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MTH181 Syllabus

Fall 2024

Discrete Mathematics with Applications (5th ed.) S. Epp

Week of 9/2:

Labor Day (*No class Tuesday*)

Introduction: What is math?

Some mathematical results

Week of 9/9:

Some set theory notation

Logic: Statements, & Boolean operations on statements

Implications, truth tables, biconditionals

De Morgan's Laws

Add/Drop/Audit deadline is Wednesday

Proving statements: Modus Ponens, Modus Tollens

Tautologies & contradictions

Week of 9/16:

Quantifiers

Rational numbers

Exam I

Week of 9/23:

Multiply quantified statements and proof

Even, odd, prime, composite

Proving existentials

Disproving universals by counterexamples

Week of 9/30

Cases

Contradiction

Contrapositive

Week of 10/7:

Exam II

Sets, subsets, Venn diagrams

Pass/Fail deadline is Wednesday

Week of 10/14:

Indigenous People's Day (*Class does meet on Tuesday*)

Set operations & identities

Partitions

Week of 10/21:

Introduction to combinatorics & probability

Multiplication & addition principles

Week of 10/28:

Mental Health Day (*No class Tuesday*)

Inclusion/exclusion (De Moivre)

Week of 11/4:

Pigeonhole principle

Permutations & Combinations

Week of 11/11:

More on Permutations & Combinations

Exam III

Veterans Day *Monday*

Withdrawal deadline is Friday

Week of 11/18:

Pascal's triangle

Binomial theorem

Week of 11/25:

Proof by (weak) induction

Thanksgiving

Week of 12/2:

Examples

Week of 12/9:

Exam IV

Last class is Tuesday