

Math 3231 Course Outline

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Office hours: By appointment. Appointments will be conducted online, not in person.

Textbook: An Analysis Textbook, by A.J. Dean, to be distributed in class.

Additional References: Principles of Mathematical Analysis, by Walter Rudin; Introduction to Real Analysis, by Bartle and Sherbert (first three editions); The Elements of Real Analysis, by Bartle; Introduction to the Theory of Numbers, by Hardy and Wright.

Learner Outcomes: Successful students of this course will be able to: understand the Zermelo-Fraenkel axiomatization of set theory, and why an axiomatic approach to set theory is necessary; understand the distinction between finite, countably infinite, and uncountable sets, and use cardinality arguments for existence proofs; carry out transfinite induction arguments involving ordinal numbers and various forms of the axiom of choice; compute the continued fraction expansion of algebraic numbers and relate properties of real numbers to properties of their continued fraction expansions; use the supremum property of the real numbers to construct existence proofs; recognize and construct examples of metric spaces; determine topological properties of sets in metric spaces, including connectivity, compactness, closure and interior; and construct proofs of basic results in topology using open/closed sets, limit points, connectivity, and compactness.

Marking Scheme: Grades will be based on weekly assignments. There will be 11 of these. They will be weighted equally, with the lowest grade being dropped.

Drop Date: The final date to withdraw from this course without academic penalty is Friday November 5.

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