

# MATH 225C: Multivariate Calculus

Spring 2017 Syllabus

MWF 11:15-12:05, CAS 224

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## Grading:

Homework	Collected in discussion section every week	20%
First mid-term test	February 15 in class	25%
Second mid-term test	April 5 in class	25%
Final exam	May 12 12:30-2:30 at COM 101	30%

## Textbook:

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

Purchased from [www.mypearsonstore.com](http://www.mypearsonstore.com). Discount code: terriers

## Lecture and discussion:

You are strongly encouraged to attend both.

### Discussion Sections:

Thursday      12:30-1:20      3:35-4:25      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.**

**MyMathLab** [www.pearsonmylabandmastering.com](http://www.pearsonmylabandmastering.com):

You must turn in physical HW. **Assignments in MyMathLab do not count in grading.**

Course ID for login: **lau61037**

We may use **Learning Catalytics** (accessed from your MyMathLab homepage) in class. Please bring your own **laptop** (or smart phone that can access Learning Catalytics).

**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. If possible, 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/>

	Monday	Wednesday	Friday
Jan 19–20	<b>Winter break</b>		Coordinates and distance
Jan 23–27	Vectors and dot product	Cross product	Lines and planes
Jan 30 – Feb 3	Level surfaces; quadrics	Curves	Arc length
Feb 6–10	Curvature and torsion	Polar frame	Parametric surfaces
Feb 13–17	Review	<b>1st mid-term</b>	Continuous functions
Feb 20–24	(Feb 21) Partial derivatives	PDE	Chain rule
Feb 27 – Mar 3	Directional derivative	Tangent plane	Critical points
Mar 6–10	<b>Spring recess</b>		
Mar 13–17	Lagrange multipliers	Global extrema	Taylor's formula
Mar 20–24	Double integrals	Polar integration	Area of curved surfaces
Mar 27–31	Review	<b>2nd mid-term</b>	Triple integrals
Apr 3–7	Substitution	Integration of functions on curves and surfaces	Vector fields
Apr 10–14	Line integrals of vector fields	Line integral theorem	Conservative fields
Apr 17–21	<b>Holiday</b>	Greens theorem	Curl, divergence and flux
Apr 24–28	Surface integrals of vector fields	Stokes theorem	Divergence theorem
May 1–3	Fundamental theorem	Review	