#### **SYLLABUS**

Pre algebra (MAT\* 075) (CRN #10588)

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### **Course Description**

This course focuses on basic arithmetic and prealgebra skills. The topics covered in this course include: whole numbers, fractions, decimals, signed numbers, proportions, percents, algebraic expressions and equations, and elements of geometry.

### **Method of Evaluation**

- 1. Tests
- 2. Homework
- 3. Final Exam
- 4. Bonus Points

### No Make-ups

Tests that are missed will only be available for make-up if the student has an extenuating circumstance and has spoken to the instructor **prior** to the test.

# **Attendance**

Attendance is taken every class period and is essential in successfully completing this course. Attending class regularly is expected and will be a factor in my evaluation of student performance.

# **Required Text**

Martin-Gay, Elayn, Prealgebra, fifth edition

# **Course Outline** (Subject to Change)

<u>Date</u>	Sections Covered
1 - 24	Introduction, Ch.1.5
1 - 29	Ch. $1.7 - 1.8$
1 - 31	Ch. 2.1–2.2
2 - 5	Ch. $2.3 - 2.4$
2 - 7	Ch. $2.5 - 2.6$
2 - 12	NO CLASS
2 - 14	Test #1
2 - 19	Ch. 3.1
2 - 21	Ch. 3.2
2 - 26	Ch. $3.3 - 3.4$
2 - 28	Ch. $4.1 - 4.2$
3 - 4	Ch. $4.3 - 4.4$
3 - 6	Ch. $4.5 - 4.6$
3 - 11	Ch. $4.7 - 4.8$
3 - 13	Test #2
3 - 18	SPRING BREAK
3 - 20	SPRING BREAK
3 - 25	Ch. $5.1 - 5.2$
3 - 27	Ch. $5.3 - 5.4$
4 - 1	Ch. $5.5 - 5.6$
4 - 3	Ch. $6.1 - 6.2$
4 - 8	Ch. $6.3 - 6.4$
4 - 10	Test # 3
4 - 15	Ch. $7.1 - 7.2$
4 - 17	Ch. $7.3 - 7.4$
4 - 22	Ch. $7.5 - 7.6$
4 - 24	Ch. 9.2 - 9.3
4 - 29	Test #4
5 - 1	Review
5 - 6	Review
5 - 8	Final Exam
5 - 13	Extra (if needed)

### **Course Evaluation**

A test will be given after two chapters have been covered. These tests are tentatively scheduled for February 14<sup>th</sup>, March 13<sup>th</sup>, April 15<sup>th</sup>, and April 29<sup>th</sup>. All tests are fifteen percent of your grade, for a total of sixty percent. Fifteen percent will be from homework that is collected and the final twenty-five percent will be from the final exam.

<u>Grades</u>	<b>Equivalent</b>
A#	94 - 100
A-#	90 - 93
B+#	87 - 89
B#	83 - 86
B-#	80 - 82
C+#	77 – 79
C#	73 - 76
C-#	70 - 72
D+#	67 - 69
D#	63 - 66
D-#	60 - 62
F#	Below 60

# this course does not count toward graduation requirements. This course requires a grade of C# or better to pass and go on to the next math course.

Calculators are not allowed.

# **Academic Integrity Policy**

Academic integrity is essential to a useful education. Failure to act with academic integrity severely limits a person's ability to succeed in the classroom and beyond. Furthermore, academic dishonesty erodes the legitimacy of every degree awarded by the college. In this class and in the course of your academic career, present only your own, best work.

### **College Withdrawal Policy**

A student who finds it necessary to discontinue a course must complete a withdrawal form in the Registrar's Office. The deadlines to withdraw without and also with an instructor's signature are printed in the Spring Schedule of classes. Students who do not withdraw but stop attending classes will be assigned an "F#". Eligibility for refund of tuition is based upon the date of withdrawal when received by the Registrar's Office.

### **Disabilities Statement**

If you have a hidden or visible disability which may require classroom or test taking modifications, please see me as soon as possible. If you have not already done so, please be sure to contact the Student Development Office, 383 -5217, to register with a disability specialist.

### **Cellular Phones and Beepers**

Students are notified that cellular phones and beepers are allowed in the class or in the Learning Resource Center **only** if they are turned off or turned to a silent mode. Under no circumstances are phones to be answered in class. When there are extenuating circumstances that require that a student be available by phone or beeper, the student should speak to the instructor prior to class, so that together they can arrive at an agreement.