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MGF 1106  
Finite Math  
Spring 2012  
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### GENERAL INFORMATION

#### Text:

*Finite Math, Custom Edition for FIU, by Lial, Hungerford, and Miller, Pearson Custom Publishing.*

#### Prerequisites:

*A working knowledge of beginning and intermediate algebra.*

#### Testing/Grading:

*Three exams and a cumulative final will be given during the semester. Each one of the three exams and the final constitute 70% of the final grade. Your homework online is worth 30% of your final grade. Letter grades will then be assigned according to the following percentage scale:*

<b>100–93</b>	<b>A</b>	<b>74–70</b>	<b>C</b>
<b>92–89</b>	<b>A-</b>	<b>69–65</b>	<b>C-</b>
<b>88–86</b>	<b>B+</b>	<b>64–62</b>	<b>D+</b>
<b>85–83</b>	<b>B</b>	<b>61–59</b>	<b>D</b>
<b>82–79</b>	<b>B-</b>	<b>58–57</b>	<b>D-</b>
<b>78–75</b>	<b>C+</b>	<b>below 57</b>	<b>F</b>

*All exams are closed books and required; Graphing calculators are not allowed.*

*A grade of I (incomplete) can be assigned only under the following conditions: 1) that you miss the final exam for a serious and verifiable reason; and 2) that you have a passing average up to that point.*

Please note that a grade of C- does not satisfy the requirement of passing non-elective courses with a grade of "C or better."

**"Grades are earned, not given".**

**Attendance and important dates:**

- **Non-Test Days: Optional.** It is to your benefit to attend all lectures, but attendance will not reflect in your final grade. Tardiness is discouraged, but if it must occur, I expect you to enter with no interruption to my lecture. Excessive absences and tardiness will only display a lack of interest on your part and will not benefit you in any way.
- **Test Days: Required.** You will have at least a week notice of any changes to the scheduled dates of tests. **There are absolutely "No Make-Up Tests".** A picture ID is required for the 3 tests and the final. **No picture ID = "0" for the test, no matter the reason.** If you miss a test and, in the opinion of the instructor, the absence is excusable, your final exam will count as two grades. If the absence is not excusable, you will receive a zero on the test missed. Be prepared to document your excuse. Tardiness on test days will result in less time on the test than everyone else. If you are so late that someone has already turned in their test before you arrive, you will not be allowed to take the test.
- If a student ceases coming to class with the intention of dropping the course, it is his/her responsibility to submit the appropriate card at the Registrar's Office on or before the drop date for the term. (The date can be found on FIU's Web Site).

**Help is available in GL 120**

## Some other important details:

- **Cheating:** Dishonesty on an exam in whatever form—copying from a classmate, using some form of "cheat sheet," or providing information to another student—negates the very purpose of an exam: to evaluate how much each student knows about the material tested. Any student found cheating will receive a 0% on the exam during which it occurred and will be reported to the Department Chairperson for further action. Any attempt of cheating on a test will result in an F and further administrative action might be taken. In order to eliminate falsification of a test please write your name on the test with pen not with pencil.
- **File keeping:** All materials distributed by the instructor, especially corrected exams, should be saved for future reference. They can constitute an important study guide at the end of the term. It is University policy that the student has 45 days from the start of classes in the subsequent term to raise any questions about grades.
- **Attendance and Classroom Etiquette:** You are required to attend all classes. If you miss class, you are responsible for everything you missed. However, any student who stops attending class and does not officially withdraw by the final drop date will receive a grade of "F". No student will be withdrawn, by the instructor, after the final drop date for the term.
- **Behavior:** Certain behaviors will not be tolerated under any circumstances. This includes tardiness, side conversation, sleeping, checking e-mail or text messages, preparing for another class and leaving early.
- **Additional Supplies:** Scientific calculator that needs to have exponential keys (ex. TI - 36X); **Graphing and programmable calculators are not allowed in this class.**

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**TENTATIVE SCHEDULE**

**Exam Dates will not change unless I cannot find enough proctors. It will be "your responsibility to find out the new date!!!"**

