De Anza College

Winter 2023 COURSE: Math 31. 44Z (36853) Precalculus DAY: Tuesday, Thursday Zoom OFFICE: Tuesday, Thursday: 5:45 pm - 6:15 pm Preferred method of contact: E-mail: tsujichristie@deanza.edu Email sent after 3 pm on class day will be read the next day. **INSTRUCTOR**: Mr. Chris Tsuji Zoom Lecture **Time:** 6:30 – 8:45 P. M. 5 Units.

Link will be on canvas. Type: **Math 31** in Subject line if you want a reply.

WEBSITE: http://www.deanza.edu/faculty/tsujichristie/

Check website for additional information about the class.

**Objectives:** This course covers polynomial, rational, exponential, and logarithmic functions, graphs, solving equations, conic sections, systems of equations and inequalities.

**Prerequisites:** Intermediate Algebra (MATH 109, MATH 114 or MATH 130) or equivalent. **Advisory**: EWRT 211 and READ 211, or ESL 272 and 273.

**Text:** Precalculus by Jay Abramson. OpenStax. Book is available online for FREE. <u>https://openstax.org/details/books/precalculus</u>. Download or PDF.

**Materials:** Pencil, eraser, 8.5" by 11" unlined paper and graph paper, graphing calculator. TI 84 recommended. Rent a calculator http://www.rentcalculators.org, DeAnza Library.

**Time commitment:** According to the college catalogue, page 35 under Units, "Students should expect two hours of outside preparation for each one hour spent in class." Since the class meets 4 + hours a week, it is expected a minimum of 8 hours a week should be spent on this class. Mastery of the material should determine by how much time you spend, not the clock.

**Zoom Link:** The first zoom class link will be emailed to the students. The remaining zoom class link will be found on canvas. If you have difficulty with the zoom link, email the instructor at least 24 hours before class.

**Attendance:** Regular and punctual zoom attendance is expected of each student. Students will be allowed to **miss three zoom classes**. Every absence after the third will result in the deduction of 1 percentage point from your final grade percentage in the class. On the fourth absence, the student should complete the paperwork for a drop, or a grade of F could be given for the quarter.

Please contact instructor prior to an absence if there is an extreme problem. Difficulties that could cause attendance problems should, at your initiative, be discussed with the instructor as early as possible.

All students are **required** to attend the first four zoom class meetings.

If you decide to discontinue with the course, it is your responsibility to drop. You must officially drop on or before Friday, March 3. If you have more than four absences, then you may be dropped. If you are on the final report form, then you will receive a grade.

Assignments: Assignments are to be attempted on a class-to-class basis. Time will be set at the beginning of each class to answer questions from the assignments. Assignments will be given at each class. There will be 32 assignments but only 30 will count. Assignments are located at canvas.

The problems assigned are not intended for mastery of the topic. More problems should be done from the book to master the topic of the assignment.

**Quizzes:** Quizzes will be based on the assignments. Expect a 10-point quiz at the end of every zoom class meeting. Two 10 points quizzes will be dropped. There will be five 15-point take home quizzes. Each take home will be given about one week before each exam.

Exams: There will be four exams, each worth 100 points . Check the web site for the dates of the exams and other information.

**Final Exam**: A comprehensive 200-point final exam will be given on Thursday, March 30 from 6:15 P.M. – 8:15 P.M. The final examination must be taken to receive a grade.

Make-Up: There are no make-ups for missed exams or quizzes. Exams and quizzes missed will be scored 0.

Academic Integrity: You are responsible for your actions and behavior in this class. Behavior that is not appropriate, may be reported to the PSME dean and subsequent action may be taken.

Evaluation: Grades will be determined as follows

Quizzes	150 points	A: 877 - 975 points (90%)
Take home quiz	75 points	B: 780 - 876 points (80%)
Assignments	150 points	C: 682 - 779 points (70%)
Final Exam	200 points	D: 585 - 681 points (60%)
Total	975 points	F: 0 - 584 points

Canvas grades are approximate.

## NOTE:

- Be on time.
- Ask questions.
- Start a study group. It helps.
- Do not wait until it is toooooo late. Ask for help.
- There is NO extra credit. Do not ask.

## **Special, Important Dates:**

Tuesday, January 10, first day of class. Saturday, January 21, last day to add. Friday, March 3, last day to drop with W. **Thursday, March 30, Final Examination.** 

Need help? Meet with tutors and attend workshops in the Student Success Center: www.deanza.edu/studentsuccess

## **Student Learning Outcome(s):**

\* Investigate, evaluate, and differentiate between algebraic and transcendental functions in their graphic, formulaic, and tabular representations.

\* Synthesize, model, and communicate real-life applications and phenomena using algebraic and transcendental functions.

## **Office Hours:**

T,TH 05:45 PM 06:15 PM Zoom