

MATH 135 – PRECALCULUS: ELEMENTARY FUNCTIONS - 3 credits
MW 8:30 a.m. – 9:45 a.m.

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WEBASSIGN CLASS KEY: wcc.cc.hi 8741 4916

Windward Community College Mission Statement

Windward Community College offers innovative programs in the arts and sciences and opportunities to gain knowledge and understanding of Hawai'i and its unique heritage. With a special commitment to support the access and educational needs of Native Hawaiians, we provide O'ahu's Ko'olau region and beyond with liberal arts, career and lifelong learning in a supportive and challenging environment — inspiring students to excellence.

Catalog Description

An analysis of elementary functions. A study of polynomial, rational, exponential, and logarithmic functions. Topics also include graphing techniques, transformations, applications, and related topics. Emphasis is placed on topics that will prove useful to students planning to take Calculus and also to those who are interested in pursuing math related careers. (3 hrs lecture)

PREREQUISITES: Grade of "C" or better in Math 103 or equivalent, satisfactory placement test score, or consent of instructor.

WCC: FS

Suggested Basic Skills

Good study skills and habits; Competency with College Algebra (Math 103)

DISABILITIES ACCOMMODATION STATEMENT

If you have a physical, sensory, health, cognitive, or mental health disability that could limit your ability to fully participate in this class, you are encouraged to contact the Disability Specialist Counselor to discuss reasonable accommodations that will help you succeed in this class. Ann Lemke can be reached at 235-7448, lemke@hawaii.edu, or you may stop by Hale 'Akoakoa 213 for more information.

Learning Resources and Materials

Required Texts: Precalculus, Mathematics for Calculus 6th ed., by Stewart, Redlin & Watson with WebAssign access code

Optional Book: Student's Solutions Manual for Precalculus, Mathematics for Calculus 6th ed, by Stewart, Redlin & Watson.

Required Technology Tool: TI-83, TI-83+, or TI-84+ calculator.

Required Online Tool: WebAssign access code

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MATH LAB: La'akea 226 – free drop-in tutorial assistance

THE LEARNING CENTER (TLC): La'akea 228 – phone number 235-7498

UH Manoa Online Learning Academy: <http://manoa.hawaii.edu/ola/>

Free online tutorial assistance M – F: 9 am to 10 pm and Sundays: 5 to 10 pm

Brainfuse: <http://windward.hawaii.edu/Brainfuse/>

Free online tutorial assistance accessed via the MyUH portal.

FOUNDATION HALLMARKS

Math 135 fulfills 3 credits of the General Education requirements (Foundations: Symbolic) for both an A.A. degree at WCC and a Bachelor's degree at UH Manoa or UH West Oahu. Consequently, it meets the following hallmarks of the symbolic reasoning requirement

1. Students will be exposed to the beauty, power, clarity and precision of formal systems.
2. Instructors will help students understand the concept of proof as a chain of inferences.
3. Instructors will teach students how to apply formal rules or algorithms.
4. Students will be required to use appropriate symbolic techniques in the context of problem solving, and in the presentation and critical evaluation of evidence.
5. The course will not focus solely on computational skills.
6. Instructors will build a bridge from theory to practice and show students how to traverse this bridge.

STUDENT LEARNING OUTCOMES

These student learning outcomes will be assessed via course activities (homework, in-class work, and/or additional assignments) and via tests or quizzes.

1. Demonstrate proficiency in writing math expressions into different forms and finding the solutions to an equation and inequality using complex numbers where appropriate, by applying formal rules or algorithms
2. Use appropriate symbolic techniques (such as algebraic techniques) to analyze and solve applied problems, and in the critical evaluation of evidence.
3. Interpret equations geometrically and use geometrical information to obtain the equation of lines and circles.
4. Utilize function concepts.
5. Draw the graphs of functions utilizing behavior information and/or transformations.
6. Utilize precise mathematical language and symbols to effectively communicate mathematics in written and/or oral form and in the presentation of evidence.
7. Traverse the bridge from theory to practice by using theorems related to polynomial functions and demonstrate proficiency in working with polynomial functions.
8. Apply concepts and properties of the logarithm functions.
9. Understand the concept of proof as a chain of inferences by doing some proofs.

