MATH 141-02
Syllabus
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Required Text: *Applied Calculus, Second Edition*, by Hughes-Hallet, et al.

Goals: This course is a survey of Calculus. We will be working toward the "big ideas" of calculus and some of their applications. At the end of the course, you should have a sense of what calculus is and its significance to our society. This course is *not* about computation, although some is certainly necessary to see how the pieces fit together.

Assessment: Your percentage will be computed as follows:

Homework:	250 points (25%)
In-Class Work:	100 points (10%)
Midterm Exams:	3@ 150 points each (15%)
Final Exam:	200 points (20%)

Grades must fall into the categories below to earn the corresponding letter grade.

Letter Grade	A	A^-	B^+	B	B^-	C^+	C	C^-	D^+	D	F
Minimum Percentage	92	89.5	87.5	82	79.5	77.5	72	69.5	67.5	59.5	
Minimum Points	920	895	875	820	795	775	720	695	675	595	

Note that the "minimum points" already accounts for rounding. If you make 874, that is a B and you have **not** "missed by just one point" – you have missed by a point plus rounding. These cutoffs are sharp, and you should not expect any extra boosts. However, if you focus on learning what we study, the grades will take care of themselves. They should be among the least of your worries.

I will not take attendance for a grade, but I will expect you to be here every day. If you must miss, you should let me know in advance.

You will be responsible for regular homework assignments; I will make my solutions available on my web page in PDF format so you can check your work. If you have a question, come find me and ask me.

We will have regular in-class group assignments. These assignments are to be collaborative efforts; the material will typically be a little deeper than standard homework. Each group of 3 or 4 students will turn in one write-up. Grades for this will be based on both the write-up and each member's participation in the group. For this reason, these assignments cannot be made up, but I will drop the lowest one.

There are three midterm exams; please note that the dates below **are subject to change**.

Exam I	Wednesday, February 8
Exam II	Wednesday, March 8
Exam III	Wednesday, April 12

The final will be on Tuesday, May 9 from 8 to 11 AM. You may not make up any missed exam or quiz. If an emergency arises, **contact me prior to the exam.**

Please note: Written responses to all questions must be in complete sentences. I expect correct usage of grammar, spelling, and punctuation at all times; your grade will reflect this! I also expect your work to be neatly written.

If you have special needs (e.g., for a documented disability), it is your responsibility to approach me at least a day in advance of the need for accommodation.

Cheating absolutely will not be tolerated. The minimum penalty for cheating is a 0 on the assignment and a formal notification to the dean.

My door is usually open. The office hours above are the times I will definitely be in my office (or nearby), but you are welcome to come by at other times as well. Make sure you come see me whenever you have a question.