

**THE UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS AT EL PASO**  
**COLLEGE OF SCIENCE**  
**DEPARTMENT OF MATHEMATICS**

<b>Course Number:</b>	1320, CRN: 21482
<b>Course Title:</b>	Mathematics for the Social Sciences I
<b>Credit Hours:</b>	3
<b>Term:</b>	Spring 2016
<b>Course Meeting Time:</b>	TR 1:30pm – 2:50pm LART 304
<b>Prerequisite Courses:</b>	M0311 or TSI score between 350 – 390 or placement by previous Accuplacer scores
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<b>Office Hours:</b>	TR 4:30pm – 5:50pm
<b>Textbook, Materials:</b>	Finite Mathematics & Applied Calculus, Waner and Constenoble, 6 <sup>th</sup> Edition.
<b>Required Technology:</b>	MS Excel and a WebAssign account.
<b>WebAssign:</b>	Go to the WebAssign <a href="#">website</a> and follow these steps: <ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1) Under Username put your student ID number</li><li>2) Under Institution put UTEP</li><li>3) Under Password put your student ID number</li><li>4) Change your password: Click the tab that says “My Options”. Change your password to something other than your student ID number, and remember it!</li></ol>

You will be given a two-week grace period during which you will be able to log in without an access code. You will need to purchase an access code to log in after this period. If you purchased a new book, the code should have come with it.

<b>Course Information:</b>	Math 1320 is a pre-calculus course for liberal arts, business and other non-science majors. The topics covered include: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Linear, quadratic, exponential, and logarithmic functions</li><li>• Systems of linear equations</li><li>• Matrix algebra</li><li>• The mathematics of finance</li><li>• The algebra of sets</li><li>• Probability</li></ul> Students will learn mathematical concepts and methods used in management, social science, and business. Students will develop the view that mathematics is an evolving discipline that is interrelated with human culture. Students will also understand the connections of mathematics to other disciplines.
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**Assignments:** You will find all assignments on <http://webassign.net>. Please use Mozilla Firefox since WebAssign works best with this browser. Unannounced quizzes may be administered in the classroom; you may not use your book during the quizzes.

**Assessment:** Your overall grade will consist of the weighted average of your scores on three exams, quizzes, WebAssign homework, and the final exam. If it benefits you, the score you receive on the final exam will replace your lowest exam score.

**Grading Policy:** The usual grading scale will be used for this course (90%-100% is an A, 80%-89% is a B, etc.)

Three exams	45% (15% each)
WebAssign homework	15%
Quizzes	15%
<u>Comprehensive final exam</u>	<u>25%</u>
Total	100%

**Make-up Policy:** Make-up quizzes will only be given for students attending university sponsored events (such as student athletes traveling to meets), and only with prior notification and appropriate documentation. A make-up exam will only be given in extraordinary circumstances (severe illness, death in immediate family), and with appropriate documentation (e.g. doctor's note).

**Attendance Policy:** As with every college course, attendance is essential for success. Try not to be absent unless it is absolutely necessary. If possible, it is better to let me know ahead of time when you will be absent. If you are absent, it is your responsibility to find out which assignments you need to make up.

**Academic Integrity:** We will follow the university's policy in this course, as explained in the Handbook of Operating Procedures. You may find it [here](#). You may be directed to change seats at any time during exams.

**Civility:** Please do not use cell phones, pagers, iPods, MP3 players, blue tooth devices, etc. during class. Cell phones and pagers should be set to silent or vibrate, and if you absolutely must answer your phone, calls should be taken outside of class. Please do not wear headsets or blue tooth devices during class. Please do not send text messages during class.

