

# MATH 1430 MATH FOR LIBERAL ARTS

3 Credits

Offered in Lab or Lecture Format

Prerequisite required (MATH 0600 or MATH 1420 with a grade of C or better  
or Appropriate Placement-Test Score)

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## SYLLABUS

### I. SETS

- A. Methods of specifying sets
  - 1. Descriptive notation
  - 2. Roster notation
- B. Set membership and notation
- C. Special sets
  - 1. Universal set
  - 2. Empty set
- D. Cardinality of a set
  - 1. One-to-one correspondence
  - 2. Finite
  - 3. Infinite
- E. Subsets
  - 1. Definition and notation
  - 2. Types
    - a. Proper
    - b. Improper
- F. Operations on sets
  - 1. Union
  - 2. Intersection
  - 3. Complement
  - \*4. Difference
- G. Venn diagrams
- \*H. Cartesian product
- I. Applications: voting coalitions

### II. LOGIC

- A. Statements
  - 1. Definition
  - 2. Examples
- \*B. Quantifiers
  - 1. Universal
  - 2. Existential
  - 3. Truth value of quantified statements
- C. Basic connectives
  - 1. Four types
    - a. Conjunction
    - b. Disjunction
    - c. Conditional
    - d. Biconditional
  - 2. Examples
  - 3. Combining connectives
  - 4. Truth tables

- D. Variants of the conditional
  1. Converse
  2. Inverse
  3. Contrapositive
- \*E. Additional connectives
- F. Uses of truth tables
  1. Identification of tautologies, contradictions, contingencies
  2. Determination of the validity of an argument
  - \*3. Truth tables and Venn Diagrams
- G. Syllogisms using Venn Diagrams

### III. **PROBABILITY**

- A. Elementary experiments
- B. Definitions
  1. Sample space
  2. Random variable
  3. Event
  4. Probability of an event
- C. Simple examples and examples involving permutations and combinations
- D. Additive principle of probability
- E. Multiplicative principle of probability
- \*F. Mathematical expectation

### IV. **COUNTING TECHNIQUES**

- A. Multiplicative counting principle
- B. Permutations
  1. Permutation of  $n$  objects taken  $n$  at a time
  2. Permutations of  $n$  objects taken  $r$  at a time
  3. Permutations of objects some of which are alike
  - \*4. Circular permutations
- C. Combinations

### V. **STATISTICS**

- A. Three measures of central tendency (grouped & ungrouped)
  1. Mean
  2. Median
  3. Mode
- B. Measures of dispersion
  1. Range
  2. Variance
  3. Standard deviation
- C. Frequency distribution and frequency polygons
- D. Percentiles
- E. Normal curve
- F. Z scores

**\*VI. NATURE OF COMPUTERS**

- A. History of computers
- B. Uses of computers
- C. Flow charts (incorporate with simple programming)
- D. Programming languages: introduction of programming language, i.e. Basic
- E. Mathematical applications of a programming language, i.e. Basic

\*Optional