

Math 130.10Z
Intermediate Algebra for Precalculus
De Anza College
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Class Meetings: I will record lectures on the course material and make them available to you through Canvas. We will meet via Zoom (by way of a link in Canvas) on Tuesdays and Fridays from 9:30 to 10:20 pm to discuss the course material and answer questions you may have.

Office Hours: Office hours will be conducted via Zoom (by way of a link in Canvas). They will be on Tuesdays and Fridays from 1:30 to 3:10 pm.

Textbook: *Intermediate Algebra for College Students (7th edition)* by Robert Blitzer (ISBN: 978-0134178943).

Grading: Your grade in this course will be based on homework, Canvas discussions, four midterms and a comprehensive final exam, weighted as follows:

Homework and Discussions:	25%
4 Midterms:	12.5% each
Final Exam:	25%

Grade breakdowns are:

92.5% and above:	A
90 – 92.5%:	A–
87.5 – 90%:	B+
82.5 – 87.5%:	B
80 – 82.5%:	B–
77.5 – 80%:	C+
70 – 77.5%:	C
60 – 70%:	D
under 60%:	F

Homework: Homework problems from the sections we cover in class will be assigned and collected via Canvas, and will be graded on “completeness”. Make sure you upload your answers to the homework in a standard file format, with good enough resolution that I will be able to read your writing.

Discussions: For each section of the book that we cover in class, you are expected to participate in online discussions (via Canvas). For full discussion credit you should:

1. Start a discussion thread with either a question about a homework problem or a worked-out solution to a homework problem, by Monday of the following week.
2. Make substantive comments on at least two of your classmates' threads, by Wednesday of the following week.

Exams: There will be four midterms and a comprehensive final exam. The midterms are scheduled for the 4th, 6th, 9th and 11th weeks of the quarter (see dates below). All of the exams will be taken asynchronously, via Canvas.

Extra Credit? No.

Cheating Policy: Don't be a cheater. Any student caught cheating on a quiz or an exam will receive zero points on that quiz or exam, and will be reported to the Office of Student Development. The same holds for any student who allows another student to cheat.

Be courteous to your fellow students. Follow good etiquette during Zoom meetings. Anyone who repeatedly disrupts the class may be kicked out of meetings.

College Policies:

- Students *can not* take the same class more than three times for a grade, *including W*.
- Late adds and late drops *will not* be processed.

Important Dates:

Saturday, April 17 – Last day to add

Sunday, April 18 – Last day to drop with no record

Thursday, April 29 – Midterm #1

Thursday, May 13 – Midterm #2

Friday, May 28 – Last day to drop with a 'W'

Monday, May 31 – Memorial Day (holiday)

Thursday, June 3 – Midterm #3

Thursday, June 17 – Midterm #4

Friday, June 18 – Last class meeting

Tuesday, June 22 and Wednesday, June 23 – Final Exam

Student Learning Outcome(s):

*Evaluate real-world situations by applying linear, quadratic and exponential function models appropriately.

*Distinguish between and manipulate linear, quadratic and exponential models.