# Math 58 – Section 0123 Precalculus Trigonometry, SRJC Fall 2018

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# **Course Description**

Trigonometric functions and their graphs, trigonometric identities, trigonometric equations, inverse trigonometric functions, complex numbers in trigonometric form, polar coordinates, parametric equations, vectors, and applications.

**Prerequisites:** Completion of Math 154 or Math 155 or higher; or Qualifying placement from math assessment.

#### Textbook:

The class textbook is *Trigonometry* Fourth Edition by Cynthia Y. Young. It is available in a few options. The minimum requirement is WileyPLUS 'Instant Access' which is an online environment that includes access to the textbook, student resources, and online homework service. You access this through the course shell in Canvas. Also available are eBooks or a Looseleaf paper copies which would accompany the required 'Instant Access' online environment. There is a copy on reserve at the SRJC library reserve desk. The call number is **QA531 T754 2017**.

# **Required Technology:**

You do need a graphing calculator. The TI-84 is recommended as it is the model that will be demonstrated in class. The TI-83 is similar and will also work. The TI-Nspire and TI-89 are other calculators that will work with this course. You are expected to have your calculator at every class meeting and exams. In addition, we will be using an online homework service, so a student must have access to the internet (either at home or on campus) to do the required homework.

#### **Exams**

Two midterm exams and a final exam will be given. The final exam is cumulative. You must take the final exam to pass the course. At the end of the semester I will replace a student's lowest midterm exam score with the final exam percentage, if it helps. Missed midterm exams cannot be made up. If the student provides a reasonable, verifiable excuse for missing an exam, then the exam score can be replaced by the final. Missed, unexcused exams count as zero points and will not be replaced by the final. If you know in advance that you cannot possibly make it to an exam, please contact me.

Alternative arrangements for taking an exam are sometimes possible.

- Midterm 1: Tentatively Scheduled for Wednesday October 3<sup>rd</sup>
- Midterm 2: Tentatively Scheduled for Wednesday November 14<sup>th</sup>
- Final Exam: The final exam is Monday December 17<sup>th</sup> 4:00 pm 6:45 pm

## Homework

This course will have hand written homework assignments as well as assignments administered through the WileyPLUS online homework service (accessed through Canvas from the SRJC Portal). Homework will be assigned daily and will be due by the following class time. Points earned from homework form a score equivalent to 20% of the semester grade.

# **Getting Help**

Free tutoring services are available in the SRJC Tutorial Center (bottom floor of the Doyle library) and in the Math Computer Lab (room 1733). I am always available during office hours, so feel free to stop by if you have math questions or need help with other problems related to this course.

# **Grading Policy**

Student semester grades are based on performance in each of the categories shown in the table below. A score of up to 100 points is possible for each category. At the end of the semester a final score is determined by weighting the category scores with the percentages given below.

Category	Percentage of Semester Grade
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Midterm Exam Average 50% (25% each)

Homework 20% Final Exam 30%

The final semester score is then converted to a letter grade for the semester using this scale.

A: 90 or better
B: 80 – 89
C: 70 – 79
D: 60 – 69
F: less than 60

For example, suppose a student has the following scores: midterm average 75, homework 90, and final exam 85.

Midterm Average	75 x .50 = 37.5
Homework	90 x .20 = 22.5
Final Exam	85 x .30 = 21.25
Final Score	total = 81.0

With 81.0, the student earns a B grade.

**Attendance Policy and Drops:** Sonoma County Junior College District attendance policy is as follows. Students are expected to attend all sessions of the course in which they are enrolled. Any student may be dropped from any class when that student's absences exceed ten percent (10%) of the total hours of class time.

If you decide to discontinue this course, it is your responsibility to officially drop it. Do not assume the instructor will drop you automatically.

### **Standards of Conduct**

Students who register in SRJC classes are required to abide by the SRJC Student Conduct Standards. Violation of the Standards is basis for referral to the Vice President of Student Services or dismissal from class or from the College. See the Student Code of Conduct at this URL (https://student-conduct.santarosa.edu/).

# **Accommodating a Disability**

If you have a documented disability and require academic accommodations such as a note taker, test taking services, special furniture, etc., please provide the Authorization for Academic Accommodations (AAA letter) from the Disability Resources Department (DRD) to me as soon as possible. You may contact DRD in the Bertolini Student Center (3<sup>rd</sup> Floor) on the Santa Rosa Campus, and 101 Jacobs Hall on the Petaluma Campus. Please discuss your accommodations with me during office hours or after class so I may be of assistance to you.