<b>DAY</b>	<b>Section(s)</b>	<b>Exam Dates</b>
1 1/10/12	Syllabus & 8.1	
2 1/12/12	8.2 & 8.3	
3 1/17/12	8.3 & 8.4	
4 1/19/12	8.6; 9.1	
5 1/24/12	9.2; 9.3	
6 1/26/12	9.4; 9.5	
7 1/31/12	9.6 & 10.1	
8 2/2/12	Review test 1 Ch. 8.1 – 8.6; 9.1 – 9.6	
9 <b>2/7/12</b>	<b>Exam 1</b> <b>Ch. 8.1 – 8.6 ;</b> <b>9.1 – 9.6</b>	<b>No Make-Up</b>
10 2/9/12	10.2	
11 2/14/12	10.2 & 10.3	
12 2/16/12	10.3 & 10.4	
13 2/21/12	Review test 2 Chapter 10	

14 2/23/12	<b>Exam 2</b> Chapter 10	<b>No Make-Up</b>
15 2/28/12	11.1	
16 3/1/12	11.2 & 11.3	
17 3/6/12	11.3 & 11.4	
18 3/8/12	1.6	
19 3/20/12	2.1	
20 3/22/12	2.2 & 2.3	
21 3/27/12	2.4 & 2.5	
22 3/29/12	6.1 & 6.3	
23 4/3/12	6.4 & 7.1	
24 4/5/12	7.2 & 7.3	
25 4/10/12	Review test 3 Ch.11, 1.6; 2.1 – 2.5; 6.1, 6.3, 6.4, 7.1 – 7.3	
26 4/12/12	<b>Exam 3</b> Ch. 11, 1.6; 2.1 – 2.5; 6.1, 6.3, 6.4 7.1 – 7.3	<b>No Make-Up</b>
4/17/12 & 4/19/12	Reviews for Final	
**	<b>Comprehensive FINAL Exam</b>	<b>** Date and Time provided by the University - (No Make-Up)</b>

**NOTE:** Any changes in the course schedule will be announced in class. It is fully **“your responsibility”** to find out.

## **Homework information:**

**MathXL®** is an interactive website where you can:

- Receive step-by-step help to solve math problems.
- Self-test & work through practice exercises to improve your math skills.
- Study more efficiently through personalized study plans and exercises that match your book.
- Get help WHEN you need it. MathXL includes multimedia learning aids, like videos and animations.

## **What do you need to get started?**

- A PC computer running Windows® 95 or later and an Internet connection
- Microsoft Internet Explorer®
- A MathXL Access Code
- Your school name: **FIU – University Park Campus**
- Your school zip code: **33199**

IF your instructor has set up a course, you need:

- Your instructor's name: **Elizabeth Nicoli-Suco**
- Your section's course name and course id: **MGF 1106 -- LS -- Spring 2012**  
and the course id is: [XL0T-D1WK-501Y-8T42](#)

## **What steps do I take next?**

**If you bought a NEW book**, use the access code inside the MathXL Student Access Kit that was packaged with your textbook and follow the steps below.

**If you bought a USED book**, you can either purchase a MathXL Student Access Kit access at your bookstore or go to [www.mathxl.com/support/buying.htm](http://www.mathxl.com/support/buying.htm), click the Buy Now button and follow the on-screen prompts, and then skip to step 4 below.

1. Go to [www.mathxl.com](http://www.mathxl.com) & click the **Register** button.
2. Leave **No, I Am a New User** selected and enter your six-word student access code, zip code and country.
3. Fill in the requested personal information, and then create your unique Login Name and Password. It's recommended that you use your email address as your login name.
4. Follow the on-screen instructions to complete your registration.

5. Go to [www.mathxl.com](http://www.mathxl.com), enter the login name and password you created during registration, and click the **Enter** button.
6. Click the **Enroll in a New Course** button.
7. The first time you log in to MathXL, you have the option of either enrolling in your instructor's online course or studying on your own. (You can change this setting later if you wish.)
  - If your instructor has set up a course for you, select "Enroll in my instructor's course" and then choose your school, instructor, and course name from the drop-down menus.
8. Click the **Enroll** button.
9. Click the **Run installation wizard now** button to install necessary software on your computer. You must run the Installation Wizard before using MathXL. (Note: The software may already be installed in the school lab. Check with your lab administrator.)
10. After running the Installation Wizard, close your Internet Browser.
11. Open your Internet browser again and log back into MathXL at [www.mathxl.com](http://www.mathxl.com). You can now start working in your MathXL course!

### **Need help?**

Contact Product Support at 800-677-6337, or go to <http://www.mathxl.com/support/contactus.htm> to fill out an online request form or use Pearson's live Chat feature to talk with a member of the support team.

