|  | School of Arts \& Science <br> MATHEMATICS DEPARTMENT <br> CAMOSUN |
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| MATH 115-section 001 |  |
|  | Pre-Calculus |
|  | Semester/Year, 2010W |

## COURSE OUTLINE

## The Approved Course Description is available on the web @ <br> $\Omega$ Please note: this outline will be electronically stored for five (5) years only. It is strongly recommended students keep this outline for your records.

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## 1. Instructor Information

| (a) | Instructor: | Nick Marsden |  |  |
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## 2. Intended Learning Outcomes

(No changes are to be made to this section, unless the Approved Course Description has been forwarded through EDCO for approval.)

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

1. Read and write mathematics at a level sufficient for entry into first-year calculus.
2. Factor and simplify expressions with rational exponents.
3. Write equations of circles and ellipses in standard form and graph these relations.
4. Define the term function. Determine if relations are functions. Find the domains of functions. Define even and odd functions and test functions to determine if they are even, odd or neither. Form and simplify difference quotients and explain their graphical interpretation and significance.
5. Identify the graphs of common algebraic functions. Evaluate and graph piecewise defined functions.
6. Construct algebraic functions to model simple real-life problems.
7. Translate verbal descriptions of transformations to function notation and vice versa. Interpret and graph multiple transformations of functions.
8. Analyze and graph quadratic functions. Solve optimization problems modelled with quadratic functions.
9. Graph polynomial functions using end behaviour and behaviour near their x-intercepts. Analyze graphs of polynomial functions and construct possible equations.
10. Graph rational functions using symmetry, asymptotes, behaviour near their x-intercepts and tables of signs. Analyze graphs of rational functions and construct possible equations.
11. Solve polynomial and rational inequalities.
12. State the Remainder, Factor and Rational Zeros Theorems and use these theorems to factor polynomials and find their real zeros.
13. Compose and decompose functions. State the definition of an inverse function. Verify that two functions are inverses using the definition. Find inverse functions algebraically and graphically.
14. Explain the relationship between exponential and logarithmic functions. Graph exponential and logarithmic functions and their transformations.
15. Prove the properties of logarithms and use these properties to simplify expressions and solve equations.
16. Solve applied problems involving pH, the Richter scale, decibels, compound interest, exponential growth, exponential decay and logistic growth.
17. Define a radian and work with radian measure. Convert between degree and radian measure.
18. State the unit circle definitions for the sine and cosine functions. Using the definitions, deduce properties of the sine and cosine functions and sketch their graphs. Graph transformations of these functions. Analyze sinusoidal graphs and construct possible equations.
19. Define the tangent, cotangent, secant and cosecant functions in terms of the sine and cosine functions. Graph the tangent, cotangent, secant and cosecant functions using the sine and cosine graphs.
20. State the right triangle definitions for the trigonometric functions. Use reference triangles to find exact values of trigonometric functions.
21. Derive the Pythagorean identities, the sum and difference identities, the double angle identities, the power reducing identities, and the half angle identities. Use these identities to simplify expressions and verify other identities.
22. Graph the inverse sine, cosine and tangent functions. Find exact values for compositions of trigonometric and inverse trigonometric functions. Write compositions as algebraic expressions.
23. Find exact and approximate solutions of trigonometric equations, including equations involving identities and multiples of angles.
24. Identify patterns in sequences and write formulas for the general terms. Write the terms of recursively defined sequences. Express sums using summation notation. Simplify and evaluate basic sums of sequences.
25. Identify geometric sequences and series. Derive formulas for the nth terms of arithmetic and geometric sequences and for the sums of the first $n$ terms of these sequences. Solve word problems involving arithmetic and geometric sequences and series.
26. Expand binomials using Pascal's triangle.

## 3. Required Materials

| (a) | Texts | Text: Sullivan, M. Algebra \& Trigonometry, $8^{\text {th }}$ edition |
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| (b) | Other | MathXL for the above text (optional) |

## 4. Course Content and Schedule

(Can include: class hours, lab hours, out of class requirements and/or dates for quizzes, exams, lectures, labs, seminars, practicums, etc.)

CHAPTER R: Review

| Text | Time |  |
| :---: | :---: | :--- |
| R.4,R.5 | 1 | Polynomial Expressions, Pascal's Triangle |
| R.7 | 1 | Rational Expressions |
| R.8 | 1 | nth Roots; Rational Exponents |
|  | $\quad$ TAKE-HOME TEST |  |

CHAPTER 1: Equations and Inequalities

| $\#$ | Text | Time |  |
| :--- | :--- | :---: | :--- |
| 4 | 1.2 | 1 | Quadratic Equations |
| 5 | 1.4 | 1 | Radical Equations; Equations Quadratic in Form; |

CHAPTER 2: Graphs

| \# | Text | Time |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 6 | 2.1 | . 5 | The Distance and Midpoint Formulas |
| 7 | 2.2 | 1 | Graphs of Equations in Two Variables; Intercepts; Symmetry |
| 8 | 2.3 | 1 | Lines <br> TAKE-HOME TEST |
| 9 | 2.4 | 2.5 1 | Conics (includes a handout) TEST 1, Lessons 1 to 9 |

CHAPTER 3: Functions and Their Graphs
\# Text Time

| 10 | 3.1 | 1 | Functions |
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| 11 | 3.2 | .5 | The Graph of a Function |
| 12 | 3.3 | 1 | Properties of Functions |
| 13 | 3.4 | 1 | Library of Functions; Piecewise-defined Functions |
| 14 | 3.5 | 2 | Graphing Techniques: Transformations <br> 15 |
|  | 3.6 | 1.5 | Mathematical Models: Building Functions <br> TAKE-HOME TEST |

