

MATH 300 (WEDNESDAY), FALL 2016

- Place and Time: TH 317, W 2-2:50 pm
- Instructor: Kevin Whyte (kwhyte@uic.edu), 515 SEO
- Office Hours: W 1-2pm and by appointment
- Class webpage: <http://www.math.uic.edu/kwhyte/Math300W>

COURSE OBJECTIVES

This course focusses on mathematical writing. This includes both the writing of mathematical (arguments, definitions, proofs, etc.) and writing about mathematics (history, philosophy, etc.). We will develop the former by a number of short writing assignments given throughout the semester, and the latter both through such short assignments and a longer paper that will be drafted and revised throughout the course. Most of the class time will be devoted to reading other students' work and giving feedback. Every student will be expected to sign up to have their work critiqued twice during the semester.

GRADING AND DUE DATES

Your grade will be determined by class participation, portfolio of short writings, and your final paper (each on third of the final grade). Short assignments will be due weekly, submitted by e-mail to the address above in pdf format by 4pm on Sundays. A topic for the long paper must be chosen and approved by Sep 21st, the first draft is due by 4pm on Oct 23th and the final version is due by 4pm on Dec 2nd.

EXPECTATIONS

Because reading and providing feedback to other students is a significant part of the course attendance and participation is essential. If you must miss a class, please contact me as soon as possible. You may use whatever typesetting software you prefer, but I strongly recommend LaTeX. Each student will be responsible (as one of the first

assignments) for figuring out how to use such software on a computer of their choosing. Students check the course webpage frequently for details of the writing assignments and due dates along with other notes and resources.

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