

Course Syllabus
Math 199.03
Math for Managerial Decision Making
3 Credits
Summer II, 2006

1. **Class meeting information:** Class meets in 219 LDB on MTuWThF 10:00 am - 12:00 pm

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3. **Office Hours:**
Monday - Thursday 12:00 - 12:30 pm
and, of course, by appointment.

4. **Course Description:**
Topics Include a review of introductory algebra, equations, relations, functions, graphs, linear programming, systems of equations and matrices, and mathematics of finance.
Students taking this course should have completed two years of high school algebra and one year of high school geometry.
This course will be primarily lecture-oriented, with some in-class worksheets which will be frequently unannounced. Other graded exercises are discussed below.

5. **Course Objectives:**
Students completing this course should have mastery of the following major concepts. Other techniques and ideas will also be covered:
 - Linear equations and functions
 - Quadratic functions
 - Exponential and Logarithmic functions
 - Mathematics of finance, including interest calculations
 - Matrices, including solving systems of equations
 - Linear equalities in one and two variables

6. **Required Textbook:** Harshberger and Reynolds: *Mathematical Applications for the Management, Life, and Social Sciences*, seventh edition. ISBN: 0618293582.

7. **Required Supplies:** A graphing calculator - TI-83 recommended.

8. **Attendance Policy:** Students are expected to attend every class. If class must be missed, the student is expected to get the notes from a classmate, and to check the web-page for announcements and updated assignments. The professor will keep a record of attendance. Those who have not missed more than 2 class periods will have grades assigned by a different scale than those who have missed more than 2 class periods. Details are provided below. Remember that missing two days in summer is like missing more than one week of class during a long semester!

Students are expected to arrive to class on time. If a student is perpetually late, they will be asked to not attend class unless they arrive on time. If tardiness becomes a problem for the class as a whole, people who arrive late will not be permitted to enter the class. If this stricter policy becomes necessary, there will be an announcement made in class and posted on the web-page.

9. **Assignments:**

- (a) **Homework:** Homework will be assigned in class each day. Assignments can be found online at:

http://www.shsu.edu/~mth_jaj/math199/dues06.html

Homework will not be collected. It is your responsibility to make sure that you can complete the problems assigned.

It is your responsibility to ask questions about homework problems which you were not able to complete or did not understand. It is your responsibility to come to office hours, make use of the drop-in tutoring lab in Farrington 104, or otherwise contact someone for help. You may contact me via e-mail if you cannot make it to office hours, and I will try to answer questions as clearly as I can via e-mail. It is also your responsibility to do as many problems from each section as you need to in order to feel comfortable with the material.

- (b) **Quizzes:** There will be a quiz in class every Tuesday and Thursday over the material covered during the previous class periods. Each quiz will be given during the first 10-15 minutes of class, and extra time will not be allowed if you are late to class, so be sure to be on time. No make-ups are allowed under any circumstances. To compensate for this, the lowest quiz score for the semester will be dropped.

I reserve the right to have in-class worksheets unannounced which will count as quiz scores.

10. **Exams:** There will be one mid-term exam during the semester. It is tentatively scheduled to occur on **Friday, July 21st**. Any changes to this schedule will be announced in class and posted on the web-page.

If a student misses an exam, the student will be allowed to replace that exam score with their score on the final exam if the student has not missed more than one quiz during the semester. If the student has missed more than one quiz during the semester, the student will take a 0 on the missed exam.

The final exam will be held on **Thursday, 3 August, 2006** from 10 am - 12 pm in our regular classroom. It will be comprehensive.

11. **Grading Plan:** The course grade is based on:

Quizzes	30%	Exam 1	30%	Final Exam	40%
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The course grade will be assigned via the following table:

Scores with 2 or fewer absences	Scores with more than 2 absences	Grade
88 - 100%	90 - 100%	A
77 - 87%	80 - 89%	B
66 - 76%	70 - 79%	C
55 - 65%	60 - 69%	D
0 - 54%	0 - 59	F

There is no additional curve in this class, and no extra credit, so keep up as the semester progresses.

12. **Student Syllabus Guidelines:** You may find online a more detailed description of the following policies. These guidelines will also provide you with a link to the specific university policy or procedure: <http://www.shsu.edu/syllabus/>
13. **Academic Dishonesty:** Students are expected to maintain honesty and integrity in the academic experiences both in and out of the classroom. See Student Syllabus Guidelines.
14. **Classroom Rules of Conduct:** Students are expected to assist in maintaining a classroom environment that is conducive to learning. Students are to treat faculty and students with respect. Students are to turn off all cell phones while in the classroom. Under no circumstances are cell phones or any electronic devices to be used or seen during times of examination. Students may tape record lectures provided they do not disturb other students in the process.
15. **Student Absences on Religious Holy Days:** Students are allowed to miss class and other required activities, including examinations, for the observance of a religious holy day, including travel for that purpose. Students remain responsible for all work. See Student Syllabus Guidelines.
16. **Students with Disabilities Policy:** It is the policy of Sam Houston State University that individuals otherwise qualified shall not be excluded, solely by reason of their disability, from participation in any academic program of the university. Further, they shall not be denied the benefits of these programs nor shall they be subjected to discrimination. Students with disabilities that might affect their academic performance should visit with the Office of Services for Students with Disabilities located in the Counseling Center. See Student Syllabus Guidelines.
17. **Visitors in the Classroom:** Only registered students may attend class. Exceptions can be made on a case-by-case basis by the professor. In all cases, visitors must not present a disruption to the class by their attendance. Students wishing to audit a class must apply to do so through the Registrars Office.
18. **Additional Information** All information on this syllabus is subject to change. Any changes will be announced in class.