

**UC Irvine MATH 141 Spring 2026 MWF 12:00–12:50PM Room: DBH 1500**

**Course:** The section number is 44820. We will be using Canvas as the main hub of the course, which will have homework assignments, lecture outlines, etc. This is an in-person course; attendance to lecture and discussion is required. Exams and quizzes must be taken in person. First lecture: Monday, March 30.

**Instructor:** Dr. Jeff Viaclovsky, [jviaclov@uci.edu](mailto:jviaclov@uci.edu). Office hours: Mondays and Wednesdays 1:00–1:50PM in Rowland 440G, or by appointment.

**Prerequisites:** MATH 140A.

**Textbook:** *Topology: a first course* (second edition) by James Munkres.

**Course Objectives:** This course covers fundamental concepts in set theory, countability, topological spaces, continuity, connectedness, compactness and, if time permits, separation axioms.

**TA:** Karl Zieber, [zieberk@uci.edu](mailto:zieberk@uci.edu). Office hours: Tuesdays and Thursdays 2:00–2:50PM in Rowland 540M, or by appointment.

**Discussion Section:** The section number is 44821 and meets on TuTh 3:00–3:50PM, in DBH 1500. First discussion: Tuesday, March 31.

**Attendance Policy:** Attendance in person of lectures and discussions is required.

**Course Outline:** Most of Chapters 1-3 in Munkres will be covered, and some of Chapter 4.

- Homework: there will be weekly suggested homework problems. Although these problems are very important for your understanding of the course material, they will not count towards your grade.
- Quizzes will be weekly in discussion on Thursdays, 15 minutes each, except for the first week and exam week.
- Midterm Exam (in-class, 50 minutes): Friday, May 8.
- Final Exam (2 hours): Wednesday, June 10, 4:00PM – 6:00PM. Location: DBH 1500.
- Grading: Quizzes: 40%, Exam I: 20%, Final Exam: 40%. Letter grades are the standard cutoffs 90, 80, 70, 60. The lowest quiz grade will be dropped.

**Exam/Quiz Information:** The midterm exam and final exam must be taken **in person**. Quizzes will be held in the discussion section, and must be taken **in person**. No makeups will be given without a documented emergency or athletic commitment. The lowest quiz score will be dropped.

**Academic Honesty:** Exams and quizzes will be closed-book; do not use any notes, calculators, phones, etc., during the exams/quizzes. Cheating will not be tolerated.