

Math K095

Elementary Algebra Foundations

Spring 2011

Grasso Tech

CRN: 10336

SEC: G1

INSTRUCTOR - GARY MOTIN

COURSE DESCRIPTION: This course focuses on basic algebra skills. Topics include:

linear equations, problem solving, graphing, exponents and factoring. (This course does not count toward the minimum credit requirement for graduation).

PREREQUISITE: Qualifying score on placement exam or Math K075

TRANSFERABILITY: This course does not transfer.

TEXTBOOK: BEGINNING ALGEBRA – 5th EDITION Martin-Gay

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ATTENDANCE: Attendance will be taken during each class. If you miss no more than two (2) classes and take at least four (4) of the six (6) tests on their scheduled dates, three points will be added to your average at the end of the semester.

HOMEWORK: An assignment will be given at the end of each class. You are expected to have completed it by the next class. Solutions will be reviewed in class.

MARKS/TESTS: Your mark is determined strictly by what you score on the tests. There is no retesting, extra credit work, dropped marks or curving. There will be five tests and a Final Exam. Each test is worth 100 points. The Final Exam is the equivalent of two tests. Thus, assuming there are five tests, the total of the five tests and the Final Exam mark doubled will be divided by 7 in order to obtain the student's average. If you do not feel well or are not prepared to take a particular exam, do not come in and attempt to take it. Once the exam is in front of you, there are no second chances.

MAKE-UP TESTS: If you miss a test you must make it up before the next scheduled test. Failure to do so will result in a “zero” grade on the missed test. If you fail to take two tests on their scheduled days, you may not postpone a third test unless you have a compelling reason and you receive prior approval from the instructor.

CLASS CANCELLATIONS: In the event I decide to cancel class due to inclement weather or some other unforeseen circumstance, I will call you on the phone number you provide to me the first night of class. Calls will be made by 5:45 p.m. the night of class.

GRADES: The average of your exam grades will determine your course grade. The grades possible and what is required to achieve each are:

A#	An average of 94% - 100%
A-#	An average of 90% - 93%
B+#	An average of 87% - 89%
B#	An average of 83% - 86%
B-#	An average of 80% - 82%
C+#	An average of 77% - 79%
C#	An average of 73% - 76%
C-#	An average of 70% - 72%
D+#	An average of 67% - 69%
D#	An average of 63% - 66%
F#	An average of less than 63%
W#	Withdraw

