Open Calculus: Reducing Costs, Not the Learning

A tale of 2 courses...

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10 Colleges

37 Associate Degrees

Over 10,000 Courses

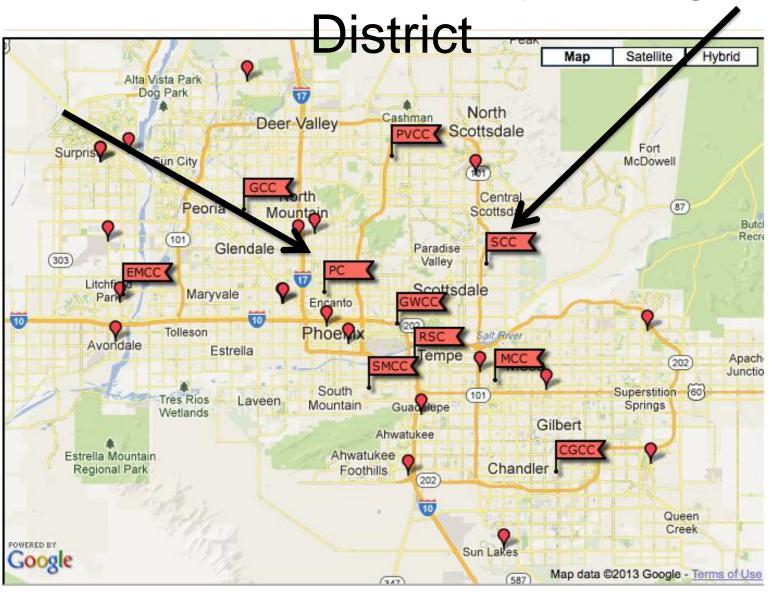
Nearly 10,000 Employees

More than 250,000 Students

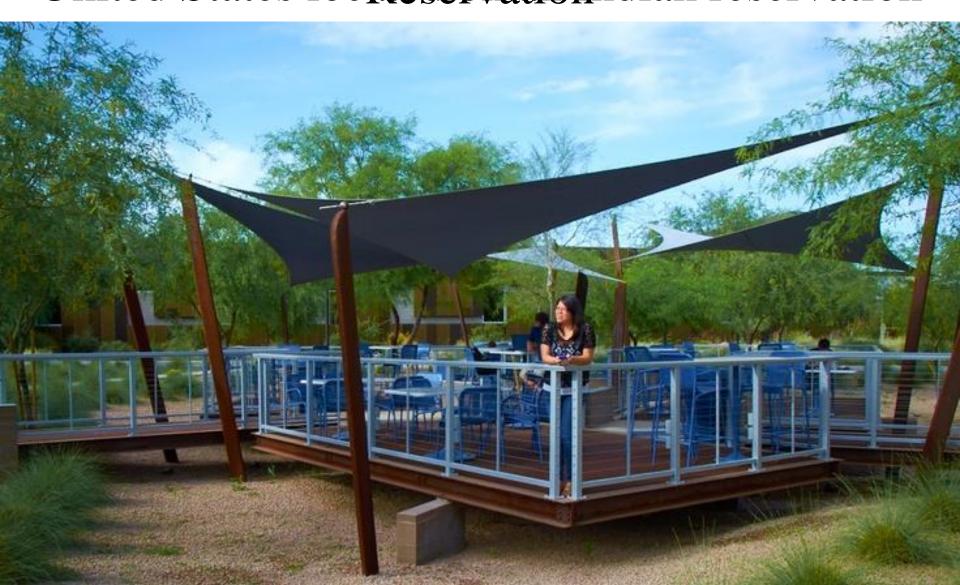


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One of 10 Colleges – Maricopa Community College



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We are the Scottsdale Community College Fighting Artichokes

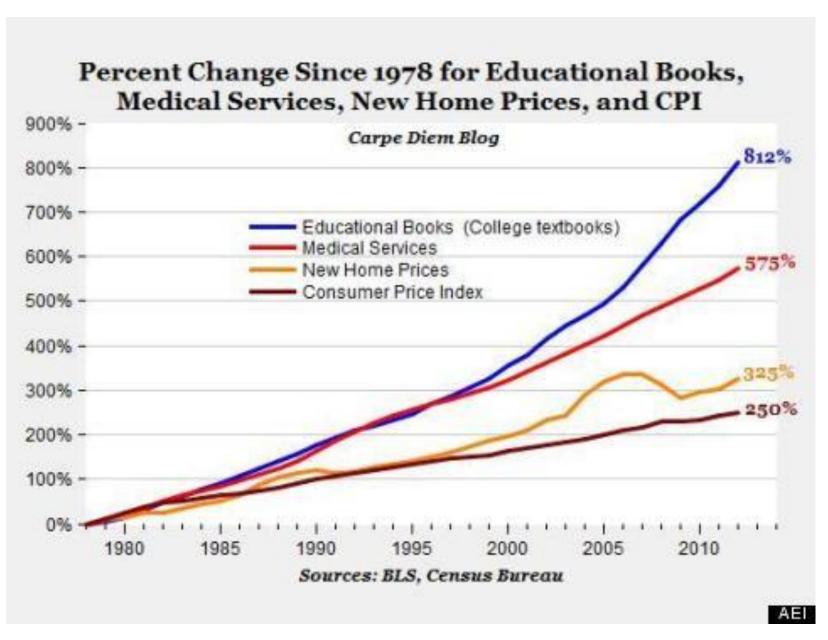


And our mascot is Artie the Artichoke



We are the only college in the country that offers an associates degree in DJing





Frustration with the Rising cost of education

- Consumer Price Index 2007 2011
 - The cost for Educational Books and Supplies has risen 26%
 - The cost for Tuition has risen 21%
- National Center for Education Statistics
 - Average earnings for college students have dropped by 3%

