<u>Math 120R - Preparation for Calculus</u>
Section 8

<u>Class:</u>
PAS 304, MWF 9:00-9:50
EDUC 318, R 9:30-10:45

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<u>Homework Policy:</u>
Homework will be assigned regularly, at least once a week.
Homework is an essential component of the course: it helps you prepare for the exams and it helps me to evaluate your understanding of the material presented in class.

Homework is due at the beginning of the class, on the due date which will be posted on the course website. You are expected to have the homework done and turned in before the lecture begins. Late homework will not be graded or counted. No exceptions.
You are encouraged to submit homework before the due date. If you must miss class, I recommend finding a way to get your homework to me <u>on time</u> or before (Otherwise, no credit will be given).

A representative number of problems from each homework will be graded. Each homework assignment will receive a score in a 10-point scale, from which 2 points will be awarded for neatness (no fringes please!), stapling multiple pages (crazy corner origami is NOT a staple), including your name and completing the assignment.
The work process is more important that the final answer. Right answers which do not include all intermediate steps and written explanations will be worth zero points in all cases, unless otherwise stated on the assignment.

Homework will be returned no later than two weeks from the date of submission.

<u>Quizzes:</u>
There will be <u>announced or unannounced</u> quizzes occasionally during the semester. In such a case, more information about the structure of the quiz will be given at that time. All students are expected to participate in the quiz. If a verifiable emergency arises which prevents you from taking the quiz, let me know as soon as possible so I may consider making a special arrangement for you.

Grading:
Homework assignments will count for 100 points out of 900 total possible points in the course, and quizzes will count for 50 points. Each homework assignment or quiz will receive a score in a 10-point scale. At the end of the semester, several low or missing homework will be dropped and the rest averaged and scaled to 100 points. Again, quizzes will count as one to three homework scores.

Miscellaneous:
You are more than encouraged to discuss your work, answers and thought processes with your classmates. However, all answers and work must be your own! I will not tolerate cheating of any kind.

As in almost every math course, the understanding of each topic will be based on the topics covered before. So, whenever you do not fully understand an idea, don't hesitate and remember that you have many sources of help: the textbook, free campus tutoring services and especially my office hours. If the office hours don't fit into your schedule, we can make an appointment in a different time. I will do my best to help you!

Many of your homework problems will involve writing and might ask you to interpret your solution. Please explain as clearly as you can and be sure to use complete and coherent sentences. Good mathematics is not just about symbolic manipulations, it is also about communication skills which will help you to better understand the mathematical ideas.

Please do your best to write neatly. This makes grading easy for me and reexamining your work easy for you.

There is a strong correlation between students who prepare their homework (themselves...) and students who succeed in the final exam. So if you want to succeed, I would recommend doing your homework!

Good Luck!