School of Access Department of Mathematics \& Statistics MATH 139
Algebra, Triangle Trigonometry, and Geometry
Fall 2017

## COURSE OUTLINE

## 1. Instructor Information

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## 2. Intended Learning Outcomes

Upon successful completion of this course the student will be able to:

1. Demonstrate basic numeracy by performing arithmetic with and without a scientific calculator.
2. Use set notation to find the union and intersection of two or more sets. Define and identify real, rational, irrational, integer, whole, and natural numbers. Graph intervals of real numbers on the number line. Use the properties of real numbers to perform arithmetic operations and evaluate expressions.
3. Solve linear equations in one variable. Solve and graph inequalities and compound inequalities in one variable. Solve absolute value equations. Solve word problems involving linear equations in one variable.
4. Determine whether or not relations are functions. Evaluate functions. Find the domain and range of functions from their graphs. Interpret mathematical statements involving function notation.
5. Graph linear equations and inequalities in two variables. Calculate the slope and $y$ intercept of a line. Find the equation of a line using the point-slope form. State the equation of a line in slope-intercept and standard form.
6. Solve systems of linear equations in two variables by graphing, substitution, and the addition method. Solve word problems involving systems of linear equations.
7. Express real numbers in scientific notation. Use the power rules to simplify and evaluate expressions with integral exponents. Expand products of polynomials. Factor polynomials completely using a variety of strategies, including the difference of squares and the sum and difference of cubes. Solve equations and word problems involving factoring.
8. Use the properties of rational expressions to simplify terms. Perform arithmetic operations on rational expressions. Simplify complex fractions. Divide polynomials using long division. Solve equations and word problems involving rational expressions.
9. Perform arithmetic operations with radicals. Take quotients and powers of terms involving radicals and rational exponents. Rationalize denominators. Solve equations with radicals and exponents. Perform arithmetic operations on complex numbers, including rationalizing the denominator.
10. Solve quadratic equations by factoring, by completing the square, and by using the quadratic formula. Solve word problems involving quadratic equations.
11. Graph quadratic functions and identify the vertex, axis of symmetry, and maximum/minimum values. Solve word problems involving optimization of quadratic functions.
12. Calculate angles for problems involving parallel lines and/or triangles. Solve geometry problems involving similar triangles. Calculate sides of triangles using the Pythagorean theorem.
13. Calculate trigonometric functions for any angle. Solve right triangles using trigonometry. Solve word problems involving right-angled triangles. Solve triangles using the laws of sines and cosines.

## 3. Required Materials

(a) Text: Bittinger / Beecher / Johnson, Intermediate Algebra, $12^{\text {th }}$ edition, Pearson Education Inc, 2015. (Print and electronic versions of the book are acceptable and identical.)
(b) Calculator: Only regular scientific calculators (non-programmable, non-graphing) will be permitted for tests and exams. The use of other electronic devices such as cell phones, MP3 players, iPods, electronic translators, etc., during exams is not allowed.

## 4. Course Content and Schedule

Chapter R - Review of Basic Algebra
Section R.1: The Set of Real Numbers
Section R.2: Operations with Real Numbers
Section R.3: Exponential Notation and Order of Operations
Section R.4: Introduction to Algebraic Expressions
Section R.5: Equivalent Algebraic Expressions
Section R.6: Simplifying Algebraic Expressions
Section R.7: Properties of Exponents and Scientific Notation
Chapter 1 - Solving Linear Equations and Inequalities
Section 1.1: Solving Equations
Section 1.2: Formulas and Applications
Section 1.3: Applications and Problem Solving
Section 1.4: Sets, Inequalities, and Interval Notation
Section 1.5: Intersections, Unions, and Compound Inequalities (omit compound inequalities)
Chapter 2 - Graphs, Functions, and Equations
Section 2.1: Graphs of Equations
Section 2.2: Functions and Graphs
Section 2.3: Finding Domain and Range
Section 2.4: Linear Functions: Graphs and Slope
Section 2.5: More on Graphing Linear Equations
Section 2.6: Finding Equations of Lines; Applications
Chapter 3 - Systems of Equations
Section 3.1: Systems of Equations in Two Variables
Section 3.2: Solving by Substitution
Section 3.3: Solving by Elimination
Section 3.4: Solving Applied Problems: Two Equations
Chapter 4 - Polynomials and Polynomial Functions
Section 4.1: Introduction to Polynomials and Polynomial Functions
Section 4.2: Multiplication of Polynomials
Section 4.3: Introduction to Factoring
Section 4.4: Factoring Trinomials: $x^{\wedge} 2+b x+c$
Section 4.5: Factoring Trinomials: $x^{\wedge} 2+b x+c$
Section 4.6: Special Factoring
Section 4.7: Factoring: A General Strategy
Section 4.8: Applications of Polynomial Equations and Functions
Chapter 5 - Rational Expressions, Equations, and Functions
Section 5.1: Rational Expressions and Functions: Multiplying, Dividing, and Simplifying
Section 5.2: LCMs, LCDs, Addition, and Subtraction
Section 5.3: Division of Polynomials
Section 5.4: Complex Rational Expressions
Section 5.5: Solving Rational Equations
Section 5.6: Applications and Proportions
Section 5.7: Formulas and Applications
Section 5.8: Variation and Applications
Chapter 6 - Radical Expressions, Equations, and Functions
Section 6.1: Radical Expressions and Functions
Section 6.2: Rational Numbers as Exponents
Section 6.3: Simplifying Radical Expressions
Section 6.4: Addition, Subtraction, and More Multiplication
Section 6.5: More on Division of Radical Expressions
Section 6.6: Solving Radical Equations
Section 6.7: Applications Involving Powers and Roots
Section 6.8: The Complex Numbers