Where the **New Textbook Dollar** Goes

College Store



1.7¢ Freight Expense

7.2¢ College Store College Operations Store

Income



Income





Publishing Paper Printing, **Editorial Costs**















11.6¢ Author Income

9.9¢ **Publishers** General & Administrative

15.3¢ **Publishing** Marketing Costs

Attempts to contain costs

- Containing costs has been difficult.
 - New Editions are released with no significant added value.
 - Used books are often unavailable due to
 - Discontinuation by the bookstore
 - Design of the book itself
 - Need for an Online Software Package
 - Attempts to teach a course without a textbook
 - Limits the resources available to the student
 - Places a much greater workload on faculty
 - Increases printing costs for the college
 - Students do not purchase materials
 - This can have a significant affect on student success



Report: High Textbook Prices Have College Students Struggling

The price of textbooks has increased 82 percent during the last decade, a new report finds.

Due to the high cost of textbooks, 65 percent of students said they decided against buying a book required for class. Of those students, nearly all (94 percent) said they were concerned that doing so would hurt their grade in a class.

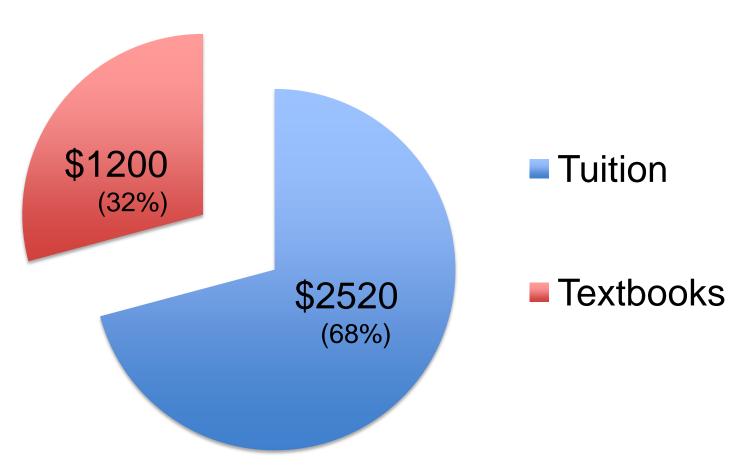
"Not only are students choosing not to purchase the materials they are assigned by their professor, but they are knowingly accepting the risk of a lower grade to avoid paying for the textbook," the report said.

Effects of these costs

- US PIRG Report, January 30th, 2014
 - Survey of 2,039 students from more than 150 different university
- 65% of students choose not to buy a college textbook because it's too expensive
- 94% report that they suffer academically because of this choice
- 48% say they altered which classes they took based on textbook costs, either taking fewer classes or different classes
- "According to the students surveyed in this report, the rising cost of textbooks not only adds to the overall financial burden of attending college, it can also have a measurably negative impact on their academic performance and student outcomes."
- 82% of students say they would do significantly better in a course if the textbook were free online and a hard copy was optional!

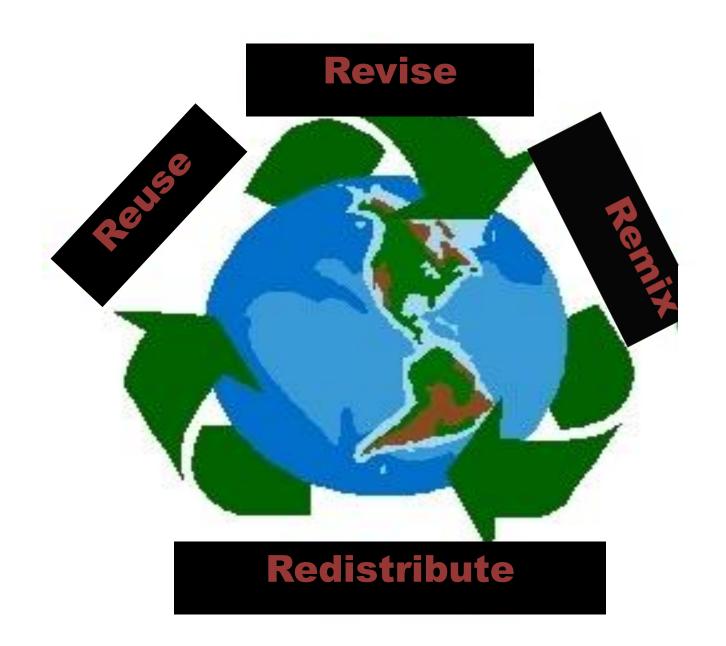
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Costs for a Full-Time Student for a Year (30 credit hours)



Open educational resources

- During this same time period, Open Educational Resources (OER) have become more established and relevant.
 - 2006, MathAS, a free web based Mathamatics Assessment Tool for online tests and homework
 - 2007, CK-12, an organization providing open content, web based digital textbooks
 - 2007, Open Educational Resource Commons. An organization that provides a single point of access through which educators and learners can search across collections to access over 30,000 items
- The Open Educational Resource movement includes:
 - Rice, Connexions
 - MIT, OpenCourseWare Project
 - Utah State University, Open CourseWare Project
 - University of California, Irvine
 - Gates Foundation
 - Hewitt Foundation



