Calculus 1, Chapter 2 Study Guide Prepared by Dr. Robert Gardner

The following is a *brief* list of topics covered in Chapter 1 of *Thomas' Calculus*. Test questions will be chosen directly from the text. This list is not meant to be comprehensive, but only gives a list of several important topics. I reserve the right to ask you definitions and theorems on the tests. If I do so, then I will choose from the **bold-faced** items below.

2.1 Rates of Change and Limits. Average rate of change

- **2.2 Calculating Limits Using the Limit Laws.** Limit Rules, limits of polynomials and rational functions, Sandwich Theorem.
- 2.3 The Precise Definition of a Limit. the formal definition of limit, given ϵ find δ .
- 2.4 One-Sided Limits and Limits at Infinity. Theorem 6 (relationship between one- and two-sided limits), $\lim_{\theta \to 0} \frac{\sin \theta}{\theta} = 1$, $\lim_{x \to \pm \infty} f(x) = L$, Rules for limits as $x \to \pm \infty$, horizontal asymptotes.
- **2.5 Infinite Limits and Vertical Asymptotes.** Limits which are infinite, **vertical asymptotes**.
- 2.6 Continuity. Continuity at an interior point and endpoint of the domain, the Continuity Test, removable and jump discontinuities, composite functions, Intermediate Value Theorem.
- 2.7 Tangents and Derivatives. Slope of a Curve, tangent line, instantaneous velocity.