Course Goals

1. To provide the student with mathematical skills and with an understanding of functional concepts which are prerequisite for further studies in mathematics, business and/or the sciences.
2. To cultivate and enhance the student's mathematical reasoning ability.
3. To extend the student's frame of reference in comprehending and applying mathematical concepts.
4. To nurture the growth of the student's problem-solving ability.
5. To promote awareness and appreciation for the role of mathematics in contemporary society.

Activities Required at Scheduled Times Other Than Class Times

Homework; possibly quizzes or exams; Supplemental Instruction (SI) sessions; consultation with instructor.

It is expected that students spend, at the minimum, 9 hours per week outside of class time studying, attending SI sessions, and doing homework and readings for this class.

Responsibilities of Students

Success in this course will be enhanced by:

1. A positive, inquiring attitude toward mathematics;
2. Setting aside adequate time for studying, working on problems, and careful cogitation of the material;
3. Reading the text carefully and making use of other learning materials whenever necessary;
4. Seeking assistance from the instructor and the Math Lab whenever necessary;
5. Regularly attending class and, notifying the instructor of an absence and responsibly obtaining and completing assignments by the designated date.

Email and Laulima Website

You are responsible for checking your UH email regularly for important announcements. You are also expected to check the Math 135 course homepage at the Laulima website for important resources for the course.

WebAssign

This course will utilize WebAssign for many assignments. A new textbook purchased from the WCC bookstore is packaged with a WebAssign access code. If you purchase a used book from the bookstore, be sure that it is packaged with a WebAssign access code as there are some used books with no WebAssign access code being sold in the bookstore. If you purchase the textbook from elsewhere, be sure that it comes with the WebAssign access code.

The WebAssign access code also provides an e-book so if you prefer, you may purchase just the WebAssign access code online for \$79.

Academic Honesty

All quizzes and exams are **closed books and notes and must be done by your individual effort**. You may not consult with any classmates while taking quizzes or exams. You are not allowed to tell a friend the type of questions on the quiz or exam, the answers, or help a classmate in any way (e.g. by explaining how to solve the problem). This would fall under the guidelines of academic integrity and any evidence of cheating will result in a score of 0 for all parties involved. Also keep in mind that we are assessing your knowledge and understanding of the concepts and strategies – attempting to find the answers online or through other sources is not in the spirit of academic honesty. An “F” will be assigned to students involved in **cheating** and will be reported to the Dean.

Graded assignments that apply to the course activities portion of your grade may be discussed with your classmates and you may seek guidance from the instructor, the Math Lab tutors, online tutors, or the Trio tutors (if you are a Trio client), however, the write up of the solution for each problem must be done on **your individual effort** unless otherwise specified by the instructor. Graded assignments are **not group assignments** where all members of the group write the same responses for each problem. Any evidence of plagiarism will result in a score of 0 for all parties involved. If plagiarism persists, then an “F” will be assigned to the students involved in **plagiarism** and will be reported to the Dean.

All students are required to follow the Student Conduct Code described at <http://www.hawaii.edu/policy/?action=viewPolicy&&policySection=ep&policyChapter=7&policyNumber=208>

Disruptive Behavior

Disruptive Behavior leads to a loss of learning time. Examples are activated beepers and cell phones, texting messages, making offensive remarks, packing books before class is over, making noise, leaving class early, coming to class late, sleeping in class, prolonged chattering, reading other materials not relevant to this class, etc. If a student takes part in disruptive behavior, the instructor reserves the right to exclude the student immediately from the class meeting, and will be marked absent.

Remember that class time is learning time. Also, be respectful of others and their learning time.

