Honors Calculus Fall 2005
Course Information Version of 8/28/5

Overall plan

There are 42 class sessions and 15 laboratory sessions in the Spring term. 6 sessions are reserved for 2 midterm exams and four reviews. So there will be 36 substantive sessions. The term is divided into three phases, each phase culminating in a review session and an examination.

- **Phase I**
  Begin: Monday August 27th
  End: Friday September 30th
  14 sessions, 5 labs
  Review I, Wednesday September 28th
  **Exam I**: Friday September 30th

- **Phase II**
  Begin: Monday October 3rd
  End: Friday November 4th
  15 sessions, 5 labs.
  Review II, Wednesday November 2nd
  **Exam II**: Friday November 4th

- **Phase III**
  Begin: Monday November 7th
  End: Friday December 9th
  13 sessions, 5 labs.
  Review III, Wednesday December 7th and Friday December 9th
  **Final Examination**: Date: Thursday 15th December 4pm-6pm in the Cathedral of Learning G24.
• Classes

CRN 12259 George Sparling sparling@twistor.org
Three classes a week in BE 722:
Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays: 10.00-10.50am.

• Recitations

CRN 12260: Yan Yu, yay18@pitt.edu
Each Thursday: 10.00-10.50am in TY 524.

CRN 13024: Iuliana Stanculescu, ius1@pitt.edu
Each Thursday: 10.00-10.50am in TY 627.

CRN 21395: Evgueni Troﬁmov, evt3 @pitt.edu
Each Thursday: 10.00-10.50am in VICT 111.

• Laboratories

Sparling, Stanculescu, Troﬁmov, Yu
Each Tuesday: 10.00-10.50am in GCCC 126.

Textbook

We cover the material of chapters one through eight, together with selected additional topics.
Grading

Your grade will be curved and based on your total score only, if you pass the Final Exam.

- If you pass the Final (a grade of C or better), you can expect a grade in the range A+ to B-, unless your work during the term is severely deficient.
- If you fail the Final (a grade of C- or worse), you can expect a grade in the range C+ to F.

Grading scheme

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Guiding Principles

At all stages the development of your intuition will be fostered: use of pictures, relation to the real world, extrapolation from simple examples to the general case.
Rigor will be maintained, but at a reasonably informal level.
Numerical approximations will be discussed and used.
Whenever possible, the errors in such approximations will be analyzed.

Your problem solving skills will be developed.
You will solve word problems from real life.

At least four kinds of technology will be available to you: graphing calculators, Microsoft Excel, Maple, Mathematica and Matlab.
You will be encouraged to be selective in your use of technology, learning to use the right tool (or no tool at all) to achieve the desired result.
Every effort will be made to ensure that you are comfortable with the various calculational aids.

You should maintain a dossier of computer workbook files, together with written work, containing the results of projects completed in class and at home.
Some projects will be returned to as more tools or more data become available for you to use.
You should submit your dossier at the end of each Phase and at the end of term, for grading.
Typically, computer assignments for each class will be carried out in teams of three.
Some provision will be made for rearranging teams, if necessary, at the end of each Phase of the term.

All computer and homework assignments will be written up for the web, so as to be available at all times.
The midterm exams and quizzes and their solutions will be written up on the web.
Phase I Calendar

- **Week 1**
  - M 8/29 Class
  - T 8/30 Laboratory 1
  - W 8/31 Class, Homework 1 assigned
  - H 9/1 Recitation
  - F 9/2 Class, **Quiz 1**

- **Week 2**
  - M 9/5 Labor day: enjoy!
  - T 9/6 Laboratory 2
  - W 9/7 Class, Homework 2 assigned
  - H 9/8 Recitation, Homework 1 due
  - F 9/9 Class, **Quiz 2**

- **Week 3**
  - M 9/12 Class
  - T 9/13 Laboratory 3
  - W 9/14 Class, Homework 3 assigned
  - H 9/15 Recitation, Homework 2 due
  - F 9/16 Class, **Quiz 3**

- **Week 4**
  - M 9/19 Class
  - T 9/20 Laboratory 4
  - W 9/21 Class, Homework 4 assigned
  - H 9/22 Recitation, Homework 4 due
  - F 9/23 Class, **Quiz 4**

- **Week 5**
  - M 9/26 Class
  - T 9/27 Laboratory 5
  - W 9/28 Class, Homework 5 assigned
  - H 9/29 Recitation, Homework 4 due
  - F 9/30 **Exam 1**
Phase II Calendar

- **Week 6**
  - M 10/3 Class
  - T 10/4 Laboratory 6
  - W 10/5 Class, Homework 6 assigned
  - H 10/6 Recitation, Homework 5 due
  - F 10/7 Class, Quiz 5

- **Week 7**
  - M 10/10 Class
  - T 10/11 Laboratory 7
  - W 10/12 Class, Homework 7 assigned
  - H 10/13 Recitation, Homework 6 due
  - F 10/14 Class, Quiz 6

- **Week 8**
  - M 10/17 Class
  - T 10/18 Laboratory 8
  - W 10/19 Class, Homework 8 assigned
  - H 10/20 Recitation, Homework 7 due
  - F 10/21 Class, Quiz 7

- **Week 9**
  - M 10/24 Class
  - T 10/25 Laboratory 9
  - W 10/26 Class, Homework 9 assigned
  - H 10/27 Recitation, Homework 8 due
  - F 10/28 Class, Quiz 8

- **Week 10**
  - M 10/31 Class
  - T 11/1 Laboratory 10
  - W 11/2 Class, Homework 10 assigned
  - H 11/3 Recitation, Homework 9 due
  - F 11/4 Exam 2
Phase III Calendar

- Week 11

  M 11/7  Class
  T 11/8  Laboratory 11
  W 11/9  Class, Homework 11 assigned
  H 11/10 Recitation, Homework 10 due
  F 11/11 Class, Quiz 9

- Week 12

  M 11/14 Class
  T 11/15 Laboratory 12
  W 11/16 Class, Homework 12 assigned
  H 11/17 Recitation, Homework 11 due
  F 11/18 Class, Quiz 10

- Week 13

  M 11/21 Class
  T 11/22 Laboratory 13
  W 11/23 Thanksgiving break: enjoy!
  H 11/24 Thanksgiving break: enjoy!
  F 11/25 Thanksgiving break: enjoy!

- Week 14

  M 11/28 Class
  T 11/29 Laboratory 14
  W 11/30 Class, Homework 13 assigned
  H 12/1 Recitation, Homework 12 due
  F 12/2 Class, Quiz 11

- Week 15

  M 12/5 Class
  T 12/6 Laboratory 15
  W 12/7 Class
  H 12/8 Recitation, Homework 13 due
  F 12/9 Class