The Syllabus for Math 9A

Textbooks: David Guichard: Calculus, Late Transcendentals. This is a free electronic book, available at http://www.whitman.edu/mathematics/calculus_late/

Analytic Geometry

- 1.1 Lines
- 1.2 Distance Between Two Points; Circles
- 1.3 Functions
- 1.4 Shifts and Dilations

Instantaneous Rate of Change: The Derivative

- 2.1 The slope of a function
- 2.2 An example
- 2.3 Limits
- 2.4 The Derivative Function
- 2.5 Adjectives for Functions

Rules for Finding Derivatives

- 3.1 The Power Rule
- 3.2 Linearity of the Derivative
- 3.3 The Product Rule
- 3.4 The Quotient Rule
- 3.5 The Chain Rule

Trigonometric Functions

- 4.1 Trigonometric Functions
- 4.2 The Derivative of sin x
- 4.3 A Hard Limit
- 4.4 The Derivative of sin x, continued
- 4.5 Derivatives of the Trigonometric Functions
- 4.6 Implicit Differentiation
- 4.7 Limits revisited

Curve Sketching

- 5.1 Maxima and Minima
- 5.2 The First Derivative Test
- 5.3 The Second Derivative Test
- 5.4 Concavity and Inflection Points
- 5.5 Asymptotes and Other Things to Look For

Applications of the Derivative

- 6.1 Optimization
- 6.2 Related Rates
- 6.3 Newton's Method (Optional)
- 6.4 Linear Approximations
- 6.5 The Mean Value Theorem