

MAT 286 M007 – Life Sciences Calculus II - Spring 2016
Syllabus Supplement

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Office Hours: Tuesday/Thursday 3:30-4:30pm, and by appointment.

Class Time and Location: MoWeFr 9:30am-10:25am, Carnegie 110

Course Website: blackboard.syr.edu

Please see the course-wide syllabus for more information.

Cell Phones/Calculators: All electronic devices other than calculators should be silenced and put away during class. Only approved calculators are to be used on tests or quizzes.

Attendance is worth 5% of your grade. You are expected to attend and be on time to every class. If you miss a class, you are responsible for obtaining notes for that class from a student who attended.

Quizzes will be given on Fridays and are worth 15% of your grade. Optional quiz corrections are due the following Friday (see informational sheet on Blackboard). There will be no makeup quizzes, but quiz corrections can be done on a missed quiz. The lowest two quiz grades will be dropped at the end of the semester.

Homework will be worth 15% of your grade. It will be assigned on Wednesdays and will be due the following Wednesday, collected at the beginning of class. Late homework handed in during class will receive a 5% penalty; homework that is later than that will receive a 50% penalty. If a student is unable to make it to class on time, they should scan or send pictures of their completed homework by class time to receive full credit for the homework.

You may discuss homework problems with your classmates, but the solutions you submit for grading must be written completely by you, and not copied from any source. Homework will be graded partially for completion and partially for accuracy; select problems will be graded.

Mid-term Exams will be worth 15% of your grade each. There will be three midterm exams on **Friday, February 19**, on **Friday, March 25**, and on **Friday, April 22**. Exam grades will not be curved.

Exam Corrections are due one week after the exam is given and will be worth one homework grade each (see informational sheet on Blackboard).

Final Exam: The final exam is worth 20% of your grade. See syllabus for details.

Additional Resources: Access math/calc clinic information at math.syr.edu/help.

Tips for success in this course:

- It is important that you understand how to solve all assigned problems. Write your answer down carefully with explanations that make your reasoning clear.
- Don't fall behind. If you are having difficulties keeping up, please see me immediately.
- Take advantage of office hours (or e-mail for quick questions) and math/calc clinic.
- Discussing problems with a classmate is very useful.
- Asking questions in class is strongly encouraged.
- Expect to work hard. Don't get discouraged – be persistent and patient.