

Three Rivers Community College
Division of Mathematics

MAT*K095 – TC5 – 10321 M, W, F 1:00p – 1:50p
Elementary Algebra Foundations

SPRING 2009 Course Syllabus

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Required Materials:

- 1) Textbook: *Beginning Algebra, 5th edition* By: Elayn Martin-Gay
Pearson Prentice Hall Publisher
- 2) Scientific Calculator: A TI-83 or TI-83 Plus graphing calculator will be needed for a later Math course.
- 3) Regular 2-subject notebook or 3-ring binder with paper for notes/groupwork/classwork.

Recommended Materials:

- a) Folder: recommended for information (class syllabus, classwork handouts, MyMathLab info, etc)
- b) Ruler: for graphing straight edges.
- c) Graphing Paper

Course Supplement:

MyMathLab online resource program.

Evaluation and Grading Criteria:

Course Grades will be calculated based on the following percentages:

20% Homework/MML assignments

20% Quizzes

35% Tests

25% Final Exam

Quizzes: Short unannounced quizzes may be given either in class or on MML on a regular basis.

Homework: Homework will be assigned on MML each class. All assignments are due at the end of the semester.

Test: Some test will be administered in class. Others will be given as a take-home. Tests that are taken in class cannot be made up unless there are **documented unavoidable circumstances**. In these situations, the student must communicate with the instructor prior to the day of absence. If the circumstance takes place **on that same day**, the student must contact the instructor **on that same day** in order to be allowed to make up the test. Tests cannot be made up during class time. Test that are given as take-home are due at the specified date. Points will be taken away for late tests turned in.

Extra Credit: There is no “extra credit” given in this course. Students who struggle with course assignments do not need “extra” work.

Math Lab: The Three Rivers Math Computer Lab is located in the TASC room in Rm. D-115. TASC will remain in this location until our new space opens in the C-117 (next to the new library) in February.

Grades: Final grades will be calculated and transferred to the following letter grades.

93 and above	A	73-76	C *
90-92	A-	70-72	C-*
87-89	B+	67-69	D+
83-86	B	63-66	D
80-82	B-	60-62	D
77-79	C+	Below 60	F

* A letter grade of C is required to advance to MAT* K137. A letter grade of C- will not meet the requirement.

Attendance Policy:

“Absence from class may jeopardize student performance and the overall value of classroom instruction.” You are strongly encouraged to attend all class meetings. **You are responsible for any note taking, class assignments, and homework given in your absence.** You are also expected to arrive on time to class.

Class Cancellation Policy:

If the instructor is late, the class is expected to wait 15 minutes before leaving or until informed of a cancellation by a college official. Information on weather related closings/late openings concerning Three Rivers Community College can be obtained through local radio and television stations, or via the college website (<http://www.trcc.commnet.edu>).

Accommodations:

Students with Learning Disabilities should contact the Learning Specialist, Chris Scarborough at 860-892-5751 or at cscarborough@trcc.commnet.edu as soon as possible to ensure timely accommodations.

Students with Physical Disabilities should contact Judy Hilburger at 860-892-5744 or at jhilburger@trcc.commnet.edu or Matt Liscum at 860-383-5420 or via email at mliscum@trcc.commnet.edu to facilitate accommodations.

Cell Phones:

"Cell phones and beepers are allowed in class only if they are turned off or turned to a silent mode. Under no circumstance are telephones to be answered in class." Students who ignore this policy will be asked to leave class. If there are extenuating circumstances, the student must contact the instructor prior to class to make the proper accommodations.

Important Dates:

May 11	Last Day to Withdraw from Classes
May 11 – 15	Projected week of Finals
May 18	Last Day of Classes
May 19-20	Makeup/Supplemental sessions – Instructor Discretion
May 22	Final Grades Due
May 28	Student grades available on Web

Tentative Schedule for MAT 095

Chapter 1 & 2

1.2, 1.4
1.4 – 1.5
1.6 - 1.7
1.8
2.1
2.2
2.3
2.4
2.5
2.6
2.7
2.8
2.9
Chapter 2 Test

Chapter 3

3.1
3.2
3.3
3.4
3.5
Chapter 3 Test

Chapter 4

4.1
4.2
4.3
4.4
Chapter 4 Test

Chapter 5

5.1
5.2
5.3
5.4
5.5
5.6
Chapter 5 Test

Chapter 6

6.1
6.2
6.3
6.4
6.5
6.6
Chapter 6 Test

Chapter 8

8.1
8.2
8.3
8.4
Chapter 8 Test

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What you need to get started:

1. A Valid Email Address
2. A Course ID # (martinezjr.93931)
3. A Student Access Code (provided with the purchase of your new textbook)

Step-by-Step Registration Instructions

- 1) Go to www.coursecompass.com and click on Register, as a student. (You only need to register ONCE)
- 2) Enter your:
six-word student access code, found in package accompanying textbook, pull perforated strip
school zip code: **06360**
country: **United States**
- 3) Enter the Course ID which is: **martinezjr.93931**
- 4) Fill in the requested information, and then create your unique Login Name and Password.
You will use the login name and password you create to access My Math Lab the remainder of the semester

Login Instructions (after you have registered):

- 1) Go to www.coursecompass.com or access from our course in WebCT
- 2) Click **Log in** under the **STUDENT** area.
- 3) Enter the login name and password that you created during registration.
- 4) At the **Welcome** page, you will see your course under the heading **Courses you are taking**. Click the course name to enter My Math Lab.
- 5) You must enable pop-ups from this site.
- 6) The first time you enter the site from your computer and anytime you use a new computer, click on the software **MyMathLab Installation Wizard** link in the Announcements page. This wizard will walk you through the installation of the software you will need to run MyMathLab.

Technical problems:

Call Tech Support at 800-677-6337, Monday – Friday 9am – 6pm EST. (Additional help can be found on the Announcements page by clicking on Student Help or viewing the tip sheets.)

GOOD LUCK THS SEMESTER!