SYLLABUS FOR MA 123, FALL 2007

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Office Hours: Tues. and Thurs. 3:30-4:30
Lecture: Tues. and Thurs. 2-3:30, CAS B12
Discussions: PSY B37 W 1-2, MCS B31 W 2-3, PSY B49 W 3-4,
PSY B33 Th 8:30-9:30, PSY B33 Th 9:30-10:30

Text: James Stewart, Calculus: Concepts & Contexts (3rd Ed),
Thomson Brooks/Cole.

Course Web Page:
http://math.bu.edu/people/szczesny/Teaching/123Fall07/123Fall07.html

Homework: Homework will be assigned each class, and posted online.
A subset will be collected. No late homework will be accepted.
The lowest homework grade will be dropped.

Quizzes: There will be a quiz in each discussion section on the previous
week’s homework. The problems will closely follow those assigned. No
make-up quizzes will be given. However, your lowest Quiz grade will
be dropped.

Exams: There will be two in-class midterms of and a 2 hour final
exam at the end. The dates are as follows:

   Midterm I    Thurs., Oct. 4
   Exam II      Thurs., Nov. 15,
   Final Exam:  Wed., Dec. 19, 9-11 AM

Note: No calculators, books, notes, or cellphones are allowed during
midterms and quizzes. An 8.5”x11” note sheet (double-sided) is
allowed during the final exam.

No make up exams will be given, with the exception of serious illness,
in which case you will be required to provide a note from a physician.

Important Dates: The last day to drop the course without a ”W” is
Oct. 9, and with a ”W”, Nov. 9.
Grading Policy:

- **Homework:** 10 %
- **Quizzes:** 15 %
- **In-class Exam I:** 20 %
- **In-class Exam II:** 20 %
- **Final:** 35 %

The minimum final grades based on the above breakdown are guaranteed to be as follows: **A** 90-100 %, **B** 80-89, **C** 70-79, **D** 60-69.

**Academic Honesty:** You are encouraged to discuss homework problems with other students. However, your write-ups should ALWAYS be your own. If you are caught plagiarizing, you will be referred to the University Academic Standards Committee for disciplinary action.

**Help outside of class:**

1. You are very much encouraged to attend my office hours and those of your teaching fellow.
2. Math help is available during most days in MCS 144, 10 AM - 4 PM.
3. Diane Meuser, one of our BU math professors holds Math Help sessions Tuesdays 7:30-10:30 PM in Claffin Hall, West Campus.
4. The Educational Resource Center, located at 775 Commonwealth Ave., 4th floor, offers peer tutoring as well as math drop-in tutoring. Their website is: [http://www.bu.edu/erc/index.html](http://www.bu.edu/erc/index.html)
5. A list of paid tutors is available from the math dept. office in MCS 142.

**Standards of Civilized Behavior:** Lecture and discussion is a time devoted to learning. Activities which interfere with this process will not be tolerated. Please turn off your cell-phone before coming to class.