**Disability Statement:** If you have a disability and need classroom accommodations, please contact The Center for Accommodations and Support Services (CASS) at 747-5148, or by email to [cass@utep.edu](mailto:cass@utep.edu), or visit their office located in UTEP Union East, Room 106. For additional information, please visit the CASS website at [www.utep.edu/CASS](http://www.utep.edu/CASS). *CASS' Staff are the only individuals who can validate and if need be, authorize accommodations for students with disabilities.*

**Military Statement:** If you are a military student with the potential of being called to military service and/or training during the course of the semester, you are encouraged to contact me as soon as possible.

**Course Schedule:** See last page.

- Technology:** A TI-83 or TI-84 (or similar) graphing calculator is recommended.
- Drop Deadlines:** The last day to drop the course without a "W" is Wednesday, February 3<sup>rd</sup>. The last day to drop the course with a "W" is Friday, April 1<sup>st</sup>. Students who decide to drop the course must process a drop form, in person, at the Registrar's Office, by April 1<sup>st</sup>. Please note that the College of Science will remain aligned with the University and **will not approve any drop requests after that date.**
- Incompletes:** All grades of Incomplete must be accompanied by an Incomplete Contract that has been signed by the instructor of record, student, departmental chair, and the dean. Although UTEP will allow a maximum of one year to complete this contract, the College of Science requests it be limited to a month based upon completion data. A grade of Incomplete is only used in extraordinary circumstances confined to a limited event such as a missed exam, project, or lab. If the student has missed a significant amount of work (e.g. multiple assignments or tasks), a grade of Incomplete is not appropriate or warranted.
- Tutoring:** Online tutorials can be found [here](#). The Tutoring and Learning Center (TLC) offers free tutoring and is located in the campus library. There are several useful features of WebAssign designed to give extra help. There are numerous private tutors available. Please also make use of the instructor's office hours.
- Websites:** WebAssign, [www.webassign.net](http://www.webassign.net). UTEP Math 1320 website: <http://www.math.utep.edu/classes/math1320/>

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Week	Dates	Sections Covered	Events
1	1/18 – 1/22	1.1 Functions from three viewpoints 1.2 Functions and Models	
2	1/25 – 1/29	1.3 Linear Functions and Models 1.4 Linear Regression	
3	2/1 – 2/5	9.1 Quadratic Functions & Models 9.2 Exponential Functions & Models	2/3 – Census Day (Last day to drop w/o a W)
4	2/8 – 2/12	9.3 Logarithmic Functions & Models Exam #1 Review	
5	2/15 – 2/19	2.1 Simple Interest	<b>Exam 1 this week</b> (Exact date TBA)
6	2/22 – 2/26	2.2 Compound Interest 2.3 Annuities, Loans, and Bonds	
7	2/29 – 3/4	3.1 Systems of 2 Eqs./2 unknowns 3.2 Using Matrices to Solve Systems	
8	3/7 – 3/11		Spring Break – No Classes
9	3/14 – 3/18	3.3 Applications of Systems of Eqns Exam #2 Review	
10	3/21 – 3/25	6.1 Sets and Set Operations	<b>Exam 2 this week</b> (Exact date TBA) 3/25 – C. Chavez day (no class) 3/25 -Spring Study Day (no classes)
11	3/28 – 4/1	6.2 Cardinality 6.3 Decision Algorithms	4/1 Course drop deadline
12	4/4 – 4/8	6.4 Permutations & Combinations 7.1 Sample Spaces and Events	
13	4/11 – 4/15	7.2 Relative Frequency 7.3 Probability and Probability Models	
14	4/18 – 4/22	7.4 Prob. & Counting Techniques 7.5 Conditional Probability	
15	4/25 – 5/4/29	Exam #3 Review 7.6 Bayes' Theorem (optional)	
16	5/2 - 5/6	7.6 Bayes' Theorem (optional) Final Exam Review	<b>Exam 3 this week</b> 5/6 – Dead Day, no classes
17	5/9 – 5/13	<b>Final exam date: Thursday, May 12<sup>th</sup>, from 1:00pm to 3:45pm.</b>	<b>Final exam week</b>