

# **Brief Course Outline**

| Course Title:              | Methods of finite mathematics |           |
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| Course Number and Section: | MATH                          | 1228A 551 |
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## **Course Description:**

Topics covered include sets, techniques of counting, basic probability theory, discrete and continuous random variables.

## Learning Outcomes:

Obtain the technical skills to approach quantitative problems

Communicate effectively using the language of mathematics relevant to the course

Understand sets, their operations, and their cardinalities

Determine the number of possible choices for a given situation using the appropriate counting techniques (permutations, combinations, etc.)

Understand the basic concepts of probability theory, and use them to determine the probability of simple events

Use random variables and their distribution functions to compute the probabilities of more complex events

## **Textbooks and Course Materials:**

A custom textbook (Methods of Finite Math by V. Olds) will be posted online on the OWL course website.

## **Methods Of Evaluation:**

| Assignment  | Due Date mm/dd/yy | Weight - % |
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| Online Quizzes (OWL) - 6<br>throughout the term, only<br>the best 5 count towards<br>the course grade |                   | 20         |
| Assignment 1 (OWL)  | 10/21/2024        | 20         |

| Assignment                            | Due Date mm/dd/yy | Weight - % |
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| Assignment 2 (OWL)                    | 11/22/2024        | 15         |
| Final exam                            |                   | 40         |
| Best among assignments and final exam |                   | 5          |

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