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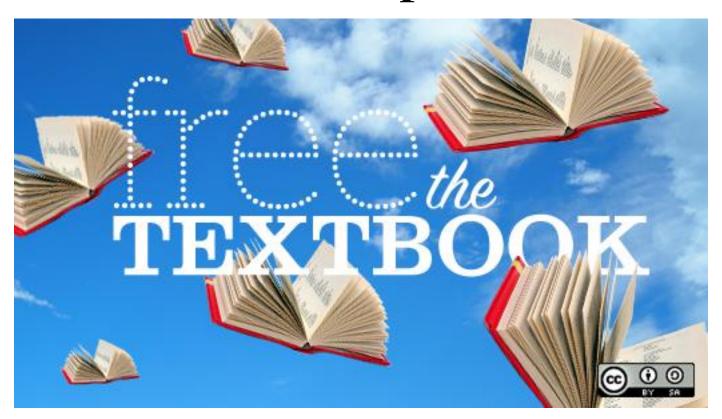
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Creating OER Awareness and Increasing Adoption



- Presentations
- Call for OER Grants
- Dialogue Days
- Department Meetings
- "Water Cooler" Discussions
- Promotional Items
- CTLs
- College Libraries







- Collaborative teams of Faculty
- Multi-college proposals encouraged





- Evaluated by Steering Team
- Peer-reviewed CourseMaterials

Progress Toward the Goal



OER Savings Progress

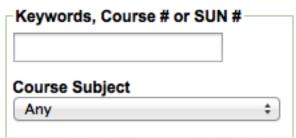
Cumulative

Spring 2016 \$5,956,000 (\$1,372,000)Fall 2015 \$4,584,000 (\$1,126,000)\$3,458,000 Spring 2015 (\$1,056,000)Fall 2014 \$2,402,000 (\$920,000)Spring 2014 \$1,482,000 (\$818,000)\$664,000 Fall 2013 (\$664,000)



STUDENT AWARENESS

Find a Class



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First-Year Composition (ENG101)

3 Credits

Emphasis on rhetoric and composition with a focus on expository writing and understanding writing as a process. Establishing effective college-level writing strategies through four or more writing projects comprising at least 3,000 words in total. Prerequisites: Appropriate writing placement test score, or a grade of "C" or better in ENG091 or ESL097.

General Education Designations: FYC

SUN# ENG1101

Class#	Semester	Location	Delivery	Dates	Days	Times	Instructor	Availability
31965	Fall 2014	Paradise Valley M 226 - Classroom	In Person	08/25/2014- 12/19/2014	M,W	10:30AM- 11:45AM	L. McClelland	Class Started Contact Enrollment Services for Registration Assistance

Notes

All textbook and course materials available at no or low cost (<\$40) - may include OER (Open Educational Resources). Class 31965 costs include Data Processing Class Fee: \$5

> 0 Books

Misc. Search Options

Classes Starting After

09/29/2014

format: 09/29/2014

Instructor

Show Only:

- SUN System Courses
- Honors Classes
- Open Entry / Open Exit Courses
- ✓ No cost or low cost (<\$40) textbooks
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Launch

 Spring 2012 the department chair asked, can we go completely OER for our Traditional Classes from Basic Math through Trig?



- The Department said yes.
- What was the impact?

Introductory
Algebra
1250 Students

Intermediate Algebra 1352 Students

College Algebra 701 Students

Learning Resources

Text Book and Interactive Learning
Environment Package Wiley and
Pearson Education

\$110.26 per Student \$364,173.50 per Year Traditional Copyrighted Material

Transition

Open Educational Resources

Learning Resources

OER Text Book and Interactive Learning Environment

Maximum of \$15 per Student

86% decrease in costs

\$313,189 in savings

Calculus at SCC



- Textbook
- Online Lessons
- Online Homework
- Homework Assistance
- Interactive Apps
- Problem Solving

Textbook



MB \$0.02 Letters of Rec Teaching Scholarship Open Calculus



Active Calculus

endorsed by the American Institute of Mathematics

Files for Download (last update: 12.30.13)

He has also come out with a Multivariable edition that is in its first iteration

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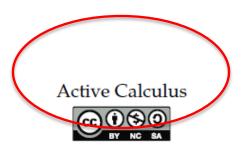
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If you have questions or difficulties regarding any of the above, please contact me directly at boelkinm at gvsu dot edu.

Exercises

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 - (d) Constr results
 - (e) Sketch labeled





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Active Calculus

Online Lessons



Switching Between the Forms

Now our goal is to undo the chain rule to determine a new antiderivative rule. To accomplish this, we take the antiderivative of both sides of the chain rule:

$$\int \frac{d}{dx} f(g(x)) dx = \int f'(g(x)) \cdot g'(x) dx$$
$$f(g(x)) = \int f'(g(x)) \cdot g'(x) dx$$

SoftChalk allows for questioning, embedding of videos, and access to course content outside of the classroom.

