MAT 412 – Foundations of Calculus – Spring 2013

Course Description: Introduction to the foundations of calculus covering topics from the following: the real number system, functions, limits, sequences, infinite series, continuity, and uniform continuity. For mathematics majors.

Prerequisites: MAT 275 or CIS 275, and MAT 397

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Class Time and Location: Tu/Thur 11:00—12:20, Carnegie 124

Office Hours: held in Carnegie 213B

Mon 2:30—4:00Wed 2:30—4:00

• At other times by appointment.

Blackboard: We will use blackboard for course announcements.

Texts: (1) A calculus book, (2) *An Introduction to Analysis (4th ed.)* by W. Wade. We will cover parts of Chapters 1-5 as time permits.

Attendance and Participation: Attendance is required! If you miss a class, you are responsible for obtaining notes for that class from a student who attended. It is also your responsibility to find out about any announcements made in class.

Reading: Reading and *re-reading* the definitions, theorems and proofs in the text is **essential** for success in this course! Expect to spend several hours a week just reading!

Homework: Problems will be assigned regularly, some of which will be submitted for grading. No late homework will be accepted. You are encouraged to discuss assigned problems with your classmates and work together. However, the solutions you submit for grading must be written (completely) by you, and not copied from any source. You must write solutions neatly, literately, and in a logical coherent manner on standard 8.5x11 paper.

WeBWorK: We may also use a web-based system called WeBWorK for calculus review.

Quizzes: Short weekly or even daily quizzes will be given. They will consist of definitions and/or true/false questions and/or example/counterexample type questions. *No make-up quizzes will be given.*

Exams: There will be two midterm exams (dates to be announced) and a final exam. *No make-up exams will be given*. The final exam is scheduled for Friday, May 3, 5:15-7:15pm. The final will be offered at no other time.

Grading: The following *provisional* grading scheme will be used: homework 20%, quizzes 20%, midterm exams 20% each, final exam 20%. This scheme may be modified, and in addition, attendance may be factored into the course grade!

Learning Goals:

- understanding the nature and role of deductive reasoning in mathematics
- ability to use and understand the usage of mathematical notation
- · ability to follow proofs and other mathematical discourse
- ability to write rigorous proofs of mathematical statements

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