CLASS MODE: 80% synchronous and 20% asynchronous.

Course structure: weekly materials are divided into modules. Each module follows the tentative course calendar on page#3. Canvas Module tab is where you will find everything for the course during each week. Each module will be available for accessing and viewing on Sunday at the beginning of each lecture week.

All the materials will be posted on Canvas Modules tab including recorded lecture videos, lecture notes, solutions to tough problems, websites for additional study, discussion topics, quizzes, exams, final, and much more. It is the student's responsibility to check Canvas daily once the quarter starts for latest updates from the instructor.

Instructor: Vinh Kha Nguyen
Live lecture: M,T,W,TH 8:30-9:20AM
To access live lecture, student needs to log onto Canvas and access the Canvas Zoom tab.

Office Hours: T 2-3pm, 3-4pm
Office hours are an opportunity for students to receive free tutoring from the instructor. This is your chance to ask questions you have from studying or doing homework, to discuss your grade or seek advices.
How to contact instructor: nguyenvinh@fhda.edu or Canvas Inbox the instructor (preferably)

Textbook: Precalculus with Limits, 5th Edition by Ron Larson, published by Cengage. (eText or .pdf copy is ok)

Grade is composed of homework, discussions, quizzes, exams, and final.
0-59.99% F   80-82.99% B-   90-92.99% A-
60-69.99% D   83-86.99% B   93-96.99% A
70-76.99% C   87-89.00% B+   97-100% A+
77-79.99% C+

homework	discussions	quizzes	exams	final	total
60pts	20	100pts	180pts	80pts	440pts

Homework: practice problems to reinforce learning materials. *Late homework gets 0pts regardless of excuses.*
Student must submit hw on the Canvas Assignment tab or Canvas Module tab on the due date to get credit.
Discussions: each discussion topic is posted on Canvas Module. Student has one week to reply to each discussion. Each discussion topic help students to develop their critical thinking and writing skills. Students must reply to the discussion topic during the week it is available on Canvas Modules. *Late discussion reply gets 0pts.*
Quiz: each quiz date is posted on the course calendar. *Missed quiz gets 0pts regardless of excuses.*
Syllabus & Canvas Quiz: *must be taken during first week of class on Canvas. If not, students are considered not interested in the course, and may be dropped from the course after one week.*
Exam: each exam date is posted on the course calendar. *Missed exam gets 0pts regardless of excuses.*
Final: comprehensive! Will be given during final week. There is no make-up for final exam.

If you notice that I made an error on the grading, you are responsible to inform me within a week of the date of the exam/quiz. Otherwise, your score on the exam/quiz will be unchangeable.

Makeup Policy: No makeup quizzes or exams are available. However,
Only one missed quiz due to an excused absence or emergency will be covered by the next quiz (doubling points).
Only one missed exam due to an excused absence or emergency will be covered by the final exam (converted to a percentage).
Student must notify the instructor in advance of a missed quiz or a missed exam to use the makeup policy.

 Exam & Quizzes procedure:
- All exams and quizzes in this class are online on Canvas Modules tab with specific dates and time limit.
- Required software: Proctorio and Google Chrome
- Each exam is one hour long, and there is no dropping lowest exam score.
- Make sure you have fully studied and well prepared before you take each exam.

Time Commitment: As stated in the course catalog, students are expected to spend at least two hours studying, reviewing in class problems, and doing homework outside of class for each hour in class.

Grade improvement: Math is challenging, and the only way to build confidence is through practice and more practice. Other strategies: take good note during lecture, form study group, do hw sooner than later, seek help when need help, understanding rather than memorizing, prioritize tasks, do not multi-tasking while studying, etc.

Campus tutoring, additional assistance, and Internet resources:
- On campus tutoring in S43: https://www.deanza.edu/studentsuccess/mstrc/
  M-Th 8:30am-6pm, F 8:30am-12:30pm
- Online tutoring: https://www.deanza.edu/studentsuccess/onlinetutoring/
- Student's services: https://www.deanza.edu/services/
  Disability Support Service, EOPS, Veterans, CalWORK, Foster Youth, Food Pantry, Health Service, etc.
- The Internet: Youtube lecture video, Khan Academy, Paul's note, Wolfram Alpha, Microsoft Math Solver, Desmos, GeoGebra, etc.

Students Responsibility:
- Students are responsible to read the syllabus word by word and honor the syllabus.
- Students are expected to behave as educated adults, and students must be hold accountable for any misconduct.
- Since the pace of the class may be quite fast at time, you are expected to seek help as soon as you realize that you are fallingbehind. Visit campus tutoring center, form study groups, and visit instructor office hours when possible. Instructor is alwaysavailable for help or advice.
- Take good note by yourself or from another classmate. A detailed lecture note is one of the best resources to do homeworkand to prepare for exams and final.

Attendance: Students are expected to attend all class meetings, arrive on time, take note, and stay for the entire class. The instructor reserves the right to drop/withdraw students who are absent more than five lectures during the quarter. However, **a student who discontinues coming to class and does not drop the course will get an F**. It is the student's responsibility to drop the course.

Withdrawal/Drop Policy: It is the ultimate responsibility of the student to formally drop the class. Do not rely on the instructor to drop.

Disruptive Student: A student who is disruptive will be asked to leave the class. A student who refuses to leave the room will be dropped from the class and will be reported for further action.

Smartphone Use: All smartphones must be on silent mode and put away during lecture. We do not learn how to text or searching the Web in this class, so there is no reason to have smartphones out during class unless the instructor allows so to access Wolfram Alpha or GeoGebra during group work.

Academic Dishonesty: Students who submit the work of others as their own or cheat on exams or other assignments will receive a failing grade F in the course and will be reported to college authorities.

