

## **MATH 31** – 51Z Precalculus I

Asynchronous Learning on Canvas

Online (Canvas) CRN: 49169

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**Support:** It can be frustrating when you need help, so please know that I am here to help you manage challenges and any frustration you may experience with the course. Please maintain close contact with me and I will do my best to support you.

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**How to reach out:** If you have a question, the quickest and easiest way to contact me is via the Canvas inbox or email me [rashidnahrin@fhda.edu](mailto:rashidnahrin@fhda.edu). If you email me during my online office hours, I'll try to respond immediately. If you email me outside of my office hours, then I'll try to respond to you within 48 hours. From our course, click on "Inbox" in the left global navigation menu to access your Canvas conversations.

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### **Tutoring Services:**

On Campus in S-43 (MATH course tutoring only)

- Monday through Thursday 9am to 6pm
- Friday 9am-12:30pm
- Saturday and Sunday CLOSED

On Zoom Peer Tutoring

- Monday through Thursday 9am to 6pm
- Friday 9am-12:30pm
- Saturday and Sunday CLOSED

For drop-in tutoring outside these hours please use our [online tutoring](#) vendors (24/7 for most subjects)

**Online Lectures/Canvas:** Plan to log in to Canvas several times each week. This class is asynchronous so there will not be live lectures. I will post pre-recorded lecture videos for each section on Canvas under Modules. You'll need to watch the lecture videos and take notes. If you have any questions, you can ask me during office hours or email me. You will be learning online or asynchronously, meaning that at your own pace, you will watch lecture videos, complete homework assignments, and take either a quiz or an exam every week. There will be set due dates for all of the homework assignments, quizzes, and exams. Although you will be able to watch the videos at your own time and pace, you are expected to complete them in a timely manner so that you are ready to take the quiz/exam and submit them by due date. It is very easy to fall behind in an online class, so you are encouraged to set aside at least 1 to 2 hours each day to dedicate to this class as opposed to doing all of the work in one day. It is strongly recommended that you download the Canvas app if you have a smart phone.

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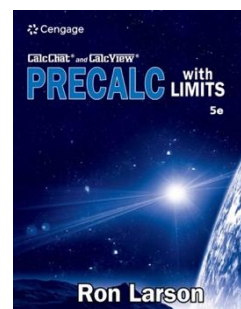
**Prerequisite:** Math 109, 114 or 130 or placement

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**Course Description:** This course covers polynomial, rational, exponential and logarithmic functions, graphs, solving equations, conic sections, systems of equations and inequalities, sequences and series.

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**Textbook:** Precalculus with Limits; 5<sup>th</sup> edition by Ron Larson bundle with Webassign access code.



**Calculator:** A basic scientific calculator is required for this class such as Texas Instruments TI30XIIS Scientific Calculator or online app, such as the one at <https://www.desmos.com/scientific>.



**Software:** All homework/quizzes will be done online using WebAssign which is an internet-based software. You will need to register at [www.webassign.net](http://www.webassign.net) to use this internet-based software. You will need the class key given by me in order to self-register. **Class key for WebAssign: deanza 6858 1829**

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**Discussion on Canvas:** Post and answer questions in Canvas weekly discussion boards. These discussions will count for 5% of your grade.

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**Homework:** Plan to log in to WebAssign daily. Homework will be assigned weekly and will have a due date. All homework must be submitted by 10:00 AM on the due date. You must set up an account by Friday, April 11 or you will be dropped from the class. If you have a homework problem you are not able to complete, you can send me your questions on WebAssign by clicking on “Ask my teacher”. At the end of the quarter your lowest homework score will be dropped. Homework will count for 15% of your term grade. Please do not procrastinate! You can request extension on the homework up to five times during the quarter.

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**Quizzes:** There will be a quiz every week via WebAssign assigned intermittently throughout the term to test your skills on the concepts we are covering in class and online. Once you start the quiz, you will have 1 hour to complete it, and you will get two attempts on each quiz. **NO** make-up quiz will be given. These quizzes will count for 20% of your grade.

