

Course Information

Semester & Year: Spring 2020
Course ID & Section #: Math 5 – E7582
Instructor's name: Adam Falk
Day/Time: Mondays and Wednesdays 10:05 AM – 11:30 AM
Location: SC 210
Number of units: 3

Instructor Contact Information

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Adam's Math Lab hours: Mondays 12:00 PM – 1:30 PM, Wednesdays 12:30 PM – 1:30 PM

Required Materials

Textbook Title: Math in Society
Textbook Author: David Lippman
Textbook ISBN: 978-1479276530. A free digital version of the textbook is available at [OpenTextBookStore.com](https://openstax.org/r/textbook). I recommend you SAVE a copy of the book to your computer/tablet for offline use. You may also purchase a printed version of the text (optional) for around \$15.
Calculator: You are required to have a non-phone calculator for this course.
Technology: You will need regular access to a computer and the internet for this course.

Catalog Description

An introduction to mathematics for students not pursuing science, business, and math majors. Surveys selected topics with a focus on history, utility, and artistry to promote appreciation and critical understanding of the foundational importance of mathematics to contemporary society.

Course Student Learning Outcomes

1. Demonstrate critical thinking skills through analyzing mathematical ideas in the context of contemporary society.
2. Use mathematical skills and techniques when arguing a position on a contemporary issue.

Evaluation & Grading Policy

Homework: Homework assignments will be online. Online assignments will be completed through the course Canvas page. Homework is available after each class meeting and is due several days later. You will be able to ask questions about homework in class. Multiple attempts are allowed on homework problems.

Quizzes: We will have a short quiz or activity every week. Each quiz will cover material from recent homework. The purpose of the quizzes is to measure your retention of the material from the homework and course lecture/activities. The best way to prepare for quizzes is to stay current on your online homework. I will drop your lowest quiz score from your course grade calculation.

Project/Presentation: This class may also include a research project and/or presentation. More details and a rubric will be given later in the semester.

Exams: There are three midterms and a cumulative final exam (see dates below). We will have a midterm every four weeks (approximately) and each midterm will cover two topics. The final exam is cumulative and covers all topics from the semester.

EXAM DATES:

Exam 1: Wednesday, February 19 (tentative)

Exam 2: Wednesday, March 11 (tentative)

Exam 3: Wednesday, April 22 (tentative)

Final Exam: Wednesday, May 13 10:45 AM – 12:45 PM

Please note that there are NO MAKE UP EXAMS so please plan accordingly. If you cannot attend class on one of these exam dates, please discuss this with me *at least one week before the exam.*

Grade Distribution:

Online Homework	35%
Quizzes/Activities	15%
Midterms	20%
Project/Presentation	10%
Final	20%

A	93 – 100	A-	90 – 93
B+	87 – 90	B	83 – 87
B-	80 – 83	C+	77 – 80
C	73 – 77	C-	70 – 73
D	60 – 70	F	< 60

Letter Grade Assignment:

[Attendance and Classroom Expectations](#)

Attendance is essential to performing well in this course. If you must miss a class, please check Canvas or with a classmate to see what you missed. You are expected to arrive on time and to leave when the class is dismissed. Please use the restroom before class begins. Students standing up and walking in/out of the classroom can be very distracting to fellow classmates. If you must leave, please wait for an appropriate time, such as during scheduled breaks or group work. I expect you to be a responsible, respectful, and courteous member of the class.

[Resources](#)

If you have questions about your homework you can email me, or you can find help at the Math Lab. The Math Lab is a walk-in tutoring center located in the library, and you may enroll in no units, 0.5 units, or 1 unit of Math Lab. Additionally, there is individual tutoring available through the Academic Support Center.

[Communication](#)

The best way to contact me is through email or the Canvas messaging system. When you email me you must include your full name, class number, and class meeting time either in the subject line or at the end when you “sign” your message. Please be professional and courteous when writing messages. Please expect a 24-hour response time during the week and 48-hour response time from me over the weekend for any messages.

I reserve the right to make changes to this syllabus as necessary.

