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REQUIRED WEBTEXT: WebCalc: Calculus, Allen, Stecher, Yasskin
SOFTWARE: Scientific Notebook
COURSE URL: http://www.math.tamu.edu/~webcalc/mindex.tex

GRADING: COVERS: POINTS:
Quizzes 100
EXAM 1 Ch. 5-15 100
EXAM 2 Ch. 16-25 100
EXAM 3 Ch. 26-35 100
FINAL All 200
TOTAL 600

I may curve any grade or the total and will then compute the course grade from the following table:
A= 540-600 points D= 360-419 points
B= 480-539 points F= 0-359 points
C= 420-479 points

DESCRIPTION: This is a first semester course in calculus for engineering majors and covers chapters 5 through 35 of WebCalc: Calculus I. This includes vectors, limits and continuity, derivatives and their applications, and integrals and some of their applications. The material will be read from the internet using the math wordprocessor called Scientific Notebook. The initial entry to the course is through Scientific Notebook by clicking on File/Open Location and typing:
http://www.math.tamu.edu/~webcalc/mindex.tex

Rectangular coordinates, analytic geometry, functions, limits, derivatives of functions, applications, integration, areas and volumes by integration. Prerequisites: High school algebra I and II, trigonometry and geometry; MATH 150 or satisfactory performance on a qualifying exam. Credit will not be given for more than one of MATH 131, 142, 151 and 171.
OTHER POLICIES

1. QUIZZES will be emailed or faxed to the student, who will email or fax them back to the instructor. Quizzes will be graded out of 25 points. The lowest two quiz grades will be dropped. The remaining grades will be averaged and then rescaled to 100 points.

2. EXAMS will be given in a proctored situation. Exams will be emailed to and from the proctor. You must have a picture ID with you at all exams. The policy on CALCULATORS during the exams will be announced before each exam.

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5. The NATURE of WEBCALC

WebCalc is a calculus course taught via the World Wide Web using the software package Scientific Notebook. This software is a combined word processor, computer algebra system (Maple or MuPAD) and web delivery system. Your main entry to the course is through Scientific Notebook by opening the location

http://www.math.tamu.edu/~webcalc/minindex.tex

Scientific Notebook is available on any of the public access PC computers on campus. It is not available for Mac or Unix computers. It may be purchased at a bookstore for about $99.

Each week you will be assigned several sections to read. Each section has many examples and exercises fully worked out and an extensive problem set with answers. You must use pencil and paper to work out these problems. There are also many notes which will pop up and give extra information, sometimes historical but often adding important information to the topic discussion. Try clicking on anything in a box or underlined. If you have questions, and I am sure you will, type the question in SciNotebook and email it to the instructor. At least once a week you will have a quiz on that week’s material.