### **School of Information and Physical Sciences**

**MATH2340: Linearity and Continuity 1** 

Callaghan
Semester 1 - 2024



# OVERVIEW Course Description A deeper understanding and experience in the formulation of well-reasoned mathematics is developed in this course. Topics in linear algebra and introductory analysis provide specific

reasoned mathematics is developed in this course. Topics in linear algebra and introductory analysis provide specific knowledge and skills for later studies in mathematics. The focus of the course is on the concepts of linearity and continuity which are fundamental for higher mathematics and its applications.

Academic Progress Requirements

Nil

**Requisites**Students must have successfully completed MATH1120 or MATH1220 before they can enrol in this course.

Contact Hours Callaghan Lecture

Face to Face On Campus

3 hour(s) per week(s) for 13 week(s) starting Week 1

Workshop

Face to Face On Campus

1 hour(s) per week(s) for 13 week(s) starting Week 1

Unit Weighting Workload

10

Students are required to spend on average 120-140 hours of effort (contact and non-contact) including assessments per 10

unit course.



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## **SYLLABUS**

**Course Content** 

- Formal mathematics and proof, including quantifiers, deductive reasoning, proof by induction, proof by contradiction.
- Linear Algebra of vectors and matrices, including vector spaces, bases, linear transformations, eigenvectors and diagonalisation.
- Introductory analysis, including sequences, series, convergence and continuity and metric spaces.

Course Learning Outcomes

On successful completion of this course, students will be able to:

- 1. Solve mathematical problems using linear algebra and introductory analysis
- 2. Communicate convincing and reasoned mathematical arguments
- 3. Use formal processes and language in presenting solutions to mathematical problems.

**Course Materials** 

## **SCHEDULE**



## **ASSESSMENTS**

This course has 5 assessments. Each assessment is described in more detail in the sections below.

	Assessment Name	Due Date	Involvement	Weighting	Learning Outcomes
1	Assignments	Friday of Weeks 4 and 10	Individual	10%	1, 2, 3
2	Examination	Thursday class in Week 7	Individual	20%	1, 2, 3
3	Formal Examination	Formal examination period	Individual	50%	1, 2, 3
4	Online quiz	Due dates for the online quizzes will be communicated via Canvas.	Individual	10%	1, 3
5	Weekly workshop discussion	At the end of each workshop (oral quizzes).	Individual	10%	1, 2

**Late Submissions** The mark for an assessment item submitted after the designated time on the due date, without

an approved extension of time, will be reduced by 10% of the possible maximum mark for that assessment item for each day or part day that the assessment item is late. Note: this

applies equally to week and weekend days.

#### **Assessment 1 - Assignments**

Assessment Type Written Assignment

Purpose To help students measure their understanding of course material, and to provide feedback

on progress.

**Description** An articulate and concise document which conveys evidence-based understanding of the

concepts and topics.

Weighting 10%

**Due Date** Friday of Weeks 4 and 10

Submission Method In Class

Assessment Criteria Correctness of solution and clarity of explanation

Return Method In Class

**Feedback Provided** Returned Work - Two weeks after submission.

**Opportunity to**Students WILL NOT be given the opportunity to reattempt this assessment. **Reattempt** 

#### **Assessment 2 - Examination**

Assessment Type In Term Test

Purpose To test the students' knowledge of the course material and their ability to describe, analyse

and hypothesise from this material.

**Description** An invigilated test held in class with multiple part questions requiring written answers.

Weighting 20%

Length 100 minutes

**Due Date** Thursday class in Week 7

Submission Method In Class

Assessment Criteria Correctness of solution and clarity of explanation

Return Method In Class

**Feedback Provided** Returned Work - Two weeks after submission.

**Opportunity to** Students WILL NOT be given the opportunity to reattempt this assessment.

Reattempt

#### **Assessment 3 - Formal Examination**

Assessment Type Formal Examination

**Purpose**To test the individual student's knowledge of the course and their ability to describe, analyse

and hypothesise from this material.

**Description** The final exam duration is two hours. It will consist of questions with multiple parts requiring

short answers, calculations and explanations.

Weighting 50°

**Length** 120 minutes + 10 minutes reading time

**Due Date** Formal examination period



**Submission Method** 

Formal Exam

**Assessment Criteria Return Method** 

Correctness and completeness of solution and clarity of explanation

Feedback Provided Opportunity to

Not Returned No Feedback - .

Students WILL NOT be given the opportunity to reattempt this assessment.

#### Assessment 4 - Online quiz

**Assessment Type** 

Online Learning Activity

**Purpose** 

Reattempt

Mostly formative. To encourage engagement in the workshop and provide weekly feedback

on students' progress.

