Math 331 Syllabus

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My Office Hours:  Monday 1:30–2:30 p.m. and Friday 1:30–2:30 p.m.
Outside of office hours, I am often available to speak with you. It is best to
make an appointment or call or email ahead. But if you cannot, just stop by.

textbook is available at the Textbook Annex.

Grading:          Hour exam 1    25% of final grade
                  Hour exam 2    25% of final grade
                  Homework      20% of final grade
                  Final exam    30% of final grade

Course Web Page:  http://www.math.umass.edu/~rsellis/Math331/Fall-2008/math331-fall08.html
Class Mailing List: math-331-01-fal08@courses.umass.edu
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Policies:         1) Attendance and on-time arrival at all classes is expected.
                  2) In a class of this size, the logistics required to handle late homework is too
                     complicated. Instead, three homework grades will be dropped from the final
                     grade. These will include the lowest grades and assignments that were not
                     handed in.
                  3) In case you must miss an hour exam or the final exam, you must notify me
                     before the exam in person, by telephone, by email, or by a message left in
                     the department. Otherwise, the score will be 0.

Your Responsibilities: Your participation is necessary in order to make this course a success. I
expect that you will attend every class, will not enter the classroom late, and will complete the
readings and homework assignments on time. In case of any problems affecting your work, please
see me when they happen. I will try to help you.