

MA16020 Different Class Structures – 3 different choices

Special Notes: FOR ALL 3 Class Structures of the course

- a. **As far as total time spent on this course, there is no significant difference among the three different class structures.** HOWEVER, the overall time will be spent differently.
- b. Exams and homework assignments are the same for all students, regardless of the class structure. EXCEPTION: Some homework due dates are different for the IMPACT sections.
- c. For all students (traditional, distance/online, and IMPACT versions), there are free tutoring services available on campus, as well as Piazza, an online discussion forum.

1) Traditional:

- a. It meets three times a week for 50 minutes each.
- b. The structure of a traditional class is the usual structure that one would expect. In particular, instructors lecture for the majority of the class time.
- c. Graded work includes exams, quizzes and homework.

2) IMPACT:

- a. IMPACT class meets only twice a week for 50 minutes each.
- b. **BEFORE CLASS** meetings, **students preview and study the new material by watching the lecture videos in LON-CAPA and completing some of the easier homework assignments or problems. IN CLASS, students spend most of the time doing hands on problem solving in the format of group work.** Students receive feedback and help in class.
- c. Graded work include exams, quizzes(**pre-work quizzes and normal quizzes**), and homework. NOTE: Some homework due dates are different for the IMPACT sections.
- d. When registering, in addition to selecting the section with the meeting time, students also need to select the independent study section. This is how the registration is setup. No need to worry about the reason why.

3) Distance Learning/Online:

- a. No physical meetings at all. **Students learn the material primarily through watching the lecture videos and reading the etext online.**
- b. Help is primarily provided through the tutoring services on campus and Piazza, an online discussion forum.
- c. Graded work includes only exams and homework. **There are no quizzes.**
- d. For exams, students will typically take them on campus with the other students in the course (for free), or in very unusual circumstances and by special permission through an online proctoring service (for a fee).