
COURSE DESCRIPTION: *Business Mathematics I*. Credit 3. Linear equations and applications, linear forms and systems of linear equations, matrix algebra and applications, linear programming, probability, and applications, statistics.

PREREQUISITES: High school algebra I and II and geometry. Credit will not be given for more than one of Math 141 and Math 166.

TIME/LOCATION: **Section 201**: M-F, 8:00am-9:35am, Blocker 166; **Section 202**: M-F, 10:00am-11:35am, Blocker 166

COURSE WEB PAGE: The course web page will be my main source of communication to you aside from class and office hours. There, you will find a course schedule, your suggested homework list, summer help session schedules, links to previous Math 141 Week-in-Reviews, as well as a link to the departmental web page for the course. *Check the course web page regularly* for announcements, exam information, and an updated schedule.

EMAIL POLICY: Check your official TAMU email account EVERY day. You are responsible for any information I send via email. Also, because of privacy rights, I cannot discuss grades via email or phone. *Note: Due to the volume of students, there is no guarantee you will receive a same day reply to an email. Start your studying and/or homework in plenty of time so you can stop by my office hours or a Math 141 Help Session to be sure your questions are answered.*

ATTENDANCE: Attendance is expected. If you miss lecture, you must have an official University excused absence (with written proof) in order to hand-copy my notes (during office hours).

CALCULATOR POLICY: This course **REQUIRES** that you have a TI-83 (Plus) or TI-84 (Plus) graphing calculator. It will be allowed on most quizzes and exams. Calculator programs that may be provided for this course are for these calculators only. I will **NOT** discuss other calculators. *TI-89 and above calculators are NOT allowed.* Furthermore, the only programs that are allowed on your calculator are those I provide you with (if any) during class. All other programs must be erased from the calculator.

GRADING POLICY:

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A = 90 – 100%
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***At the end of this semester, you WILL receive the grade you earned in this course according to the distribution above (no exceptions).***

MAKE-UP POLICY: No make-ups will be given without written evidence of an official University excused absence (*see University Student Rules*). In addition, you must notify me **NO LATER** than the end of the second working day after the missed assignment:

... the student must notify his or her instructor in writing (acknowledged e-mail message is acceptable) prior to the date of absence if such notification is feasible. In cases where advance notification is not feasible (e.g. accident or emergency) the student must provide notification by the end of the second working day after the absence. This notification should include an explanation of why notice could not be sent prior to the class. (Section 7.3 of the *University Student Rules*)
***If no such notice is given, the rights to a make-up are forfeited.*** Specifically, in the case of injury or illness, students are required to obtain a confirmation note from a health care professional affirming date and time of a medical office visit regarding the injury or illness. I will NOT accept the “Explanatory Statement for Absence from Class” form as sufficient written documentation of an excused absence.

**LATE WORK POLICY:** Late work (for which you do not have a University approved excused absence) will NOT be accepted.

**EXAMS:** There will be three exams and a comprehensive final exam. You must bring a picture id (student id or driver’s license) to the exam.

**NO** make-up exams will be given without a University approved excused absence (with written proof). If you have an excused absence for an exam, you must contact me **NO LATER** than the second working day after the exam to schedule a make-up exam (see *University Student Rules*).

**Tentative Exam Schedule:**
- Exam I (Chap. 1 and 2): July 14
- Exam II (Sect. 3.1-3.3, Chap. 6, and Sect. 7.1-7.3): July 23
- Exam III (Sect. 7.4-7.6 and Chap. 8): August 4

**Final Exam Schedule:**
- (all previous material, plus Sect. 5.1-5.3 and 9.1-9.2)
  - **Section 201:** Tuesday, August 11, 8:00am-10:00am
  - **Section 202:** Tuesday, August 11, 10:30am-12:30pm

**NOTE:** Any question regarding grading must be done the day an assignment is returned to you, or NO change will be made. If there is an adding mistake, you have one week from when the assignment is returned to you to get the correction made.

**QUIZZES:** Quizzes will be given regularly throughout the semester. Most of the quizzes will be announced a few days before they are given. If you miss a quiz, you must have written proof of a University approved excused absence AND contact me **NO LATER** than the second working day after the quiz to schedule a make-up quiz (see *University Student Rules*).

**SUGGESTED HOMEWORK:** A list of suggested homework problems is posted on the course web page. These problems will not be collected for a grade, but it is IMPERATIVE that you do the suggested homework problems to prepare for the quizzes and exams. Visit me during office hours if you have questions about problems you do not understand, or attend a Math 141 Help Session.

**AVAILABLE HELP:** The times and locations for Math 141 Help Sessions will be posted on the course web page. Also, there are links on the course web page to previous Math 141 Week-in-Reviews (practice problems).

**SCHOLASTIC DISHONESTY:** Copying work done by others, either in-class or out-of-class, is an act of scholastic dishonesty and will be prosecuted to the full extent allowed by University policy. Collaboration on assignments, either in-class or out-of-class, is forbidden unless I grant permission.

If you cheat on an assignment, you will receive a zero. Also, you will be reported to the University. Another form of cheating is typing formulas in the calculator or using programs that give you an advantage over classmates. If I catch anyone cheating this way, you will get a zero on the assignment and be reported to the University for cheating.

Remember the Aggie Code of Honor: **An Aggie does not lie, cheat, or steal or tolerate those who do.** For more information about the Honor Council Rules and Procedures visit the web site: http://www.tamu.edu/aggiehonor

**SCHOLASTIC DISHONESTY WILL NOT BE TOLERATED!**

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