



DEPARTMENT OF ACADEMIC UPGRADING

COURSE OUTLINE – WINTER 2015

MATH ESSENTIALS

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OFFICE HOURS: Daily, 8:00-8:30 am and 11:00-11:45 am in the Math Lab

PREREQUISITE(S)/COREQUISITE:

MA0081 or equivalent math placement test score

REQUIRED TEXT/RESOURCE MATERIALS:

Package of MA0093 modules, 2013

Scientific calculator

CALENDAR DESCRIPTION:

This course is a modularized program of study which covers basic computational skills, ratio and proportion, percent, an introduction to exponents, equations and formulas, fundamentals of geometry, introduction to graphing, and statistics.

CREDIT/CONTACT HOURS:

MA 0093 Math Essentials 5 (5-0-0)

Time: 75 Hours

DELIVERY MODE:

MA0093 is a modularized math course divided into 8 separate units called modules. The instructions for each topic are given in the modules, followed by several examples and exercises. Study the instructions and work through the examples before starting each exercise. The answers for each exercise are given at the end of the module. Check your work often to make sure you understand each new topic. The key to success in working with modules is to ask questions whenever you have difficulty understanding the instructions, the examples, or the exercises. **Do not hesitate to ask for help.**

After each module you must write a test. When writing a test, be sure to show all of your work on the test paper. Marks are given for method as well as for the final answer. A passing mark of 60% is required on the test before continuing on to the next module. If you are unable to attain this mark, you must review the material and rewrite the test. The first and second test marks will be averaged.

A 50-minute midterm, which will cover the first four modules, must be written by **Thursday, February 26**. If you miss this date, you will receive a mark of 0% on your midterm. Upon completion of all the course modules, you will write a three hour final exam. Be sure to leave time to prepare for these important exams! They are worth a large percentage of your final grade.

The recommended test date for each module and the midterm is on page 7. Follow these dates as closely as you can. You are encouraged to write a test early if you are prepared. **Consult your instructor immediately if you find yourself falling behind schedule.** Your instructor may need to reassess your math skills to ensure that you are placed in a course where you can be successful. **All tests must be written by Tuesday, April 14.**

Bonus

When you write your module tests on or before the given date, you will be awarded an additional 2% on your score for each test.

SUCCESS STANDARD:

Although 50% is considered a pass for this course, if you wish to be successful at the next level, we strongly recommend that you achieve a mark of 60% or better.

GRADING CRITERIA:

Your final mark is determined by:

8 module tests	48%
Midterm	17%
Final Exam	35%

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GRADING CONVERSION CHART			
Alpha Grade	4-point Equivalent	Percentage Guidelines	Designation
A⁺	4.0	90 – 100	EXCELLENT
A	4.0	85 – 89	
A⁻	3.7	80 – 84	FIRST CLASS STANDING
B⁺	3.3	77 – 79	
B	3.0	73 – 76	GOOD
B⁻	2.7	70 – 72	
C⁺	2.3	67 – 69	SATISFACTORY
C	2.0	63 – 66	
C⁻	1.7	60 – 62	
D⁺	1.3	55 – 59	MINIMAL PASS
D	1.0	50 – 54	
F	0.0	0 – 49	FAIL
WF	0.0	0	FAIL, withdrawal after the deadline

Learning Outcomes:

1. Review

- Name sets using the roster method.
- Classify statements regarding set membership as true or false, sets as finite or infinite.
- Place the correct inequality symbol between two integers.
- Calculate the absolute value of an integer.
- Write the additive inverse of an integer.
- Add and subtract two or more integers.
- Multiply and divide two or more integers.
- Given decimal notation, write a word name or vice versa.
- Add, subtract, multiply, and divide decimals.
- Add, subtract, multiply, and divide fractions.
- Simplify complex fractions.
- Write a fraction as a decimal or a decimal as a fraction.
- Simplify expressions with integers and fractions using the rules for order of operations.

