Thu, Jun 26, 2008 -- Welcome to Math 2214!

Please take a moment and have a look at the course webpage: (http://www.math.vt.edu/people/afkhamis/class_home/2214_70832.html), where you can find useful information about the course. Please note that we will have quizzes the first week (perhaps unlike courses during a regular semester). Therefore, it’s strongly recommended that you familiarize yourself with the Math Emporium (http://www.emporium.vt.edu/) quizzing system, if already not.

Few things with regards to the Math Emporium proctored testing:

* Check: (http://www.emporium.vt.edu/emporium/testingDetails.html) on how to take a proctored exam.

* You must take the proctored quiz in the Math Emporium, in the proctored testing area, and you get only ONE attempt at each graded quiz.

* The proctored testing area is at the far end of the Math Emporium, and there will be a proctor who will help if you have questions.

* You will not be able to access the quiz once the deadline is past. Certainly, do not count on a bus to get you there in the nick of time ;), you may want to instead do the quizzes as soon as you are able to.

* There will be no makeup quizzes (unless there's a technical difficulty, in which case the proctor will guide you to what action you must take).

* Once a quiz is made available, you will have until 5:30PM next day to start the quiz. Once begun, you will have to complete before closing time on the same day you started.

I will prepare hard copies of the course contract, the tentative course plan, and the quizzes and their deadlines and will bring them to the class on Monday. Also note that the electronic copy of the course contract contains links you may find useful.

The class meets in McBryde 321 (Monday to Friday, 9:30-10:45 AM). My office hours are Monday to Friday, 2:30-3:30 PM, and of course by appointment, if necessary. I was suggested to hold one or two office hours at the Math Emporium. I'm interested in hearing your feedback. If you think it's going to be a good idea, then send me days that best work for you.

Feedback/comments are always welcome.

I wish you all well this semester.