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MATH 1003

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Mathematical Thinking

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Required Textbook: Materials to be provided by instructor, the e-book version of “Algebra for College Students” by Lial, Hornsby and McGinnis will be used. ISBN: 032119991X

Required Software: MyMathLab
Required Calculator: Only TI-30X II, TI-30X IIS, TI-30X IIB, TI-30XS, TI-30XB, or equivalent calculators APPROVED AHEAD OF TIME BY THE INSTRUCTOR are allowed on tests.

Course Prerequisites: Department consent. Must be co-registered in Math 1115

WEEK OF Sections Covered
August 19 5.1 Factoring and Factoring by Grouping, 5.2 Factoring Trinomials
24 5.2 Factoring Trinomials, 5.3 Special Factoring, 5.4 A General Approach to Factoring, 1.1 Linear Equations
31 1.3 Applications of Linear Equations, 7.1 Radical Expressions, 7.3 Roots & Radicals, 7.7 Imaginary Numbers

September 7 Test 1
14 5.5 Solving Equations by Zero Product Property, 8.1 The Square Root Property, 8.3 Equations Quadratic in Form
21 1.6 Compound Inequalities, 2.1 Linear Equations in Two Variables, 2.5 Introduction to Relations and Functions, 2.6 Function Notation and Linear Functions

October 28 2.2 The Slope of a Line
5 Test 2, 9.2 Transformations
12 9.2 Transformations
19 9.1 Review of Operations and Composition of Functions
26 3.1 Linear Systems of Equations

November 2 6.1 Rational Expressions, 6.2 Adding and Subtracting Rational Expressions
9 4.1, Exponents, 10.2 Exponential Functions
16 Test 3
23 Review
30 Review, Final Exam

IMPORTANT DATES
Labor Day Holiday Sept. 7
Last day to Drop Courses Oct. 14
Mid-semester Break Oct. 15-16
Thanksgiving Break Nov. 26-27
Last Day of Classes Dec. 4

NOTES:
• Grading: Final exam = 30%
Tests = 40%
Lab Tests = 10%
Homework = 10%
Quizzes = 10%
• The final exam is comprehensive and departmental.
• Free tutoring is available in the Math Tutor Center (MTC), Room 105 of the Mathematics Building.
• THIS SYLLABUS IS SUBJECT TO CHANGE.

Student Conduct
The University of New Orleans (UNO) is a multicultural community composed of diverse students, faculty and staff. UNO will not tolerate discrimination or harassment of any person or group of persons based on race, color, religion, sex, disability, national origin, age, sexual orientation, marital or veteran status or any other status protected by law. Each member of the university is held accountable to this standard, which is strongly reflected in this code.

Academic Dishonesty
Academic integrity is fundamental to the process of learning and evaluating academic performance. Academic dishonesty will not be tolerated. Academic dishonesty includes, but is not limited to, the following: cheating, plagiarism, tampering with academic records
and examinations, falsifying identity, and being an accessory to acts of academic dishonesty. Refer to the Student Code of Conduct for further information. The Code is available online at http://www.studentaffairs.uno.edu.

**Accommodations for Students with Disabilities**

It is University policy to provide, on a flexible and individualized basis, reasonable accommodations to students who have disabilities that may affect their ability to participate in course activities or to meet course requirements. Students with disabilities should contact the Office of Disability Services as well as their instructors to discuss their individual needs for accommodations. For more information, please go to http://www.ods.uno.edu.

**How Class Will Be Taught**

This class will be taught in an interactive technology based format. Most class meetings will consist of approximately 65% lecture time and 35% lab time. During the lecture time, students are expected to follow and fill in the incomplete lecture notes that are posted on MyMathLab. During the lab time, students are expected to complete any lab assignments for that day, and then any homework or quizzes that have been assigned. If a student finishes all assigned work, they should watch the online videos for the topics that will be covered in the next class or complete the test review for any upcoming tests. The instructor and possibly a teaching assistant will be present during lab time to answer questions and help students with assignments. This format allows for more student and instructor interaction, one-on-one help, and immediate grading and feedback during lab time.

**Expectations of Students**

Students should arrive on time to every class meeting and stay for the entire class meeting. Students are expected to refrain from disruptive behavior during the class meeting. This includes, but is not limited to: conversing with fellow students, texting, accepting phone calls, working on assignments for other courses, and using the internet for anything other than the coursework for this class. During lab time, students are expected to work on assignments for this course only. Leaving lab early or not working on the assigned work for this course will result in a zero for that day’s lab assignment. Students are expected to arrive on time for any scheduled tests or exams. Arriving late for a test or exam will likely result in less time allowed for completion of the test or exam. For example, if an exam is scheduled for 9:00-9:50, and a student arrives at 9:05, the student will only have the remaining 45 minutes until 9:50 to complete the exam. Not showing up for an exam or test without prior notification will result in a zero for that exam or test. Students are to print and bring to class the lecture notes posted on MyMathLab. Lab assignments are password protected and can only be completed if a student attends that class and lab. If a student obtains the password and completes the lab test without attending the corresponding class and lab, the student will receive a zero for that lab test.