2. Ratio and Proportion

- Write a ratio to compare two quantities as a fraction in lowest terms.
- Convert a given ratio which contains mixed numbers, decimal notations, and/or whole numbers to lowest terms.
- Write a ratio to compare two quantities with the same units from real life situations.
- Use a rate to compare two quantities with different units.
- Compare unit rates using number relation symbols.
- Write a proportion and determine whether a statement is a true proportion or not.
- Find the missing number in a proportion. Give answers as mixed numbers, unless decimals are used in a proportion.
- Solve applied problems using proportions.
- Give all the pairs of equal angles and all the pairs of corresponding sides in a pair of similar triangles.
- Find lengths of sides of similar triangles using proportions.

3. Percent

- Write a fraction with a denominator of 100 as a percent.
- Rewrite a given statement using the percent notation.
- Write a percent as a decimal and vice-versa.
- Change a percent to a fraction and vice-versa.
- Translate a percent problem into an equation.
- Identify the parts of percent proportion such as percent, base and amount.
- Use the percent proportion to solve percent problems.

- Solve general applied percent problems.
- Solve applied problems when percent is added such as sales tax, commission, interest, etc.

4. Introduction to Exponents

- Convert exponential notation to expanded form.
- Evaluate expressions containing exponents.
- Express a number as a power of an indicated base.
- Use the product rule to multiply exponential expressions with like bases.
- Use the quotient rule to divide exponential expressions with like bases.
- Evaluate an exponential expression with basic operations using the rules for order of operations.
- Use the power rule to raise powers of powers.
- Raise a product to a power and a quotient to a power.
- Evaluate exponential expressions with exponents of 0 and 1.
- Express exponential expressions containing negative exponents with equivalent expressions containing only positive exponents.
- Convert between scientific notation and standard form.
- Multiply and divide using scientific notation.

5. Equations

- Determine whether a number is the solution to a given equation.
- Solve equations using the addition principle.
- Solve equations using the multiplication principle.
- Solve equations using both the addition and the multiplication principles.
- Solve equations in which like terms may need to be collected.
- Solve equations with variables on both sides.
- Solve equations by first removing the parentheses and collecting like terms.
- Solve equations containing fractions.
- Solve equations with variables in the denominator.
- Evaluate a formula.
- Solve a formula for a specified variable and then evaluate.

6. Fundamentals of Geometry

- Identify various geometric terms and their proper use.
- Find the measure of an angle using a protractor.
- Identify complementary and supplementary angles; find the measure of a complement or a supplement of a given angle.
- Use the vertically opposite angle property to find measures of angles.
- Identify pairs of corresponding angles, interior angles, and alternate interior angles and apply properties of transversals and parallel lines to find measures of angles.
- Classify triangles according to the lengths of their sides or the size of their angles

- Learn the key terms related to circle geometry.
- Identify the circle property that relates a tangent to a circle and the radius of the circle.
- Identify the circle property that relates a chord in a circle, its perpendicular bisector, and the centre of the circle.
- Find the measures of angles in a circle using the above properties.
- Find the measures of chords and/or radii using the circle properties.

7. Introduction to Graphing

- Locate a point on a grid.
- Write the ordered pair for a point on a grid.
- Use a graph to find a missing number in a data table.
- Locate a point in a co-ordinate system.
- Indicate which quadrant contains a given point in a co-ordinate system.
- Read and make graphs in a rectangular co-ordinate system.
- State the slope of a line by using rise and run.
- State the slope of a line containing points with co-ordinates.

8. Statistics

- Collect data for various purposes.
- Construct a line graph to show how a specific quantity changes over time.
- Construct a pictograph to make a visual presentation of similar data that is grouped into separate and distinct categories.
- Construct a bar graph to compare similar data that can be grouped into distinct categories.
- Construct a component bar graph which is a special bar graph that is used to illustrate relationships within categories.
- Construct and read a circle graph with numeric values or percentage values.
- Organize data into class intervals and state the frequency for each class.
- Understand and interpret a histogram.
- Construct a histogram from raw data.
- Construct a frequency polygon from raw or grouped data.
- Find the mean, median, and mode (or the central tendency) of a set of numbers.
- Draw an inference using the central tendency of a set of data.