Expected Student Conduct: A student who is disruptive will be asked to leave the class. A student who refuses to leave the room will be dropped from the class and will be reported for further action. During the quarter, if you have any questions about the course policies, you will be first referred to this syllabus. Please make sure you keep a copy. You can find Foothill-De Anza College Code of Conduct at https://www.deanza.edu/student-development/conduct.html

Accommodation: Students who need additional accommodations, due to learning disability or some other reason, please contact the instructor during the first two weeks of class to discuss your options. Disability Support Services determines accommodations based on appropriate documentation of disabilities. DSS is located in Student Community Services building room 141, and their phone number is (408) 864-8753.

Tentative Course Calendar

M	T	W	Th
9/20 Canvas Intro 1.1 Coord System, Points, and Distance	9/21 Ch1 Linear equation, graph, and applications	9/22 Ch1 Factors, exponents, radicals	9/23 Ch1 Equations and Applications part1
9/27 Ch1 Equations and Applications part2	9/28 Ch1 Inequalities and applications part1	9/29 Ch1 Inequalities and applications part2	**9/30 Hw#1 due** 7.2 Systems of equations
10/04 7.2 System of equations applications	10/05 7.5 Systems of inequalities	10/06 7.6 Systems of inequalities applications	**10/07 Hw#2 due** **Exam#1**
10/11 1.4 Functions, Domain & range	10/12 1.4 Functions and Substitution	10/13 1.5 Graphs of functions, inc/dec, local min/max, roots/zeros, asymptotes	10/14 1.5 Piece-wise functions
10/18 1.7 Sketching functions using transformation	10/19 1.8 Function operations	10/22 1.9 Inverse functions	**10/21 Hw#3 due** 2.1 Quadratic functions
10/25 2.2 Polynomial functions	10/26 2.3 Rational Root Theorem and synthetic division	10/27 2.4 Complex numbers	10/28 2.5 Zeros of polynomial functions
11/01 2.6 Rational Functions	11/02 2.6 Asymptote of Rational Functions	11/03 Ch2 Complex functions	**11/04 Hw#4 due** **Exam#2**
11/08 3.1 Exponential functions	11/09 3.2 Logarithmic functions	11/10 3.3 Properties of log and the three laws	11/11 HOLIDAY Veterans
11/15 3.3 Continues	11/16 3.4 Solving exponential and log equations	11/17 3.4 Continues	11/18 3.5 Applications of exponential and log
11/22 3.5 Continue	11/23 3.5 Continue	**11/24 Hw#5 due** **Exam#3**	11/25 HOLIDAY Thanksgiving
11/29 Ch9 Arithmetic sequences and series	11/30 Ch9 Geometric sequences and series	12/01 Final review	12/02 Final Review
12/06	12/07	**12/08 Hw#6 due** **FINAL EXAM**	12/09

Note: the 20% asynchronous time will be used to do section quizzes. There will be about 1 quiz per section for a total of 20 section quizzes.

Important dates
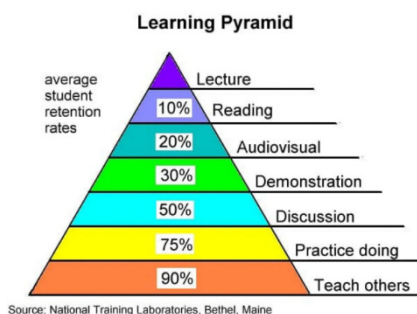10/02 Last day to add
10/03 Last day to drop
10/04 CENSUS
11/12 Last day to drop a class with W
12/06 – 12/10 Final Exam week

Learning Pyramid

average student retention rates

	Lecture
10%	Reading
20%	Audiovisual
30%	Demonstration
50%	Discussion
75%	Practice doing
90%	Teach others

Source: National Training Laboratories, Bethel, Maine

PRECALCULUS I Homework
- Homework is graded on completeness and neatness, see tentative course calendar for due date.
- Why should students care about showing work and getting the correct answers?
  - **Practice makes confidence**
  - **Help to do similar problems much faster on exam**
- Students are responsible to do all homework and submit the work on time,
  - Hw without show work will be -1pt for each section (Do not write only the answer)
  - Submit one file per section. (Do not combine sections into a single file)

Late hw gets a solid 0pt, so do not submit late hw.

NOTE: To scan and upload hw with your phone, I recommend you to use the free Adobe Scan app.

Hw#1
1.1 #9,11,23,25,45 pg.8-9
Do all problems on Ch1 Linear Equation and Applications worksheet
Do all problems on Ch1 Factors, Exponents, and Radical worksheet
Do all problems on Ch1 Equations and Applications worksheet
Do all problems on Ch1 Inequalities and Applications worksheet
Hw#2
Do all problems on Ch7 System of Linear Equations and Inequalities worksheet
Hw#3
Do all problems on Ch1 Functions, Domain, Substitution worksheet
Do all problems on Ch1 Graphs of Functions, Piece-wise Functions, Application worksheet
1.7 #11,12,13,14,21,23,25,37,39 pg.72-73
1.8 #7,9,27,31,35 pg.81
1.9 #23,27,29,55,57,61 pg.91
Hw#4
Do all problems on Ch2 Polynomials and Applications worksheet
Hw#5
3.1 #9,10,11,12,19,27 pg. 206
3.2 #7,11,15,17,25,27,37,38,39,40 pg.216
3.3 #19,21,23,25,27,29,41,45,51,55,59,63,67,71,73 pg.223-224
3.4 #21,23,25,27,37,39,4,49,51,53,55,57 pg.233
Do all problems on Ch3 Applications of Exponential Functions worksheet
Hw#6
Do all problems on Ch9 Sequences and Series worksheet

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.