

**Course Syllabus: Precalculus**  
College of Science, Mathematics and Engineering  
MATH 1534 Section 101  
Fall 2021

Contact Information

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Course Description

Applications of algebra and trigonometry to the study of elementary functions and their graphs including polynomial, rational, exponential, logarithmic and trigonometric functions. This course is designed for students planning to take MATH 1634.

Textbook & Instructional Materials

Lectures: Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday, 8:00am – 8:50am, in Bolin Hall 103.

Textbook: PreCalculus an Integrated Approach, by Knox, May, Mitchell and Tucker.

Calculator: A graphing calculator is recommended.

Study Hours and Tutoring Assistance

Available in the Moffett Library via the MSU Texas Tutoring and Academic Support Programs.

Student Handbook

Academic Misconduct Policy & Procedures

Academic Dishonesty: Cheating, collusion, and plagiarism (the act of using source material of other persons, either published or unpublished, without following the accepted techniques of crediting, or the submission for credit of work not the individual's to whom credit is given). Additional guidelines on procedures in these matters may be found in the Office of Student Conduct.

Grading

Course Grade – The final letter grades will be determined by the following scale:

Table 1: Total percentage points for final grade.

Grade	Percentage Points
A	90 and above
B	80 to 89
C	70 to 79
D	60 to 69
F	Less than 60

### Homework

Suggested homework problems will be assigned but not graded.

### Quizzes

The material in the homework will be evaluated using quizzes. They will be timed. Your lowest two quiz scores will be dropped and the others will be averaged and that average will count as 20 percent of the final grade.

### Tentative Dates for the Exams

There will also be four exams which will each count as 15 percent of the final grade. Please note that the following test dates are tentative and may be changed.

Exam 1: Thursday, September 16, 2021.

Exam 2: Tuesday, October 12, 2021.

Exam 3: Tuesday, November 2, 2021.

Exam 4: Tuesday, November 30, 2021.

### Final Exam

The final exam will be comprehensive and count for 20 percent of the final grade. Note, if your final exam score is better than your lowest test score, then I will replace the lowest test score with the final exam score. The final exam is scheduled for Thursday, December 9, 2021, 8:00am-10:00am.

### Late Work

Make-ups for exams and quizzes will only be allowed for a university approved excuse in writing.

### Face masks and other Covid-19 related policies

It is recommended students wear a mask/face covering while in the classroom. If you are concerned that you are experiencing Covid-19 symptoms, follow the instructions given in the MSU Texas Task Force Return to Campus document. It is important to email your professor and keep me posted.

### Services for Students With Disabilities

In accordance with Section 504 of the Federal Rehabilitation Act of 1973 and the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990, Midwestern State University endeavors to make reasonable accommodations to ensure equal opportunity for qualified persons with disabilities to participate in all educational, social, and recreational

programs and activities. After notification of acceptance, students requiring accommodations should make application for such assistance through Disability Support Services, located in the Clark Student Center, Room 168, (940) 397-4140. Current documentation of a disability will be required in order to provide appropriate services, and each request will be individually reviewed. For more details, please go to [Disability Support Services](#).

#### College Policies

Campus Carry Rules/Policies

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