## **MATH 225: Multivariate Calculus**

Fall 2018 Syllabus MWF 1:25-2:15, SCI 113

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# **Grading:**

Homework	Collected in discussion section every week	25%
First mid-term test	Oct 3 in class (50 min)	20%
Second mid-term test	Oct 31 in class (50 min)	20%
Quiz	Nov 26 in class (25 min)	10%
Final exam	Dec 21 12:30 – 2:30 at SCI 113	25%

## **Textbook:**

Thomas — Calculus 13<sup>th</sup> edition 2014, Chapter 12 – 16, ISBN 1323006982.

Purchased from www.mypearsonstore.com. Discount code: terriers

# Lecture and discussion:

You are strongly encouraged to attend both.

**Discussion Sections:** 

Thursday 3:35-4:25 5-5:50 Friday 9:05-9:55 10:10-11

#### Homework:

You must turn in physical HW, collected every week (except the first week) at the end of your discussion section.

If you are unable to attend discussion, you may put your HW in your TF's mailbox in the main math office (MCS 142) *before* the beginning of your discussion section.

Late assignments will not be accepted.

Please write down your name, BU ID, and discussion section clearly at the top of the front page of each assignment.

The assignments will be posted on the course webpage and worth 10 points each:

- 4 points for effort
- 6 points for correctly answering three selected problems (2 points each)

If you make a concerted attempt at each problem, you will get all 4 effort points.

You will not be told in advance which three problems will be selected.

You are encouraged to work together on the HW, but your write-ups must be your own. Identical HW could be considered plagiarism.

Your lowest two HW grades will be dropped.

## **In-class tests and Final Exam:**

You cannot use book, note, or calculator in tests and the final exam.

I do not give make-up tests unless you have a legitimate excuse, such as a serious illness or family emergency, and a written excuse. Please notify me in advance.

University policy states that you must take the final exam at the scheduled time.

If you feel that your in-class test or final exam was incorrectly graded, you may submit it to me for regrading within one week of receiving it.

# We are pleased to help:

- Come to my or your TF's office hours, or email me or your TF.
- Go to the tutoring room, MCS B24, to get help from a graduate student. The full schedule is at
  - http://www.bu.edu/math/undergraduate/resources/tutoring-room-schedule/
- Get free peer tutoring from the Educational Research Center. http://www.bu.edu/erc/tutoring/

# LOT OF EFFORT, LOT OF FUN!

	Monday	Wednesday	Friday
Sep 5-7		Coordinates and distance	Vectors and dot product
Sep 10-14	Cross product	Lines and planes	Quadric surfaces
Sep 17-21	Curves	Arc length	Curvature and torsion
Sep 25-28	Spherical coordinates	Parametric surfaces	Continuous functions
Oct 1-5	Review	1st mid-term	Partial derivatives
Oct 8-12	(Oct 9) PDE	Chain rule	Directional derivative
Oct 15-19	Tangent plane	Linearization	Critical points
Oct 22-26	Lagrange multipliers	Global extrema	Taylor's formula
Oct 29 - Nov 2	Review	2nd mid-term	Double integrals
Nov 5-9	Polar integration	Triple integrals	Area of curved surfaces
Nov 12-16	Substitution	Vector fields	Line integrals of vector fields
Nov 19	Line integral theorem	Thanksgiving	
Nov 26-30	Quiz	Conservative fields	Greens theorem
Dec 3-7	Curl, divergence and flux	Surface integrals of vector fields	Stokes theorem
Dec 10-14	Divergence theorem	Review	