Chapter 7 - Quadratic Equations and Functions
Section 7.1: The Basics of Solving Quadratic Equations
Section 7.2: The Quadratic Formula
Section 7.3: Applications Involving Quadratic Equations
Section 7.4: More on Quadratic Equations
Section 7.5: Graphing $f(x)=a(x-h)^{\wedge} 2+k$
Section 7.6: Graphing $f(x)=a x^{\wedge} 2+b x+c$
Geometry Supplement (In class notes and custom suggested problems)
Section G1: Lines and Angles
Section G2: Triangles
Section G3: Similar Triangles
Trigonometry
Section T1: Trigonometric Functions of Acute Angles
Section T2: Applications of Right Triangles
Section T3: Trigonometric Functions of Any Angle
Section T4: The Law of Sines
Section T5: The Law of Cosines

## 5. Basis of Student Assessment (Weighting)

Best 5 of 6 tests: $\quad 50 \%$
Final Exam: 50\%
As stated in the current college calendar, "students are expected to write tests and final examinations at the scheduled time and place." Exceptions will only be considered due to emergency circumstances as outlined in the calendar. Holidays or scheduled flights are not considered to be emergencies.

## 6. Grading System

## Standard Grading System (GPA)

| Percentage | Grade | Description | Grade Point <br> Equivalency |
| :---: | :--- | :--- | :---: |
| $90-100$ | $\mathrm{~A}+$ |  | 9 |
| $85-89$ | A |  | 8 |
| $80-84$ | $\mathrm{~A}-$ |  | 7 |
| $77-79$ | $\mathrm{~B}+$ |  | 6 |
| $73-76$ | B |  | 5 |
| $70-72$ | $\mathrm{~B}-$ |  | 4 |
| $65-69$ | $\mathrm{C}+$ |  | 3 |
| $60-64$ | C |  | 2 |
| $50-59$ | D | Minimum level of achievement for which credit is granted; a <br> course with a "D" grade cannot be used as a prerequisite. | 1 |
| $0-49$ | F | Minimum level has not been achieved. | 0 |

## Temporary Grades

Temporary grades are assigned for specific circumstances and will convert to a final grade according to the grading scheme being used in the course. See Grading Policy E-1.5 at camosun.ca for information on conversion to final grades, and for additional information on student record and transcript notations.

| Temporary <br> Grade | Description |
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| I | Incomplete: A temporary grade assigned when the requirements of a course have not yet been <br> completed due to hardship or extenuating circumstances, such as illness or death in the family. |
| IP | In progress: A temporary grade assigned for courses that, due to design may require a further <br> enrollment in the same course. No more than two IP grades will be assigned for the same <br> course. (For these courses a final grade will be assigned to either the 3rd course attempt or at <br> the point of course completion.) |
| CW | Compulsory Withdrawal: A temporary grade assigned by a Dean when an instructor, after <br> documenting the prescriptive strategies applied and consulting with peers, deems that a <br> student is unsafe to self or others and must be removed from the lab, practicum, worksite, or <br> field placement. |

7. Recommended Materials or Services to Assist Students to Succeed Throughout the Course

## LEARNING SUPPORT AND SERVICES FOR STUDENTS

There are a variety of services available for students to assist them throughout their learning. This information is available in the College calendar, at Student Services, or the College web site at camosun.ca.

## STUDENT CONDUCT POLICY

There is a Student Conduct Policy which includes plagiarism.
It is the student's responsibility to become familiar with the content of this policy. The policy is available in each School Administration Office, at Student Services, and the College web site in the Policy Section.

## Math Lab:

The Interurban Math Lab is located in the Technologies Centre (TEC) 142 (phone: 3704492). Free one-on-one tutoring is available here for you to seek help with homework or understanding concepts covered in class. This is a drop in, first come first serve service. Hours are posted on the door, and also at http://camosun.ca/services/helpcentres/math.html.

## Academic Integrity:

The Department of Mathematics and Statistics has prepared a "red handout" called Student Guidelines for Academic Integrity to help you interpret college policies involving student conduct, academic dishonesty, plagiarism, etc. It is your responsibility to become familiar with the contents of the document and the college policies it references.

## Class Time:

It is expected that you will attend each class and be an active learner. This includes participating with in class discussions, attempting any problems the class is working on, and working on in class assignments. While you may not find it necessary to take notes in class, please come prepared with paper, pencils, a calculator, a ruler, etc. for other in class activities. Bringing your textbook to class is not required, but you may find it useful.