Scores can be directly input into most LMS (including MathAS)

• **a.**
$$(x^3+4)^6 \cdot 3x^2$$
• **b.** $6(x^3+4)^5 \cdot 3x^2$
• **c.** $6(x^3+4)^5 \cdot 3x$
• **d.** $(3x^2)^6$

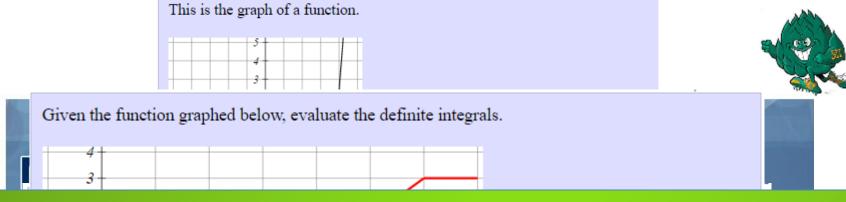
Check Answer

Calculus at SCC



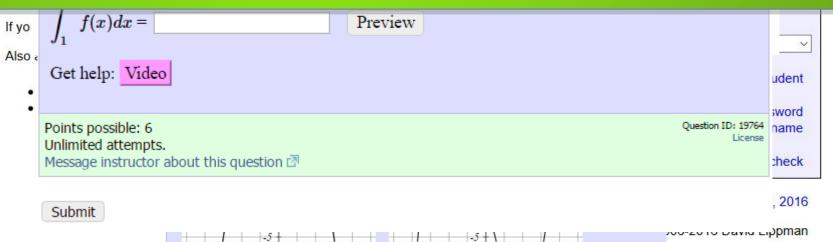
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MathAS allow for many types of questions including numerical algebraic graphing multiple choice and Also instructors have the option of including help on problems in the form of videos, webpages, apps, etc

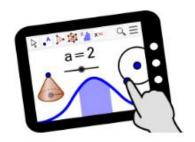
There is also flexibility in how answers must be entered including accuracy, simplification, ordered pairs, etc.



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Geogebra is FREE!!! This problem has a Geogebra app embedded

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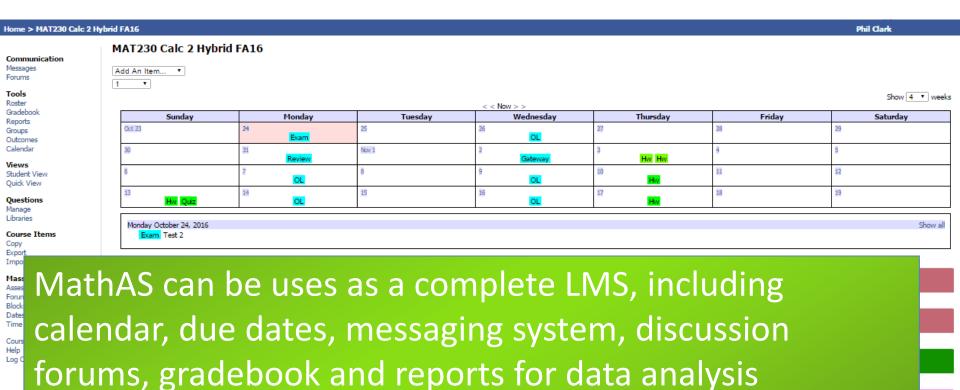
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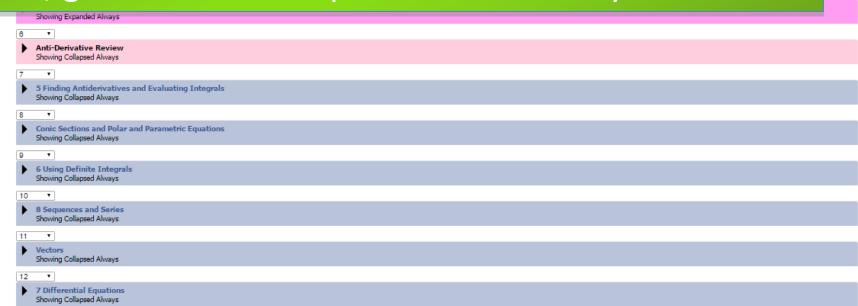
DYNAMIC MATHEMATICS FOR LEARNING AND TEACHING











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- Active Calculus
- SoftChalk
- MathAS
- YouTube Videos
- Geogebra, Desmos, etc.

Problem Solving



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Calculus with Polar Coordinates - Length and Area

Name:

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Find the area of the shaded region in figure 20



As Many come via collaboration!!!

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Fig. 20

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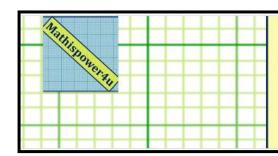
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- Textbook, Create own, collaborations, etc

Open Calculus at Phoenix College

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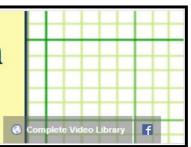
Why Use OER?

- 1. Everyone has access to the course materials before the first day of class.
 - Work on prerequisite review to determine readiness for calculus.
 - Become familiar with course format.
- 2. Cost Savings
 - OER text required cost: \$0 Optional print copy of text: \$12-\$17 + shipping
 - Publisher text: \$326.50 from bookstore (For Calc I-III)
- 3. No new editions allows focus on improving content each semester.



