

# Lab Syllabus for Calculus I (MATH 141), Spring 2008

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### **Lab Overview**

The weekly lab meetings are an integral part of Calculus I (Math 141). These labs are designed with (at least) two purposes:

- to provide hands-on activities that will further your understanding of calculus.
- to provide an introduction to and instruction in the use of modern computer software (Maple).

### **Lab Materials**

All lab materials can be downloaded from the WWW. The lab homepage is

<http://www.math.sc.edu/calclab/141L-S08/>

The schedule/assignments will be updated weekly. The Maplets for Calculus link points to a comprehensive list of maplets for use in calculus courses. (You are encouraged to add one or more of these URLs to your list of Favorites.)

### **Access to Maple 11**

We will use the computer labs in MATHSTAT network maintained by the Department of Mathematics. Each student may print up to 150 pages free of charge per semester. All of the computers in LC 102, 124, 303A, and 401 are part of the MATHSTAT network. Maple 11 should also be available on computers in other academic computing labs, in the open labs in the residence halls, and in the main library. If you would like to have Maple 11 installed on other University owned or leased computers, please discuss this with your TA. You may have to pay for pages printed from computers that are not in the MATHSTAT network. The MATHSAT labs are open M-F from 8:00 to 5:00. After-hours/weekend access to LC 303A is available (ask your TA for details).

Students in this course may download a full copy of Maple 11 of \$40 or receive the software on a CD for \$50. All purchases under this special plan must be made online at <http://webstore.maplesoft.com/> using the promotion code USC0607.

### **Grading**

Your lab grade will be based on two (2) lab projects, two (2) hour quizzes, weekly assignments, and your attendance.

Hour Quizzes	24 points
Weekly Assignments	30 points
Projects	30 points
<u>Attendance</u>	<u>16 points</u>
Total	100 points

Each lab missed (after the first absence) will lower your attendance grade by two (2) points.

### **Attendance Policy**

Attendance at every class meeting is important – and expected. Students missing more than 10% of the class meetings (2 labs) can have their overall lab grade lowered. *Do not forget to sign the attendance form each week!*

### **Academic Honesty**

Cheating and plagiarism will not be tolerated in the labs. You may discuss lab assignments with others, but do not copy work from another student, from a book, or from the Internet. Violations of this policy will be dealt with according to University guidelines.