# MATH 1060Q: Precalculus-SEC801, Class number 10855

Fall 2026

**Excluding materials for purchase, syllabus information may be subject to change. The most up-to-date syllabus is located within the course in HuskyCT.**

## Instructor Information:

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## Course Materials:

**Textbook: Precalculus *10e*, by Larson (ISBN 978-1-337-27107-3)**

You are **not** required to have a physical textbook. You are only required to have **WebAssign** access.

If you are participating in the **Husky Book Bundle Program,** you do not need to purchase anything. The digital required materials for this course have been integrated with HuskyCT and can be found in the Course Materials link in your HuskyCT course. Please sign into HuskyCT to access your course and course materials.

If you have **opted out** of the Husky Book Bundle Program, you can buy the textbook from ~~the UConn Bookstore~~. You will need a **WebAssign access code** to access your homework assignments. When you buy the textbook from the bookstore, the WebAssign code will come bundled with the textbook. You will have **two weeks of free access** to WebAssign, which includes the e-book, so you can get started right away in case you need some time to arrange to buy textbook with the access code.

There is **only ONE way to register for and access WebAssign**. Once the semester officially begins, simply log into your HuskyCT account (lms.uconn.edu), navigate to the page for Math 1060Q, then follow the link on the left hand side for WebAssign Homework. *When logging into WebAssign (through HuskyCT), **do not use Internet Explorer or Safari. Use Firefox or Chrome.***

WebAssign assignments will be due every Tuesday and Thursday night.

## Course Description:

Precalculus is a preparation for calculus which includes a thorough review of algebra. Emphasis will be on functions and their applications; in particular, polynomials, rational functions, exponentials, logarithms, and trigonometric functions.

## Calculator and Resources Policy

You may use a calculator on the exam, as long as it cannot perform symbolic manipulation (e.g. solve equations). You may use one hand-written formula / cheat sheet on exams. You must submit your

formula sheet with your exam.

**WebAssign Homework**:

To access the WebAssign homework you will have to go through HuksyCT single sign-on. In the left sidebar of your Math 1060Q HuskyCT page, you will find a link to do your homework using WebAssign. There will usually be 2-3 homework assignments per week (one for each textbook section covered). The due date for each assignment will generally be two or three days after the material is covered in class.

You will get five attempts for each question that is not multiple choice; the exact number of attempts for multiple choice questions will depend on the number of choices. This means True/False questions and questions with two answer choices have only one attempt – choose carefully! After each attempt, you will be told whether your answer is correct or not. If you are not able to get the correct answer after your initial attempts, we recommend that before your final attempt, you seek help from your instructor, the **Q-Center**, a tutor, or another student.

When accessing your online homework, use Firefox or Chrome as your browser; there are problems that can occur if you use Internet Explorer or Safari. See the document **here.pdf** for tips on using WebAssign, including entering answers and finding useful settings.
Your lowest WebAssign score will be dropped at the end of the semester.

**Quizzes** will be given every **Thursday** (in class), beginning with the second week of classes. **Your lowest quiz score will be dropped at the end of the semester.**

**Quiz/Exam Makeup Policy:** If you **miss a quiz/exam** because you are ill or due to some other extenuating circumstance, you must contact your instructor before the original quiz/exam time, or within 24 after the original quiz/exam time. If your instructor approves you for a makeup quiz/exam, then you must take the quiz/exam within 1 week of the original quiz/exam time. If you do not follow these procedures, then you will receive a score of zero on the missed quiz/exam unless you have proper documentation of an extenuating circumstance.

**Per University policy, all requests to reschedule or make up the final exam must be submitted to the Dean of Students for approval.** Please note that vacations, previously purchased tickets or reservations, and social events are not viable excuses for missing a final exam. If you think that your situation warrants permission to reschedule, please contact the Dean of Students Office with any questions. Thank you in advance for your cooperation.

