

Course Syllabus

Complex Variables (MATH 334-A)

Description:	<i>A study of mathematics in the complex plane, including analytic functions, derivatives, power and Laurent series, integrals, residues, and conformal mapping, with applications to partial differential equations.</i>
Credit Hours:	3
Audience:	Elective for math, engineering.
Prerequisites:	Passing grade in MATH 253
Textbook:	<i>Fundamentals of Complex Analysis with Applications to Engineering and Science, (3rd Edition)</i> , by E. B. Saff and A. D. Snider. (Required) ISBN: 9780139078743
Technology:	Use of <i>Maple</i> is recommended but not required (available on campus computers).
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Course Goals

- A. Students understand fundamental concepts of complex variables.
- B. Students extend their knowledge of calculus to solve problems involving complex variables.
- C. Students improve problem solving skills.

Topical Objectives. Preface: *Students will be able to ...*

1. perform arithmetic with complex numbers.
2. swap between various forms of rectangular and polar coordinate representations of complex numbers
3. represent sets and regions within the complex plane
4. find complex roots of various functions
5. differentiate complex functions
6. determine analyticity of a function
7. integrate complex functions
8. compute infinite series of complex numbers
9. understand and utilize the Residue Theorem
10. use conformal maps (time permitting)

General Objectives (with goals addressed). Preface: *Students will be able to ...*

11. identify when certain theorems apply, and if not, identify what hypothesis is violated (A)
12. carry over and apply knowledge from Calculus such as differentiability and integration (A,B)
13. prove some theorems involving complex variables (A,B,C,D)
14. check results (produced both manually and with technology) and recognize those which are obviously false or suboptimal (A,B,C,D)
15. write clear and detailed solutions to assigned problems in both mathematical jargon and the jargon of the field of application (C,D)