

METR 3113 – Atmospheric Dynamics I  
Fall 2016

## Class Policies

**Homework is due by 5 pm on the date announced.** You will be assessed a **20% penalty per day** (i.e., 5 pm the next day) for late work, and work will not be accepted 2 days beyond the announced due date.

You are encouraged to **discuss homework problems** with one another; however, solutions submitted under your name must **express your own descriptions and calculations** and be **written by you** – not copied **in whole or in part** from someone else's work or from a common work session on the whiteboard. **Cheating is strictly forbidden** and could result in suspension or expulsion from the University. Don't even think about doing it! It is **your responsibility** to read and understand the **Student Code and policies on Academic Integrity**. For details, visit the class web site.

**Three in-class examinations** will be given during the regular lecture period (see schedule on the class web site). They are closed book/closed note. A make-up exam will be given only under exceptional circumstances. I must be notified **in advance** if you cannot take an exam. We most likely will hold pizza-based exam review sessions several evenings before each exam to ensure understanding of the material.

The **final examination** is **comprehensive** and will be held from **8:00 – 10:00 am on Thursday, December 15** in Room NWC 5600. A make-up exam will be given only under exceptional circumstances. I must be notified **in advance** if you cannot take an exam.

I encourage each of you to see me during office hours, or to make a special appointment, if you are having trouble with the material. Please also consult the class Facebook page as I monitor it continuously, and posting questions is a wonderful way to initiate discussion about issues for which many people no doubt have questions.

**One of the best ways to reach me is by electronic mail (kkd@ou.edu).** I enjoy working one-on-one with students, so please take advantage of my office hours! Do NOT wait until the final exam to begin studying! The best way to ensure success is to **attend all classes, keep up with the course material, and ask questions**. Students who actively participate in lectures and avail themselves of office hours typically learn and retain the material at a much higher level.

Finally, **HAVE FUN!** Among all undergraduate meteorology courses, I've found that Dynamics I is among the most fun, including when I took it at OU, because it begins pulling together the basics (calculus, physics, basic meteorology courses) to help you understand the complexities of the amazing atmosphere!! This is your major and your career – pursue it with vigor, enthusiasm, and thoughtfulness!!