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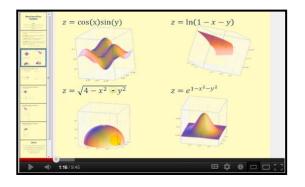
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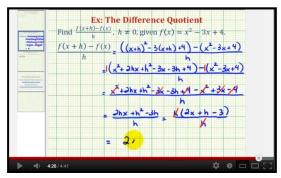


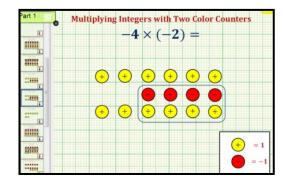
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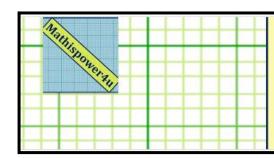
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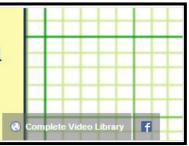




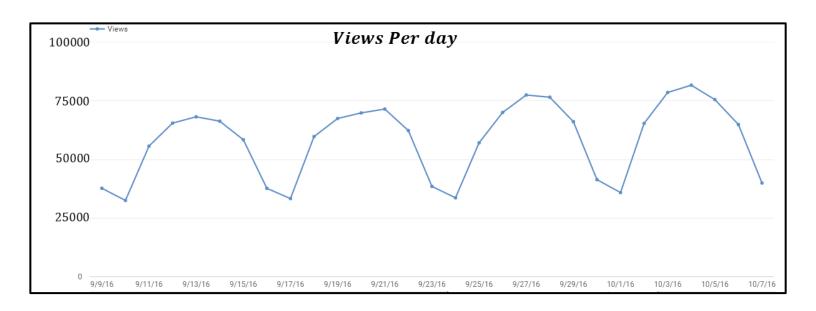


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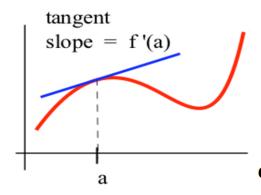


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Geography	Watch time (minutes) @ $lacksquare$
United States	3,243,317 (84%)
Canada	121,377 (3.1%)
Philippines	95,725 (2.5%)
India	84,266 (2.2%)
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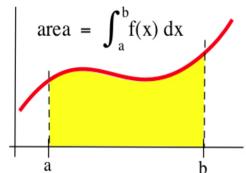
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California	445,141 (14%)
Washington	208,696 (6.4%)
New York	178,427 (5.5%)
Virginia	177,945 (5.5%)
Florida	170,865 (5.3%)
Texas	167,247 (5.2%)
Utah	158,790 (4.9%)
Maryland	105,075 (3.2%)
Georgia	90,179 (2.8%)



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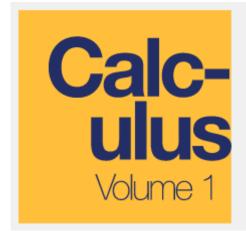
Many of these materials were developed for the Open Course Library Project of the Washington State Colleges as part of a Gates Foundation grant. The goal of this project was to create materials that would be FREE (on the web) to anyone who wanted to use or modify them (and not have to pay \$200 for a calculus book). They have been used by several thousand students.

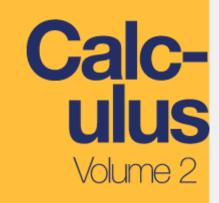
The textbook sections, in color, are available free in pdf format at the bottom of this page. Printed versions, in B&W, are available for Calculus I (chapters 0-3), II (chapters 4-8), and III (chapters 9-11) for about \$18 each at <u>Lulu.com</u>.

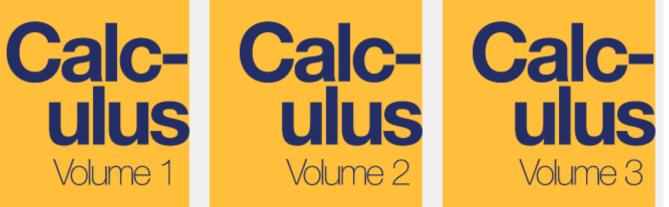
Alternate printed versions reformatted in LaTex are available at CreateSpace.com and Amazon.com or free online at <u>ContemporaryCalculus.com</u>.

New Calculus OER











Calculus I Course Format

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Oct 2	Video Assn	4	Video Assn	6	7 Video Assn	8
9	Video Assn	11	Video Assn	13	14 Test	15
16	17	18	Take Home Midterm Proctored Midterm	20	21	22
23	Video Assn	25	Video Assn	27	Video Assn	29

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Announcements New	Isolate
Discussion Forums	Isolate
Chapter 0: Orientation / Welcome to Calculus / Precalculus Review	
Chapter 1: Limits and Continuity	
Use Chapter 2: The Derivative	
Chapter 3: Derivatives and Graphs	
Use Chapter 4: The Integral	
Midterm / Final	
Calculus Proofs	Isolate

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Chapter 1: Limits and Continuity



- 1.0: Tangent Line, Velocities, and Growth
- 1.1: The Limit of a Function
- ▶ 1.2: Limit Properties
- ▶ 1.3: Continuous Functions
- ▶ 1.4: The Definition of a Limit



Chapter 1 Test

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1.1: The Limit of a Function



Required Reading 1.1: Limit of a Function 🗗

Optional Book Assignment: 1-11, 13, 15, 17-20



Video Assignment 1.1: The Limit of a Function

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Watch these videos before starting the Assignment.



