## MATH-305 Journal

The purpose of the journal is for you to be constantly aware of **your own performance and study habits** in the course. *It is a way for you to see how you spend your time and how you are doing in the course.* 

## Consequently, you shall keep a journal recording:

- 1. your scores on all graded items (including zeros for items not completed),
- 2. the start and stop times spent studying MATH-305 outside of class,
- 3. your class absences by date, and
- 4. after each exam is returned:
  - a. the number of exam problems left blank or unfinished and the point value of them,
  - b. the amount of time spent on each exam.

Page 1 should be reserved for recording your grades so that you have them available for quick reference at any time. You are responsible for keeping your journal secure and private!

**Page 2** should be reserved for recording all your absences. Simply record the date you missed class.

Page 3 should be reserved for recording the amount of time you spend on exams and the number of exam problems you leave blank or unfinished and their point value.

**Each subsequent page** should contain a log of your study time (1 week per page). It should **not** include time spent in class. The **format** of each page should look like this example:

Week 4

Day	Assignments	Start - End	Time*	Day Total*
Mon	6	9:40 - 10:15am	35	•
	6	7:30 - 8:20pm	50	85
Tues	7	8:40 - 10:15am	95	95
Wed	7	2:30 - 3:00pm	30	
	Proj 1	8:40 - 9:45pm	65	95
Thurs	8, Proj 1	2:00 - 3:45pm	105	105
Fri			0	0
Sat	9 & Proj 1	1:45 - 3:55pm	130	130
Sun	Review	3:10 - 4:00pm	50	50

Week: 560 min = 9.3 hrs

Since the journal is for *your* benefit (not mine), there is *no gain* in exaggerating the time logs.

You are responsible for keeping your journal secure and private!

Don't misplace it, and never give it to another student!

<sup>\*</sup> Record all times in minutes and convert the week's total to hours.