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SYLLABUS- College Algebra MATH-1111-03 Spring 2016

Location: Boyd 303  Time: MWF: 8:00-8:52 am
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OFFICE HOURS: M: 10:00 am-12:00 pm, 2:00-3:00 pm
T: 8:30-9:30 am, 10:30-11:30 am
W: 10:00 am-12:00 pm, 2:00-3:00 pm
F: 10:00 am-12:00 pm

Additional hours by appointment

COURSE DISCRIPTION:
- 3 hours
- Prerequisite: None.
- This course is a functional approach to algebra that incorporates the use of technology. Emphasis will be placed on the study of functions, and their graphs, inequalities, and linear, quadratic, piece-wise defined, polynomial, rational, exponential and logarithmic functions. Appropriate applications will be included.

TEXT:

Course Compass is required.
Textbook is optional.

Required: My Math Lab: a complete online multimedia resource to help you succeed in learning. The registration code is bundled free of charge with new textbooks. If you do not have a student registration code, you can purchase online access to www.coursecompass.com using a credit card and your instructor's course ID: yao84824


Required: scientific calculator. Graphing calculators equivalent to the TI 83, 84, 85, and 86 will be allowed on the exam, as will scientific calculators. The TI-89 and other equivalent calculators will not be allowed.

Learning Outcomes: Students should be able to demonstrate:
1. An understanding of the equations of circles and lines
2. An understanding of functions and how to graph functions
3. An understanding of operations on functions including function composition
4. An understanding of polynomial graphs, including intercepts and end-behavior
5. An understanding of how to find the zeros of a polynomial and how to factor polynomials
6. An understanding of inverse functions and how to find them graphically and algebraically
7. An understanding of the properties of exponential and logarithmic equations
8. An understanding of how to solve exponential and logarithmic equations
9. An understanding of how to solve a system of equations
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**ATTENDANCE**: Attendance will be taken every class day. Students are not allowed to come to class late or to leave early. Three tardies/early leaves are counted as one absence. Absence will not be counted if official document is provided.

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**GRADING CRITERIA**

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Need: Green Scantron. No formula sheet is allowed during the exams.

**Final Examination**: Friday, Apr-29-2016, 8:00-10:30 am, Green Scantron needed.

The common final examination will be comprehensive. No formula sheet is allowed during the final examination.

**Cellphone policy**: The students are not allowed to use cellphones during the tests or quizzes for any reasons.

**Homework**: Students are expected to complete homework using My Math Lab. Student responses will determine questions to be reviewed in class. Homework may be worked on after the due date, but will not be accepted after the test on that the chapter is completed. If the homework is 70% or better by the date of April-22-2016, then the lowest grade of the four unit exams will be replaced by the grade of the final exam (if grade of the final exam is better).

**Late Assignments Policy**: Students’ absence will NOT change the due day of any assignment. Assignments will NOT be accepted after the due day.

**Makeups**:
- There is no make up for quizzes and no make up for final exam.
- Official documents are needed in order to make up a unit exam. The student has to contact the instructor before the exam is given. And the make up for a unit exam has to be arranged within 7 days from the date of the exam.

**Other Course Policies**: Other course policies, including information regarding students with disabilities and the UWG Honor Code can be found at http://tinyurl.com/UWGSyllabusPolicies. You should read this at the beginning of each semester.