Assignment 1.1: The Limits of a Function

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▶ Q 11 (0/10)

Review: 0/110

Evaluate the limit: lim_ Get help: Video Show Answer Points possible: 10 Unlimited attempts. Post this question to forum 🗗 Submit





1.1 The Limit of a Function

Calculus has been called the study of continuous change, and the limit is the basic concept that allows us to describe and analyze such change. An understanding of limits is necessary to understand derivatives, integrals and other fundamental topics of calculus.

The Idea (Informally)

The limit of a function at a point describes the behavior of the function when the variable is near-but does not equal-a specified number (see margin figure). If the values of f(x) get closer and closer—as close as we want—to one number L as we take values of x very close to (but not equal to) a number c, then

> we say: "the limit of f(x), as x approaches c, is L" and we write: $\lim_{x \to a} f(x) = L$

It is very important to note that:

f(c) is a single number that describes the behavior (value) of f at the point x = c

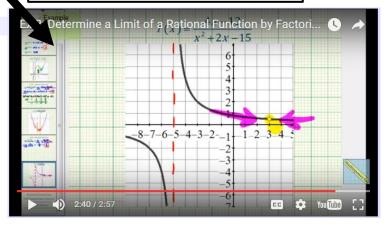
 $\lim_{x\to c} f(x)$ is a single number that describes the behavior of f near, but not at the point x = c

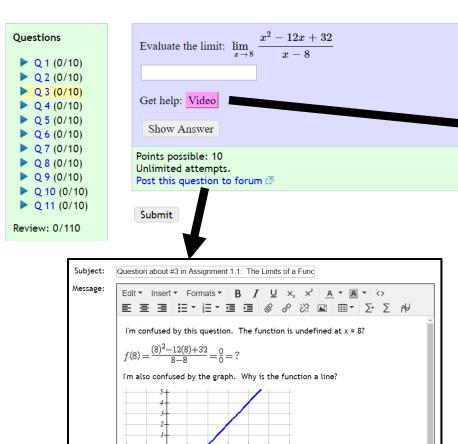
If we have a graph of the function f(x) near x = c, then it is usually easy to determine $\lim f(x)$.

Example 1. Use the graph of y = f(x) given in the margin to determine the following limits:

(a)
$$\lim_{x\to 1} f(x)$$
 (b) $\lim_{x\to 2} f(x)$ (c) $\lim_{x\to 3} f(x)$ (d) $\lim_{x\to 4} f(x)$

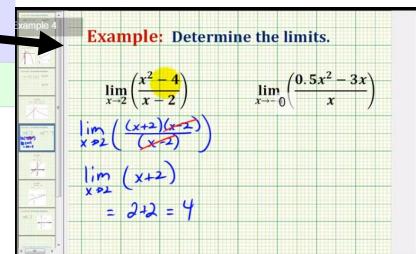
Solution. Each of these limits involves a different issue, as you may be able to tell from the graph.





Evaluate the limit: $\lim_{x \to 8} \frac{x^2 - 12x + 32}{x - 8}$

Post Thread



Chapter 1 Resources



Chapter 1 Book Odd Problem Answers

Answers to most odd-numbered HW problems from Chapter 1. (A reformatted version will be available soon.)



Section Notes

Section Notes

You will need to download the file. Then open with adobe reader. Under view menu, you will need to rotate the view.

- 1.0 Tangent Lines, Velocities, Growth 🗗
- 1.1 The Limit of a Function 🗗
- 1.2 Properties of Limits 🖪
- 1.3 Continuous Functions 🗇
- 1.4 Definition of Limit 🗗

Example 2. Determine the value of $\lim_{x\to 3} \frac{2x^2 - x - 1}{x - 1}$.

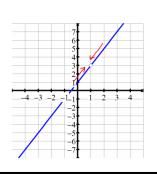
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Use a Graph

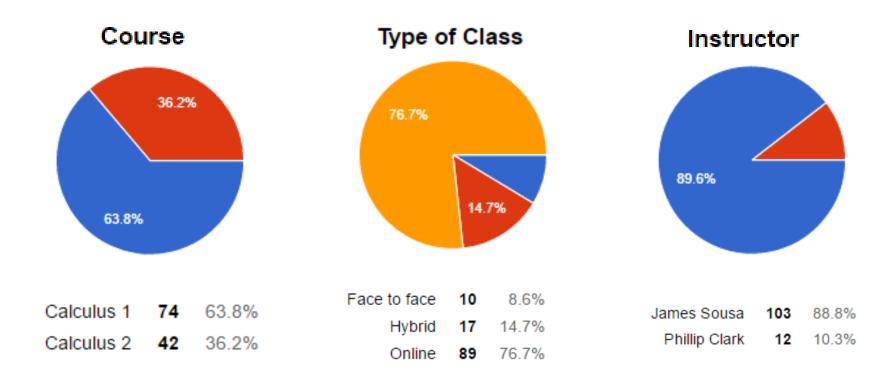
$$\lim_{x \to 3} \frac{2x^{-x-1}}{x^{-1}} = \frac{2(3) - (3) - 1}{3 - 1}$$

$$= \frac{18 - 3 - 1}{2}$$

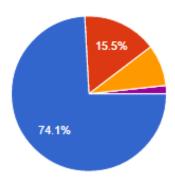
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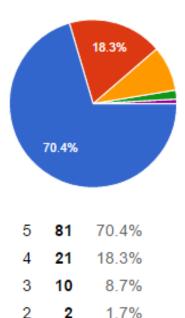


