222-004 Calculus II Discussion 365/371
Discussion Syllabus
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  • Feel free to contact me with any questions or concerns. I check my email very regularly.
  You can expect a response to your emails within 24 hours on weekdays and 48 hours
  on weekends (usually I’ll be faster than that).

Office Hours: Van Vleck 716. Tuesday 11AM-12PM, Wednesday 4:30-5:30PM and by
appointment

Discussion: 365: MW 11AM-12PM, Van Vleck B231; 371: MW 3:30-4:20PM, Van Vleck
B215

Lecture: TR 2:30-3:45PM, Van Vleck B102

Lecture Webpage: http://www.math.wisc.edu/~spagnolie/Courses/MATH222/index.html


Discussion Description: The discussion format will be largely up to you. We’ll spend the
first part of class going over any questions and the second part solving problems in small
groups. We’ll decide how much time is given to each part together and possibly adjust as
the semester moves on.

Please take the time before discussion to work through your homework and prepare questions.
This will help you get the most out of the discussion sessions. I want to work with you to
solve the problems, not solve them for you. There will be weekly quizzes on non-test weeks
(the quizzes will consist of questions pulled almost exactly from the homework). On quiz
days, the first 15 minutes of class after you turn in homework will be reserved for the quiz.

Required Textbooks: UW-Madison Course Packet can be purchased in Van Vleck 220.

Grading: The percentage breakdown in this class is as follows: 3% for homework, 7% for
quizzes, 25% for each of two midterms, and 40% for the final. Homework will be due on
Wednesdays and will be graded for completion, quizzes will be weekly on Wednesdays.

Attendance: It’s completely understandable if you can’t make it to every discussion, but
attendance is important to make sure you’ve understood the material. Recognizing that
absences will occur, we drop the two lowest quiz grades. For further policies on late quizzes
and homework please check out the course website.

Participation: When you come to class it’s also important to actively participate and get
the most out of the 50 minutes. To me, participating just means paying attention and being
focused. If you tend to be quiet in class or discussions you can show you’re engaging with the material in other ways like coming to office hours or emailing me.

**Academic Integrity:** I’m hoping we won’t have any problems with this, remember you’re here to learn and cheating only hurts you. For all information see [http://www.students.wisc.edu/doso/academic-integrity/](http://www.students.wisc.edu/doso/academic-integrity/)

**(Corny but sincere) Final Note:** If you ever have any questions or feel uncomfortable about anything please come talk to me. This discussion is meant to increase your knowledge of calculus, but it should also be enjoyable. If there is one thing I want you to take away from this section it’s that you can and should be confident in your ability to understand this subject. Even if you see a problem and can’t immediately figure it out, as long as you have confidence and stick with it, I promise that you’ll be able to do it. I’ll make sure of it.