

**Tennessee Tech University**  
**Department of Mathematics**  
**Syllabus for Extended Calculus 1A**  
**MATH 1904 (3 credit hours)**  
**Time and Location**  
**Semester**

**Course Description:**

Limits, continuity, and derivatives of functions of one variable with applications. Completion of BOTH Math 1904 and Math 1906 is equivalent to completion of Math 1910. Lec. 4. Cr. 3.

**Credit Restriction:** Completion of both Math 1904 and Math 1906 is equivalent to completion of Math 1910. Students will not be given credit for this course and Math 1910.

**Prerequisite(s):**

ACT mathematics score of 27 or above and four years of high school mathematics including algebra, geometry, trigonometry, and advanced or pre-calculus mathematics; or special permission of the Mathematics Department; or C or better in Math 1730; or C or better in Math 1720 and Math 1710; or equivalent.

**Course Objectives:**

To study the topics of limits, continuity, and derivatives of functions of one variable and their applications in the physical and life sciences. After finishing the course students are expected to know the importance of the definitions and have the ability to use them.

The goal of the general education mathematics requirement is to enhance students' abilities to utilize mathematics. Students will demonstrate:

1. The ability to use mathematics to solve problems.
2. The ability to create or analyze graphs (or other mathematical representations of data/relationships).
3. Proficiency in mathematical computations/algorithms.
4. Understanding of mathematical concepts.

**Student Learning Outcomes:**

Upon successful completion of the course, the student will have a conceptual understanding of the notion of a limit and a derivative of a function of a single variable; be able to find limits using various tools, including approximations, algebraic manipulations, and the Squeeze Theorem and be able to recognize when a limit does not exist; be able to use both the definition of derivative and various differentiation rules to differentiate algebraic, exponential, and trigonometric functions as well as combinations and compositions of these functions;

Topics to Be Covered:

## Chapter 1:

- 1.1: Four Ways to Represent a Function
- 1.2: Mathematical Models: A Catalog of Essential Functions
- 1.3: New Functions from Old Functions
- 1.4: Exponential Functions
- 1.5: Inverse Functions and Logarithms

## Appendix D: Trigonometry

## Chapter 2:

- 2.1: The Tangent and Velocity Problems (optional)
- 2.2: The Limit of a Function
- 2.3: Calculating Limits Using the Limit Laws
- 2.4: The Precise Definition of a Limit
- 2.5: Continuity
- 2.6: Limits at Infinity, Asymptotes
- 2.7 Derivatives as Rates of Change (optional)
- 2.8: the Derivative as a Function

## Chapter 3:

- 3.1: Derivatives of Polynomials and Exponential Functions
- 3.2: The Product and Quotient Rules
- 3.3: Derivatives of Trigonometric Functions
- 3.4: The Chain Rule
- 3.5: Implicit Differentiation (optional as time allows)
- 3.6: Derivatives of Logarithmic Functions (optional as time allows)

## Possible Texts and References:

*Calculus Early Transcendentals*, 9<sup>th</sup> edition by James Stewart

## Any Technology That May Be Used:

Scientific Calculator (No graphing calculators are allowed on quizzes or tests, and calculators may not be shared)

WebAssign

Desmos

## Course Policies

### Student Academic Misconduct Policy

Maintaining high standards of academic integrity in every class is critical to the reputation of Tennessee Tech, its students, alumni, and the employers of Tennessee Tech graduates. The student academic misconduct policy describes the definitions of academic misconduct and policies and procedures for addressing academic misconduct at Tennessee Tech. For details, view Tennessee Tech's policy 217 – [student academic misconduct at policy central](#).

### Attendance Policy

Attendance and participation are expected each time the class meets. Absences affect your understanding of the material as well as your grade when assignments are missed. Students who are unable to attend class for an extended period of time due to an emergency/extenuating circumstance (i.e., medical illness, hospitalization, death in the family/bereavement, military or legal obligation), may

contact the Office of the Vice President for Student Affairs at [studentaffairs@tntech.edu](mailto:studentaffairs@tntech.edu) to request an absence notification.

## Disability Accommodation

Students with a disability requiring accommodations should contact the accessible education center (AEC). An accommodation request (AR) should be completed as soon as possible, preferably by the end of the first week of the course. The AEC is located in the Roaden University Center, room 112; phone 931-372-6119. For details, view Tennessee Tech's policy 340 – [services for students with disabilities at policy central](#).

## Additional Resources

### Technical Help

If you are experiencing technical problems, visit the [myTech IT Helpdesk](#) for assistance.

If you are having trouble with one of the instructional technologies (i.e. Zoom, Teams, Qualtrics, Respondus, or any technology listed [here](#)) visit the [Center for Innovation in Teaching and Learning](#) (CITL) website or call 931-372-3675 for assistance.

For accessibility information and statements for our instructional technologies, visit the [CITL's Learner Success Resource page](#).

### Tutoring

The university provides free tutoring to all Tennessee Tech students. Tutoring is available for any class or subject, as well as writing, test prep, study skills, and resume support. Appointments are scheduled, so contact the [Learning Center website](#) for more information.

### Health and Wellness

#### Counseling Center

The Counseling Center offers brief, short-term, solution-focused therapeutic interventions for Tennessee Tech University students. The staff of the Counseling Center is available to assist students with their personal and social concerns in hopes of helping them achieve satisfying educational and life experiences. To learn more or schedule an appointment, visit the [Counseling Center website](#).

#### Health Services

Health Services offers high-quality, affordable care that is accessible and promotes the health and wellness of our Tennessee Tech community. Visit the [Health Services](#) website to learn more.

#### Pandemic Protocols

Each student must take personal responsibility for knowing and following any University protocol related to pandemics and other public health events. Students are expected to follow all directives published by Tennessee Tech on its official webpage. As conditions related to the COVID-19 pandemic change, the University's COVID-19 protocols are also likely to change. Students are expected to monitor the University's official webpage to stay up to date on public health protocols.