By now you should have found the course website: math21.stanford.edu.

Everything about the course will either be posted to that website, or quickly accessible from it.

A longer Course Policy Document (CPD) is posted on the course website, this presentation is merely a summary of the most important points!
The Course Staff

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The bookstore’s version is missing a page. (Why? Unknown.) It will be available on the course website.

You will (almost) never need a calculator.

Why? The answer “ln(2)” is much better than “0.69314718056” because it is exact.

The use of electronics (including calculators of any kind) is prohibited during exams.
The circumstances under which you would need to email any of us should be *rare*.

All administrative concerns are handled by Dr. Schaeffer.

If you have a homework question, ask it on Piazza (this is way better than emailing us).

We may post hints and clarifications to homework on Piazza as well, so make sure you’re paying some attention to it.

Homework will be submitted and graded using Gradescope. More info is posted on the course website.

Exams will also be graded using Gradescope.

We will not be using Canvas.
During a typical week there are three lectures (M/W/F), one discussion (Tu), and one homework (due Fri. at 10 AM).

Regular office hours will be posted to the course website.

The midterm exams will be held 7:00–8:30 PM on Wed., October 18th and Wed., November 15th.

The final exam will be held 7–10 PM on Mon., December 11th.

There are no lectures or office hours the week of Nov. 20th.
Homework:

- Homework: **It’s important! Do it.**
- HW is due at 10 AM on Fridays (via Gradescope) every week except Weeks 4 and 8.
- Assignments will usually consist of both book problems and supplemental problems that we write ourselves. **The supplemental problems are NOT optional.**
- Start working on the assignment, or at least read the problems early! It helps immensely.
- Your homework scores will be recorded using Gradescope.
- Assignments are submitted and graded through Gradescope. More info on the course website.
Grades

- Homework is graded by anonymous graders.
- Your lowest homework score will be dropped.
- Exams are graded by the course staff.
- If you think there’s a problem with how something is graded, there’s a form for that (linked from the course website).
- Your numerical grade is 2% Engagement/Attendance, 18% Homework, and 80% Exams (more details in the CPD).
- Letter grades are assigned using 90/80/70/60 cut-offs.
- If you’re taking the course CR/NC, a C– or above is “credit.”
- Grades will not be curved.
Extra Help

If you need extra help beyond class, office hours, and Piazza, there are various avenues open to you:

- Stanford VPTL provides free drop-in and appointment tutoring. Links are on the course website.
- I believe student-athletes have access to additional tutoring / academic support. Ask your team’s staff for details.
What to Do, Week 1

► Come to class!
► If you aren’t enrolled, fill out the *Enrollment Problems Form*.
► Make sure you’re registered with Piazza and Gradescope for the course. (Filling out the Enrollment Problems Form will get you added even if you aren’t enrolled.)
► Fill out the athletics survey, if you’re an athlete.
► If you have an OAE accommodation or a known exam conflict, email Dr. Schaeffer ASAP.
► Math Dept. policy states that all students must take each exam on the same day, with very few exceptions. (See the CPD for more details.)