

Course Information for MATH 103 Lab

Friday 1:00PM-2:40PM

Information about me:

My name is Chia-yen Tsai and you may refer to me as Chia-yen. My office hours will be Wednesday 1PM-2PM in 341 Illini Hall (my office). My email address is: ctsai6@uiuc.edu

Attendance:

Attendance is expected and required. See the syllabus (from lecture) for more specific details regarding attendance. Many topics are covered in the labs that are preparatory for the exams. It is important that you be here to learn about these topics.

ONLY Instructor Purkayastha can excuse absences, and all labs must be made up with her. Please get in touch with her if you miss a lab.

Professionalism:

Being on time is critical in every field, especially in education, so you are strongly encouraged to start practicing that skill now. I understand that the University of Illinois is a big place, so please let me know of any conflicts ahead of time that may hinder your capability to arrive on time. Being more than 10 minutes late will affect your lab participation grade.

Responsibility:

You are responsible for your own learning. You must put forth an effort in labs to do well in the course. Although you work in groups on the labs, you will not learn the material if you do not try to contribute to your group.

Similarly, you must put forth an effort on the homework. Attempt every problem. Not knowing how to start solving a problem is a sign that you need to see either me or Mrs. Purkayastha for additional help. Don't wait for the last minute!

Respect:

Typically, each member of a group has varying mathematical abilities. Please be respectful of this. If a member of your group is struggling, please help him or her out. With the exception of calculators, electronic devices cannot be used during labs and *must be turned off during labs*. Do *not* use cell phones as calculators or clocks during labs.

Homework and Quizzes:

Homework is assigned by the lecture syllabus; however, the homework is collected at the beginning of the lab section. This is done by either a simple check for completion, a check for correct solutions, a mixture of both, or a quiz. Quizzes will usually be unannounced. There is no set ratio of these grading measures.

We are all responsible for creating a fun, stimulating and engaged classroom conducive to learning.