

Syllabus

MATH 095 Elementary Algebra Foundations

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Required Text: Beginning Algebra 4th ed. by Martin-Gay

Credit: 3 credit hours, not applicable to degree

Course Description: This course extends the basic algebra skills acquired in MATH 075. Topics include: exponents, polynomials, factoring, graphing, systems of linear equations, inequalities, radicals and scientific notation.

Grading Policy: A student will receive one of the following grades. A, A-, B+, B, B-, C+, C, C-, D+, D, D-, F, W, P or Audit.

Grade Equivalents: A 93-100	B 83-86	C 73-76	D 63-66
A- 90-92	B- 80-82	C- 70-72	D- 60-62
B+ 87-89	C+ 77-79	D+ 67-69	F 59 or less

There will be four tests and a final exam on the last day of classes. Your grade will be determined by taking the mean of your four semester tests doubling that and averaging it with the final exam. This means that the final exam will be 33 1/3% of your grade.

Make-up tests. You should be present for all tests. With extraordinary circumstances you may make arrangements with me to make up a test you have missed. You must contact me immediately by e-mail at the above address to schedule a time and it must be done by the **next class period** when I will return the tests to the class.

College Withdrawal Policy: A verbal "drop or withdrawal" from this course will be accepted through the 10th week of classes in accordance with the academic calendar. Students who do not withdraw but stop attending will be assigned a grade of "F".

Disabilities Statement: If you are a student with a disability and believe you will need accommodations for this class, it is your responsibility to contact the Disabilities Counseling Service. You must do this as soon as possible so I can receive an accommodation letter from your counselor.

Procedure: There will be discussion of homework and new material presented each class. Attendance and participation in each class is strongly encouraged. **Promptness to class is expected.**

Support Services: The Tutoring and Academic Success Center is available for free tutoring. You are encouraged to sign up for help as soon as possible. I will be available for extra help before class by appointment only. Contact me by e-mail to arrange for extra help.

Course Outline:

Chapter 1 Sections 4-9
Chapter 2
Test #1

Chapter 3 Sections 1-6
Chapter 4 Sections 1-4
Test #2

Chapter 5
Chapter 6
Test #3

Chapter 8 Sections 1-4
Test #4

Comprehensive Final Exam