**Midterm Exam Replacement Policy:** Your score on the final exam will replace your lowest exam score if your score is higher on the final exam. Note that your final exam grade is always counted when computing your course grade and cannot be replaced.

**Course Components and Grading**

We will have regular 3 exams and a final exam. We will have quizzes most weeks at the end of class on

Thursday. I will let you know ahead of time what topics the quiz will cover. I will drop the lowest lowest quiz grade. There will be no make-up exams or quizzes**.**

**Important Dates**

- Test 1 – 09/29
- Test 2 – 10/27
- Test 3 - 11/17
- **Final Exam:** (Exact time and date provided by University)

**Grading:**

Regular Exams 45%
Final Exam 25%
Homework 10%
Weekly Quizzes 10%
Class participation 10%

The grading scale used will be 92.5–100 A 89.5–93.4 A86.5–89.4 B+ 82.5–86.4 B 79.5–82.4 B76.5–79.4 C+ 72.5–76.4 C 69.5–72.4 C66.5–69.4 D+ 62.5–66.4 D 59.5–62.4 D0–59.4 F

**Academic Integrity:**

Please respect your work and the work of others. Cheating will be taken seriously. Examples of things that will be addressed include, but are not limited to, communicating with anyone not explicitly allowed during any quiz or exam, representing another person's work as your own (this includes copying or paraphrasing a solution from a friend, solution manual, tutor, or website), or using unauthorized materials for any quiz or exam. Consequences may include, but are not limited to, a score of zero on the assignment, quiz, or exam, or a grade of F in the course. To read UConn's full policy on Academic Integrity, visit community.uconn.edu/the-student-code-appendix-a/.

**Some Tips:**

1. If you've taken precalculus before, be warned — **this course is harder**. We will likely cover more material, and it will be more in-depth, than what you've done before.
2. Don't miss class! Each day builds on the previous days, so if you miss class, you get behind very quickly. If you do get sick or have to miss class, talk to your classmates and instructor to catch up before the next class. The outline for the course that is available using the link above will provide you with information about the topics to be covered in lecture.
3. Do not skip the WebAssign homework. Doing these problems will give you the practice you need in order to be successful on quizzes and exams.
4. Seek help *early* if you think you may need it! Some great resources for help are your instructor's office hours, the Q-Center, a tutor, and other students.

**Late Work Policy:**

I understand that things come up during the semester that might impact your ability to complete assignments. Please do your best to contact me ahead of the deadline to discuss extensions or flexibility for assignments. Late work will not be accepted unless you contact me.

### Grading and Feedback:

Your grades will be posted to HuskyCT throughout the semester so you can check your progress in the course. Assignments will be graded, usually within 4 days of the due date but not later than a week. If you have questions about your graded work, please contact me directly.

### Student Responsibilities and Resources

As a member of the University of Connecticut student community, you are held to certain standards and academic policies. In addition, there are numerous resources available to help you succeed in your academic work. Review these important standards, policies and resources, which include:

**Academic, Scholarly, and Professional Integrity and Misconduct**

### Netiquette and Communication

The discussion board is a great way to connect with other students and find potential study group partners. Communicating about mathematics is a new skill that takes practice and I hope you will all take advantage of this opportunity.

At all times, course communication with fellow students and the instructor are to be professional and courteous. It is expected that you proofread all your written communication, including discussion posts, assignment submissions, and mail messages. If you are new to online learning or need a netiquette refresher, please look at this guide titled, Rules of Netiquette in Online & Distance Learning Courses.

### Academic Calendar

The University's Academic Calendar contains important semester dates.

**Course Add/Drop**

If you should decide to add or drop a course, there are official procedures to follow:

- Matriculated students should add or drop a course through Student Administration System.
- Non-degree students should refer to the Registrar's office Non-Degree and Visiting Students page for more information.

