

**Department of Mathematics and Statistics**  
**MAT 250 — Calculus and Analytic Geometry 1 — Spring 2015**

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**Course Description:** First course in calculus develops main ideas of differentiation and integration of single-variable functions. Topics include limits, continuity, techniques of differentiation, graphing techniques, definite and indefinite integral, basic integration methods, and applications of the derivative and integral to natural and social sciences. (5 credit hours)

**Prerequisites:** ACT math standard score of at least 26 or MAT 150 or MAT 140/145

**Course Objectives:** The student will learn the basic concepts and techniques of calculus, as well as some applications. Primary skills to be acquired involve calculating limits, derivatives and integrals, and applying these concepts to simple real-world problems.

**Instructional Activities:** Lectures and problem solving.

**Field, Clinical, Laboratory Experiences, Resources:** None.

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**Course webpage:** (A link to this has also been placed on Canvas.)

<http://campus.murraystate.edu/academic/faculty/divansic/15spring/250home.html>

**Office Hours:** Ask me or check the webpage.

**Textbook & Content Outline:** J. Stewart, Essential Calculus: Early Transcendentals, 2nd edition. We plan to cover chapters 1–6 of “Essential Calculus”.

**Homework:** To promote a continuous effort in the course, homework problems will be assigned. Typically, a section will be assigned once we have covered it and selected problems will be discussed in class. The list of homework problems may be found on the webpage. A smaller portion of the homework problems is to be written up and handed in. In order to succeed in the course you will need to work on all the problems, since test problems will be based on *all* problems assigned for homework and those done in class, not just the ones you hand in.

The problems that you hand in should be reasonably neat and all the sheets should be stapled together. You do not have to write the statement of the problem, but should write brief explanations in words where necessary and should follow rules of “mathematical grammar” when writing. Points will be taken off if these guidelines are not followed or if the homework is late.

**Don’t fall behind:** Calculus 1 develops essential calculus ideas (e.g. the limit, derivative and integral) and their applications. In this course you will see and do a number of things you may have seen before, but don’t think that you can do them independently until you have made sure by working out problems on your own. Knowledge of college algebra and trigonometry are essential in this course. Make sure you review the parts that you feel rusty with.

Mathematics is best learned by doing and to acquire proficiency it is essential that you do many homework problems. For quality results, expect to spend at least one to two hours of study time for every hour of class time. If some things aren’t clear to you, see me for help as soon as possible and not the day before the exam.

**Attendance:** Students are expected to adhere to the MSU Attendance Policy outlined in the current MSU Bulletins. Attendance is strongly encouraged every day, and roll will be taken. If you missed ten or fewer classes during the semester, you get 3% bonus points. Note that you are not penalized for missing a class (the points are in excess of your total grade), so an absence is counted as such regardless of the reason (“excused” or not).

**Seating:** If there are seats available in the front rows of the classroom, no one will be allowed to sit in the back rows.