Supplemental Instruction

This class might be supported by the Supplemental Instruction (SI) program. If I am able to get an SI leader, SI is a FREE, collaborative, peer-study program that helps students to succeed in difficult classes. The SI Leader would be a peer who has taken this class (or a higher level class) previously and has an understanding of the course material. In SI sessions, students will work together with SI Leader to explore important concepts, review class notes, discuss reading assignments, and review for tests. All students in this class are encouraged to attend if we are able to get an SI leader!

Note: WCC data has shown that students who attend SI sessions are 20% more likely to receive A, B, or C grades than non-attendees and are less likely to withdraw from their courses. This data has also shown that the more sessions students attend, the more likely they are to pass.

If we are able to get an SI leader for this class, students are encouraged to attend 2 one-hour sessions per week. SI participation is optional but you will be able to earn extra credit points for the course activities portion of your grade by participating in SI. There is a maximum of 15 extra credit points from SI participation. You will be able to earn 1 point of extra credit for each hour of SI participation and you can only earn 1 point extra credit per week.

If we are unable to get an SI leader, then you will be able to earn extra credit points for the course activities portion of your grade in other ways that will be described in class.

Course Tasks and Grading Information

Grades for this course are based on the following course tasks:

4 exams @ 100 pts	400 pts	(62% of possible pts)
Course Activities (Total percent earned)(125) = pts for CA	125 pts	(19% of possible pts)
Final Exam	<u>125 pts</u>	(19% of possible pts)
Total points	650 pts	

Course activities may include but are not limited to:

Textbook Problems	In-Class or Other Problems
Journal entries (writing assignments)	WebAssign Problems
Reports or Presentations	SI or MathLab Participation

There are no make-up opportunities for missed or late assignments, in-class activities, quizzes or other activities that are graded for the course activities portion of your grade. However, you will have 5 one business day late graces (LG) for the written homework for course activities. There may also be a few opportunities to earn extra credit points for the course activities portion of your grade. For the Course Activities portion of your grade, the total percent correct/earned will be multiplied by 125 and will be rounded to the nearest half to obtain your score for the course activities portion of your grade. The maximum score for the course activities portion of your grade is 125 points.

Each letter grade for the course will be assigned according to the level of achievement as provided in the table below:

<u>Letter Grade</u>	<u>Definition</u>
A	90% - 100% of the cumulative points possible
B	80% - 89% of the cumulative points possible
C	70% - 79% of the cumulative points possible
D	60% - 69% of the cumulative points possible
F	Less than 60% of the cumulative points possible
Cr	70% - 100% of the cumulative points possible
NC	Less than 70% of the cumulative points possible
W	Official Withdrawal
I	Incomplete - given when a student has failed to complete a SMALL part of the course due to circumstances beyond his/her control.

Note: Cr/NC grades require written instructor consent. Students must apply for Cr/NC grading option at the Admissions Office by the posted deadline. If a student does not apply for Cr/NC grading option at the Admissions Office by the required deadline and if s/he does not withdraw, a letter grade (A, B, C, D, F) will be assigned for the course.

Note: W grade is given only when the student officially withdraws from the course at the Admissions Office by the posted deadline.

Additional Information

1. ABSENCES:

It is your responsibility to attend class. If you are absent, borrow a classmate's notes and copy them for the day you were absent. You are responsible for those topics and examples discussed on the day of your absence. Furthermore, you are responsible for any important announcements or homework assignments given during the class you missed. Frequent absences can negatively affect your grade.

2. MAKE-UP POLICY:

There are no make-up opportunities for any quizzes, graded assignments, or graded in-class activities that you miss due to absences or tardiness. A few extra credit opportunities may be available for the course activities portion of your grade. You will have 5 one business day late graces (LG) for the written homework for course activities.

