MATH 338. HISTORY AND PHILOSOPHY OF MATHEMATICS.

Credits: 3

Offered by: Mathematics and Statistics (Faculty of Science)

This course is not offered this catalogue year.

Description

Egyptian, Babylonian, Greek, Indian and Arab contributions to mathematics are studied together with some modern developments they give rise to, for example, the problem of trisecting the angle. European mathematics from the Renaissance to the 18th century is discussed, culminating in the discovery of the infinitesimal and integral calculus by Newton and Leibnitz. Demonstration of how mathematics was done in past centuries, and involves the practice of mathematics, including detailed calculations, arguments based on geometric reasoning, and proofs.

• Fall

· Prerequisites: MATH 133, MATH 141.

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