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5	86	74.1%
4	18	15.5%
3	10	8.6%
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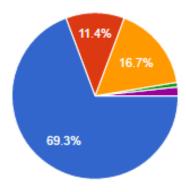


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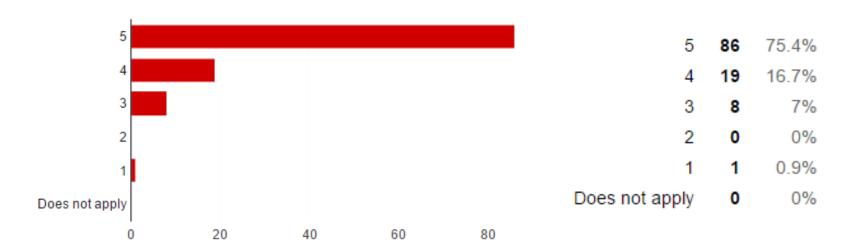
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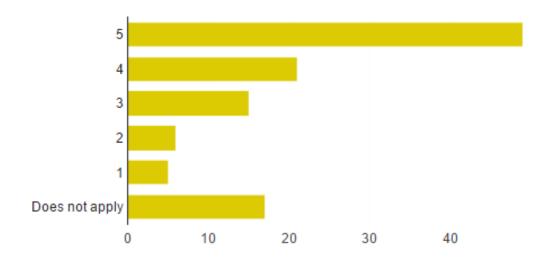


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13 11.4%	13	The course materials for this class are slightly better quality than publisher materials.
19 16.7%	19	The course materials for this class are same quality as publisher materials.
1 0.9%	1	The course materials for this class are slightly lower quality than publisher materials.
2 1.8%	2	The course materials for this class are lower quality than publisher materials.

Online Course Organization and Format [Please rate the quality/usefulness of the course components. 5 = highest to 1 = lowest]

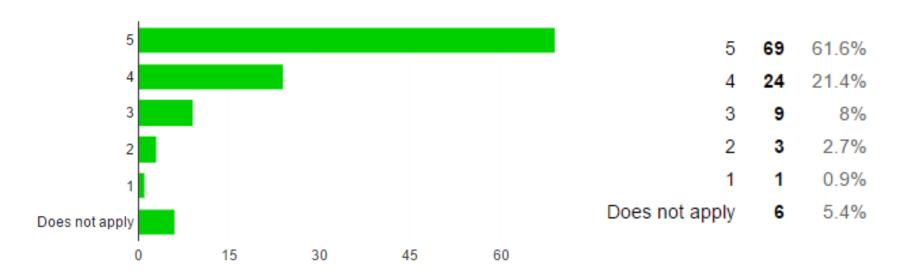


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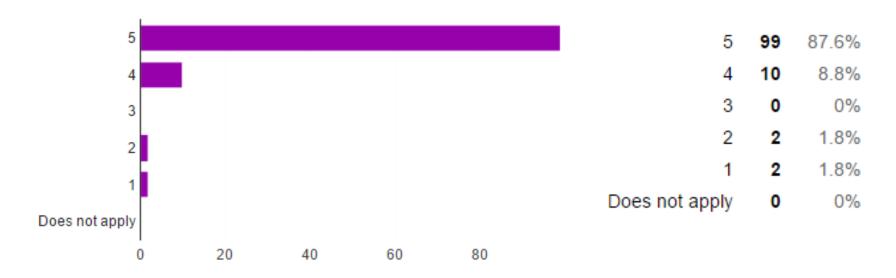


5	49	43.4%
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3	15	13.3%
2	6	5.3%
1	5	4.4%
Does not apply	17	15%

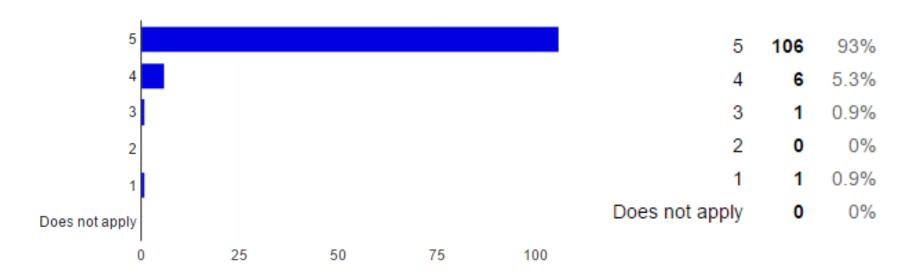
Chapter Notes [Please rate the quality/usefulness of the course components. 5 = highest to 1 = lowest]



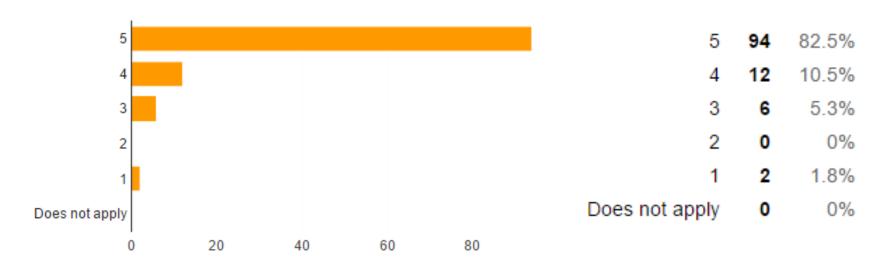
Video lessons/Online lessons [Please rate the quality/usefulness of the course components. 5 = highest to 1 = lowest]



Video examples in assignments [Please rate the quality/usefulness of the course components. 5 = highest to 1 = lowest]



Online homework system [Please rate the quality/usefulness of the course components. 5 = highest to 1 = lowest]



Comments

"Taking online courses without having to buy a code have been very beneficial to me because most of the time i could not afford to buy a book with a code and i also found that the book was not even needed for most of the course but since i have been doing math on mathas, all i had to spend money on was the class itself and nothing additional and i feel like i have gotten more out of OER then the other courses before that and using this has been more efficient for me learning wise.

