Course Name: Finite Mathematics (MATH 2053)  
Software: Microsoft Excel  
Other Requirements: Turning Technology Clicker  
Instructor info and office hours: See Blackboard

**Textbook and Software:** Most homework, quizzes, and tests/exams are accessed with Pearson Math Software MYLABSPLUS (MLP). An electronic version of the textbook is available within MLP. The cost for MLP will be automatically charged to your university account. This allows instant access and a cheaper price for students. If you have already purchased access to MLP for finite mathematics – either through another retailer or because you have taken finite mathematics at this university previously – you may opt-out of this charge. Instructions and the deadline to opt-out can be found in the email you were sent by the U of A bookstore about the program.

**Accessing your Math Course with Single Sign On:**
- Generally, you will access your course through Blackboard (BB) by going to learn.uark.edu. Log in using your university email login and password. There will be an option (a button or link) that will directly sign you in to MLP and allow you to work on your homework, quizzes, or tests/exams.
- If there is ever a time when Blackboard is NOT working and you can access the course at uark.bb.mylabsplus. Your login is your university email without the @uark.edu part. The first time you do this, you will click on “forgot password” and the directions for resetting your MLP password will be sent to your uark email. It is recommended that you set up this password at the beginning of the semester.

**Problems with Software:** If you cannot access your MLP course, consult the “What to do if you have issues with MLP” document in Blackboard and under Course Documents in MLP. You can also call the Pearson Helpline at 888-883-1299.

**Communication of Information:** All necessary course information will be provided to you. It is your responsibility to read it. You are expected to have read and be familiar with the information in this syllabus and the frequently asked questions (FAQ) document available in MLP and Blackboard. You are also expected to check your university email on a daily basis and read any announcements that are sent to you. Being unaware of the information provided to you is not an excuse and may negatively impact your grade. Contact your instructor if you have any questions.

**Course Entry Quiz:** You must score 100% on this course entry quiz before you can work in MLP. If you have questions about the quiz content, contact your instructor immediately.

**Pre-Class Assignments:** Prior to most classes you will have a pre-class assignment composed of videos and problems to prepare you for the class. There will be clicker quizzes at the beginning of each class over these assignments. Pre-class assignments can be worked after the due date for half credit.

**Clicker Quiz:** The clicker quiz is a single quiz with questions spread throughout the semester. Generally, a few questions of the quiz will be answered at the beginning of each class period via the clicker over material from the recent pre-class assignment(s). Additional quiz questions will also often be answered at the end of class. The points for each class period will be added together at the end of the semester to create one single quiz grade. Points are awarded for correct answers, not for participation. Your clicker must be registered and licensed to receive points.
**Attendance:** Students are expected to attend all classes; however, we understand that unexpected circumstances sometimes occur that may prevent you from making it to every class. Instead of “excusing” absences, we instead drop a reasonable number of days’ worth of clicker quiz points to account for such circumstances. Should you be forced to miss an unusually high number of days, please contact your instructor as early as possible.

**Homework:** Before starting homework you must complete the Course Entry Quiz and the MyLabsPlus Orientation homework. All homework assignments are done on the computer. The computer grades the homework and posts your score in the Gradebook. You may work on each assignment to improve your grade until it is due by clicking on the Assignments navigational tab on the opening page of the course. Each homework problem will be limited to 10 attempts.

**Special note about fractions versus decimals for answers:** If the answer is not an integer and the program does not indicate that it will accept a decimal then the answer should be written as a fraction in reduced form. In general all answers should be integers or fractions unless otherwise specified.

**Online Quizzes:** There are ten graded online quizzes that you will take outside of class time using the MYLABSPLUS (MLP) software. You will have 3 attempts for each outside of class quiz and the highest score is counted as your grade for the quiz. There are no make-ups for missed online quizzes. At least one online quiz will be dropped. Each quiz requires a certain percentage on the homework for the test before you can access it and must be completed by the date and time listed. The required percentage will vary for each quiz. It is your responsibility to check the requirements for each quiz. It is your responsibility to keep up with the due dates on the online coursework. It is a violation of academic honesty to receive assistance while taking a quiz. This includes working with other students on a quiz.

**Prerequisite for Each Test:** Each test requires a score of at least 90% on the unit homework for the test before you will be allowed to take the test. The program will not allow you access to the test until you have a 90% on the Homework for the test.

**Testing:** There are four 100 point tests. You must score at least 90% on the homework for each test in order to take the test. You will be allowed 75 minutes for each test. The test is designed to take 50 minutes but 10 minutes is added to compensate for the extra time needed for typing in your answers and another 15 minutes is allowed for possible computer, internet, or other problems. If you experience an issue during your test that lasts less than 15 minutes, you will not be given any additional time to complete the test. If the problem lasts for more than 15 minutes, you will be instructed what to do. The tests and final will be taken in the MRTC Testing Center, CHPN 327 on the scheduled dates. The tentative testing dates are listed below and if changes are made you will be notified on the homepage of the MLP course. The hours of operation for the MRTC Testing Center will be posted outside the MRTC Testing Center. There are a limited number of computers in the MRTC Testing Center and they are available as first come first served. You must show your university issued ID in order to take a test.

