

## Syllabus: Applied Calculus, Math 120, section 4

**Time and Place:** 1:25pm–2:15pm, Monday, Wednesday, and Friday in ILB 430

**Instructor:** Dr. Steve Brick, ILB 317.

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**Office Hours:** MWF 11:00-11:50am, 3:20-4:10pm and by appointment.

**Text and calculator:** *Applied Calculus*, by Hughes-Hallett, et al. We will cover most of chapters 1-6. The objective and goal of the course is to learn the material contained therein. A graphing calculator is required. It is your responsibility to learn how to use your calculator.

**Attendance:** You are responsible for everything that happens each and every class day, including but not limited to handouts, homework, quizzes, exams, and syllabus changes. Students are expected to participate in the class and not to be just passive observers. It is imperative that students come to class prepared.

**Study Groups and Tutors:** Study groups outside of class are strongly encouraged. Often the best way to learn material is to explain it to someone else. Some students also find private tutors helpful. In any case, the more effort put into a class, the more likely a good grade is.

**Homework and Quizzes:** Homework will be assigned in class. The homework will not be collected or graded. However, there will be frequent unannounced short quizzes which will cover the material on the homework. It is essential that students keep up with the homework. Neglecting the homework and not attending class are the surest ways of guaranteeing an F.

**Exams:** There will be two midterm exams given during the semester around the 4th and 10th weeks, with exact dates to be announced in class. There will be a two hour final exam. Each student must take the final. See the official schedule of classes for the exact date and time, and the official policy on relief.

**Bluebooks:** Each student must purchase bluebooks for the exams (a total of 3). They must be of the smaller size but must contain 8 sheets. They can be purchased at the campus bookstore (but possibly not at Anders). These should be given to the instructor by the third week of classes.

**Make-up Tests:** There will be no make-up quizzes given. Make-up exams will only be given for documented illnesses or other serious reasons, determined by review by the instructor. Early exams, including the final, will not be given. Do not make any vacation plans that conflict with the final exam.

**Grading:** The quizzes, after dropping a few of the lowest scores (with the exact number dropped depending on how many quizzes are given), will be worth a total of 100 points. The midterms will be worth 100 points each. The final exam will be worth 150 points. Letter grades will not be assigned until the end of the quarter. The method will be a combination of a curve and a strict percentage scale. Grades will not be posted, nor will they be given out over the phone, nor by email.

**Failing and Extra Help:** It is the student's responsibility to seek extra help as needed. Do not wait until you are failing before doing so.

**Note:** If you have a specific disability that qualifies you for academic accommodations, please notify me and provide certification from Disability Services, i.e., the Office of Special Student Services.