

Coffeyville Community College

MATH-102
COURSE SYLLABUS
FOR
INTERMEDIATE ALGEBRA

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COURSE NUMBER: Math-102 **COURSE TITLE:** Intermediate Algebra

CREDIT HOURS: 3

INSTRUCTOR: Robert Brown

PREREQUISITE(S): Introductory Algebra or 31-44 on the algebra portion of the COMPASS test.

REQUIRED TEXT AND MATERIALS: *Intermediate Algebra 10th ed.*, Lial/Hornsby/McGinnis

COURSE DESCRIPTION: This course is designed to survey the basic topics in algebra which will enable the student to enter a course in college algebra.

EXPECTED LEARNER OUTCOMES: Upon completion of this course, the student will be able to:

1. Add, subtract, multiply and divide signed numbers.
2. Solve equations and inequalities.
3. Add, subtract, multiply and divide polynomial expressions.
4. Factor polynomial expressions.
5. Simplify and solve rational expressions.
6. Simplify and solve radical expressions.
7. Solve quadratic equations and inequalities.
8. Graph linear equations and inequalities.

LEARNING TASKS & ACTIVITIES:

Unit I	Real Number
Unit II	First Degree Equations and Inequalities ins One Unknown
Unit III	Linear Functions
Unit IV	Systems of Equations
Unit V	Factoring and Products
Unit VI	Fractions
Unit VII	Rational Exponents and Radicals
Unit VIII	Quadratic Functions and Inequalities
Unit IX	Exponential and Logarithmic Functions

ASSESSMENT OF OUTCOMES: Grades of A (90-100), B (80-89), C (70-79), D (60-69), and F (0-59) are given in this course. An incomplete is given if previously agreed upon by the instructor with a specific time designated for the completion of the incomplete work. Please note the college's policy on incompletes as stated in the college catalog.

Tests **MUST** be taken on the scheduled day and during the regular class period. **ONLY** if arrangements are made with the instructor **PRIOR** to the original test date will a student be allowed to take the test early. Due to abuse in the previous policy, no student will be allowed to makeup a test.

A student's final course grade will be based upon homework and exams. Partial credit is given on exams so show all work. In the event that there would be extra credit given on a test, partial credit is not given in the extra credit problems.

Homework is for your benefit. HOMEWORK WILL NOT BE COLLECTED.

LATE TESTS ARE NOT GIVEN. IF YOU MISS A TEST IT COUNTS AS ZERO. IF YOU ARE GOING TO BE ABSENT DURING TEST DAY DUE TO A COLLEGE EVENT YOU MUST SEE THE INSTRUCTOR TO SCHEDULE YOUR TEST.

**ATTENDANCE
POLICY:**

Students are expected to attend all classes. Attendance will be taken.

**STUDENT
CONDUCT:**

1. Behavior that interferes with the learning process will not be tolerated.
2. Dishonest work will result in an F for the course.

NOTICE:

Out of respect for your classmates, when you enter the classroom please turn off your cell phone. Remember that your time in the class should be spent listening; not taking calls. Thank you.

COMPETENCIES:

ADD, SUBTRACT, MULTIPLY AND DIVIDE SIGNED NUMBERS

1. Apply the rules of addition, subtraction, multiplication and division to fractions.
2. Apply the rules of addition, subtraction, multiplication and division to decimals.
3. Identify natural numbers, whole numbers, integers, rational, and irrational.
4. Apply the rules of addition, subtraction, multiplication and division to signed numbers.
5. Use the order of operation with real numbers.
6. Identify the use of the commutative, associative, identity, inverse, and distributive properties.

SOLVE EQUATIONS AND INEQUALITIES

7. Identify and solve linear equations using properties of equality.
8. Translate sentences of a word problem into a equation, and then solve the problem.
9. Solve a given formula or literal equation for a specified variable.
10. Solve problems involving geometric figures, percentages, uniform motion, and liquid mixtures.
11. Solve and graph inequalities on a number line.
12. Solve compound inequalities involving and and or statements.
13. Solve equations involving absolute value.

ADD, SUBTRACT, MULTIPLY AND DIVIDE POLYNOMIAL EXPRESSIONS

14. Apply the rules of exponents for any situation.
15. Use zero and negative numbers in exponents.
16. Express numbers in scientific notation.
17. Identify terms and coefficients.
18. Learn the vocabulary for polynomials.
19. Calculate the sum or difference of polynomials.
20. Multiply any polynomial situation.

FACTOR POLYNOMIAL EXPRESSIONS

21. Factor out the greatest common factor.
22. Factor by grouping.
23. Factor any trinomial regardless of the lead coefficient.
24. Factor trinomials by substitution.
25. Identify and factor perfect square trinomials.
26. Factor the difference of two squares.
27. Factor the sum or difference of two cubes.
28. Apply a general strategy to factor polynomials systematically.
29. Solve certain quadratic equations by factoring.
30. Solve applied problems that lead to quadratic equations.

SIMPLIFY AND SOLVE RATIONAL EXPRESSIONS

31. Find the values of a variable for which a rational expression is undefined.
32. Express rational expressions in lowest terms.
33. Multiply and divide rational expressions.
34. Rewrite rational expressions with the least common denominator.
35. Add and subtract rational expressions regardless of the denominators.
36. Simplify complex fractions.
37. Divide a polynomial by a monomial or by a polynomial with at least two terms.
38. Divide a polynomial by a polynomial of the form $x-b$ using synthetic division.
39. Evaluate a polynomial using the remainder theorem.
40. Solve equations involving rational expressions.
41. Solve word problems about distance, work, and variation using rational expressions.

SIMPLIFY AND SOLVE RADICAL EXPRESSIONS

42. Find square roots and principal square roots.
43. Find principal n th roots.
44. Use exponent properties to simplify expressions with rational exponents.
45. Simplify radical expressions and quotients.
46. Multiply radicals and divide radicals, and simplify where possible.
47. Add and subtract radical expressions.
48. Rationalize denominators.
49. Simplify radical expressions with sums, products, and quotients.
50. Use a conjugate to rationalize a denominator.
51. Solve equations with radicals.
52. Identify extraneous solutions.

SOLVE QUADRATIC EQUATIONS AND INEQUALITIES

53. Express square roots to negative numbers in terms of i .
54. Add, subtract, multiply and divide complex numbers.
55. Solve quadratic equations using the square root property.
56. Solve quadratic equations by completing the square.
57. Solve quadratic equations by using the quadratic formula.
58. Use the discriminant to determine the nature of the solutions of a quadratic equation.
59. Calculate the sum and product of roots to determine the validity of solutions.
60. Solve fractional equations and radical equations that lead to quadratic equations.
61. Solve quadratic inequalities.

GRAPH LINEAR EQUATIONS AND INEQUALITIES

62. Write a solution as an ordered pair.
63. Complete ordered pairs for a given equation.

64. Plot ordered pairs.
65. Find the midpoint and distance between two points.
66. Find x and y intercepts for a line.
67. Graph linear equations.
68. Find and interpret the slope of a line.
69. Use slope to determine the planar relationship of two lines.
70. Write the equation of a line regardless of supplied information.
71. Solve problems involving the equations of parallel and perpendicular lines.
72. Graph linear inequalities.
73. Solve problems involving direct and inverse variation.

This syllabus is subject to revision with prior notification to the student by the instructor.