REAL ANALYSIS 1 MWF 10:00-10:50am Fall 2008 Stuart 309

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Text: A Friendly Introduction to Analysis, Single and Multivariable, 2nd Edition, by

Witold Kosmala, Prentice-Hall; A Tour of the Calculus, by David Berlinski.

Problem Sets: Problem Sets will be given throughout the term to supplement class work.

Combined these will be worth 200 points.

Math Culture Points will constitute 50 points. These will be earned through

Points: participation in various activities outside of class, as detailed elsewhere.

Exams: There will be two exams during the course of the semester, administered during

class time. The dates of these are indicated in the schedule on the back side of this

sheet. These exams will be worth 100 points each.

The final exam will be given Wednesday, December 11th, and will be worth 200

points.

Grading: Grading will approximately follow a 90% A, 80% B, 70% C, 60% D scale.

"And what are these fluxions? The velocities of evanescent increments. And what are these same evanescent increments? They are neither finite quantities, nor quantities infinitely small, nor yet nothing. May we not call them ghosts of departed quantities?"

-Bishop George Berkeley, 1685-1753

Real Analysis is in many ways a dramatically different course than anything which precedes it in the mathematics curriculum. In some regards, students finally get a chance to see the sorts of things that professional mathematicians deal with -- but at the same time, many of these underpinnings are beneath notice once they've been properly laid. The simplest thing that can safely be said is that there are genuinely troubling issues left unaddressed by the undergraduate calculus sequence, and they must be dealt with before moving on.

It is also important to note at this point that the demands on students become qualitatively different in this course than in its prerequisites. Learning strategies which have succeeded in previous classes will not necessarily suffice at this level. If at some point these challenges or frustrations get too bad, I strongly encourage you to see me for extra explanation -- don't wait until you're overwhelmed. I'm here to help.

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Tentative Schedule

Monday, August 25 th §1.7 Real Numbers	Wednesday, August 27 th §1.8 Properties of Real Numbers	Friday, August 29 st §1.9 Review		
Monday, September 1 st	Wednesday, September 3 rd	Friday, September 5 th		
No Class – Labor Day	§2.1 Convergence	§2.2 Limit Theorems		
Monday, September 8 th	Wednesday, September 10 th	Friday, September 12 th		
§2.3 Infinite Limits	§2.4 Monotone Sequences	§2.5 Cauchy Sequences		
Monday, September 15 th §2.5 Cauchy Sequences	Wednesday, September 17 th §2.6 Subsequences	Friday, September 19 th §2.7 Review		
Monday, September 22 nd	Wednesday, September 24 th	Friday, September 26 th		
§3.1 Limit at Infinity	§3.2 Limit at a Real Number	§3.2 Limit at a Real Number		
Monday, September 29 th §3.3 One-Sided Limits	Wednesday, October 1 st §3.4 Review	Friday, October 3 rd Exam 1		
Monday, October 6 th	Wednesday, October 8 th	Friday, October 10 th		
§4.1 Continuity	§4.2 Discontinuity	§4.3 Properties of Continuous Functions		
Monday, October 13 th	Wednesday, October 15 th	Friday, October 17 th		
No Class – Fall Break	§4.3 Properties of Continuous Functions	§4.4 Uniform Continuity		
Monday, October 20 th	Wednesday, October 22 nd	Friday, October 24 th		
§4.5 Review	§5.1 Derivatives	§5.2 Properties of Differentiable Func.		
Monday, October 27 th	Wednesday, October 29 th	Friday, October 31 st		
§5.3 Mean Value Theorems	§5.3 Mean Value Theorems	§5.4 Higher Derivatives		
Monday, November 3 rd §5.5 L'Hôpital's Rules	Wednesday, November 5 th §5.6 Review	Friday, November 7 th Exam 2		
Monday, November 10 th	Wednesday, November 12 th	Friday, November 14 th		
§6.1 Riemann Integrals	§6.1 Riemann Integrals	§6.2 Integrable Functions		
Monday, November 17 th §6.2 Integrable Functions	Wednesday, November 19 th §6.3 Properties of Riemann Integrals	Friday, November 21 st §6.4 Integration and Differentiation		
Monday, November 24 th	Wednesday, November 26 th	Friday, November 28 th		
§6.4 Integration and Differentiation	No Class – Thanksgiving Break	No Class – Thanksgiving Break		
Monday, December 1 st §6.5 Improper Integrals	Wednesday, December 3 rd §6.7 Review	Friday, December 5 th Dedekind Cuts		
	Final Exam – 8am on Wednesday, December 10 th			

Any students with disabilities which might affect their performance in this class should contact me as soon as possible to arrange accommodations.

The faculty has adopted a policy on academic integrity. It is your responsibility to understand and follow it.

Diversity, in all its forms, is valuable.

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Math Culture Points

A portion of the grade for this course will take the form of Math Culture Points. These will be earned through activities outside of class including, but not necessarily limited to, those listed below:

Activity		Maximum
Colloquium Attendance	5	_
Colloquium Presentation	10	2
Conference Attendance MathFest (July 31 st -August 2 nd)	15	2
Mathematics Competition Participation Iowa Mathematical Modeling Competition (October 25 th -26 th) Putnam Competition (December 6 th)	10	2
Math Culture Reading Some weeks specific readings will be posted on the course web page	5	_
Selected chapters from Berlinski's <i>Tour</i>		5
With approval, any relevant column on MAA.org With approval, any relevant article from <i>Math Horizons</i> , <i>CMJ</i> , etc.		3 3
Math Club Activities (when appropriate) Movies, Speakers, mathematical portion of Playground of Science, etc.		3
Volunteer Math Outreach Working with students at Polk Elementary, etc.	5	2

Generally Math Culture Points can be earned for at most two activities in any given week, so you should plan to spread your participation throughout the semester. In each case above, credit assumes both full participation and submitting a brief summary/response via email. These reflections should generally be between 100 and 300 words, and include both a brief summary and your personal thoughts on the event.