & location:** MWF 10-11am, 9 FAR.  
Spring Break: March 12-20, no class
- **Textbook:** James Stewart, Calculus: Early Transcendentals, 8th edition.  
We will cover Chapters 7, 8, 10 and 11 of the textbook, see [department syllabus](#) for detail.

## Contact

- For the sake of fairness, I won't add students on any social media.  
Please use English in class and office hours.
- Email: [xinran4@illinois.edu](mailto:xinran4@illinois.edu).
  - Please included MATH231 in your email subject.
  - Email is not a very good place to ask math questions, since it is hard for me to type math symbols. Take advantage of the office hour.
  - If you haven't received any reply in two days, feel free to send me a reminder.
- Office hour: Thursday 3-4pm

## Grading

- Grades will be posted via [Moodle](#). Homework and exams themselves are not curved but the grade distribution is based on everyone's final grade.
- **Homework (30%):** There will be homework each week. I'll assign handwritten homework rather than online homework. This helps you get used to the format of paper-based exams.  
Generally, missed homework is taken care of with the policy of dropping the lowest two scores. Late homework counts 50% of the grade you get.
- **Midterms (40%):** There will be three midterms. Each will be timed for 45 minutes.  
No conflict exams or make-up exams will be given. Rather, one lowest midterm score will be dropped.  
Midterms will be hold during our usual class time. No calculators are allowed for midterms.
  - Midterm 1 will be held during the 5th week on Friday. It will cover Ch7.
  - Midterm 2 will be held during the 8th week on Friday. It will cover Ch8-11.4.
  - Midterm 3 will be held during the 12th week on Friday. It will cover Ch11.
- **Final Exam (30%)** No calculators are allowed for the final exam.
- **Extra Credit (up to 3 points):** Extra credit will be offered in order to encourage your participation in class. You may earn a maximum of 3 points towards your final grade.  
You may earn extra credit by solving problems (e.g. homework problems, exercises in lectures) on the board. Each problem is worth 1 point.

- The default letter-grade cut-offs are as follows:

[97, 100] A+	[93, 97) A	[90, 93) A-
[87, 90) B+	[83, 87) B	[80, 83) B-
[77, 80) C+	[73, 77) C	[70, 73) C-
[67, 70) D+	[63, 67) D	[59, 63) D-
[0, 59) F		

## Covid related

- **Face mask is required** all the time during discussion. Face shield is in general not acceptable unless one holds a [DRES accommodation letter](#).<sup>1</sup>
- **According to university policy, student who does not wear a proper face covering will be asked to put on one or to leave the class room.**
- **If the student refuse to leave, I'll have to dismiss the class and report this to the undergraduate office.**

## Accommodation

- Please contact the Disability Resources & Educational Services ([DRES](#)), if you need any sort of accommodation.
- You'll need to **email me** once you get the accommodation letter.

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<sup>1</sup>See accommodation below for more information.