If you are unable to attend class on an exam day, discuss your situation with the instructor as soon as possible before the exam day. It may be possible for you to take the exam earlier than the specified day/time. **IF YOU UNEXPECTEDLY MUST BE ABSENT ON AN EXAM DAY, NOTIFY THE INSTRUCTOR BY THE END OF THAT EXAM DAY. YOU MAY LEAVE A VOICE MAIL MESSAGE FOR THE INSTRUCTOR (236-9282) OR EMAIL JOKUMURA@HAWAII.EDU. BE SURE TO STATE THE REASON FOR THE ABSENCE. If no notification is received by the day of the exam or if the reason is not justified, then you will receive a 0 for that exam and no make-up will be allowed.** If notification is received and the reason is justified then a make-up exam will be scheduled. You must take the make-up exam as soon as possible after you return to school. The instructor has the right to request documentation of the student's absence and determine if the reason for the absence is justified. **FOR EACH STUDENT, NOT MORE THAN ONE MAKE-UP EXAM MAY BE TAKEN.**

3. There are NO RETESTS for this course.

4. FINAL EXAM: The final exam is cumulative.

5. CALCULATOR:

A TI-83, TI-83+, or TI-84+ calculator is required for this class. The calculator is required for some parts of the exams and assignments and not allowed for other parts. The TI-89 and TI-NSPIRE calculators are not allowed for exams.

6. CELL PHONES:

Please put your cell phone on silent mode or turn it off prior to the start of the class so that it does not disturb the class session. Put your cell phones away during class time.

Additional Information (continued)

7. HOMEWORK:

Read the sections to be covered in a class session prior to that class session (you may also watch the tutorials available at WebAssign under Media for the e-book). As you read and/or view the tutorial for each section, write down terminology (words or phrases) or symbols and their meaning, formulas, and properties/rules that are important. This will become helpful additional notes. Redo the example problems on a separate sheet of paper and show all the steps involved. It is important for you to know these. Do some of the “Now Try” exercises given in the section.

After the class discussion on a section, work on your online and/or written homework problems that count towards the course activities (CA) portion of your grade. Those problems and concepts that you still do not understand or that you need further clarification on should be asked about in the class meeting after the section is discussed in class. Because there is very little class time, you will probably need to seek further assistance from the instructor, from the SI Leader, from the Math Lab, or from other resources such as Brainfuse or the Online Learning Academy, if not all your questions on problems are handled during class time or if you are still having difficulties. Complete, review, and analyze as much of the homework problems as needed to help you learn and get a better understanding of the material.

The online homework and/or written homework that count towards the course activities (CA) portion of your grade will be given with a due date. The online homework that count towards the CA portion of your grade will have a due date but you may request for an automatic extension and continue working on the online homework past the due date with a 25% penalty on the problems done late.

Besides online homework and written homework, course activities may also include other activities such as journals (writing assignments), oral presentations, etc. Any written items collected for grading purposes for the course activities portion of your grade are due at the BEGINNING OF CLASS on the due date unless otherwise specified by the instructor and WILL NOT RECEIVE ANY POINTS IF TURNED IN LATE. However, you will have 5 one business day late graces (LG) for written course activities. You may turn in your graded work before the due date and/or time without losing points. There will be opportunities to earn some extra credit points towards the CA portion of your grade but the maximum number of points that may be earned for the entire semester for the CA portion of your grade is 125 points.

Be sure to review and analyze your graded homework and other course activities after it is returned to you. This will help you to better learn the material, concepts, and the proper way to show your work.

Additional Information (continued)

8. HELP:

Your instructor, SI Leader (if available), and the Math Lab tutors are your primary human resources for help when you are lost or having trouble. Seek help immediately if you are encountering problems even after reading and re-reading the text section(s) and listening to/thinking about the discussion in class on that section(s). See the instructor during office hours, see the SI leader during SI sessions (if available), make an appointment, email or call. Don't wait too long to get help!!

