

**Fall 2009**

**Math 104 Pre-Calculus**

**Line # 33177**

**Meeting Time: 8:00 - 8:50 am MTWThF, Room #: Summerfield 501**

**Text Book:** Larson, Hostetler, and Edwards. Precalculus: Functions and Graphs, 5th ed. Boston: Houghton Mifflin, 2008.

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**Calculator:** TI-83, TI-83-Plus, TI-84 or similar. The instructor will be using a TI-84 Plus.

**Changes:** Please note that everything on the syllabus and associated web pages are subject to change.

**Grading Breakdown:**

This class is graded out of 1000 points.  
The breakdown is as follows:

- Midterm Exam: 200 points
- Final Exam: 300 points
- Gateway: 100 points
- In-Class Exams: 200 points
- Homework: 200 points

**Grading Scale:** It is expected that grades will be awarded on a percentage basis with 90% and above an A; 80% - 89% a B; 70% - 79% a C; 60% - 69% a D, 0% - 59% an F.

**Common Exams:** The common exams for this class are:

- The Midterm Exam will be held on **Tuesday, October 13, 5:45 - 7:45.**
- The Final Exam will be held on **Monday, December 14, 4:30 - 7:00.**

Your enrollment in this course commits you to taking the common exams at the scheduled times. Students who miss the common and in-class exams should gather evidences and bring them to me immediately to get the permission for taking make-up exams. Make-up exams are only available in case of dire emergencies or unexpected, serious scheduling conflicts. There will be NO early make-up exams. Graphing calculators will be helpful for some problems. Practice problems will be available on the course web page (<http://www.math.ku.edu/academics/math104.html>) about one week before the exam.

**Gateway:** The Gateway Exam is a test of skills that are important to this math class. Each stage consists of 10 questions, and you must get at least 8 right to pass. There are two parts, the Online Gateway, which is worth 10 points, and the In-Lab Gateway, which is worth 90 points. You must pass the Online Gateway to

be eligible to take the In-Lab Gateway. The list of problems, deadlines, and other important information are located on the Gateway Website: <http://www.math.ku.edu/academics/gateways>.

**Homework and Attendance:** For the most part, homework assignments will be due at the beginning of each class. (see the HW assignment sheet for details). LATE WORK WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED! You have a total of 23 homework assignments but your best 20 homework scores will be used toward your course grade for a total score of 200 points. Since late work will not be accepted, you are given three drop homework grades. This should only be used in case of emergency. Each homework will be 10 points each based on completion and graded problems.

**Exams:** Two in-class exams will be given during the semester. If you have a valid reason for missing an in-class exam, you should discuss alternate arrangements with me before the exam. If you miss an exam due to an emergency, contact me as soon as possible.

**Grade Dispute:** Graded exams are returned during class to the student. If a student wishes to discuss the exam grade, it must be done within two weeks following the date of the exam. Under some circumstances you may be asked to explain your complaint in writing.

**Drop Policy:** The University Drop Policy can be found at [http://www.registrar.ku.edu/~registr/enrollment/schedule\\_deadline\\_chart.shtml](http://www.registrar.ku.edu/~registr/enrollment/schedule_deadline_chart.shtml). Start of classes through September 10 2009: Course Canceled - The course will not appear on the student's official record. September 11 through November 16: Graded W - The grade W will appear on the student's academic record but will not be included in the GPA. After April 16, 2008: Courses cannot be dropped.

**Computer and Email Access:** All students will need internet access to get to the assignments and read course announcements. KU will provide you with an account and there are labs on campus with computers available. Class related materials will be updated regularly. You also need to have an email address registered with the University so that you can receive course information. At the very least, you will be receiving important reminders and updates about the Gateway Exam at your registered email address. Register an email address or check to see that your registered one is one that you check regularly by visiting <https://www.aims.ku.edu/services/exchange.shtml>.

**Students With Disabilities:** The Office of Disability Resources (DR), 22 Strong Hall, 785-864-2620 (v/tty), coordinates accommodations and services for KU students with disabilities. If you have a disability for which you may request accommodation in KU classes and have not contacted Disability Resources, please do so as soon as possible. Please also contact me privately in regard to this course. It is your responsibility to request accommodations in a timely manner well before needing them.

**Religious Holidays:** Any student in this course who plans to observe a religious holiday which conflicts in any way with the course schedule or requirements should contact the instructor at the beginning of the semester to discuss alternative accommodations.

### **Academic Misconduct:**

**According to University Senate Rules and Regulations, Section 6, Academic Misconduct is:** "2.6.1 Academic misconduct by a student shall include, but not be limited to, disruption of classes; threatening an instructor or fellow student in an academic setting; giving or receiving of unauthorized aid on examinations or in the preparation of notebooks, themes, reports or other assignments; knowingly misrepresenting the source of any academic work; unauthorized changing of grades; unauthorized use of University approvals or forging of signatures; falsification of research results; plagiarizing of another's work; violation of regulations or ethical codes for the treatment of human and animal subjects; or otherwise acting dishonestly in research."

**Homework Assignments, Working in Groups, Tutors:** Students may discuss the homework problems in groups, but each student is responsible for doing his/her own work and in turning in his/her individual solutions. When a student works with a tutor, it is the responsibility of both the student and the tutor to ensure that it is the student who works to arrive at the solutions of the problems. Tutors should not do students' homework for them or provide them the solutions for their instructors' assignments.

**Intellectual Property:** Course materials prepared by the instructor, together with the content of all lectures and review sessions presented by the instructor are the property of the instructor. Video and audio recording of lectures and review sessions without the consent of the instructor is prohibited. Permission to make such recordings may be granted by the instructor on a case by case basis, on the condition that these recordings are used only as a study aid by the individual making the recording. Unless explicit permission is obtained from the instructor, recordings of lectures and review sessions may not be modified and must not be transferred or transmitted to any other person, whether or not that individual is enrolled in the course.