Ground Rules for MA 16100, Spring 2009

Homework: There are 38 online assignments using WebAssign (https://www.math.purdue.edu/academic/webassign), each due at 11:55 PM on the day of the next recitation class (HW from Friday and Monday lecture is due Tuesday, from Wednesday lecture is due Thursday, except when otherwise specified by the lecturer).

Quizzes: There will be a quiz in every recitation class, except during exam weeks and the 15-th week. The quizzes will be on the material from lessons whose homework is due at the previous recitation. The quiz problems will be similar to the homework problems.

Policy on Late Homework and Missed Quizzes: Late homework will not be accepted. No make-up quizzes will be given. At the end of the semester the 3 lowest homework scores and the 2 lowest quiz scores of each student will be dropped. Students who are forced to miss class for an extended period of time should see their lecturers.

Midterm Examinations: There will be three, one-hour, multiple choice, midterm exams.
Exam 1 – Wednesday, February 11, 2009, 8:00-9:00 pm.
Exam 2 – Thursday, March 12, 2009, 6:30-7:30 pm.
Exam 3 – Monday, April 13, 2009, 6:30-7:30 pm.

Final Examination: There will be a two-hour, multiple choice final during final exam week. The time and place will be announced later.

Grades: Course grades will be determined from your total score which will be computed as follows:

Homework	100 pts
Quizzes	100 pts
3 midterms at 100 each	300 pts
Final Exam	200 pts
Total	700 pts

Web Pages for MA 161
Dept Web Page: http://www.math.purdue.edu/MA161
Office Hours: http://www.math.purdue.edu/academic/officehours
WebAssign: https://www.math.purdue.edu/academic/webassign

Calculators: Not allowed on exams or quizzes. It is important that you learn to do simple manipulations by hand. A few homework problems are assigned that need a graphing calculator. The goal of these problems is to help illustrate the theory and to help you understand the power (and limitations) of graphing calculators. It is recommended that you have a graphing calculator. If you do not, try using the graphing program http://math.hws.edu/xFunctions/.

Academic Adjustments for Students with Disabilities: Students who have been certified by the Office of the Dean of Students-Adaptive Programs as eligible for academic adjustments should go to MATH 242 with a copy of their certification letter and request an Information Sheet for this semester that explains how to proceed this semester to get these adjustments made in Mathematics courses. It is not the same as last semester. This should be done during the first week of classes. Only students who have been certified by the ODOS-Adaptive Programs and who have requested ODOS to send their certification letter to their instructor are eligible for academic adjustments. Students who are currently undergoing an evaluation process to determine whether they are eligible for academic adjustments, are encouraged to find out now what procedures they will have to follow when they are certified, by requesting the above mentioned Information Sheet from MATH 242. Large print copies of the Information Sheet are available from MATH 242 upon request.

Changing to a Lower Level Math Course: After the first exam, students who did poorly may try to transfer into Precalculus, MA 15900. Through September 25 we allow this without restriction. Such students should simply get the signature from their academic advisors and from Owen Davis (office: MATH 812, of if he is unavailable, send him an email message at odavis@math.purdue.edu). After September 25, only under extenuating circumstances will any student be allowed to register for MA 15900. They will need the authorization of the Department Head, Prof. R. Bauelos.

Important Dates:
Last day for a student to drop a course without it being recorded: Monday, January 26, 2009, 5:00pm.
Last day for a student to drop a course without a grade: Monday, February 9, 2009, 5:00pm.
Last day for a student to drop a course with a passing or failing grade: Monday, March 23, 2009, 5:00pm.