



MGF 1106  
FINITE MATHEMATICS  
FALL 2006  
SECTION 29  
MAP 405  
Monday, Wednesday and Friday  
8:30AM-9:20 AM

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OFFICE LOCATION: MAP 350 L/N

OFFICE HOURS:

Monday, Wednesday and Friday 9:30AM-10:30AM, and Tuesday  
3:00PM-4:00PM

TEXTBOOK:

The Finite Companion 6<sup>th</sup> Ed by Caron and Griffiths

CALCULATORS:

Any non-graphing calculator is permitted for all assignments  
and all graded materials.

ASSIGNMENTS:

There will be an assignment at the commencement of  
essentially every lecture. Assignments are to be COMPLETED  
before the next meeting to insure that students do not get  
behind and so that the transition from the old to new material  
is smooth. Assignments will not be collected or graded.  
However, the tests will greatly parallel the assignments.

**ATTENDANCE:**

It is **EXTREMELY** important that all enrolled students attend every lecture. Success is determined by attendance and participation in lectures. Although attendance will not be taken, all of the material in the text will be covered as well as much supplementation that the text will **not** be contained in the text. In addition, assignments, test dates and other relevant information will be discussed during lectures.

**REVIEW SESSIONS:**

As long as time permits there will be a review session during the lecture period before the upcoming exam. These are terrific opportunities to assist students in finalizing their studies of the concepts of Finite Mathematics.

**GRADING:**

There will be five examinations, each corresponding to one and only one chapter in The Finite Companion 6<sup>th</sup> Ed by Caron and Griffiths. **The lowest of the five examinations will be omitted. The remaining four chapter tests will be worth 80% of a student's final grade. There will also be a mandatory comprehensive final examination that will comprise the remaining 20% of a student's final grade.** In addition, there will be bonus questions on each exam and possibly other bonus opportunities during lectures.

**GRADING SCALE:**

GRADE	PERCENTAGE
A	[90-105+]
B	[80-90)
C	[70-80)
D	[60-70)
F	[0-60)

**IMPORTANT DATES:**

- Late registration and ADD/DROP: August 21<sup>st</sup> -25<sup>th</sup>
- Withdraw Deadline: October 13<sup>th</sup>

**NOTE:** Remember, it is the **STUDENT'S** responsibility to withdraw from the course.

**RULES AND REGULATIONS:**

- No cellular phones, laptop computers, beepers or other distracting devices are to ever be used in the classroom
- No objects other than relevant Finite Mathematics materials are to ever be on a student's desk
- Undivided attention from each student is required for the success of all students
- All other elementary rules of common courtesy are to always be abided
- Students are to be prepared for each lecture and plan to stay for the entire duration
- **\*THERE WILL BE NO MAKE-UP EXAMINATIONS\***

**KEYS TO SUCCESS:**

- Mathematics can often be viewed as a linear cumulative discipline i.e. the next successive relevant topic will follow from the previous one, so do not ever fall behind
- Work on ALL assigned problems and come to lectures and/or office hours prepared with questions as they arise
- Plan on spending a generous amount of time on the assignments and concepts presented in lectures every day
- Remember, mathematics *is* difficult and may require much patience and several attempts for success
- Homework and class notes are the BEST and essentially the ONLY tools for test preparation
- The material covered in a mathematics lecture will not ever be truly understood by the students unless adequate time is spent reviewing notes and working through the problems

**KEYS TO SUCCESS CONTINUED:**

- A positive attitude and a good work ethic is essential in mathematics
- What a student does **OUTSIDE** of the lecture solidifies their understanding
- **A student's grade is always a reflection of their understanding of the material and their effort put into the course. What exertion one puts into this course will show at the end of the semester**

**MATH LAB:**

The Math LAB located in MAP 113 offers FREE tutoring to students enrolled in this course. The hours are as follows:

Fall '06 Hours	
Day	Time
Monday - Thursday	9 am - 7 pm
Friday	9 am - 3 pm
Saturday	Closed
Sunday	2 pm - 6 pm

"I wish everyone success in this course and look foreword to another successful semester."

**DISCLAIMER:**

At anytime in this course the aforementioned statements of the syllabus may be amended at the discretion of the professor (D.J. Galiffa, M.S.). If this is to occur, students will be notified in a timely manor during a regularly scheduled class period only. It is the student's responsible to ascertain this information in the case of an absence.

