

## Course Syllabus – MA 103 Finite Math

Class time and location : 7:00 P.M., Mon, Wed, West Science 2901

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### Course Objective :

This course has three main parts : 1) a review and extension of algebra skill,  
2) the mathematics of finance and 3) introductory probability and statistics.

### Requirements :

- 1) Attendance is required and will usually be taken. Excessive absences may result in drop in your grade. In case of an illness, you will be responsible for keeping up with class work and for notifying me if you want the absence excused. **On days of tests or quizzes, you must call my voice mail or e-mail me before class to be excused.**
- 2) Homework will be assigned at the end of most classes. Most of the time the homework will not be collected, but it is essential to the learning of the material. The best way to learn math is to do math.
- 3) Your final grade will be determined from a combination of the points achieved from your collected homework ( if any ), quizzes, tests and the final exam. Quizzes may be given frequently on small amounts of material. Tests will be given at the end of chapters, and will be worth more than quizzes. The final will be the size and value of about one and a half tests.

### Required Materials :

- 1) Finite Mathematics, by Berresford and Rockett, Houghton Mifflin, 2001.
- 2) IBM Thinkpad or graphing calculator ( TI 85 or comparable )

### Material to be covered :

We will cover most of chapters 1 – 6

Grading Scale : ( Approximate )

90 – 100 %	A's
80 – 89 %	B's
70 – 79 %	C's
60 – 69 %	D's
below 60 %	F

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