
Day/Time: MWRF 12pm-12:50pm
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CRN: 22049
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Course Description: Math 095 is a developmental math course designed to prepare you for Math 111 or Math 211. Credits earned by completing Math 095 apply to enrollment (eligibility) but do not apply toward a degree and satisfy no university or college requirement. The grade received in this course will not count toward your overall GPA. The following is the course description from the catalog.

This course covers the basics of algebra, including arithmetic of signed numbers, order of operations, arithmetic of polynomials, linear equations, problem solving, factoring techniques, graphing lines, exponents, radicals, and quadratic equations. Credits earned apply for enrollment (eligibility) but do not apply toward a degree. This course satisfies no university or college requirement. An additional fee applies. PREREQ: MTH 070 with a grade of C- or better, or satisfactory score on Western Oregon University math placement test.

Required Course Materials: You are required to have two items:

2. Access to the online homework, MyMathLab.

The above two items may be purchased by either of the following means:

1. Purchased new. The book, together with access to the online homework, is about $150.
2. Purchased online at www.coursecompass.com. This purchase gives you access to both the online text and MyMathLab. The online version of the text looks EXACTLY like the actual text, page by page. The cost is about $70.

Additionally, a TI-83 or TI-84 graphing calculator is required for this course, as well as all subsequent math courses at this university. If you have a different graphing calculator you would like to use, please see me.

Exams: There will be eight exams (seven midterms, and one final) each worth 100 points. You may not make up exams. Exams MUST be taken at their scheduled times. Your lowest exam score will be dropped.

Skills Test: A skills test will be given in class during the third week of the term. This exam has 10 questions testing fundamental skills required for success in algebra. This test MUST be passed with a score of at least 80% in order to pass the class. After the first test, retakes can be taken up
to once per week through dead week until a score of 80% or better is achieved. You may not use a calculator on the skills test.

**Homework** Homework is online. The website is [www.coursecompass.com](http://www.coursecompass.com). The required COURSE ID is at the top of this syllabus. Your homework is worth a total of 100 points. (By the way, if you still want/need more resources, talk to me. I’ll get you plenty of problems to practice with!)

**Grading:**

- **Homework:** 100 points
- **Exam 1:** 100 points
- **Exam 2:** 100 points
- **Exam 3:** 100 points
- **Exam 4:** 100 points
- **Exam 5:** 100 points
- **Exam 6:** 100 points
- **Exam 7:** 100 points
- **Exam 8:** 100 points
- **Lowest Exam:** -100 points.

**Total:** 800 points

**Office Hours:** I encourage you to come visit me during office hours. These times are perfect for getting homework questions answered. In addition to seeing me in person, you are welcome and encouraged to call or e-mail me with any questions you may have. If your schedule conflicts with my office hours, please contact me. I am always willing to make appointments to assist you with any questions you may have.

**Appropriate Classroom Behavior:** You are ultimately responsible for your own attendance and performance. Disruptive classroom behavior of any kind, such as talking during lecture or consistently coming to class late etc., is not appropriate. I will deduct 5 points for each demonstration of disruptive behavior. This prescribed conduct for all students is described in the University Catalog. In particular, academic dishonesty of any kind will not be tolerated, and will be reported to the university.

The university classroom is not the place for cell phones. Using any electronic device for text messaging, receiving or sending a message or listening to any recording during a university class is completely inappropriate classroom behavior (If you are in an emergency situation in which you need to have your cell phone on quiet; please speak to me about it before class). Non-academic electronic items should remain turned completely off and should remain completely out of sight throughout class. “Quiet” or “vibrate” settings are not turned completely off.

**Disability Services:** If you have a documented disability which requires accommodations, please contact the Office of Disability Services (ODS) for appropriate coordination of your accommodations. You can drop by APSC 405 or contact ODS at (503) 838-8250 to schedule an appointment. In addition, please talk to me during the first few days of class, I will be more than happy to accommodate you in any way that I can.

**Incomplete Grades:** Incomplete grades may be given at the discretion of the instructor, however to qualify for consideration, 80% of the course work must be satisfactorily completed and circumstances must be extremely unusual and verifiable. A contract between the student and instructor for completion of the remaining course work is required.