**Completing Online Math Homework, Quizzes and Lab Tests**

Students will be assigned online homework and lab tests on a daily basis. When completing these assignments, students are expected to work problems completely in a notebook to achieve the correct answer and then enter that answer in the computer to be graded. Online assignments should not be completed by trying to do the problems mentally without showing any work. Students will be required to show all steps on in class exams as well as the final exam, so this is also expected on online assignments.

**Computer Lab Rules**

The time in the computer lab will only be used for completing assigned work for this class. Students are not allowed to text, accept phone calls, surf the internet or work on assignments for another course during this time. Any students who disobey these rules will receive a grade of zero for that day’s lab assignment. Lab assignments are password protected and can only be completed if a student attends that class and lab. If a student obtains the password and completes the lab test without attending the corresponding class and lab, the student will receive a zero for that lab test.

**Course Materials**

Required Textbook: Materials to be posted by instructor.
Required Software: MyMathLab (packaged with textbook in bookstore)
Required Calculator: Only TI-30X II, TI-30X IIS, TI-30X IIB, TI-30XS, TI-30XB, or equivalent calculators

Approved ahead of time by the instructor

3 – Ring Binder (Recommended to organize lecture notes and assignments.)
Headphones (For watching online videos.)
Loose-leaf paper or notebook for homework

**Attendance Policy**

Attendance will be taken daily. If you miss a class you may not take the lab test for that day and it is your responsibility to print and fill in the lecture notes using your textbook before going to your instructor for help. If you leave class early you are counted absent for that day, and you will receive a zero on that day’s lab test.

**Tentative Due Dates and Exam Dates**

Homework and quizzes will be assigned/collected and graded once or twice weekly. Tentative in class test dates are:

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The test dates above are **TENTATIVE**. They may change and it is **YOUR** responsibility to attend class to hear any announcements regarding the change of these dates.
Grades
There will be 3 semester tests as listed on the syllabus which will be worth a total of 30% of your final grade. NO TEST GRADES WILL BE DROPPED. NO TEST GRADES WILL BE CURVED. There is a departmental, cumulative final exam which will be worth 30% of your final grade. There will be lab tests worth 10%, homework worth 10%, and quizzes worth 10% of your final grade. NO LATE Homework/Lab Tests WILL BE ACCEPTED FOR ANY REASON. There will be 2 homework grades and 2 lab test grades dropped at the end of the semester to accommodate any missed homework and lab tests. Homework and lab tests will be assigned and graded weekly on MyMathLab. Your highest score on the online homework will be used in your overall average. EXTRA CREDIT WILL NOT BE GIVEN IN THIS COURSE.

The grading scale for this course is

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Criteria for Graded Assignments
Assignments, tests and exams that will be graded for partial credit must adhere to the following guidelines: All answers MUST be supported by work. No work = No credit. The final answer must be clearly marked. All answers must be exact and simplified completely.

Make-up test policy
It is in your best interest to not miss a test. If you know you will miss a test ahead of time, contact me to set up a time to take the test BEFORE the regular test is given. These make-up tests will be given from 7:00AM – 7:50AM. Any additional missed tests will be counted as a zero.

Test Corrections
Test corrections may be completed after each test for 1 percentage point to be added to the final exam. These test corrections are due the second class period after the test has been returned. For example, in a class that meets every day, if the test is returned on Monday, the test corrections would be due on Wednesday. The test corrections must be COMPLETELY CORRECT in order to receive the point on the final. You are welcome to come to office hours or go to the tutor center for help with these corrections.

Advice on How to Study for Tests and Exams
The best way to study and prepare for tests and exams will be different for every student. Here are some recommended guidelines for successfully preparing for tests and exams:

- Print lecture notes from MyMathLab and fill them out in class. Keep these notes organized in a binder for easy reference.
- Work all homework and quiz problems out completely, showing all work, and keep this organized in a binder for easy reference. Use all allowed attempts for homework and quizzes to ensure the best grade and best understanding of the material.
- Before each test, time will be taken in class to review the test material. Before this test review, complete the test review posted on MyMathLab. Use the in class review time to ask questions about any problems on the review that you may have had trouble with.
- For any problems on the review that you may have struggled with, go back to the homework and find similar problems. Use the unlimited attempts on the homework problems to practice these problems until you are able to complete them without any outside help (i.e. book, notes, etc.).
- Before the test, you should be able to complete each problem set of the test review without any outside help in approximately one hour.

