

## **MATH 101, Section 208**

**COURSE TIME/LOCATION:** Mon/Wed/Fri from 12:00 – 12:50 in CHEM 126  
**COURSE WEBSITE:** <http://www.iam.ubc.ca/~mlindstr/m101>  
**INSTRUCTOR:** Michael Lindstrom (Mike)  
**INSTRUCTOR'S OFFICE:** LSK 311E  
**OFFICE HOURS:** *Official (LSK 202A):* Tues 13:00 – 13:50, Fri 13:00-13:50  
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### **EXTRA ACADEMIC ASSISTANCE:**

Outside of class there is an abundance of extra help available – at least 40 hours a week!

You are encouraged to take advantage of it. On most weekdays, throughout the day, there are tutors from the Math Department available in the Irving K. Barber Learning Centre to help with conceptual questions or homework. More information here: <http://www.math.ubc.ca/Ugrad/ugradTutorials.shtml>

From 15:00-19:00 Mon-Thurs there is also AMS Tutoring (which also includes Physics, Chemistry, and Economics tutoring) in the learning centre. AMS tutoring also runs in Totem Park and Place Vanier on Tuesday and Thursday nights, and online Thursday and Sunday. More information here: <http://tutoring.ams.ubc.ca/>

Both services are free.

In addition, you are highly encouraged to form study groups, share notes, discuss homeworks, etc.

### **COURSE GRADING:**

There are two different grading schemes. Your final mark will be the highest of the two:

#### *SCHEME A:*

TERM WORK (after scaling): 50%

Homework (lowest score dropped): 5%

Best 2 of 3 Midterms: 40% (equally weighted - 20% each)

Practice Final Assignment: 5%

FINAL EXAM: 50%

#### *SCHEME B:*

TERM WORK (after scaling): 50%

Homework (lowest score dropped): 20%

Best 2 of 3 Midterms: 25% (equally weighted - 12.5% each)

Practice Final Assignment: 5%

FINAL EXAM: 50%

### **COURSE WORK AND TESTS:**

**Homework:** There will be homework assignments given roughly every week. They will be due in

class. Late homeworks are not accepted without instructor approval.

You are encouraged to work together and to discuss the problems, but what you submit must be your own work. Copying another's work is plagiarism and all parties involved in copying will receive zero.

In addition to the problems which are for marks, there will also be suggested problems that are not graded. Being able to do these suggested problems will be essential in doing well on the midterms and getting more practice.

**Midterms:** The midterms will be 50 minutes long and will take place on: February 1<sup>st</sup> (Monday), March 8<sup>th</sup> (Monday), and March 29<sup>th</sup> (Monday). Calculators will not be permitted.

Cheating is a very serious offence. If a student is suspected of cheating, an investigation will be launched and academic disciplinary action may be taken.

**Practice Final:** There will be a mock final exam given as a take-home assignment due on April 9<sup>th</sup> (Friday). Its policies are the same as for homework assignments, but its weighting is different. The idea is that you can attempt a set of problems of comparable difficulty to previous final exams, and you will be marked by the same standards on the assignment.

**Final Exam:** The final exam will take place during the final exam period. The date, time, and policies are to be announced.

### **MISSED MIDTERMS OR HOMEWORK**

If a midterm is missed, a makeup midterm will be given under three conditions: (a) prior notice of a valid, documented absence (e.g. out-of-town varsity athletic commitment), (b) notification to the instructor within 72 hours due to a medical condition, or (c) an emergency. All of (a), (b), and (c) require written documentation, for example a doctor's note or letter from a coach. A score of zero will otherwise be assigned.

For a missed homework, the above policies also apply, but there will be no makeup homework; instead, the homework mark will be based upon the other assignments.

If the practice final is not turned in for one of conditions (a), (b), or (c), the practice midterm will not be part of the final mark and the midterm weighting will increase by 5% of the final grade to make up the difference. Otherwise a score of zero will be given.

### **CLASSROOM EXPECTATIONS:**

**Being on time:** To avoid disrupting others, you are expected to arrive on time. If you do arrive late, please be as quiet as you can when you come in.

**Noise level:** Please try to keep the noise level to a minimum i.e. avoid conversations during the lecture, loud cell phone ringers, etc.

**Food:** Snacks and drinks are okay, as long as they aren't loud and crunchy or stinky and smelly.

**Participation:** You'll learn more by asking questions if you are unclear on something and by responding to questions posed to the class. There's no such thing as a stupid question or stupid response :-). At least within reason... :-)

**Surveys:** Periodically, you may be given a survey to fill in. These surveys will be anonymous and will give you a chance to share feedback on your learning experience, how the teaching can be improved, what concepts you find most challenging (may be used in midterm review sessions), etc. Participation is optional but extremely helpful.