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CLASS TIME: 5:00–6:40 M W C110 Call #21061

TEXT: *College Algebra in Context with Applications for the Managerial, Life, and Social sciences*, by Harshbarger & Yocco 2nd edition

PREREQUISITES: Appropriate placement test score or a C or better in MATH 10034 or MATH 10005, and no credit for MATH 11010 or 11011.

COURSE OBJECTIVES: Study of algebra arising in the context of real-world applications, including linear, polynomial, exponential and logarithmic models. Intended for students not planning to take calculus.

TECHNOLOGY: A scientific calculator is required (it does not need to be a graphing calculator) but may be limited on some assignments and/or exams. Cell phone calculators are prohibited on exams. This course will also make use of Excel and a “free” online graphing calculator.

GRADING:

**GRADING SCALE**

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The final grade will be based on the following:

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\text{graded homework} & \quad (140 \text{ pts}) \\
4 \text{ in-class exams} & \quad (140 \text{ pts each}) \\
1 \text{ in-class quiz} & \quad (80 \text{ pts}) \\
\text{comprehensive final} & \quad (220 \text{ pts})
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\[= 1000 \text{ total points}\]

COURSE WEBPAGE: A web page for this class can be found at:

http://personal.tusc.kent.edu/~bosikiewicz/Math11009/

You can also access this page through the Tuscarawas Campus home page. This site contains a listing of all handouts, homework assignments and previous exams. Also, BE SURE TO CHECK OUT

http://personal.tusc.kent.edu/~bosikiewicz/11011handouts/

for some additional algebra supplements.
**WebCT:** WebCT (Vista) will be used to post all scores on exams and homework. The WebCT page for this course can be accessed through the My Courses Tab in your Flashline account or through https://vista.kent.edu/ using your flashline id and password.

**ATTENDANCE POLICY:** Regular attendance is necessary and expected. If you must miss a class, then YOU are responsible for any material that was covered. (Homework assignments will be posted on the class webpage.) Note that while attendance does influence your performance in the course, it does not have a direct effect on your grade. That is, you will not be penalized for poor attendance nor rewarded for perfect attendance.

**DAILY HOMEWORK ASSIGNMENTS:** Daily homework will be assigned from each section but will not be collected. Therefore, it is your responsibility to ensure that you are doing the homework problems correctly. Keep in mind that the answers to all of the odd numbered problems are found in the back of your text, and the first part of class will always be devoted to answering homework problems. I encourage you to work in groups with your fellow classmates. Lastly, note that exam problems will be similar to assigned homework problems; hence, your success in this class is proportional to the amount of homework that you complete.

**GRADED HOMEWORK ASSIGNMENTS:** Several graded homework assignments will be given throughout the semester. Each graded homework will be announced in class and posted on the class webpage. Each graded homework will have a specific due date. Late homework may be accepted; however, 5 points will be deducted from your score. No homework will be accepted after the key to the homework is given to the class. If you do not turn in a homework assignment, a zero will be recorded as your homework score. See homework guidelines.

**EXAMS/QUIZ:** There will be four 50 minute exams and one 30 minute quiz. Partial credit is awarded at the discretion of the instructor.

**MAKE-UP EXAMS:** Make-up exams and quiz will be given only in exceptional cases and provided that you have a written excuse. (If you miss an exam due to illness, the excuse must indicate that you were too ill to take the exam.) If you must miss an exam, you must notify me in ADVANCE, either by phone or email. (Note that the university has a voice mail system where you may leave me a message if I am unable to be reached.) If you fail to notify me in advance of missing an exam or you do not have a written excuse, I will have the option to deny giving you a make-up exam. If you do have a written excuse AND you notified me in advance, a make-up exam will be given during FINALS WEEK, May 11–14, 2009. It is YOUR responsibility to schedule this make-up exam with me during the 15th week of the semester, May 4–7, 2009. If you fail to schedule this make-up exam, you will receive a zero for the exam. In general, make-up exams are more difficult.

**FINAL EXAM:** The comprehensive final exam will be worth 220 points. The final is scheduled for Monday, May 11, 2009 from 5:30 – 7:30 PM.

**CELL PHONES:** It is rude and inconsiderate to use cell phones during lectures. Therefore, all cell phones are required to be turned off before the start of class. If a cell phone is activated during an exam, the owner will have a ten percentage point penalty assessed to his/her exam score due to the disturbance caused to the other class members. (Note: this policy also applies to the use of pagers or any other noise-making device.)
CHEATING: Cheating will not be tolerated, and those found guilty will face the highest disciplinary action. Please review the Digest of Rules and Regulations for the Kent State University Regional Campuses. An online copy is available at http://www.rc.kent.edu

STUDENTS WITH DISABILITIES: Kent State University recognizes its responsibility for creating an institutional climate in which students with disabilities can succeed. In accordance with University Policy, if you have a documented disability, you may request accommodations to obtain equal access and to promote your learning in this class. Please contact Robert Brindley, Coordinator, Academic Services and Career Planning, in room A104 or at (330) 339-3391 ext. 47447. After your eligibility for accommodations has been determined, you will be given a letter which, when presented to an instructor, will help that instructor know how best to assist you.

HOMEWORK GUIDELINES

1. Place all of your work in the space provided.
2. Be sure to show all of your work. Answers alone will NOT receive credit.
3. Be sure to circle your final answer.
4. If necessary, please staple your homework assignment.
5. Be sure your work is neat, well-organized, and readable. Do NOT use red ink to do your homework assignment. The instructor has the right to refuse any disorganized or unreadable work.
6. If you lose a copy of the assignment or need a "fresh" copy, you will find one on the course web page.
7. If you are going to be absent from a class on which a homework assignment is due, it is your responsibility to get that assignment to me. Either submit it to me early, or have a friend give it to me.
8. Any homework turned in after the specified due date will be considered late and 5 points will be deducted from your score. Please note that homework turned in on the due date but AFTER it has been collected in class is considered late.
9. No homework will be accepted after the key to the assignment has been given to the class.

NOTE: This syllabus is subject to change with notification.