So, how does this online MATH 122/123 course work?

General Structure:

Since this is an online course, your interaction with the instructor will be through online methods. To learn the material, you will read and do homework exercises in the textbooks, take advantage of notes pages and instructional videos that have been made by your instructor, and ask questions via email, on a discussion board, or in a chat room. You will get as much help as you ask for, but you should expect to have to study and practice in order to succeed. That's the way all courses operate, including online courses.

Time Frame:

While the internet provides a great deal of flexibility with regard to the time of day you do your work, this class will have a weekly schedule and is designed to run the entire length of the semester. You will not be able to work at your own pace or finish early. Also, please do not expect materials to be available prior to the day on which the course begins.

How are students graded?

Students are graded based upon the total number of points earned on quizzes and exams during the course.

After earning a perfect score on a quiz over the terms of the syllabus, there will be 12 other online quizzes to be completed during the course. Each quiz will be available for several days but may only be taken once, and must be completed by the deadline indicated on the Course Schedule. No make up quizzes will be given for any reason. Each quiz has a time limit, so it is best to be fully prepared before you actually begin. At the end of the semester, your two lowest quiz scores will be dropped, and the remaining ten quiz scores will make up 25% of your overall grade. Quizzes do not need to be proctored and may be taken at any location.

In addition to these quizzes, there will be 3 exams given during the semester. Each exam will be available for several days but may only be taken once, and must be completed by the deadline indicated on the Course Schedule. No make up exams will be given for any reason. Each exam has a time limit, so it is best to be fully prepared before you actually begin. No exam scores will be dropped, and the exams will make up 75% of your overall grade. The exams will be given online, but they will be password protected and must be taken in a proctored environment (such as a college testing center). If you live outside of the Las Vegas area, it is typically very easy to arrange a suitable proctor in your location. On these proctored exams, one page (front and back) of notes, and calculators will be permitted.

Will your instructor be available online for office hours?
Absolutely. There will be online office hours every week, held in the online text-based chat room, during which you can get help. If you can't attend the scheduled online office hours, it is possible to arrange an appointment to meet in the chat room at another time. Additionally, you can always communicate with your instructor, or ask for help, via email or on the discussion board.

**Required Textbooks:**

There are two textbooks that we will use in this class:


There is also an Explorations Manual (by the same title and author) that will be used as well, ISBN 978-1-305-11283-4.

Not all sections of this course use the same books, so be sure to purchase the correct ones.