Math 100  Liberal Arts Mathematics

Professor:  Stephen L. Plett, M.S., M.A.

Text:  Thinking Mathematically (3rd Ed'n), by Blitzer


Points:  
- 15 “best” quizzes 240 (16 each)
- Four Exams 400 (100 each)
- 15 "best" H.W. sets 60 (4 each)

**Total Points** 700

Grades:  Based on points earned, these are the minimum totals needed to guarantee the following letter grades:
- for an “A”, 630
- for a “B”, 560
- for a “C”, 490
- for a “D”, 420

A point total of 419 or less is unsatisfactory, and a passing grade will not be assigned for such.

Policies:  This class will proceed in accordance with the published school policies and the specifics below. If you are unsure about any procedure, feel free to discuss it with me.

Attendance is both important and mandatory. Arriving late to class will result in a four-point deduction from your total. Two unexcused absences may cause you to be dropped from the course, but it is your responsibility to withdraw before the deadline to get a "W".

Homework assignments will be listed on a handout and announced in class. Problems are to be solved with all steps clearly shown. Credit will be based on written effort, not just on a single answer. Assignments are due weekly. The weekly quizzes are based on classroom discussions and the homework problems.

Examinations will be listed & announced also, and will occur about every 4 weeks. The last exam is not a comprehensive final; it is just the fourth unit test.

Office:  My office at FC is in Room 625-O3. I am always available during my “official” hours and am occasionally available at other times. My office phone is (714) 992-7201, and if I don’t answer, you may leave me a message.
Mr. Plett's Classroom Policy

Students are expected to behave in an orderly, respectful manner to every person in the classroom so that the learning environment provides the maximum benefit to all. No hats, no pagers, and no cell phones are allowed (this is an everyday policy, and is in force on examination days). Unruly, disruptive, and/or distracting conduct will not be permitted to continue. Based on the instructor's evaluation of the severity of the infraction, a four-point penalty or suspension from class (resulting in the offender being excluded from two class meetings) may be issued for a "first offense".

Mr. Plett's Examination Policy

1. No aids are allowed. This precludes the use of anything besides a writing implement. (i.e. no notes, no calculators, no books, …)

2. No conversation between students is allowed. If there is anything unclear, Mr. Plett is happy to have students come up during the examination and ask for clarification.

3. No hats, no pagers, and no cell phones are allowed. This is an everyday policy, and is in force on examination days.

4. No peeking at, spying on, looking or staring at anything other than one's own examination packet.

5. No leaving the room for any reason, other than being finished with the examination.

***Violators of the above policies will be given the maximum penalty as provided for in the Fullerton College Catalog, publications of the NOCCCD Board of Trustees, and the California Ed. Code.

Mr. Plett's Homework Policy

1. Homework assignments are to be done on 8 ½ by 11 paper which may be plain or have lines, squares, or other ruling. When turning in HW, the paper(s) should be folded lengthwise and have the student's name on the outside with the course number clearly indicated.

2. Due dates for each assignment will be clearly stated in class. Late assignments that are handed in before the exam to which they pertain will be given half-credit.

3. As stated in the Grade Policy, credit is awarded based on written effort and steps shown. Incomplete assignments or assignments with minimal work shown will not be given full credit.
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hw1  2.1  3, 8, 17, 28, 68;   2.2  5-7, 9-11, 38, 57, 62, 70

hw2  2.3  1-4, 11-14, 33-36, 64-66;   2.4  5, 17, 40;   2.5  13-18, 26

hw3  3.1  3-9, 16, 27, 35, 49;   3.2  25, 28, 30, 48;   3.3  16, 27, 35, 49;   3.4  6, 19, 39, 46

hw4  3.5  7, 10, 21, 28, 37, 45, 58, 81;   3.6  6, 9, 17, 26, 33, 43, 46, 57

hw5  1.1  41, 56, 60, 62, 63;   1.2  11, 13, 18, 24, 27;   1.3  3, 7, 26, 37, 42, 57

hw6  4.2  2, 8, 9, 17, 29, 36, 37, 40;   5.1  3, 10, 29, 42, 45, 51, 57, 63

hw7  5.4  11, 22, 35, 49, 54, 59, 67, 70;   5.5  2, 3, 29-34, 39, 41, 43

hw8  8.2  6, 13, 18, 21;   8.3  1, 4, 6, 7, 9, 20-22;   8.4  3, 5, 12, 17, 23, 24, 53

hw9  10.1  14, 15, 22, 23, 31, 32;   10.2  21, 24, 26, 33;   10.3  12, 13, 17, 23, 24, 53

hw10  10.4  1, 6, 7, 14, 17, 21, 23, 40;   10.5  1, 6, 9, 15, 17, 21, 15, 31

hw11  10.2  12, 13, 14, 15, 18, 20, 29;   10.6  4, 9, 13, 20, 25, 26, 31, 38, 47

hw12  10.7*  1-6, 23 *(c. E? d. H?);   6.3  23, 26, 27, 28, 31, 34, 40, 45

hw13  5.7  1, 9, 16, 25, 49, 64, 72, 91;   11.4  3, 6, 15, 28, 29, 35, 37, 41

hw14  12.1  9, 24, 25, 28;   12.2  1, 9, 14, 18, 21, 25, 30;   12.3  4, 7, 17, 19, 23

hw15  12.4  9, 11, 14, 19, 27, 38, 48, 51, 61, 67*, 71*, 75* *(with both charts)

hw16  11.6  5, 10, 15, 21, 23, 49, 61, 63;   11.7  1, 13, 15, 21, 25, 47, 65, 67

hw17  11.8  1, 3, 5, 7, 9, 15, 17, 18, 24
Math 100  Addenda

Prerequisite:  MATH 40  Intermediate Algebra, with a grade of "C" or better.

Wait Time:  If I am going to be late to class, I will call the MATH/CSCI division and a
secretary will come to the classroom and post a notice.  You are expected to wait until
I arrive.  If I am late and no notice is posted, you are only required to wait 20 minutes
- after which class is cancelled and the assignment(s) due on that day will then be due
at the beginning of the next class meeting.

ADA Statement
Fullerton College is committed to providing educational accommodations for students with disabilities upon the
timely request by the student to the instructor.  Verification of the disability must also be provided. Disability
Support Services functions as a resource for students and faculty in the determination and provision of the
accommodations.