You must officially drop a course to avoid receiving an "F" on your permanent transcript. Simply discontinuing a course or informing the instructor you want to drop does not constitute an official drop. For more information, refer to the: Undergraduate Catalog

**Policy Against Discrimination, Harassment and Related Interpersonal Violence**

The University's Policy Against Discrimination, Harassment, and Related Interpersonal Violence reinforces that UConn is committed to maintaining an environment free of discrimination or discriminatory harassment directed toward any person or group within its community – students, employees, or visitors. Academic and professional excellence can flourish only when each member of our community is assured an atmosphere of mutual respect. All members of the University community are responsible for the maintenance of an academic and work environment in which people are free to learn and work without fear of discrimination or discriminatory harassment. In addition, inappropriate amorous relationships can undermine the University's mission when those in positions of authority abuse or appear to abuse their authority. To that end, and in accordance with federal and state law, the

University prohibits discrimination and discriminatory harassment, as well as inappropriate amorous relationships, and such behavior will be met with appropriate disciplinary action, up to and including dismissal from the University. Additionally, to protect the campus community, all non-confidential University employees (including faculty) are required to report sexual assaults, intimate partner violence, and/or stalking involving a student that they witness or are told about to the Office of Institutional Equity. The University takes all reports with the utmost seriousness. Please be aware that while the information you provide will remain private, it will not be confidential and will be shared with University officials who can help. More information is available at equity.uconn.edu and titleix.uconn.edu.

**The Center for Academic Success and Engagement (CASE)**

Located in Room 2.60, CASE is your one-stop-shop for academic support. CASE offers a wide range of free services, including tutoring, one-on-one academic consultations, academic success workshops, and a welcoming academic lounge where you can study, relax, or connect with others. Get more information at https://academicadvising.stamford.uconn.edu/stamfordcase/. Follow CASE on Instagram @StamfordCASE for tips and events. Reach out at stamfordcase@uconn.edu.

**Students with Disabilities**
The University of Connecticut is commi3ed to protecting the rights of individuals with disabilities and assuring that the learning environment is accessible. If you anticipate or experience physical or academic barriers based on disability or pregnancy, please let me know immediately so that we can discuss options. Students who require accommodations should contact the Center for Students with Disabilities, located in suite 302 at Stamford.csd@uconn.edu or h2p://csd.uconn.edu/.

**Key Contact Information/Links:**

- Textbooks: John Scarfone, Assistant Manager Stamford campus Barnes & Noble, jscarfone@bncollege.com
- Classroom Emergency Issues: 203-251-9599
- Academics: StamfordAcademicAffairs@uconn.edu
- Student Advising: StamfordAdvising@uconn.edu
- Student Advocacy and Support: Stamfordstudentservices@uconn.edu
- Student Activities: stamfordactivties@uconn.edu
- Parking: https://park.uconn.edu/
- Key Requests:
- Human Resources & Payroll: Sandy Li (Sandy.Li@uconn.edu) or Kelly Ann Schneider
- (kelly_ann.schneider@uconn.edu)
- Student Health and Wellness: stamfordmhrc@uconn.edu
- Center for Students with Disabilities: Stamford.csd@uconn.edu
- Campus Communication
- Adjunct space: PT faculty have access to the Adjunct Workspace (3.40)
- Online Reservation of small conference room 339
- https://uconn.emscloudservice.com/web/
- The Stamford campus has a Intranet with links to many additional useful form

**Reporting Facilities/Maintenance Concerns at UConn Stamford**

At UConn we rely on our students, staff, and faculty as extra eyes to report maintenance issues throughout our buildings. For the downtown building, there are three simple and easy ways to report a maintenance issue:

• Call in to the main UConn Facilities Operations Center at (860) 486-3113. Be prepared with specific campus, detailed location, description of the issue, and your netid.
• Submit a request through the Facilities Operations website (https://fo.uconn.edu/) by clicking on the “submit a request” button on the main page.

For any additional questions please reach out to StamfordAcademicAffairs@Uconn.edu