# MATH 2794W MATH WRITING SEMINAR READING ASSIGNMENT 2

**Instruction.** Use the first chapter of *Mathematical Writing* by Franco Vivaldi to complete this reading assignment. You can download this book for free using your UConn login:

link-springer-com.ezproxy.lib.uconn.edu/content/pdf/10.1007%2F978-1-4471-6527-9.pdf Submit a hand-written (or stylus on a tablet) document, unless you've spoken with me ahead of time.

## 1. Review Sec 1.1 - 1.2

Without looking at your notes (from Reading Assignment 1), take five minutes to write down what you remember learning from Section 1.1 and 1.2, then skim through your notes to refresh your memory.

## 2. Section 1.3 Style

Read Section 1.3 Style (pages 5–6). While reading, summarize the author's point of view. Write down items that you plan to apply more often to your writing.

I will ask you to read Section 1.4 Preparation and Structure carefully later, when we start writing papers. You can skip it for now.

#### 3. Exercise 1.2

Use the guidelines given in Section 1.1 - 1.3 to complete Exercise 1.2.

#### 4. Exercise 1.2 Solution

Write down the answers to Exercise 1.2 (at the end of the book) next to yours and compare them. If you disagree with the book's answers, discuss your reasoning.

#### 5. Review

Without looking at what you have written so far, take three minutes to write down a few things you have learned so far.

# 6. Survey

- i. Approximately how much time did you spend on this homework?
- ii. Any questions so far?

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>This is supposed to better for your memory than simply reading notes