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**Midterms:** There will be four exams during the quarter on WebAssign. Once you start the exam, you will have 2 hours to complete it. These exams will contain the materials covered in the lectures, online, and in the book. If you are unable to take an exam for any reason, a makeup exam will not be given. To compensate for this, I will drop your lowest exam score. These exams will count for 40% of your term grade.

**Final Examination:** If you do not take the final exam, you WILL NOT receive a passing grade. There will be a comprehensive final examination on **Tuesday, June 24**. This test will count for 20% of your term grade.

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**Accessibility Accommodations:** If you have a documented disability and wish to discuss academic accommodations, or if you would need assistance in the event of an emergency evacuation, please inform me as soon as possible.

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**Student Conduct:** You are expected to be honest and ethical at all times in the pursuit of academic goals. When completing your work on an assignment or in taking a test, be sure to do your own work. Copying or using another person's work is plagiarism or cheating, so please be sure to submit your own work. Anyone caught cheating on an exam will receive an automatic 0 and be reported to the Dean of the PSME Division.

### **Important Dates**

- The last day to add classes is April 20, 2025.
- The last day to drop for a full refund and without a "W" is April 20, 2025.
- Memorial Day Weekend - no classes, offices closed is May 24 - 26, 2025.
- Last day to drop classes with a "W" is May 30, 2025.
- Juneteenth Holiday - no classes, offices closed is June 19, 2025.
- Final Exam Week – June 23 – 27.

## Grade Breakdown

<b>A+: 99% and above</b>	<b>B+: 87 - 89%</b>	<b>C+: 77 - 79%</b>	<b>D: 63 - 66%</b>
<b>A: 93 - 98%</b>	<b>B: 83 - 86%</b>	<b>C: 70 - 76%</b>	<b>D-: 60 - 62%</b>
<b>A-: 90 - 92%</b>	<b>B-: 80 - 82%</b>	<b>D+: 67 - 69%</b>	<b>F: &lt; 60%</b>

## Tentative Schedule for Math 31, Spring 2025

<b>Week 1</b>	<b>Appendix A.4*, Appendix A.2, Appendix A.5</b>
<b>Week 2</b>	<b>Section 1.2, Section 1.3, Section 1.4</b>
<b>Week 3</b>	<b>Section 1.5*, Section 1.6, Section 1.7</b> <b>Exam 1: Thursday, April 24 (Section A.2, A.5, 1.2, 1.3, 1.4, 1.5, 1.6)</b>
<b>Week 4</b>	<b>Section 1.8, Section 1.9, Section 1.10*</b>
<b>Week 5</b>	<b>Section 2.1, Section 2.2*, Section 2.3</b>
<b>Week 6</b>	<b>Section 2.4, Section 2.5*</b> <b>Exam 2: Tuesday May 13 (Section 1.7, 1.8, 1.9, 1.10, 2.1, 2.2, 2.3)</b>
<b>Week 7</b>	<b>Section 2.6, Section 2.7, Section 3.1</b>
<b>Week 8</b>	<b>Section 3.2, Section 3.3, Section 3.4</b> <b>Exam 3: Thursday, May 29 (Section 2.4, 2.5, 2.6, 2.7, 3.1, 3.2)</b>
<b>Week 9</b>	<b>Section 3.5*, Section 7.1, Section 7.2</b>
<b>Week 10</b>	<b>Section 7.5, Section 10.2*</b>
<b>Week 11</b>	<b>Section 10.3*, Section 10.4*</b> <b>Exam 4: Tuesday, June 17 (Section 3.3, 3.4, 3.5, 7.1, 7.2, 7.5)</b>
<b>Week 12</b>	<b>Finals Week</b> <b>Final Exam: Tuesday June 24 1:45 to 3:45 (Comprehensive)</b>

*This syllabus is subject to change at the instructor's discretion.*

**Student Learning Outcome(s):**

- Investigate, evaluate, and differentiate between algebraic and transcendental functions in their graphic, formulaic, and tabular representations.
- Synthesize, model, and communicate real-life applications and phenomena using algebraic and transcendental functions.

**Office Hours:**

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Zoom