

**MA 322 – 001 and 004**  
Fall 2011

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**Course:** We will begin with Chapter 1 and proceed through Chapter 6 omitting some sections. There will be three (3) Semester examinations and a Final examination. The three Semester exams will be during the weeks of September 19<sup>th</sup>, October 17<sup>th</sup>, and November 14<sup>th</sup>. The specific dates/times will be announced later but well in advance of the examination. The Final Examination will also be scheduled later.

**Grades:** Each semester examination will be worth 100 points and the Final will be 200. An assignment will be made most every class meeting and will be due at the next meeting (unless otherwise announced). Each assignment will be given a score of 0-10 points and the totality of homework points will be used to determine a "homework grade" which will be worth 100 points. Thus there will be a total of 600 points available, and while I reserve the right to raise grades, the following table gives the minimums:

Points	Grade
540 – 600	A
480 – 539	B
420 – 479	C
360 – 419	D
0 – 359	E

Because there will be on the order of 30+ assignments, at least 10 of the lowest scores will be dropped. That is the "Homework Total" will be the sum of your 20+ best scores. In view of this, I will not accept any late papers. Papers will be due at class time (or noon) on the due date.

**Important Dates:**

Tuesday, August 30	Last day to ADD a class
Monday, September 5	Labor Day -- No class
Wednesday, September 14	Last Day to Drop Without a "W"
Monday, October 17	Mid Term
Friday, November 4	Last Day to Withdraw. Note: There is an official procedure for dropping a course. You have not withdrawn if you simply quit attending class.
November 23 – 26	Thanksgiving Break
Friday, December 9	Last Day of Classes
December 12 – 16	Final Exam Week