Institutional Policies

Special accommodations statement

College of the Redwoods complies with the Americans with Disabilities Act in making reasonable accommodations for qualified students with disabilities. Please present your written accommodation request at least one week before the first test so that necessary arrangements can be made. No last-minute arrangements or post-test adjustments will be made. If you have a disability or believe you might benefit from disability-related services and accommodations, please see me or contact [Disability Services and Programs for Students](#). Students may make requests for alternative media by contacting DSPS: 707-476-4280, student services building, 1st floor

Admissions deadlines & enrollment policies

Spring 2020 Dates

- *Last day to add a class: Jan. 24*
- *Last day to drop without a W and receive a refund: Jan. 31*
- *Census date: Feb. 3*
- *Last day to file P/NP option: Feb. 14*
- *Last day to petition to graduate or apply for certificate: Mar. 5*
- *Last day for student-initiated W (no refund): Apr. 4*
- *Last day for faculty initiated W (no refund): Apr. 4*
- *Final examinations: May 9 – May 15*
- *Semester ends: May 15*
- *Grades available for transcript release (approximate): Jun. 1*

Students who have experienced extenuating circumstances can complete & submit the **Excused Withdrawal Petition** to request an Excused Withdrawal (EW) grade instead of the current Withdrawal (W) or non-passing (D, F & NP) grades. The EW Petition is available from the Admissions and Records Forms Webpage. Supporting documentation is required.

Academic dishonesty

In the academic community, the high value placed on truth implies a corresponding intolerance of scholastic dishonesty. In cases involving academic dishonesty, determination of the grade and of the student's status in the course is left primarily to the discretion of the faculty member. In such cases, where the instructor determines that a student has demonstrated academic dishonesty, the student may receive a failing grade for the assignment and/or exam and may be reported to the Chief Student Services Officer or designee. The Student Code of Conduct ([AP 5500](#)) is available on the College of the Redwoods website. Additional information about the rights and responsibilities of students, Board policies, and administrative procedures is located in the [College Catalog](#) and on the [College of the Redwoods website](#).

Disruptive behavior

Student behavior or speech that disrupts the instructional setting will not be tolerated. Disruptive conduct may include, but is not limited to: unwarranted interruptions; failure to adhere to instructor's directions; vulgar or obscene language; slurs or other forms of intimidation; and physically or verbally abusive behavior. In such cases where the instructor determines that a student has disrupted the educational process, a disruptive student may be temporarily removed from class. In addition, the student may be reported to the Chief Student Services Officer or designee. The Student Code of Conduct ([AP 5500](#)) is available on the College of the Redwoods website. Additional information about the rights and responsibilities of students, Board policies, and administrative procedures is located in the [College Catalog](#) and on the [College of the Redwoods website](#).

Emergency procedures / RAVE

College of the Redwoods has implemented an emergency alert system. In the event of an emergency on campus you can receive an alert through your personal email and/or phones at your home, office, and cell. Registration is necessary in order to receive emergency alerts. Please go to <https://www.GetRave.com/login/Redwoods> and use the “Register” button on the top right portion of the registration page to create an account. During the registration process you can elect to add additional information, such as office phone, home phone, cell phone, and personal email. Please use your CR email address as your primary Registration Email. Your CR email address ends with “redwoods.edu.” Please contact Public Safety at 707-476-4112 or security@redwoods.edu if you have any questions.

Student Support Services

The following online resources are available to support your success as a student:

- [Library Articles & Databases](#)
- [Canvas help and tutorials](#)
- [Online Student Handbook](#)

[Counseling and Advising](#) offers academic support and includes academic advising and educational planning

Learning Resource Center includes the following resources for students

- [Academic Support Center](#) for instructional support, tutoring, learning resources, and proctored exams.
- [Library Services](#) to promote information literacy and provide organized information resources.
- Multicultural & Diversity Center
- Math Lab & Drop-in Writing Center

Special programs are also available for eligible students include

- [Extended Opportunity Programs & Services \(EOPS\)](#) provides financial assistance, support and encouragement for eligible income disadvantaged students at all CR locations.
- The TRiO Student Success Program provides eligible students with a variety of services including trips to 4-year universities, career assessments, and peer mentoring. Students can apply for the program in [Eureka](#) or in [Del Norte](#)
- The [Veteran’s Resource Center](#) supports and facilitates academic success for Active Duty Military, Veterans and Dependents attending CR through relational advising, mentorship, transitional assistance, and coordination of military and Veteran-specific resources.
- Klamath-Trinity students can contact the CR KT Office for specific information about student support services at 530-625-4821
- The [Honors Program](#) helps students succeed in transferring to a competitive four-year school.