
Policy on Homework and Quizzes

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In order to learn mathematics, you must **practice** it. By working through math problems you get this essential practice and in addition, both quizzes and homework give the instructor and the student feedback about their understanding of the material and their performance in the class.

How it fits in to the class

Homework and quizzes will comprise **150** points out of **900** total points (i.e. about 17% of your grade in this class). The tentative break down is as follows:

Written Homework	60 pts.
Quizzes	50 pts.
Webassign	40 pts.

Your average in each category will be scaled to obtain your overall point total.

Written Homework

Homework will be assigned regularly. Read the relevant sections of the textbook and try your best to answer each question. Generally, it will be due the second class day after it was assigned in order to allow you to get help in office hours, or in class as well. Written homework must be handed in at the **beginning of class**.

Webassign

Additionally, **Webassign** online work will be also be assigned. Check your **Webassign** account for the due dates.

The **class key** for our course is **arizona 2259 6940**

Quizzes

Quizzes will be given regularly, may be announced or unannounced, and may be given at any time during the class period.

Grading

Selected problems from the written homework will be graded. In order to receive full marks for a problem, the correct answer and all intermediate steps must be shown. This holds for quizzes as well. A few of the lowest scores will be dropped at the end of the year at the instructor's discretion.

The format

Your homework should be written neatly on 8 1/2 by 11 inch loose leaf paper – do not rip paper out of a spiral notebook. If there are multiple sheets, staple them together. Failure to comply with these rules will result in a loss of points. Write both your name and the textbook section number on each page of your homework, and write down the question number of each problem before you answer it. Answer the problems in order, and show all the work that goes into each answer. Circle or box your final answer. Illegible problems will not be graded.

Lateness

Late homework will not be accepted under any circumstances, and make-up quizzes will not be given. If you know that you will be absent from class, you must make arrangements beforehand, i.e. turn in homework early. However, I am happy to grade the work even if it's late to provide some feedback on your progress.