INFORMATION AND POLICY
Math 441 – Topology I – Fall 2001

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Office Hours: Tuesday, Thursday 1:30-2:30 pm in my office or by appointment.
Text Book: Primary: Elementary Topology, by Dennis Roseman, Prentice Hall;
Exams & Quizzes: There will be one comprehensive final exam, two full period midterms and 8 quizzes. Make-up exams will be allowed only in extreme situations (death in the family, serious illness with a note from the doctor), and I must be notified before the scheduled exam dates. Thus the fact that you have bought a ticket home before the exam is not an excuse to take the exam earlier or later. A time conflict with another exam is not the reason for a make-up exam either. The quizzes will be in the form of selected homework problems or in-class tests. There will be no make-up quizzes, but the lowest quiz grade will be dropped.
   All exams and quizzes (except the final) will be given in this classroom.
   First Exam:      Tuesday, October 9
   Second Exam:    Tuesday, November 13
   Final Exam:
Grading Policy: The final exam will be graded on 200-point basis, the two midterm exams will be graded on 100-point basis and the quizzes will be graded on 20-point basis. Your highest 7 grades from the 5 quizzes will count for the total grade. The formula of the total grade is

   30 (attendance) + 140 (7 Quizzes) + 200 (2 Midterms) +200 (Final) = 570 points

The course grade will be given on a curve based on the total grade.
Homework: The homework will be assigned in each lecture and will be collected and selectively graded. The exams and quizzes will be closely related to the homework.
Classes: It is the students’ responsibility to be in the class to get the homework assignments, the quiz schedules and to see what is going on. Attendance check will be given from time to time, and absence will reduce your course grade. If you have any problem about this course, please discuss it with me as early as possible. Don’t wait until the end of the semester when getting an unwanted grade and paying the tuition is usually the only solution.
Course Outline(tentative):
We will cover selected sections from Chapter 1 to Chapter 10 in Roseman’s book.