

## Math 310L Summer 2008

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**Objectives:** Contrary to popular belief, this course is not intended to help you understand these mathematical concepts. This course is designed so that you can become an effective teacher of elementary mathematics. In particular, it is designed so that you can familiarize yourself with some types of manipulatives that are useful in explaining mathematical concepts to children (and adults too!). As a consequence of this, hopefully you will also enjoy and understand the beauty of mathematics more.

**Text:** *Math 310L Lab Projects and Activities*, revised 8-05. It is available in the Matador Bookstore.

**Grading:** This is a credit/no credit course. For each lab, a grade of 7/10 or higher is passing. *All 14 labs must be completed with a passing score in order to receive credit for the course.* Any extra assignments (see below) must also be turned in for credit.

**Corrections:** If a lab is not passing, it will be returned to the student so that corrections can be made. Corrections must be turned in the **next class meeting**. Points will be deducted for lateness. Only *one* opportunity will be given to make the necessary corrections on the lab. If you have questions, please ask!

**Lab Partners:** You will be working in pairs, and occasionally in a group of three. Every lab you must have a different lab partner(s). Your group will never be any larger than three. I will assign your partners. Write your partner's name on your Lab Report.

**All work needs to be done in class:** No work is to be taken home or done at home before class with the exception of definitions that should be written down *prior to class*. Bring these definitions to class to turn in with your lab. The Lab Report (the cover page of your lab) will be completed the last 5-10 minutes of class. *All labs must be turned in at the end of class.* For each lab assignment, bring a stapler or large paper clip to turn your lab in. No labs are to be taken home, so please do not ask.

**Policy on academic dishonesty:** Any student copying another student's work will receive **NO CREDIT** for the course.

**Attendance:** Students are to attend class every week. Only ONE absence is allowed. After the first absence, a student will receive **NO CREDIT** for the course.

**Absences:** In the case that you are absent, you must make up the lab AND will be assigned an additional lab.

**Tardiness:** Be on time! If a student is 1-20 minutes late, they will be marked tardy, but be allowed to complete the lab in class. After every 3 tardies, the student will receive an additional lab assignment as a penalty. Any student coming to class later than 20 minutes after class has begun will be allowed to complete the lab in class, but will be assigned an additional lab to complete at home.

**Resources:** Key words for all labs are found on a page near the beginning of the Lab Manual—near the Table of Contents. To find definitions for these key words, you may go to the following resources: your Math 310 textbook OR any Mathematics dictionary (we have some in the classroom)

**Definitions must be hand-written!**