FALL 2008 Elementary Algebra Foundations, Mat 095

Prerequisite: Mat 075 or appropriate score on the mathematics placement exam

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Textbook: Beginning Algebra, 5th Edition by K. Elayn Martin-Gay

Course

Description: The course introduces the basic algebraic skills and

concepts. The topics include: signed numbers, first degree

equations, inequalities, exponents, polynomials, factoring, graphing, and

systems of linear equations.

Measurements: Quizzes, projects – 15%, each test – 20%, final exam 25%. Your final

exam grade can be counted twice; it can replace your lowest or missed

test grade.

Grading: 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.

Attendance: Attendance is extremely important. Your attendance, participation in

classroom work and preparation for each class is required and is

essential to your success in the course.

Plagiarism and

Academic Honesty: At TRCC, we expect the highest standards of academic honesty. The

Board of Trustees' Proscribed Conduct Policy prohibits cheating on examinations, unauthorized collaboration on assignments, unauthorized

access to examinations or course materials, plagiarism.

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Check your e-mail regularly for test/quiz/homework announcements.

Check you email and MyCommnet for class cancellations.

Support Services: Tutorial services. Peers. Meeting with me for an extra help on an

appointment basis. Mathematics Lab - MyMathLab

Disabilities

Statement: Students with disabilities, who may require special accommodations and

support services, are encouraged to notify:

1. Chris Scarborough, who is coordinating services to students with

disabilities.

2. The instructor during the first two weeks of class.

Course Outline:

Chapter 1 Review of real numbers

Sec. 1.2-1.8

Chapter 2 Equations, inequalities, and problem solving

Sec. 2.1-2.8

TEST

Chapter 3 Graphing

Sec. 3.1-3.5

Chapter 4 Systems of Linear Equations

Sec. 4.1-4.4

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Chapter 5 Exponents and polynomials

Sec. 5.1-5.5

Chapter 6 Factoring Polynomials

Sec. 6.1 - 6.6

TEST

Chapter 8 Roots and Radicals

Sec. 8.1 - 8.4

FINAL EXAM

COURSE OUTCOMES:

- Translate Sentences into Mathematical Expressions.
- Identify Natural, Whole Numbers, Integers, Rational, Irrational Numbers, and Real Numbers.
- Evaluate Expressions; Use the Order of Operations Rule.
- Add, Subtract, Multiply, and Divide Real Numbers.
- Use the Properties of Real Numbers.
- Simplify Algebraic Expressions.
- Solve Linear Equations in One Variable.
- Solve Problems Involving Linear Equations in One Variable.
- Solve and Graph Linear Inequalities in One Variable.
- Graph Linear Equations in Two Variables.
- Find the Slope of a Line.
- Find the x- and y- intercepts.
- Identify Parallel and Perpendicular lines.
- Write the Equation of the Line.
- Solve Systems of Linear Equations by Graphing, by Substitution, by Addition.
- Use a System of Equations to Solve Problems.
- Evaluate Exponential Expressions.
- Use the Product, the Power, and the Quotient rules.
- Understand the Meaning a °, a ⁻ⁿ.
- Identify Monomials, Polynomials of Different Degree.
- Add, Subtract, Multiply and Divide polynomials.
- Know Special Products.
- Factor out the GCF.
- Factor by Grouping.
- · Factor Trinomials and Binomials.
- Solve Quadratic Equations by Factoring.
- Quadratic Equations and problem solving.
- Simplify Radicals
- Perform the Operations on radicals

HOMEWORK ASSIGNMENT (Odd numbered problems). This is a guide only. The assignments may vary.

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