



Department of Mathematical, Information, Computer Sciences
College of Natural and Social Sciences
MTH131-1 (Computer Aided Calculus)
1 units

Spring 2018

Meeting days: T 7:25 am – 9:10 am

Meeting location: Main Computer Lab LW 213

Textbook: No textbook required for this course.

Course Requirements: MTH164 or MTH144, or equivalent.

Exam 1: 2/27/18

Final Exam: 4/24/18, Wednesday (7:25 am – 9:25 am)

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Resources: Library, Computer Lab, Math Tutoring Center.

PLNU Mission

Point Loma Nazarene University exists to provide higher education in a vital Christian community where minds are engaged and challenged, character is modeled and formed, and service becomes an expression of faith. Being of Wesleyan heritage, we aspire to be a learning community where grace is foundational, truth is pursued, and holiness is a way of life.

Department Mission

The Mathematical, Information, and Computer Sciences department at Point Loma Nazarene University is committed to maintaining a curriculum that provides its students with the tools to be productive, the passion to continue learning, and Christian perspectives to provide a basis for making sound value judgments.

Course Description

Introduction to the use of a computer algebra system to complement the knowledge of calculus.

Prerequisite(s): MTH 144 or a score of 3 or higher on AP 114 or AP 115.

Course Learning Outcomes for MTH131

- Students will be able to use technology to solve problems.
- Students will master the fundamentals of using a computer algebra system.
- Students will solve calculus problems using a computer algebra system.

Attendance

Attendance is expected at each class session. In the event of an absence you are responsible for the material covered in class and the assignments given that day.

Regular and punctual attendance at all classes is considered essential to optimum academic achievement. If the student is absent from more than 10 percent of class meetings, the faculty member can file a written report which may result in de-enrollment. If the absences exceed 20 percent, the student may be de-enrolled without notice until the university drop date or, after that date, receive the appropriate grade for their work and participation. See [Attendance Policy](#) in the Undergraduate Academic Catalog.

Class Enrollment

It is the student's responsibility to maintain his/her class schedule. Should the need arise to drop this course (personal emergencies, poor performance, etc.), the student has the responsibility to follow through (provided the drop date meets the stated calendar deadline established by the university), not the instructor. Simply ceasing to attend this course or failing to follow through to arrange for a change of registration (drop/add) may easily result in a grade of F on the official transcript.

Academic Accommodations

If you have a diagnosed disability, please contact PLNU's Disability Resource Center (DRC) within the first two weeks of class to demonstrate need and to register for accommodation by phone at 619-849-2486 or by e-mail at DRC@pointloma.edu. See [Disability Resource Center](#) for additional information. For more details see the PLNU catalog under [Academic Accommodations](#). Students with learning disabilities who may need accommodations should discuss options with the instructor during the first two weeks of class.

Academic Honesty

Students should demonstrate academic honesty by doing original work and by giving appropriate credit to the ideas of others. Academic dishonesty is the act of presenting information, ideas, and/or concepts as one's own when in reality they are the results of another person's creativity and effort. A faculty member who believes a situation involving academic dishonesty has been detected may assign a failing grade for that assignment or examination, or, depending on the seriousness of the offense, for the course. Faculty should follow and students may appeal using the procedure in the university Catalog. See [the catalog](#) for definitions of kinds of academic dishonesty and for further policy information.

Final Exam Policy

The final exam date and time is set by the university at the beginning of the semester and may not be changed by the instructor. This schedule can be found on the university website and in the course calendar. No requests for early examinations will be approved. Only in the case that a student is required to take three exams during the same day of finals week, is an instructor authorized to consider changing the exam date and time for that particular student.

Copyright Protected Materials

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Credit Hour

In the interest of providing sufficient time to accomplish the stated course learning outcomes, this class meets the PLNU credit hour policy for a 1-unit class delivered over 16 weeks. Specific details about how the class meets the credit hour requirements can be provided upon request. Note that if you have an online or hybrid class then you need to provide further details of the amount of time spent in various activities. We have samples in the department.

Maxima Labs

The Maxima labs will be assigned during the week and must be submitted to CANVAS the following Tuesday by 11:59 pm.

Incomplete and Late Assignment Policy

All assignments are to be submitted/turned in by the beginning of the class session when they are due—including assignments posted in Canvas. Incompletes will only be assigned in extremely unusual circumstances.

Partial Exams Policy

Make-up exams will be given only by arrangement prior to the exam scheduled date with the instructor for reasons of documented emergency.

Grade Distribution

One partial exam	25	points
Final Exam	30	points
Labs	45	points
Total	100	points

Grading Scale

Grading Scale in Percentages					
	A	B	C	D	F
+		[87.5, 90)	[77.5, 80)	[67.5, 70)	
	[92.5, 100]	[82.5, 87.5)	[72.5, 77.5)	[62.5, 67.5)	[0,60)
-	[90, 92.5)	[80, 82.5)	[70, 72.5)	[60, 62.5)	

Daily Schedule

Lab Calendar						
Week	Date	Activity		Week	Date	Activity
1	1/16/18	Lab 1		8	3/13/18	Lab 6
2	1/23/18	Lab 2		9	3/20/18	Lab 7
3	2/30/18	Lab 3		10	3/27/18	Lab 8
4	2/6/18	Lab 4		11	4/3/18	Lab 9
5	2/13/18	Lab 5		12	4/10/18	Lab 10
6	2/20/18	Review		13	4/17/18	Review
7	2/27/18	Exam 1		14	4/24/18	Final Exam