COURSE POLICY STATEMENT

SM 212  Differential Equations, MTWF 3rd period, CH 106

WEB PAGES:  http://www.usna.edu/MathDept/website/Courses/Spring2002.htm
             http://mathweb.mathsci.usna.edu/faculty/popovicii/index.htm

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E.I.: I am available Monday, Wednesday and Friday, when not in class
       (periods 3&4) and on Tuesday afternoon. I am rarely around on
       Thursdays. Please feel free to just stop by. Please come for E.I. if
       you don’t understand something - the sooner the better!

General Policies:  If you know that you will be missing a class, it is
       your responsibility to turn in the homework before the class is
       missed. If you miss class due to last minute circumstances, contact
       me ASAP about the missed work.

Quizzes:  There will be in-class quizzes -approximately every Tuesday,
       covering problems assigned previous week and on some Fridays, covering
       problems assigned Monday and Tuesday.

Homework:  Assignments are listed in the syllabus. Changes may be
       announced in class. You must (try to) complete the homework before
       next class. The first three problems listed in the syllabus are due
       the very next day.

       Some Tuesdays you may have to turn in homework assigned previous week.
       If this is the case, there will be no quiz. I will only grade a few
       problems.

       Collaboration is strongly encouraged; however, you must turn in your
       own homework and you are responsible for understanding the material.

Test:  There will be four in-class tests, as listed in the syllabus.
       Small adjustments to exam dates are likely, and will be announced in
       class.

Final Exam:  The final exam is a common departmental exam.

Grading: Grades will be based on overall performance, with the following
       approximate weighting:

       33% final exam,
       40% hour exams (11% the better ones + 7% the worst one)
       27% quizzes, homeworks, and class participation.

I reserve the right to fail anyone who fails the final and to give an A
       anyone who aces the final.

       Math is a contact sport!!
       The only way to learn math is to do math! Watching others work out
       problems, reading the examples in the book, or reading the answers in the
       solution book is not enough.