**Description** 

Online quizzes (10%) will be conducted through Canvas. The availability and due dates of online guizzes will be communicated via Canvas. They are multiple choice guestions. There will be 11 online guizzes and the best 10 out of 11 will be counted in determining your overall

final mark.

Weighting **Due Date** 

10%

Due dates for the online quizzes will be communicated via Canvas.

**Submission Method** 

**Assessment Criteria** 

Correct answers to multiple choice questions

**Return Method Feedback Provided**  Online Online - .

Opportunity to Reattempt

Students WILL NOT be given the opportunity to reattempt this assessment.

#### Assessment 5 - Weekly workshop discussion

Assessment Type

Tutorial / Laboratory Exercises

**Purpose** 

Mostly formative. To encourage engagement in the workshop and provide weekly feedback

on students' progress.

**Description** 

Brief oral quizzes (10%) will be conducted during each workshop. There will be 11 oral

quizzes and the best 10 out of 11 will be counted in determining your overall final mark.

Weighting 10%

**Due Date** At the end of each workshop (oral quizzes). In Class

**Submission Method** 

**Assessment Criteria** 

Demonstrated engagement and coherent verbal explanations for oral quizzes. In Class

Return Method Feedback Provided

In Class - Immediately.

Opportunity to

Reattempt

Students WILL NOT be given the opportunity to reattempt this assessment.

## ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

#### **Grading Scheme**

This course is graded as follows:

Range of Marks	Grade	Description		
85-100	High Distinction (HD)	Outstanding standard indicating comprehensive knowledge and understanding of the relevant materials; demonstration of an outstanding level of academic achievement; mastery of skills*; and achievement of all assessment objectives.		
75-84	Distinction (D)	Excellent standard indicating a very high level of knowledge and understanding of the relevant materials; demonstration of a very high level of academic ability; sound development of skills*; and achievement of all assessment objectives.		
(C) understanding of the r		Good standard indicating a high level of knowledge and understanding of the relevant materials; demonstration of a high level of academic achievement; reasonable development of skills*; and achievement of all learning outcomes.		
50-64	Pass (P)	Satisfactory standard indicating an adequate knowledge and understanding of the relevant materials; demonstration of an adequate level of academic achievement; satisfactory		

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		development of skills*; and achievement of all learning outcomes.	
0-49	Fail (FF)	Failure to satisfactorily achieve learning outcomes. If compulsory course components are not completed the m will be zero. A fail grade may also be awarded follow disciplinary action.	

<sup>\*</sup>Skills are those identified for the purposes of assessment task(s).

# Communication Methods

Communication methods used in this course include:

#### **Course Evaluation**

Each year feedback is sought from students and other stakeholders about the courses offered in the University for the purposes of identifying areas of excellence and potential improvement.

#### Oral Interviews (Vivas)

As part of the evaluation process of any assessment item in this course an oral examination (viva) may be conducted. The purpose of the oral examination is to verify the authorship of the material submitted in response to the assessment task. The oral examination will be conducted in accordance with the principles set out in the <a href="Oral Examination (viva) Procedure">Oral Examination (viva) Procedure</a>. In cases where the oral examination reveals the assessment item may not be the student's own work the case will be dealt with under the <a href="Student Conduct Rule">Student Conduct Rule</a>.

#### **Academic Misconduct**

All students are required to meet the academic integrity standards of the University. These standards reinforce the importance of integrity and honesty in an academic environment. Academic Integrity policies apply to all students of the University in all modes of study and in all locations. For the Student Academic Integrity Policy, refer to https://policies.newcastle.edu.au/document/view-current.php?id=35.

# Adverse Circumstances

The University acknowledges the right of students to seek consideration for the impact of allowable adverse circumstances that may affect their performance in assessment item(s). Applications for special consideration due to adverse circumstances will be made using the online Adverse Circumstances system where:

- 1. the assessment item is a major assessment item; or
- 2. the assessment item is a minor assessment item and the Course Co-ordinator has specified in the Course Outline that students may apply the online Adverse Circumstances system;
- 3. you are requesting a change of placement; or
- 4. the course has a compulsory attendance requirement.

Before applying you must refer to the Adverse Circumstance Affecting Assessment Items Procedure available at:

https://policies.newcastle.edu.au/document/view-current.php?id=236

# Important Policy Information

The Help button in the Canvas Navigation menu contains helpful information for using the Learning Management System. Students should familiarise themselves with the policies and procedures at https://www.newcastle.edu.au/current-students/respect-at-uni/policies-and-procedures that support a safe and respectful environment at the University.

This course outline was approved by the Head of School. No alteration of this course outline is permitted without Head of School approval. If a change is approved, students will be notified and an amended course outline will be provided in the same manner as the original.

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