Math 8 Syllabus

Lecture: TR 2:00-3:15. PHELP 1444
Material to be covered: Chapters 1-6, and selected topics if time permits.

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Discussions: Attendence is mandatory. Time: MW 5pm (HSSB 1231), 7pm (HSSB 2201)
Quiz: There will be four pop up quizzes in the discussions.

Homework: Homework assignments are posted each week on GauchoSpace and due Thursday of the week at the end of the lecture. The graded home work will be returned to you in the discussion session. In consideration of the reader, no late homework will be checked.
Doing your homework regularly and carefully is essential for making Math 8 an enjoyable and profitable experience. It will be very hard to pass the course without a conscientious effort on the homework.

Exams Schedule: Midterm I: Thursday, Oct. 18
Midterm II: Tuesday, Nov. 13
Final: Tuesday, Dec. 11, 4 — 7pm

Note: Check your schedule now, for there will be no makeup exams.
Grading: Homework 10%; Quizzes 5%; Midterm 20% each; Final 45%.
The lowest quiz and homework scores will be dropped when computing the final grade.

Important Date: Wednesday, Oct. 24 — last day to drop class.
Math Lab: South Hall 1607, 12:00-5:00 pm, M-F. In the lab you can get assistance on mathematical problems from this course and beyond.
A Word of Advice: This course is different from other math classes you may have taken in the past. Reading the text (other than examples) is becoming crucial; ideally one should read the text and lecture notes right after each class to reinforce the understanding. In addition, more emphasis is placed on writing and expressing your ideas and thinkings clearly (and mathematically).
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