


Syllabus

 <p>POINT LOMA NAZARENE UNIVERSITY</p>	<p>Department of Mathematics, Information and Computer Sciences</p> <p>MTH4002 Topics in Geometry</p> <p>2 Units</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">Spring 2023 Quad 2</p> <p style="text-align: center;">TR 11:00 to 12:45 am in RS 295</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Final Presentations: 10:30 AM - 1:00 PM on Tuesday 2-May-2023</p>	

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PLNU Mission

To Teach ~ To Shape ~ To Send

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 is an expression of faith. Being of Wesleyan heritage, we strive 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

A study of the foundations of geometry, Affine, non-Euclidean and projective geometries. A synthetic development of advanced Euclidean geometry including geometric transformations, convexity, and constructions.

Prerequisite: Mathematics 1044 or Mathematics 1064

COURSE LEARNING OUTCOMES

- Students will be able to demonstrate facility with analytical concepts.
- Students will be able to write proofs.
- Students will be able to apply their mathematical knowledge to solve problems.

REQUIRED TEXTS

Taxicab Geometry: An Adventure in Non-Euclidean Geometry (Dover Books on Mathematics) by Eugene F. Krause

Exploring Advanced Euclidean Geometry with GeoGebra (The Mathematical Association of America) by Gerard A. Venema

COURSE CREDIT HOUR INFORMATION

In the interest of providing sufficient time to accomplish the stated Course Learning Outcomes, this class meets the PLNU credit hour policy for a 2 unit class delivered over 7.5 weeks. Specific details about how the class meets the credit hour requirement can be provided upon request. (Based on 37.5 hours of student engagement per credit hour.)

ASSESSMENT AND GRADING

Graded Components

- **Homework:** The homework is designed to allow you to master the concepts of Geometry; it is not an end in itself. Assignments will be announced on Wednesday and Friday. The work will be submitted as two portfolios. The first portfolio containing the Taxi-Cab problems will be submitted on or before Tuesday 4-April-2023. The second portfolio containing the problems from Euclidean Geometry will be submitted on or before Tuesday 2-May-2023. The penalty for late work on any of the portfolio submissions will be a 2^{n-1} -10% deduction where n = the number of weekdays



late. The day counter for late work begins at the start of class on the weekday it is due. For example, a portfolio submitted at 3:30pm on the Wednesday after the due date will incur a two day late penalty deduction of 20%.

- **Examinations and the Final Examination.** Examinations and the Final Examination will include problems and questions over material assigned in the text, readings and handouts, as well as material presented in class. No examination shall be missed without prior consent or a well-documented emergency beyond your control. A score of zero will be assigned for an examination that is missed without prior consent or a well-documented emergency beyond your control. 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.
- **Late work will be accepted** (subject to the deductions listed in the Homework paragraph above).
- The examination schedule is included in the daily schedule. This instructor does not intend to accept excuses such as poor communication with parents, benefactors, surf team sponsors and/or travel agents.

Grading Distribution	Percent
Mid-Term Examination	20
Final Exam	35
First Portfolio	15
Second Portfolio	30
Total	100

Grading Scale

Grades are based on the number of points accumulated throughout the course with the following exception. A student must pass at least one of Exam 1, Exam 2, or the Final Exam in order to pass the class. That is, a score of 60% must be achieved on one of the Exams, or else the final grade will be an F regardless of all other point totals. Approximate minimal percentages required to obtain a given grade are:



Standard Grade Scale Based on 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	

STATE AUTHORIZATION

State authorization is a formal determination by a state that Point Loma Nazarene University is approved to conduct activities regulated by that state. In certain states outside California, Point Loma Nazarene University is not authorized to enroll online (distance education) students. If a student moves to another state after admission to the program and/or enrollment in an online course, continuation within the program and/or course will depend on whether Point Loma Nazarene University is authorized to offer distance education courses in that state. It is the student's responsibility to notify the institution of any change in his or her physical location. Refer to the map on [State Authorization \(https://www.pointloma.edu/offices/office-institutional-effectiveness-research/disclosures\)](https://www.pointloma.edu/offices/office-institutional-effectiveness-research/disclosures) to view which states allow online (distance education) outside of California.

