Course Information for 408C  
John Luecke, Spring 2006

_instructor and T. A._ The course instructor is John Luecke. My office is R.L.M 12.122. I will hold office hours from 5-6 on Wednesday, 2-3 on Thursday, and 3-4 on Friday. If you can’t make these times and want to come by, feel free to make an appointment with me. My office telephone is 471-4176 and email is luecke@math.utexas.edu. The teaching assistant is Nancy Lin. Her office is RLM 11.156 and office hours are Monday 3:30-5 and Tuesday 9:30-11.

_text._ Calculus, James Stewart, fifth edition, Brooks/Cole. The course will cover most of the first eight chapters. You are encouraged to look at other texts or supplements if you do not find Stewart very clear. You can find a number of different texts in the Physics-Math-Astronomy library on the fourth floor of RLM. A very readable supplementary text is “How to ace calculus: the streetwise guide” by Adams, Hass, and Thompson (W. H. Freeman and Company).

_Course Grading._ There will be three exams given in the lecture classes, each counting 25% of your course grade. The first of these will be on Wednesday, February 22, the second on Monday, March 27, and the third on Wednesday, April 26. There will be a comprehensive final exam (Friday, May 12, 9-12n) counting 15% of your course grade. I will also count the final in place of your lowest midterm exam, should it be higher. Your homework average will count as 10% of your course grade.

_Homework._ Homework assigned each week will be due at the beginning of your Tuesday discussion section of the following week. No late homeworks will be accepted. In computing your homework average we will drop the lowest three homework scores. The best way to learn calculus is to do lots of problems and ask questions about the ones you can’t do. Because we cover a lot of material in this course and much of the material is cumulative, it is important to check whether you are really understanding the material by doing the homework. The purpose of the discussion sections in this course is to help you with these homework problems. I encourage your working together on homework problems. I would suggest looking around in the class to form a study group of two or three. The homework assignments for the week will be available on the web page: http://www.ma.utexas.edu/~luecke/M408C.html

_Other dates._ The deadline for dropping a course (for academic reasons) is March 27.

_General information on adds and drops._ The academic calendar for each semester is provided in the current Course Schedule. The following information is generally true during each new long semester. Summer courses are subject to a somewhat compressed version of this procedure:
1. Adds/Drops before the 12th class day: During the first four (1-4) class days, students may add and drop courses using TEX, the Telephone Enrollment eXchange. During days five through twelve (5-12), students may drop courses by phone, but must go to the department offering the course to seek permission to add a course. Be advised that some departments do not allow adds/drops after the fourth class day. For those departments that do allow adds/drops, the add-transactions before the twelfth class day will be processed by terminal in the respective department. Students who wish to add a class after the twelfth class day will be required to see a counselor in the Student Division of the Dean’s Office and provide justification for the proposed change. The student must have written permission and documentation of class attendance from the instructor.

2. Dropping a course during the open Q-drop period: After the end of the fourth week of class, and until the deadline for dropping courses, a student wishing to drop a course will ask the instructor to complete a drop form that assigns a Q or an F. The symbol Q indicates an average of C or better at the time of the drop, or that no grade has yet been assigned, or that due to the student’s performance and the nature of the course, no academic penalty is in order, or that for documented non-academic reasons, no academic penalty is in order.

3. Deadline for dropping a course: The deadline for dropping courses is March 27 for the Spring semester. After the deadline, students are not allowed to drop or to withdraw from school for academic reasons. If a student has compelling nonacademic reasons to drop or withdraw, a written appeal must be presented in the Student Division of the Dean’s Office. In considering these appeals, they will seek input from all of the instructors involved.

Refreshers. The Learning Skills Center in Jester A332 has many resources available – taped lectures, sample exams, drills, counseling, math anxiety workshops, tutors, a Math/Science Lab, and review sessions. LSC may be accessed on the web at http://www.utexas.edu/student/utlc. If you can’t make the sessions offered, they often have the handouts available on the web.

Students with disabilities. The University of Texas at Austin provides upon request appropriate academic accommodations for qualified students with disabilities. For more information, contact the Office of the Dean of Students at 471-6259, 471-4641 TTY.