If you take all 4 tests, you have the option of re-taking one of your tests at the end of the semester to replace your previous grade. See the course FAQ for more information.

**Final Exam:** The final exam will be taken on the computer in the MRTC Testing Center. You will have 100 minutes (this includes the 15 minutes for internet problems noted under the Testing heading) to complete the exam.

**Make-Up Tests:** If you miss a test, please contact your instructor as soon as possible. Most make-up tests will be given at the end of the semester in the MRTC Testing Center (CHPN 327). There will be no partial credit or
pink sheets on make-up tests. There are additional pre-requisites required for the Make-Up Test. See the FAQ document for more information on make-up tests.

**Testing Center Academic Policy:** The only items allowed at the testing computer are a pen/pencil, the provided calculator, the official testing lab scratch paper and your student ID. No belongings, including purses, backpacks, and internet enabled or smart devices (cell phone, smart watch, tablet, etc.) may be brought into the testing center. There is space allotted for such materials on the shelves in the Testing Center or in the lockable lockers outside of CHPN 327. A violation of this policy could result in a non-replaceable zero on the quiz/test/exam being taken. Read the full testing center policy document (available in Blackboard and MLP) before using the Testing center.

**Pre-Requisites:** Many course assignments have pre-requisites that you must complete prior to being able to access the assignment. These assignments are marked with a green flag in MLP. To find out what the pre-requisites are, hover your mouse over the green flag. When you have met the pre-requisite(s), the green flag is removed.

**CALCULATOR POLICY:** For the tests on the computer you will be allowed to use a TI-84 calculator that will be provided to you at the testing center. You will not be allowed to use your own calculator on tests. You should be familiar working with a TI-84 calculator as the proctors cannot answer any questions about the operation of the calculators during a test. It is strongly recommended that you use a TI-84 when doing your online homework and quizzes.

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MLP Gradebook: The MLP Gradebook can take up to 12 hours to update your scores. Therefore you must have the required prerequisite homework completed at least 12 hours before you plan to take a quiz or test/exam. Grades in the MLP Gradebook are approximations of your actual grade.

**Determination of grades:**

Four tests = 40% of the final grade  
Final exam = 20% of the final grade  
Pre-class, homework, quizzes, and participation = 40% of the final grade

- Pre-class Assignment (20 @ 3 pts)  60  
- Homework (4 @ 25 pts)  100  
- Quizzes (10 @ 10 pts)  100  
- Participation  
  - Clicker Quiz  100  
  - Finance Project  20  
  - Statistics Project  20  
- Tests (4 @ 100pts)  400  
- Final  200  
- Total  1000

**Grading Scale:** The final letter grade is based on the following percentage scale:

- A = 90.0%-100%; B = 80.0%-89.9%; C = 70.0%-79.9%; D = 60.0%-69.9%; F = 0-59.9%

**Academic Honesty Policy:** As a core part of its mission, the University of Arkansas provides students with the opportunity to further their educational goals through programs of study and research in an environment that promotes freedom of inquiry and academic responsibility. Accomplishing this mission is only possible when intellectual honesty and individual integrity prevail. Each University of Arkansas student is required to be familiar with and abide by the University's Academic Integrity Policy which may be found at [http://honesty.uark.edu/](http://honesty.uark.edu/). Students with questions about how these policies apply to a particular course or assignment should immediately contact their instructor.

Students must be physically present in the classroom to earn points for the clicker quiz. An attempt to earn points while not physically present in the classroom is considered academic dishonesty. This includes, but is not limited to, clicking in for another student or asking/allowing another student to click in for you for any reason. If any such event occurs for any clicker quiz question, it will be reported as an Academic Integrity violation and may result, at a minimum, in a zero on the entire clicker quiz.

**Accommodations:** Under University Policy and federal and state law, students with documented disabilities are entitled to reasonable accommodations to ensure the student has an equal opportunity to perform in class. If any member of the class has such a disability and needs special academic accommodations, you can request services from the Center for Educational Access (CEA) at [http://cea.uark.edu](http://cea.uark.edu). Reasonable accommodations may be arranged after CEA has verified your disability. Do not hesitate to contact your teacher or the course coordinator if any assistance is needed in this process. Students requesting accommodations must meet with the coordinator at least one week in advance to set up and discuss accommodations.

**University Sponsored Event Absences:** Students who must miss a test for a university sponsored event must alert their instructor and the course coordinator (Brian Rickard, brickar@uark.edu) at least one week prior to leaving town or missing the test, whichever comes first. As quizzes and homework are completed online and
open well in advance, students are expected to complete these assignments on time. If you will only miss a few days due to university sponsored events, the general attendance policy will apply. If you will miss more than a few days, please contact your instructor. Keep track of all class dates missed and the reason.