Math 106L: Lab Calculus and Functions I

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Class Times: MWF 10:15-11:05am or MWF 12:12-12:50pm
Lab Times: TTh 10:15-11:05am or TTh noon-12:50pm or TTh 3:30-4:20pm

Links:
- Main Course page: https://math.duke.edu/~rann/106lmaterials/
- Sakai: https://sakai.duke.edu/portal/site/106lspring21
- First year information: http://www.math.duke.edu/first_year/
- Gradescope: https://www.gradescope.com/courses/212198


Course Description: 106L continues 105L. The class completes 105L’s introduction to differential calculus. It then gives an introduction to integral calculus. It has a laboratory component. Topics include a review of trigonometry, mathematical modeling with trig functions, integrals and Riemann sums, antidifferentiation, applications of integration, and elementary differential equations. The class ends with an extensive module on applications of differential equations.

Online Course Structure: 106L is divided into two separate components: classes (which take place MWF), and labs (TTh). For the Spring 2021 semester, all components will be online, delivered by Zoom. There are two possible class times, and three lab times. Zoom links are given on the main course page linked above. While it would be great to have your camera on during class and lab sessions, if you feel you cannot have it on for any reason, you are free to turn it off.

Classes: Each class will consist of a lecture, which will take some or all of the class time. Each class has an accompanying class worksheet, linked from the course schedule on the course webpage. In most sessions, there will be time after the lecture, which will be spent with students working through the provided worksheet on in small groups (using Zoom breakout rooms), with instructors and teaching assistants checking in on student work.

Labs: Each lab will begin with a short introduction by the instructor. Following the introduction, students will work in pre-assigned groups of 3-5 (using Zoom breakout rooms) on the lab. Labs are longer assignments that explore ideas from class in greater depth or apply them to data sets. Instructors and assistants will rotate between groups, checking in on student work and assisting them through the questions in the lab. All lab materials are linked to on the course website listed above.

Assessment and Homework: Class worksheets will be handed in online (on Gradescope) the Monday after they are assigned in class. Labs will often have group assignments (though two labs have individual assignments). There will also be three ‘big assignments’ spaced out through the semester. All assignments and worksheets are linked on the course webpage with their due dates. For more details, please see the Grading sheet.

Exams and Finals: 106L will not have any midterm exams, and will not have a final exam.

Class and Lab Attendance: Class attendance is very strongly recommended, but not required. Class sessions will be recorded, so that students who miss class can watch them in their own time. However, choosing to do so will take away the opportunity for students to do work and get feedback in real time. Due to capacity concerns, students may only attend Zoom sessions for the class time they are registered for. Lab attendance is mandatory. Since labs consist largely of group work, it is essential and required that all students attend their lab session. Students who cannot attend a lab session must submit a formal excuse form.
Textbook Use The textbook for the class provides background and supplemental material. Students are strongly encouraged to read the relevant section(s) of the textbook before or after a given class session. The problems at the end of each chapter are useful to do in addition to the worksheets, and solutions to all textbook problems are available on Sakai (under Resources → Documents → Solutions Manual).

Web page and Communication The main source for all course materials is the ‘Main page’ listed in the links above. All assignments, labs, worksheets, resources, due dates, etc. are listed on this page. The only resource Sakai will be used for is the textbook solutions. All class communication will take place by email to your Duke email addresses. Therefore it is imperative that you check that very regularly!

Diversity and Inclusion This course is pledged to Duke’s Commitment to Diversity and Inclusion. Please assist me in making this class a secure and supportive learning environment for all.

Disability Accommodations Duke University is committed to providing equal access to students with documented disabilities. Students with disabilities may contact the Student Disability Access Office to ensure your access to the program. There you can engage in a confidential conversation about the process for requesting reasonable accommodations. Students should register with the SDAO as soon as they begin the program. Note that accommodations are not provided retroactively. More information can be found online at access.duke.edu. Please let me know as soon as possible if you have accommodations so that we may make arrangements for them to be met.

Duke Community Standard You are expected to know and abide by The Duke Community Standard, upholding the principles of honesty, fairness, respect, and accountability both in and outside of class. All people and ideas are welcome. Collaboration is mandatory in labs and encouraged in studying; quizzes must be completed individually and should not be discussed until returned. You are responsible for your own learning and for that of our community.

Policy Changes All policies listed above are subject to reasonable change at my discretion. In the event of a change, you will be given written and/or verbal notice and this document will be updated.

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