

ORIGINAL COURSE IMPLEMENTATION DATE: September 2006
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COURSE TO BE REVIEWED (six years after UEC approval): February 2028

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# OFFICIAL UNDERGRADUATE COURSE OUTLINE FORM

Note: The University reserves the right to amend course outlines as needed without notice.

Course Code and Number: MATH 345		Number of Credits: 3 Course credit policy (105)							
Course Full Title: Modern Geometries									
Course Short Title:									
Faculty: Faculty of Science	[	Department (or program if no department): Mathematics & Statistics							
Calendar Description:									
Students will study problems and constructions in Euclidean and non-Euclidean geometries, such as projective geometry, spherical geometry, and hyperbolic geometry. Topics include the parallel postulate and its consequences, transformations, symmetries and applications.									
Prerequisites (or NONE):	MATH 211,	MATH 211, MATH 221, and MATH 265.							
Corequisites (if applicable, or NONE):	NONE								
Pre/corequisites (if applicable, or NONE):	NONE								
Antirequisite Courses (Cannot be taken for additional credit.)			Course Details						
Former course code/number:			Special Topics course: <b>No</b>						
Cross-listed with:			(If yes, the course will be offered under different letter designations representing different topics.)						
Equivalent course(s):				Directed Study course: <b>No</b>					
(If offered in the previous five years, antirequisite course(s) will be				(See policy 207 for more information.)					
included in the calendar description as a note that students with credit for the antirequisite course(s) cannot take this course for further credit.)				Grading System: Letter grades					
				Delivery Mode: May be offered in multiple delivery modes					
Typical Structure of Instructional Hours			Expected frequency: Every other year						
Lecture/seminar 50			Maximum enrolment (for information only): 36						
			Prior Lo	earning Assessment an	d Recognition (PLAR)				
			PLAR is	s available for this course	•				
			Transfe	er Credit (See bctransfe	rguide.ca.)				
Total hours 50				Transfer credit already exists: <b>No</b>					
Scheduled Laboratory Hours			Submit outline for (re)articulation: <b>No</b>						
Labs to be scheduled independent of lecture hours: ⊠ No ☐ Yes			(If yes	s, fill in <u>transfer credit forn</u>	<u>n</u> .)				
Department approval				Date of meeting:	November 2021				
Faculty Council approval				Date of meeting:	February 4, 2022				
Undergraduate Education Committee (UEC) approval				Date of meeting:	February 25, 2022				

Learning Outcomes (These should contribute to students' ability to meet program outcomes and thus Institutional Learning Outcomes.)

Upon successful completion of this course, students will be able to:

- 1. State precise definitions of fundamental concepts in the geometries studied.
- 2. Compare and contrast the main principles/theorems of Euclidean and non-Euclidean geometries.
- 3. Apply definitions and theorems to prove geometrical results.
- 4. Classify transformations and symmetries in different geometries.
- 5. Discuss properties of various transformations, including invariants.
- 6. Discuss the general notions of distance and geodesics, independent of any particular geometry.
- 7. Use concrete models to demonstrate geometric concepts, such as the meaning of parallelism in various geometries.
- 8. Display effective mathematical communication in both written and oral formats, for example through presentation of high-quality mathematical proofs of basic theorems in geometry.
- 9. Discuss geometry across cultures and societies.

## Recommended Evaluation Methods and Weighting (Evaluation should align to learning outcomes.)

Final exam:	40%	Quizzes/tests:	20%	[click to select]	%
Assignments:	25%	Project:	15%	[click to select]	%

Details: Project might include a written report and/or an oral presentation component.

# NOTE: The following sections may vary by instructor. Please see course syllabus available from the instructor.

**Texts and Resource Materials** (Include online resources and Indigenous knowledge sources. <u>Open Educational Resources</u> (OER) should be included whenever possible. If more space is required, use the <u>Supplemental Texts</u> and <u>Resource Materials form.</u>)

Туре	Author or description	Title and publication/access details	Year
1. Textbook	P.J. Ryan	Euclidean And Non-Euclidean Geometry: An Analytic Approach. Cambridge University Press	1996
2. Textbook	J. Stillwell	The Four Pillars of Geometry. Springer	2005
3. Textbook	Carroll and Rykken	Geometry: The Line and the Circle. MAA Press	2018
4. Textbook	D.A. Brannan, M.F. Esplen, J.J. Gray	Geometry, 2 <sup>nd</sup> edition. The Open University	2012

Required Additional Supplies and Materials (Software, hardware, tools, specialized clothing, etc.)

Possible computer software: Geometer's Sketchpad, NonEuclid (freeware), Maple

## **Course Content and Topics**

#### **Euclidean geometry:**

- Euclid's Elements, basic constructions, axiomatic approach
- The parallel postulate, angles, and the Pythagorean theorem
- Isometries: reflections, rotations, and translations
- Symmetries
- n-dimensional Euclidean space
- vectors and Euclidean space
- affine geometries and transformations

## Projective geometry:

- Projective coordinates
- Projective line, plane, and n-space
- Projective transformations
- Cross-ratio and linear fractional functions
- Perspective drawing, Desargues' theorem
- Projective arithmetic
- Homogeneous polynomials, algebraic curves

# Hyperbolic geometry:

- Parallels in hyperbolic geometry Area and angular defect
- Circles and distance Poincare's model
- Hyperbolic transformations

# Spherical geometry:

- Geodesics on spheres
- Spherical triangles
- Spherical symmetries
- Application: mapmaking

# Other geometries:

- Fractal geometry
- Spacetime geometry