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Topics / Tests / Exams

Module	TOPIC/DESCRIPTION	Recommended Time & Test Date	Date written	Your Mark
1	Review - four basic operations on decimals, fractions, & integers -order of operations	8 days January 16 Friday		
2	Ratio and Proportion -Simplifying and reducing ratios -rates and proportions -similar figures	8 days January 28 Wednesday		
3	Percent -changing percent to decimals & fractions -changing decimals and fractions to percent -application of percent	7 days February 6 Friday		
4	Introduction to Exponents -laws of exponents -scientific notation	7 days February 24 Tuesday		
	Review for Midterm	1 days		
	MIDTERM must be written on or before	Thursday, February 26		
5	Equations -solving -evaluating expressions, formulas -rearranging formulas	10 days March 12 Thursday		
6	Fundamentals of Geometry -plane geometry & polygons -Parallel Line Theorem -circle geometry	7 days March 23 Monday		
7	Introduction to Graphing -reading and making graphs in the rectangular coordinate system -slope of a line	6 days March 31 Tuesday		
8	Statistics -organizing data, graphs -measures of central tendency	8 days April 13 Monday		
	Review for Final	1 day		
	FINAL EXAM - 3 HOURS	To be announced (April 16 - 27)		

MA0093 Winter 2015 Homework Schedule

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| 1. | Review
1-3
Jan. 7 | 4-6
8 | 7-9
9 | 10&11
12 | 12
13 | 13&14
14 | Review
15 | Test: Fri., Jan. 16 |
| 2. | Ratio and Proportion
1&2
Jan. 19 | 3&4
20 | 5&6
21 | 7
22 | 8
23 | 9&10
26 | Review
27 | Test: Wed., Jan. 28 |
| 3. | Percent
1-3
Jan. 29 | 4-6
30 | 7
Feb. 2 | 8
3 | 9
4 | Review
5 | | Test: Fri., Feb. 6 |
| 4. | Introduction to Exponents
1
Feb. 9 | 2
10 | 3
11 | 4
12 | 5
13 | Review
23 | | Test: Tues., Feb. 24 |

Midterm Exam on Thursday, Feb. 26

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| 5. | Equations
1&2
Feb. 27 | 3
Mar. 2 | 4
3 | 5
4 | 6
5 | 7
6 | 8
9 | 9
10 | Review
11 | Test: Thur., Mar. 12 |
| 6. | Fundamentals of Geometry
1&2
Mar. 13 | 3
16 | 4
17 | 5
18 | 6
19 | Review
20 | | | | Test: Mon., Mar. 23 |
| 7. | Introduction to Graphing
1
Mar. 24 | 2&3
25 | 4
26 | 5
27 | Review
30 | | | | | Test: Tues., Mar. 31 |
| 8. | Statistics
1&2
Apr. 1 | 3&4
2 | 5
6 | 6
7 | 7
8 | 8&9
9 | Review
10 | | | Test: Mon., Apr. 13 |

Final exam to be announced (April 16 - 27)

STUDENT RESPONSIBILITIES:

In addition to the *Student Rights and Responsibilities* as set out in the college website, the following guidelines will maintain an effective learning environment for everyone:

1. Regular attendance is expected of all students in all mathematics courses. Your success in math is directly linked to your attendance. Attendance will be taken daily.
2. Students are expected to be punctual. Arrive on time for classes and remain for the duration of scheduled classes.
3. Refrain from disruptive talking or socializing during class time.
4. Be respectful of others regarding food or beverages in the classroom. Clean up your eating area and dispose of garbage.
5. Recycle paper, bottles, and cans in the appropriate containers.
6. Children are not permitted in the classrooms.
7. Students are expected to notify the instructor of any extenuating circumstances.

ELECTRONIC DEVICES:

Students are expected to turn off cell phones during class time or in labs. No unspecified electronic devices will be allowed in exams.

STATEMENT OF PLAGIARISM:

Please refer to the College Website for policies regarding plagiarism and cheating as well as the resultant penalties. These are serious issues and will be dealt with severely.

STUDENT PRINTING POLICY:

Please refer to the College website (Home > Tuition and Fees) for the printing policy which limits the free use of paper; extra charges will applied if the limit is exceeded.