

# Math 361/Course syllabus

2012W Term 1 (Sept-Dec, 2012)

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## Instructor information

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**Course textbook (required):** A Course in Mathematical Biology: Quantitative Modeling with Mathematical and Computational. Gerda de Vries, Thomas Hillen, Mark Lewis, Birgitt Schönfisch, Johannes Muller. [ISBN 0898716128](#).

## Prerequisites

One of BIOL 301, MATH 215, MATH 255, MATH 256, MATH 265.

## Marking scheme

- [Assignments](#) 20%
- Midterm 30%
- Final exam 50%

## Assignments

- are to be handed in at the start of class on the due date or delivered to the Mathematics office (where it will be time-stamped) before the start of class if you can't attend class that day,
- should NOT be slipped under the instructor's office door,
- must be stapled together when longer than a single page,
- should be neat and legible - communicating your answer clearly is essential and can cost you points when unclear.

### **Independent work**

You are encouraged to work in groups on homework assignments although independent effort is also crucial to learning. However, any misrepresentation of another person's work as your own is considered to be academic dishonesty. In particular, directly copying someone else's homework will be treated as a violation of UBC's Academic Integrity Code. See [the UBC regulations of plagiarism](#) for details.

### **Midterm absences, late or non-existent homework**

If you are unable to attend the midterms, you must notify your instructor by Sept. 19 with a legitimate reason or provide professional documentation of any medical emergency etc. within two days of the exam date. In either of these two cases (and only in these two cases), suitable accommodations will be made. Undocumented absence from the midterm will be given a score of zero.

No late homework will be accepted.

### **Registration**

Add/drop forms must be brought to the math department office. The instructor's signature is neither sufficient nor necessary on an add/drop form. See the Mathematics Department [registration information page](#) for more information.

### **Re-marking requests**

If you feel that a returned homework assignment or midterm is incorrectly marked, you can appeal that mark by writing a note that details your concern, attaching it to the assignment, and resubmitting it to the instructor with one week of the return of the marked assignment. The note should include a summary of what you feel was incorrectly evaluated with some justification of the claim.

**Class etiquette:** Cell phones should be turned off during class. Use of laptops in class is acceptable when computer software is being discussed but not otherwise unless you use it for taking notes.