OER Calculus Versus Non OER Calculus Success Rates

Fall 2015

Brief/Business Calculus

OER: $\frac{48}{73} \approx 66\%$

(online: 43 f2f: 30)

Non OER $\frac{26}{43} \approx 60\%$ (f2f only)

Fall 2015

Calculus I

OER: $\frac{27}{40} \approx 68\%$

(online: 40)

Non OER $\frac{40}{90} \approx 44\%$ (f2f only)

OER Calculus Versus Non OER Calculus Success Rates

Spring 2016 Brief/Business Calculus

OER: $\frac{45}{70} \approx 64\%$

(online: 45 f2f: 25)

Non OER
$$\frac{25}{47} \approx 53\%$$
 (f2f only)

Spring 2016 Calculus I

OER: $\frac{17}{28} \approx 61\%$

(online: 28)

Non OER
$$\frac{73}{101} \approx 72\%$$
 (f2f only)

Spring 2016 Calculus II

OER: $\frac{22}{26} \approx 85\%$

(online: 26)

Non OER $\frac{13}{25} \approx 52\%$ (f2f only)

James, I stopped here but left some of the findings/results slides we have used in the past in case we want them

Findings in 2012-3

- 78.1% feel the open materials support adequately the work that they do outside of class
- 76.2% would recommend the open materials to their classmates
- Exams scores stayed about the same
- Survey Responses from students and faculty mostly positive
- More findings in "The Adoptions of Open Educational Resources by One Community College Math Department
 - In International Review of Research in Open and Distance Learning 14(4), August 2013

Quality of OER Materials

Questions about quality

- Collaborative effort constant input and revisions
- Errors can be fixed immediately by faculty
- Can be tailored to individual classroom
- I would argue they are of superior quality to publisher materials

Thorns and Roses – A massive department OER effort

Thorns

- Huge amount of development time
- Maintenance and updates
- Distribution (bookstore!)
- Adjunct faculty buy-in

Roses

- Cost savings for students
- Department community building and support
- Energy of the new users
- Support of department and administration
- Introduction of creative teaching approaches

OER Implementation Advice

- Start small
- Grow slowly
- Identify faculty champions
- Involve everyone interested
- Gather administrative support
- Gather data, modify materials, continue to grow and learn and improve

Please describe what you like the **MOST** about the Maricopa Millions Project.

It has been great to have the opportunity to share our great lab program with others in the district and beyond.

The opportunity to create something unique and beneficial to our students.

Also the opportunity to customize the course materials specifically for our needs.

The benefit to the student in the end and the focus on saving them money while producing a high quality OER course.

Collaboration & support (some money was nice, as well).

Lisa, Paul, and Rob were very accessible, positive, and encouraging. They were very proactive about meeting with us at certain points throughout the process.

Knowing the OER/Millions project is helping students save money on textbook costs and lowering their overall cost of education. Any such cost reduction can increase the likelihood students will continue their education.

Please describe what you like the **LEAST** about the Maricopa Millions Project.

Hard to find relevant
materials at the appropriate
reading level, spent lots and
lots of time searching and
deciding what to use and how
to organize everything. Even
though I liked this part the
least, it was still productive.

It's not really a 'dislike' - going through the OER process does require you to re-think and re-look at how content is developed and how students respond and learn. That is a good thing but very time consuming!



The amount of work writing a text book is worth way more than we are paid.

The training was great but finding resources that were OER for our specific course was a bit difficult.

Since OER is still relatively new this was an expected hurdle to overcome.

I believe that the whole issue of Americans with Disabilities Act considerations was the weak point. As instructors, we were given an overview, but there was no process for formal way to go about ensuring our work met ADA requirements. Discipline instructors are not experts in that kind of stuff, and in my experience there was not adequate support from the campus level.

Please describe how your **STUDENTS** have responded to your OER materials.

So far students are responding very positively to our materials. **They love the low cost.**:)

They love it. They appreciate not paying for a textbook and in my course, getting real time material from the web is a much more effective and relevant way to teach and learn.

Students love the OER format and really appreciate the cost savings. I encourage everyone to consider teaching through OER if at all possible.



They are actually using the book for a change and like it very much. Also like not having to buy a 200 dollar book.

They love free, especially when the school prints articles for them; **they liked not lugging around a textbook**; they liked interesting articles that they could relate to.

We are still piloting the textbook so all our feedback is not in yet but so far students really like having the resources readily available and customized specifically for their course.

It takes a village.....

Dr. Donna Gaudet

Professor Jennifer Bohart



Professor William Meacham

Professor Donna Guhse

Professor James Sousa

Professor Amy Volpe

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