

Course Syllabus: Trigonometry
MATH 1433 Section 203 Spring 2021
Monday, Wednesday, Friday 1:00-1:50pm

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Course Description

Trigonometric functions, identities, and equations, complex numbers.

Textbook & Instructional Materials

WebAssign associated with the textbook Trigonometry tenth edition by Larson. You are required to have a calculator with trigonometric functions and bring it to class every day.

Required digital materials for this course are part of the Courseware Access and Affordability Program at MSU Texas. Students are charged for required course materials on their student account with the Business Office. Any students who wish to opt-out of the Program and purchase the required course materials on their own must do so prior to 01/27/21. Opt-out instructions are sent to students' official my.msutexas.edu email address after the first day of class. Please contact the MSU Bookstore if you have any questions about the opt-out process.

To log into WebAssign, you log in directly from D2L by going to content and then clicking on the Web Assign module. Within the Web Assign module there is also a link to a website which includes a video about registering for Web Assign, if you need help.

Technology Requirements

Some quizzes and exams may be given online in this course. These quizzes and exams may be proctored. You are required to have access to technology that allows for online proctoring using the Respondus Monitoring and Lockdown Browser through D2L. You can find more information on these requirements on page 16 of the [MSU Texas Task Force to Return to Campus](#) document. In particular, you will need access to a computer with a webcam (not a Chromebook or a cell phone, ipads are compatible but not any other type of tablet) with the ability to download/use the appropriate D2L software. You can also see the specific technical requirements for D2L (including supported browsers) at <https://msutexas.edu/distance/d2l-technical-requirements.php>.

Use of the MSU D2L program is a part of this course. Each student is expected to be familiar with this program as it provides a primary source of communication

regarding assignments, examination materials, and general course information. You can log into [D2L](#) through the MSU Homepage.

Face Covering and other COVID-19 related Policies

Students are required to wear a mask/face covering while in this classroom. You are also expected to self-screen yourself for COVID-19 symptoms before coming to campus each day. If you are concerned that you have COVID-19 symptoms or have had close exposure to COVID-19, self-isolate and follow the instructions given on page 36 of the [MSU Texas Task Force to Return to Campus](#) document. It is also important to email your professor and keep them informed.

Grading

Table 1: Points allocated to each assignment

Assignments	points
Homework	25
Quizzes (10 at 10 points each)	100
Exam 1	125
Exam 2	200
Exam 3	100
Exam 4	100
total points	650

Table 2: Percentages for final grade.

Grade	Percentage	points
A	90%	585-650
B	80%	520-584
C	70%	455-519
D	60%	390-454
F	Less than 60%	less than 390

Homework

Most homework assignments will be completed in WebAssign, but some homework will be given to you as a handout. In those cases, you should take a photo of your completed homework and upload it to D2L (see the Assessments tab for Assignments). They will still count towards your homework score.

You are responsible for keeping track of due dates in WebAssign. You may work on a Web Assign homework assignment up to 48 hours after the due date, but you will lose 30% of the points you earned after the due date. The lowest two homework scores will be dropped at the end of the semester.

Please note that personal computer technical difficulties will not be considered reason for the instructor to allow students extra time to submit assignments.

You will see some homework titled "Practice." These practice assignments are optional—they do not count toward your homework score. They are intended to allow you extra practice as you prepare for quizzes and exams.

Quizzes

Your first quiz is a syllabus quiz to be taken on D2L. You must complete the syllabus quiz **by 1:00pm on Tuesday, January 19, 2021**. You should read this syllabus before you take the quiz, as you will only have 45 minutes to take the syllabus quiz once you start it.

