Welcome to the Online Math 1050 course for the Spring 2015 semester!

If you logon to the course via USU Canvas, you should be directed to the Online 1050 homepage:


Be sure to check out the links, especially the course syllabus and the Text and Software link; it explains how to download and install the Hawkes Learning System software.

eMail: If you need to send me an email message, please do not use Canvas but send it directly to bob@math.usu.edu

Hawkes Software Installation:

Once you have either the access code or CD, follow the installation and set-up instructions that can be viewed at http://www.hawkeslearning.com/Support/InstallationInstructions.htm

The Hawkes Course ID is

USUPRC

Be certain to choose the correct section. For Spring Semester 2015, the section is

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You will benefit greatly from the award winning Hawkes Learning System. The courseware for each lesson consists of three modes:

1. **Instruct** is a multimedia presentation of each topic. The Instruct mode provides definitions, rules and properties, along with example problems, important hints, and helpful notes to enhance students’ learning experience. Narration, videos and ‘Your Turns’ are available for an interactive presentation of the material.

2. **Practice** teaches problem-solving skills. Problems in each lesson are algorithmically generated to allow unlimited practice. Intelligent feedback is
provided on incorrect answers, and you have access to the Interactive Tutor for help with every problem.

3. **Certify** is where you do the homework. Each lesson contains a homework assignment with algorithmically generated problems. No two students receive the same assignment! Each certification is based on mastery-level learning, allowing you to work at your own pace. Once you achieve mastery-level learning for a lesson, you are allowed to continue to the next lesson.

**Exams:** Your tests will be completed using WebTest which is part of the Hawkes Learning System. WebTest is a state-of-the-art, online testing system that creates unique tests, and homework assignments for each student. The tests are randomly generated using a variety of problem types and parameters. They are based on the same problem types that are used to build your homework assignments. Practice exams are also available. Before you take an exam, you must certify in those lessons required for that exam. After you have completed an examination, I will review each question and give you additional points for partial credit when it is appropriate.

**Video Tutorials:** There are also numerous video tutorials that will help you learn the material and prepare you for the exams. There is a lecture video for each of the lessons and numerous problem-example videos based on the same problem types as those on the exams.

Best regards,

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