Resources
Your instructor is your first resource, so come to office hours if you have a question. However, there is also free tutoring in the Math Tutor Center (Math 105). Based on availability of tutors, the math department may offer free one-on-one tutoring.
Important Dates*

Last day to adjust schedule w/out fee ........................................08/18/2015
Semester Classes Begin ...............................................................08/19/2015
Last day to adjust schedule w/fee, or withdraw with 100% refund ........................................08/25/2015
Last day to apply for December commencement ..........09/25/2015
Final drop to drop a course or resign .................................10/14/2015
Mid-semester examinations ..............................................10/05-10/09/2015
Final examinations .................................................................12/07-12/11/2015
Commencement ........................................................................12/18/2015

*Note: check Registrar’s website for Saturday and A/B sessions, and for items not listed here: http://www.registrar.uno.edu

Fall Semester Holidays
Labor Day .................................................................09/07/2015
Mid-semester break ..................................................10/15-10/16/2015
Thanksgiving .................................................................11/26-11/27/2015

Withdrawal Policy – Undergraduate only
Students are responsible for initiating action to resign from the University (withdraw from all courses) or from a course on or before dates indicated in the current important dates calendar. Students who fail to resign by the published final date for such action will be retained on the class rolls even though they may be absent for the remainder of the semester and be graded as if they were in attendance. Failure to attend classes does not constitute a resignation. Check the dates on the Registrar’s website, http://www.registrar.uno.edu. Please consult The Bulletin for charges associated with dropping and adding courses.

Incomplete Policy – Undergraduate only
The grade of I means incomplete and is given for work of passing quality but which, because of circumstances beyond the student’s control, is not complete. The issuance of the grade of I is at the discretion of the faculty member teaching the course. For all graduate and undergraduate students, a grade of I becomes a grade of F if it is not converted before the deadline for adding courses for credit (as printed in the Important Dates Calendar) of the next regular semester including summer semester.

Repeat Policy
When a student is permitted to repeat a course for credit, the last grade earned shall be the one which determines course acceptability for degree credit. A student who has earned a C or better in a course may not repeat that course unless, (1) the catalog description indicates that the course may be repeated for credit, or (2) the student’s Dean gives prior approval for documented extenuating circumstances.

Graduate Policies
Graduate policies often vary from undergraduate policies. To view the applicable policies for graduate students, see the Graduate Student Handbook:

Academic Dishonesty Policy

Safety Awareness Facts and Education
Title IX makes it clear that violence and harassment based on sex and gender is a Civil Rights offense subject to the same kinds of accountability and the same kinds of support applied to offenses against other protected categories such as race, national origin, etc. If you or someone you know has been harassed or assaulted, you can find the appropriate resources here:
http://www.uno.edu/student-affairs-enrollment-management/

UNO Counseling Services and UNO Cares
UNO offers care and support for students in any type of distress. Counseling Services assist students in addressing mental health concerns through assessment, short-term counseling, and career testing and counseling. Find out more at http://www.uno.edu/counseling-services/. First-year students often have unique concerns, and UNO Cares is designed to address those students succeed. Contact UNO Cares through http://www.uno.edu/fye/uno-cares.aspx.

Emergency Procedures
Sign up for emergency notifications via text and/or email at E2Campus Notification: http://www.uno.edu/ehso/emergency-communications/index.aspx. All emergency and safety procedures are explained at the Emergency Health and Safety Office: http://www.uno.edu/ehso/

Diversity at UNO
As the most diverse public university in the state, UNO maintains a Diversity Affairs division to support the university’s efforts towards creating an environment of healthy respect, tolerance, and appreciation for the people from all walks of life, and the expression of intellectual point of view and personal lifestyle. The Office of Diversity Affairs promotes these values through a wide range of programming and activities.
http://diversity.uno.edu/index.cfm

Learning and Support Services
Help is within reach in the form of learning support services, including tutoring in writing and math and other supplemental instruction. Visit the Learning Resource Center in LA 334, or learn more at http://www.uno.edu/lrc/

Affirmative Action and Equal Opportunity
UNO is an equal opportunity employer. The Human Resource Management department has more information on UNO’s compliance with federal and state regulations regarding EEOC in its Policies and Resources website: http://www.uno.edu/human-resource-management/policies.aspx