MAT 541 Introduction to Number Theory Spring 2011

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Text: *Elementary Number Theory*, by Charles Vanden Eynden, Second Edition, Waveland Press, Inc.

Course Description: This course is a first course in number theory. The course will cover some of the material from each chapter of the text. There will likely be additional topics presented by the instructor and other number theoretic digressions. The work you do for the course will include solving problems with applications from the material and writing proofs of claims.

Prerequisite: MAT 275 and MAT 331, or permission of instructor.

Grading: Your grade will be based on the following.

Two mid-term exams 25% each

Comprehensive final exam 35% Homework 15%

Exam Dates: Tentative schedule:

Exam 1 Thursday, February 24, 2011; Exam 2 Thursday, April 14, 2011;

Final Exam Thursday, May 4, 2011, 12:45 – 2:24 pm.

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