If a crisis comes up that interferes with the class, communicate with your instructor in a timely manner. Too many students wait until it is too late to inform their instructor about their crisis and that reduces the options that students may have to complete the course with a grade of C or better.

9. GRADING ON HOMEWORK, QUIZZES, OR EXAMS:

To receive full credit for problems done on exams, on quizzes, or for graded homework, you must show sufficient work in a clear, logical, mathematically precise and organized manner. This is to assess student learning outcome #6 and Foundations Hallmark #4. It also helps me determine where your error is (hence, you might be able to obtain partial credit) and if you are logically applying the mathematical tools learned to solve the given problem. Your work must be neat and organized. "Messy" and/or disorganized work will not be accepted.

10. DON'T PROCRASTINATE

Mathematics is not a subject that you can consistently be successful in by "cramming" a day or two before the test. By "cramming" you don't develop proficiency in doing the problems, knowledge of what to do on a particular problem and long-term understanding of the process. Also, if you procrastinate, you may fall so hopelessly behind that it becomes impossible to catch up. It requires constant work to keep on top of the material.

11. N Grade

The N grade indicates that the student worked conscientiously, attended regularly, finished all work, fulfilled course responsibilities, and has made measurable progress. However, either the student has not achieved the minimal student learning objectives and is not yet prepared to succeed at the next level, or the student has made consistent progress in the class but is unable to complete the class due to extenuating circumstances, such as major health, personal or family emergencies."

The N grade is an optional grade. Instructors do not have to give an N grade.

GRADING INFORMATION
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WRITTEN GRADED ASSIGNMENTS TURNED IN LATE WILL NOT RECEIVE ANY POINTS (no matter what the reason). Written graded assignments are due at the **BEGINNING** of class unless otherwise specified by the instructor. The "beginning of class" means that assignments must be given to the instructor by 5 minutes after the start of class. For example, if the class meets 8:30 - 9:45 then, the assignment must be turned in by 8:35. The clock of the classroom is the official time clock.

There are no make-up opportunities for missed written assignments, quizzes or in-class activities that are graded. However, you will have 5 one business day late graces (LG) for written graded homework assignments. Some extra credit opportunities may be available for the course activities portion of your grade. However, the maximum score for the course activities portion of your grade is 125 points.

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TENTATIVE SCHEDULE - MATH 135
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	MONDAY		WEDNESDAY
AUG 24	Orientation, 1.1	AUG 26	1.1, 1.2, 1.3 <i>Last Day for 100% Refund – Fri., 8/28</i>
AUG 31	1.4, 1.5	SEPT 02	1.6
SEPT 07	Holiday: Labor Day	SEPT 09	1.7, 1.8
SEPT 14	1.8, 1.10 <i>Erase and 50% Refund Deadline</i>	SEPT 16	1.11, 2.1
SEPT 21	2.1, Intro to Calculators	SEPT 23	2.2, 2.3
SEPT 28	2.4, 2.5	SEPT 30	Review Ch 1/Ch 1 Exam
OCT 05	2.5, 2.6	OCT 07	2.6, 2.7
OCT 12	Modeling with Functions	OCT 14	4.1, 4.2
OCT 19	4.3	OCT 21	Review Ch 2/Ch 2 Exam (including Modeling with Functions)
OCT 26	4.3, 4.4	OCT 28	4.5 <i>Withdrawal, CR/NC Deadline – Fri., 10/30</i>
NOV 02	4.5, 4.6	NOV 04	4.6
NOV 09	3.1, 3.2	NOV 11	Holiday: Veteran's Day
NOV 16	3.2, 3.3	NOV 18	Review Ch 4/Ch 4 Exam
NOV 23	3.3, 3.4	NOV 25	3.4, 3.7
NOV 30	3.7	DEC 02	Review Ch 3/Ch 3 Exam
DEC 07	Final Exam Review	DEC 09	Final Exam Review
DEC 14	No Class Review for Final Exam	DEC 16	Final Exam 8:30 – 10:30 am