INCOMPLETES AND LATE ASSIGNMENTS

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.

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.

PLNU COPYRIGHT POLICY

Point Loma Nazarene University, as a non-profit educational institution, is entitled by law to use materials protected by the US Copyright Act for classroom education. Any use of those materials outside the class may violate the law.



PLNU ACADEMIC HONESTY POLICY

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 **Academic Policies** (<http://catalog.pointloma.edu/content.php?catoid=18&navoid=1278>) for definitions of kinds of academic dishonesty and for further policy information.

PLNU ACADEMIC ACCOMMODATIONS POLICY

PLNU is committed to providing equal opportunity for participation in all its programs, services, and activities. Students with disabilities may request course-related accommodations by contacting the Educational Access Center (EAC), located in the Bond Academic Center (EAC@pointloma.edu (<https://mail.google.com/mail/?view=cm&fs=1&tf=1&to=EAC@pointloma.edu>) or 619-849-2486). Once a student's eligibility for an accommodation has been determined, the EAC will issue an academic accommodation plan ("AP") to all faculty who teach courses in which the student is enrolled each semester.

PLNU highly recommends that students speak with their professors during the first two weeks of each semester/term about the implementation of their AP in that particular course and/or if they do not wish to utilize some or all of the elements of their AP in that course.

Students who need accommodations for a disability should contact the EAC as early as possible (i.e., ideally before the beginning of the semester) to assure appropriate accommodations can be provided. It is the student's responsibility to make the first contact with the EAC.

PLNU ATTENDANCE AND PARTICIPATION POLICY

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 **Academic Policies** (<http://catalog.pointloma.edu/content.php?catoid=18&navoid=1278>) for further information about class attendance.

SPIRITUAL CARE



Please be aware PLNU strives to be a place where you grow as whole persons. To this end, we provide resources for our students to encounter God and grow in their Christian faith. If students have questions, a desire to meet with the chaplain or have prayer requests you can contact the **Office of Spiritual Development** (<https://www.pointloma.edu/offices/spiritual-development>)

FINAL EXAM - 10:30 AM - 1:00 PM on Tuesday 2-May-2023

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Spring 2023

MTH4002 Calendar

	Sun	Mon	Tuesday	Wed	Thursday	Fri	Sat
March	26	27	28	1	2 Introduction to a Non-Euclidean Geometry Taxicab Geometry Chapter 1 & 2	3	4
	5	6 Spring	7	8 Break	9	10 Week	11
	12 WK 9	13	14 Taxicab Geometry Chapters 2 & 3	15	16 Taxicab Geometry Chapters 3 & 4	17	18
	19 WK 10	20	21 Taxicab Geometry Chapters 4 & 6	22	23 Taxicab Geometry Chapter 6 Introduction to GeoGebra Venema: Section 1.2	24 Last Drops	25
	26 WK 11	27	28 Venema: Section 1.3 Venema: Section 1.4	29	30 Venema: Section 2.2 Venema: Section 2.3	31	1
April	2	3	4 Venema: Section 2.4 Due: First Portfolio (Taxicab Geometry Problems) Mid-Term Exam	5	6 Easter Recess	7 Easter Recess	8
	9 WK 12 Easter	10	11 Venema: Section 2.5 Venema: Section 4.1	12	13 Venema: Section 4.2 Venema: Section 4.3	14	15
	16 WK 14	17	18 Venema: Section 5.1 Venema: Section 5.2	19	20 Venema: Section 5.3 Venema: Section 7.1 & 7.2	21	22
	23 WK 15	24	25 Venema: Section 7.3 Venema: Section 8.1	26	27 Venema: Section 13.1 & 13.3 Venema: Section 14.1	28	29
	30 WK 16	1	2 Final Exam 10:30 AM – 1:00 PM Due: Second Portfolio (Euclidean Geometry Problems)	3	4	5	6