Twelve quizzes will be given this semester, but the lowest two quiz scores will be dropped at the end of the semester. **Makeup quizzes will not be given for any reason for your first two missed quizzes after the syllabus quiz. Makeup quizzes will not be given for academic dishonesty or for failure to take the syllabus quiz.**

Attendance Policy

Attendance will be taken at the beginning of every class. Any student who is late or who leaves early may be counted as absent. This will result in a zero on any quiz or other assignment for the day. **Any student who misses six or more classes may be dropped from the course by Dr. Knox.**

You may only attend class virtually if you are in quarantine/isolation. In this case, you must submit the COVID-19 Reporting Form for Students, which can be found at the following website:

https://cm.maxient.com/reportingform.php?MSUTexas&layout_id=9

If you plan to attend class virtually because you are in quarantine/isolation, you must notify Dr. Knox by email no later than noon of the day of class in which you will attend virtually.

Any student attending virtually must complete all of the following in order to be counted present:

1. You must attend the entire class virtually, and late policies still apply. Your camera must be on and you must be visible for the entire class.
2. You must be actively participating, which includes taking notes as if you were in class.
3. You must upload a copy of your completed notes to D2L within three hours of the end of the virtual class. (See the Assessments tab in D2L and select assignments.)

If you are not present for face-to-face class, it is your responsibility to

1. get notes from another student for the day(s) you missed (unless you attended virtually and took notes yourself), and
2. see Dr. Knox before the next class for any handouts from the day(s) you were not present for face-to-face class.

Exams

The tentative dates of the exams are

- Exam One is on Friday, February 5, 2021
- Exam Two is a comprehensive midterm which will take place over two days: Wednesday, March 3, 2021, and Friday, March 5, 2021.
- Exam Three is on Monday, March 29, 2021.
- Exam four will be given during our final exam time of Monday, April 26, 2021, 3:30pm-5:30pm. (This is not a comprehensive final exam.)

If an exam is missed, every effort must be made by the student to notify Dr. Knox in a reasonable amount of time before the exam. It is best to call Dr. Knox rather than email her when you miss an exam. Be sure to leave your name and phone number when you leave a message!

Academic Misconduct Policy

All work that you do that contributes to your course grade must be your own work. Any evidence that you submitted work that is not your own is considered an act of academic dishonesty. An act of academic dishonesty will be reported to the university and will result in one of the following academic sanctions:

- Receiving a 0 on the homework, quiz, or exam.
- Receiving a 0 for the entire quiz grade for the semester (100 points) or the entire homework score for the semester (25 points).
- Receiving an F in MATH 1433, and that F may remain permanently on your transcript and within your MSU GPA.

On homework, you may get assistance from others, but you are responsible for understanding what you submit to be graded, and further, no two students are ever to turn in work that appears to be identical. Never let someone borrow your work. If you want to help someone understand how to work a problem, talk to them and give them advice or pointers, but never give them your completed work. In addition, copying solutions from online resources is considered cheating (such as using a website or an app to find a solution). The university's academic dishonesty policy can be found at

https://msutexas.edu/student-life/_assets/files/handbook.pdf

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

Student handbook: [student handbook](#)

Campus Carry Rules/Policies: [Campus Carry Rules and Policies](#).

How to Get Additional Assistance

1. Your professor's office hours

- You can attend virtual office hours hosted by Dr. Knox. Because there is no way to maintain social distancing in the office of Dr. Knox, she cannot offer assistance in her offices at this time. Please stand outside of her office if you wish to stop by with a quick question.
- You should have with you both your notes and all of the related work that you have done over the topics you are seeking help with.

2. The *Tutoring and Academic Support Program (TASP)*, located in Moffett Library, offers additional tutoring in math as well as other courses. You can find out more about their services by visiting their office or searching *TASP* on the MSU website. They offer tutoring Monday through Thursday 11:00am-6:00pm and Sunday 2:00pm-9:00pm. They also offer a Homework Help Lounge on Sunday-Thursday 2-9pm where you can work on math and get assistance from tutors as needed. NOTE from the TASP website:

"TASP will offer all tutoring sessions face-to-face following suit with MSU's social distancing plans in place including a required mask for your session, one tutee per 6ft table with a plexis-glass divider between tutor and tutee. Online appointments with an MSU tutor are available but only for students who are ill or showing symptoms."