

Text: **Contemporary Abstract Algebra**, tenth edition, by Joseph Gallian

There will be three components to the course grade: homework, two exams in class, and a final exam. The weights of these items in determining your course grade are:

homework	40%
exams	20% each
final	20%

Assignments and other information are at <http://people.whitman.edu/~guichard/475>.

The final will be comprehensive. Homework typically will be due weekly. The problems will be graded for clarity and completeness as well as correctness: if I have trouble reading or understanding a solution, you will get little or no credit. Explain your work; use complete sentences. Homework must be produced using L<sup>A</sup>T<sub>E</sub>X; you may find it easiest to use Overleaf, <https://www.overleaf.com/>. There is good documentation at the Overleaf site: <https://www.overleaf.com/learn>.

The work you turn in must be your own. If you are stuck on a problem you may see me or email me for help.

In accordance with Washington State Law and the College's Religious Accommodations Policy, I will provide reasonable accommodations for all students who, because of religious observances, may have conflicts with scheduled exams, assignments, or required attendance in class. Please review the course schedule at the beginning of the semester to determine any such potential conflict; you must let me know in writing (email is fine) by the end of the second week of class about your need for religious accommodations. If you believe that I have failed to abide by this policy, here is a link to the [Grievance Policy](#).

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Office hours: posted next to my door and on my web page.

My “office hours” are times when I guarantee, except in unusual circumstances, to be in my office. I am usually there most of the day when not in class, and you are welcome to just drop by. If you want to be sure to see me outside of guaranteed hours, just make an appointment by phoning, emailing or talking to me in person.