



DEPARTMENT OF MATHEMATICS AND COMPUTER & INFORMATION SCIENCE

## DISCRETE MATHEMATICS MA3030

### Departmental Syllabus

**TEXTBOOK:** Discrete Mathematics: An Introduction to Mathematical Reasoning, 1 edition,  
by Susanna Epp, Cengage Learning;, 2011, ISBN: 9780495826170

**Prerequisite:** Grade of C or higher in Precalculus MA2090.

**COURSE DESCRIPTION:** An introduction to discrete mathematical structures. Topics include propositional and predicate logic, set theory, relations and functions, induction and recursion, algorithms and number theory, and graphs and trees.

**COURSE OBJECTIVES:** This course is designed to provide the mathematical foundations for upper level computer science and mathematics courses. Students should learn the essentials of discrete mathematical structures and how to think and reason mathematically. To accomplish these objectives, the course emphasizes mathematical reasoning and problem solving techniques. After successful completion of the course students should be able to communicate ideas mathematically and solve problems using the mathematical tools learned.

**COURSE EVALUATION & GRADING:** Your grade will be based on midterm exams, quizzes, class work, homework, and Final Exam. The Final exam is cumulative and it counts at least 30% of the course grade. The grading scale is as follows:

<b>A</b> = [94, 100]	<b>B<sup>+</sup></b> = [87, 89]	<b>C<sup>+</sup></b> = [77, 79]	<b>D<sup>+</sup></b> = [67, 69]	
<b>A<sup>-</sup></b> = [90, 93]	<b>B</b> = [84, 86]	<b>C</b> = [74, 76]	<b>D</b> = [64, 66]	<b>F</b> = [0, 59]
	<b>B<sup>-</sup></b> = [80, 83]	<b>C<sup>-</sup></b> = [70, 73]	<b>D<sup>-</sup></b> = [60, 63]	

**TUTORIAL:** Drop-in tutorial is available in the Mathematics Learning Center.

**ACCOMMODATIONS FOR STUDENTS WITH SPECIAL NEEDS:** If you have or suspect you may have a physical, psychological, medical or learning disability that may impact your course work, please contact Stacey DeFelice, Director, The Office of Services for Students with Disabilities (OSSD), NAB, 2065, Phone: 516-628-5666, Fax (516) 876-3005, TTD: (516) 876-3083. E-mail: defelices@oldwestbury.edu. The office will help you determine if you qualify for accommodations and assist you with the process of accessing them. All support services are free and all contacts with the OSSD are strictly confidential.

## TOPICS TO BE COVERED

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### THE LOGIC OF COMPOUND STATEMENTS

- Introduction to Sets
- Logical Form and Logical Equivalence
- Conditional Statements
- Valid and Invalid Arguments

### THE LOGIC OF QUANTIFIED STATEMENTS

- Predicates and Quantified Statements I
- Predicates and Quantified Statements II
- Statements with Multiple Quantifiers

### ELEMENTARY NUMBER THEORY AND METHODS OF PROOF

- Direct Proof and Counterexample I: Introduction
- Direct Proof and Counterexample II: Rational Numbers
- Direct Proof and Counterexample III: Divisibility
- Direct Proof and Counterexample IV: Division into Cases and the Quotient-Remainder Theorem
- Indirect Argument: Contradiction and Contraposition

### SEQUENCES, MATHEMATICAL INDUCTION, AND RECURSION

- Sequences
- Mathematical Induction I
- Mathematical Induction II
- Defining Sequences Recursively
- Solving Recurrence Relations by Iteration

### SET THEORY

- Set Theory: Definitions and the Element Method of Proof
- Properties of Sets
- Disproofs and Algebraic Proofs

### FUNCTIONS

- Functions Defined on General Sets
- One-to-one, Onto, Inverse Functions
- Composition of Functions

### RELATIONS

- Relations on Sets
- Reflexivity, Symmetry, and Transitivity
- Equivalence Relations

### GRAPHS AND TREES

- Graphs: An Introduction
- Trails, Paths, and Circuits
- Matrix Representations of Graphs
- Isomorphisms of Graphs
- Trees: Examples and Basic Properties
- Rooted Trees