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Help Sessions: For help with homework and course material.

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Note: On the following dates the help sessions will be held in BL 131 : 09/15, 09/24, 10/01, 10/29, 11/05, 11/19

Text: James Stewart: *Calculus Early Transcendentals 6E* (with WebAssign)
We will cover chapters 1 through 6 and the pace of the class will be rather fast.

Homework: Homework will be assigned through the WebAssign website and the due date will be clearly stated. Each student needs to sign up for a WebAssign account and get familiar with WebAssign as soon as possible. If you have any difficulties with it just let me know. The homework problems are problems from the text put in an appropriate form so that the homework assignment can be completed online. You will get immediate feedback on the correctness of your answers. I recommend having a separate notebook for writing complete solutions to homework problems. Imagine that a fellow student will be reading your homework to study for an exam. Your work should be detailed enough to be useful. Another student reading your assignment should be able to guess at the question you are trying to answer without referring to the textbook. The homework is not pledged and you can collaborate with other students in the class. Make sure you understand the solution to a problem before typing in your answer on WebAssign.

**Late homework assignments will not be accepted for any reason –
instead, the homework score will be curved up by 7%**

Exams: There will be two midterm tests during the semester.
The dates are Thu, Oct 1st and Tue, Nov. 10th. Both tests will begin at 8AM.

Final exam: There is also a final exam. The date for the final is not available till later in the semester. It is a department rule not to allow students to take final exams early, so do not make travel plans that might conflict.

You will be responsible for any material we cover in class. Books, notes, and calculators will not be allowed on exams. Make-up exams will be allowed only in the case of a documented medical emergency. If an exam conflicts with a holiday you observe, please let me know before the end of the first week of classes.

Grades: Your homework will count as 15% of your final grade. The first test counts as 20% , the second test as 25% and the final exam as 35%.

Attendance: I expect you to attend every class and to arrive on time. It is your responsibility to keep informed of any announcements, syllabus adjustments, or policy changes made during scheduled classes. I will do my best to post announcements in a timely manner on WebAssign. However, you are still responsible for all class announcements, not just those that get posted to the web site.

Success: The most successful students tend to:

- Attend every class,
- Read the book and review their notes daily,
- Work on all the homework as it is assigned,
- Seek help as soon as they encounter trouble.

I encourage you to utilize your classmates, math help sessions and office hours whenever you are having trouble understanding the course material. Get your questions answered as they arise – waiting until you have many questions (or until an exam is looming!) will make help in any form less effective.

Disability Support: If you have a documented disability that will impact your work in this class, please contact me to discuss your needs. Additionally, you will need to register with the Disability Support Services Office in the Ley Student Center.