

Tutorial Letter 103/3/2016

Real Analysis

MAT3711

Semesters 1 & 2

Department of Mathematical Sciences

IMPORTANT INFORMATION:

This tutorial letter contains important information about your module and lecturer.

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Important Module Information

The purpose of this tutorial letter is to bring to your attention some important information about your module and lecturer for the MAT3711 module.

1 Lecturer

The lecturer responsible for this module is:

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All queries that are about the content of this module should be directed to the lecturer. Email is the preferred form of communication to use.

2 Department of Mathematical Science contact details

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3 myUnisa and myLife email

I will, from time to time, post messages on the “Announcements” section of myUnisa. Please be sure to check the myUnisa MAT3711 site and your myLife email account regularly. Note that all myUnisa announcements will be sent to your myLife email account unless you activate forwarding to another address so it is essential that you check it often.

In addition to the announcements, I have included some other new useful features to myUnisa for you to use.

- Question and Answers: here you can ask questions about the module.
- FAQs: frequently asked questions about the administration of the module are located here.
- Writing resources: to help you write your assignments better.

4 Plagiarism

I would like to bring to your attention to Unisa’s policy for Plagiarism (available for download from Unisa’s website).

Plagiarism can be defined as the act of using someone else words or ideas and presenting it as one own. It is a very serious offense – people have lost their jobs and students have been expelled from universities for committing plagiarism.

Each of the following situations is considered to be plagiarism:

- Submitting someone else's work as your own. This includes copying assignment solutions.
- Copying words or ideas from someone else without providing a full reference to the source.
- Failing to indicate a quotation as such and not providing the correct information about the source thereof. This includes copying text or figures directly from some source (like the internet) and not indicating it as a quote (by using quotation marks) or providing a full reference to the source.
- Changing some words in the text, but copying the structure of a sentence from a source without giving credit.
- Copying so many words or ideas from a source that it makes up the majority of your work. Even when you give credit to the source, this is regarded as plagiarism.

Plagiarism can usually be prevented by acknowledging that certain material has been borrowed and providing the information necessary to find the source.

Students who commit plagiarism mainly hurt themselves. The essential objective of any educational system is to equip students with the necessary knowledge and skills to attain their potential. By simply copying someone else's work the student deprives him/herself of the opportunity to master a certain skill.

Plagiarism undermines the notion of academic integrity on which the academic world is grounded. All knowledge depends on previous knowledge. It is most important to acknowledge those whose work has helped us.

Plagiarism in your assignments, whether intentional or not, will result in a score of **zero**.

5 Lecture's location

If you wish to consult me in person at Unisa, it is essential that you make an appointment. I am located at the Florida (Johannesburg/Roodepoort) campus.

Conclusion

In conclusion, I sincerely trust you will enjoy this module. No doubt you will find it quite engaging, and at first encounter some concepts might not be easy to grasp. The idea is not to lose hope. You should never hesitate to contact me either by telephone, e-mail or to visit our department.

Good luck with your studies!

Sincerely,

Dr O Ighedo.