CHAPTER 4: Linear and Quadratic Functions

| $\#$ | Text | Time |  |
| ---: | :--- | :---: | :--- |
| 16 | 4.1 | .5 | Linear Functions and Their Properties |
| 17 | 4.3 | .5 | Quadratic Functions and Their Properties |
| 18 | 4.4 | 1 | Quadratic Models |
|  |  | 1 | TEST 2, Lessons 10 to 18 |

CHAPTER 5: Polynomial and Rational Functions

| $\#$ | Text | Time |  |
| ---: | :--- | :---: | :--- |
| 19 | 5.1 | .5 | Polynomial Functions of Higher Degree |
| 20 | 5.2 | 1.5 | Properties of Rational Functions |
| 21 | 5.3 | 1.5 | The Graph of a Rational Function |
| 22 | 5.4 | 1.5 | Polynomial and Rational Inequalities |
| 23 | R.6 | 1 | Synthetic Division |
| 24 | 5.5 | 2 | The Real Zeros of a Polynomial Function |
|  | $\quad$ | TAKE-HOME TEST |  |

CHAPTER 6: Exponential and Logarithmic Functions

| \# | Text | Time |  |
| ---: | :--- | :---: | :--- |
| 25 | 6.1 | 1 | Composite Functions <br> One-to-One Functions; Inverse Functions <br> 26 |
|  | 6.2 | 1 | TEST 3, Lessons 19 to 26 |

CHAPTER 7: Trigonometric Functions

| \# | Text | Time |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 33 | 7.1 | . 5 | Angles and Their Measure |
| 34 | 7.2 | 1.5 | Right Triangle Trigonometry |
| 35 | 7.3 | . 5 | Computing the Values of Trigonometric Functions of Acute Angles |
| 36 | 7.4 | 1.5 | Trigonometric Functions of General Angles |
| 37 | 7.5 | . 5 | Unit Circle Approach; Properties of the Trigonometric Functions |
| 38 | 7.6 | 1.5 | Graphs of the Sine and Cosine Functions TAKE-HOME TEST |
| 39 | 7.7 | 1 | Graphs of the Other Four Trigonometric Function |
| 40 | 7.8 | 1 | Phase Shift; Sinusoidal Curve Fitting |
|  |  | 1 | TEST 4, Lessons 19 to 40 |

CHAPTER 8: Analytic Trigonometry

| $\#$ | Text | Time |
| ---: | ---: | ---: |
| 41 | 8.1 | 1.5 | The Inverse Sine, Cosine and Tangent Functions


| 42 | 8.2 | .5 | The Inverse Trigonometric Functions (Continued) |
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| 43 | 8.3 | 1 | Trigonometric Identities |
| 44 | 8.4 | 1.5 | Sum and Difference Formulas |
| 45 | 8.5 | 1.5 | Double-angle and Half-angle Formulas <br>  <br> 46 |
| 4.7 | 1.5 | Trigonometric TEST |  |
| 47 | 8.8 | .5 | Trigonometric Equations I |
|  | 1 | TEST 5, Lessons 41 to 47 |  |

CHAPTER 13: Sequences and Series

| $\#$ | Text | Time |  |
| ---: | :---: | :---: | :--- |
| 48 | 13.1 | 1 | Sequences |
| 49 | 13.2 | 1.5 | Arithmetic Sequences and Finite Series |
| 50 | 13.3 | 1.5 | Geometric Sequences and Series |

## 5. Basis of Student Assessment (Weighting)

(Should be linked directly to learning outcomes.)

| (a) | Other <br> (eg, Attendance, <br> Project, Group Work) | See below |
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| (b) | Assignments | See below |
| (c) | Term tests | 50\%. Will throw out worse test if class participation and <br> assignments are satisfactory |
| (d) | Final exam | $50 \%$. or 100\% if higher than term mark |

1. TERM MARK. You will be doing a number of take-home tests. These can be done in consultation with other students in your class, but with the help of nobody else. They will be overdue if not handed in at the beginning of the class on the due date, but can be handed in up to one day late with only a one mark deduction.

The term mark is the average of the scores on your in-class tests. However, if the average of your take-home test scores is at least $70 \%$ AND your in-class participation is satisfactory, I will throw out your worst test before I calculate the average.

If you miss an in-class test for ANY reason, you will get a zero.
There will be no make-ups. But with decent take-home test scores and class participation, that zero will be tossed out.
2. FINAL EXAM. The final exam for this course is to be written by all students on the day and time scheduled.
3. MARK FOR THE COURSE. Your course mark is the larger of:
a) The average of your term percentage and your final exam percentage
b) Your final exam percentage

The Math Department reserves the right to raise your course mark if it is judged that your in-class tests and final exam were more difficult than those in other years or other sections.

## 6. Grading System

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Standard Grading System (GPA)

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

## 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 at camosun.ca or 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 <br> course have not yet been completed due to hardship or extenuating <br> circumstances, such as illness or death in the family. |
| CW A temporary grade assigned by a Dean when |  |
|  | Compulsory Withdrawal: A <br> an instructor, after documenting the prescriptive strategies applied and <br> consulting with peers, deems that a student is unsafe to self or others <br> and must be removed from the lab, practicum, worksite, or field <br> placement. |

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## 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 on the College web site in the Policy Section.

