MATH PATH ADVICE FROM STUDENTS FROM FALL 2012 MATH 5C/10

Many of these students had 4 or even 6 straight math path classes with me and grew tremendously during that time. I asked them what advice they would give to future Math Path students. Here is what they said, verbatim.

For me: be prepared of hw everyday; tests every one or two weeks; studying ahead if you can; NONETHELESS, it is a fun and pleasant experience in which you expand your knowledge and find some amazing people..

Hey new math pathers, RUN!!!!! Jk you have actually made a great decision and have chosen the best professor in the universe. My advice is to do your homework every night. Prepare your questions as you do your work, and NEVER fall behind. NEVER miss class, and NEVER stop studying. Make a commitment to math path and make it you first priority. It sounds intense because it is, however it is loads if fun and if you put your all in it, you will get far more in return. Good luck!!!!

Even though you may be new to the class and the fast-pace style, remember its all worthwhile in the long haul. the students in your class are there not only as people to study with, but people to be friends with. The sooner you realize that, the easier, more comfortable, and better the class will be. Go to the professors after-hours as much as possible, it really helps, especially for logic, conception, and understanding. Dont focus on notetaking as much as understanding your notes and ALWAYS REDO hw assignments and review (dont wait till last minute to study). Best online resource for me was paul's online notes. MOST IMPORTANT: NEVER take a class literally right before mathpath ESPECIALLY A SPORT(it will kill you!) Best of luck and focus, remember that the professor will drive you as much as you want to be driven, and even more so!

For math path, you hear it all. The class is rigorous. The class is difficult. The class is "impossible." Yes, it is rigorous and difficult but not as much as you would expect and definitely not impossible. If you think this way, you're only going to psyche yourself out before the class even starts! You can get the most out of math path if you're willing to put in the work for it. Luckily for you, you have one of the best professors PCC has to offer so that is already a good way to start! Also, for those who are worried about time and taking more units with math path, I personally took 18 units (10 of which was math path) with work and was able to get through the semester. It was stressful, but feasible. Other than that, keep up with the homework and know the material. So, good luck, carpe diem, #swag, #yolo and enjoy the semester!

Read the book ahead.

Do your homework. Show up to class and do not give yourself any excuse to miss even one class. Respect your professor. Respect equality. Draw UCLA bears in your tests. Good Luck and remember to Have Fun.

ask for take home test joking! work ahead and do all your homework, prepare for the test a week before and dont leave anything to be done in the last minute!

Do all the homework. Study not only from professor's notes, but also from textbook and other sources, such as paul notes and patrick's video. Spend 4-5 hours a day for math (including saturday and sunday). make friends in the class because they will teach you when you dont understand

Your new classmates will become your best friends for the following semester. Form study groups since they will be much needed to study for tests. Online resources such as MIT open courseware further increases understanding of material. Most importantly, maintain a high level of discipline and dedication to be able to keep up with the course.

Learn to do more than what is required. det personal

The math path class is a team and the environment should be competitive and supportive. Offering help is actually something that will benefit you as well. Stay on top of your understanding of math rather than your grade in math because that is what is ultimately going to make you satisfied. Most importantly, don't let your team down. If you can feel a certain expectation from your class and classmates, then you will try not to.

Understand everything in the classroom. Try to think a few steps ahead in classroom and make sense of all the material. Use your mind, think intuitively and actively. Have a look at the book and always do your homework according to the class schedule. Preferably, do not do over 68 questions in one night!! And most importantly Respect Equality!