

# Ojakian's MTH 23.5 Syllabus

Due to the changing nature of our social situation (i.e. Covid-19) and the newness of online teaching, it IS possible for some parts of the syllabus to change during the semester. If that happens you will be clearly informed in class and by email.

## 1. GENERAL COURSE INFORMATION

**Instructor:** Kerry Ojakian (*Email:* ojakianteaching@gmail.com).

**Website:** <http://fsw01.bcc.cuny.edu/kerry.ojakian/TeachingPages/TeachingMainPage.html>

**Books:**

- OpenStax Statistics Textbook (online at the website)
- MTH 05 Lecture Notes (Fall 2016) by Andrew McInerney (online at the website)
- MTH 05 Lecture Notes by Uma Iyer (online at the website)

## 2. TESTS

- There will be 3 in-class tests during the semester, and a fourth exam (the final exam), after the semester. The lowest of your 3 in-class tests will be dropped completely. The final exam cannot be dropped.
- For each test, you are responsible for all material covered prior to it. The final exam will be comprehensive, covering all the course material.
- There are no make-up exams.

## 3. HOMEWORK

- Most homework will be done using the online homework system Webwork, generally assigned at every class meeting. You are effectively allowed to skip a few problems without penalty (in fact I will add 5% to your Webwork grade at the end of the semester, though it cannot go above 100%).
- Before each of the 3 tests, there will be a handwritten review homework. All 3 of these homeworks will count; none of them will be dropped.

## 4. GROUP WORK

- We will have regular group assignments in class, where you will work with other students in the class. They will be worth 5 points, with a possible grade of 3, 4, or 5.
- If you are not present for a class when a group assignment is handed out, you will receive a 0 for that assignment.
- Your lowest group assignment grade will be dropped.

## 5. OFFICE HOURS

Times listed at my webpage. All office hours can be attended in person at CPH 120 or online via a Zoom link at Blackboard.

## 6. GRADING POLICY

Your final numerical grade will be determined as follows:

- (a) Final Exam: 25%
- (b) In-Class Tests: 35% (i.e. your 2 highest tests count 17.5% each)
- (c) Homework: 25%
- (d) Group Work: 15%

From the final numerical grade, the guaranteed minimum term grade is as follows:

A- for 90 or above, B- for 80 or above, C- for 70 or above, D- for 60 or above

## 7. ACCOMMODATIONS/DISABILITIES

BCC respects and welcomes students of all backgrounds and abilities. In the event you encounter any barrier(s) to full participation in this course due to the impact of a disability, please contact DisAbility Services as soon as possible this semester. A Disability Services specialist will work with you to review the barriers you are experiencing and explain the eligibility process for establishing academic accommodations for this course. You can reach DisAbility Services by email at [disabilityservices@bcc.cuny.edu](mailto:disabilityservices@bcc.cuny.edu) or by phone at (718) 289-5874. You may also reach DisAbility Services through Microsoft Teams. Download the Teams app, login using your CUNYfirst login, and join the DSO Student Service Center team using the following access code: neewu66.

## 8. ACADEMIC INTEGRITY

Academic dishonesty (such as plagiarism and cheating) is prohibited at Bronx Community College and is punishable by penalties, including failing grades, dismissal and expulsion. For additional information and the full policy on Academic Integrity, please consult the BCC College Catalog.

## 9. RECORDING OF REMOTE CLASSES

Students who participate in this class with their camera on or use a profile image are agreeing to have their video or image recorded solely for the purpose of creating a record for students enrolled in the class to refer to, including those enrolled students who are unable to attend live. If you are unwilling to consent to have your profile or video image recorded, be sure to keep your camera off and do not use a profile image. Likewise, students who un-mute during class and participate orally are agreeing to have their voices recorded. If you are not willing to consent to have your voice recorded during class, you will need to keep your mute button activated and communicate exclusively using the "chat" feature, which allows students to type questions and comments live.

## 10. OTHER EXPECTATIONS

**Respect.** You are expected to show respect for the other students, the professor, and the class environment. In particular, behavior which disrupts the learning of other students will not be tolerated.

**Class Attendance.** You are responsible for everything discussed in class session, sent via email, and posted at the webpage. If you miss class, it is *your responsibility* to find out what you missed.