TEXARKANA COLLEGE

Syllabus: ISM 2 - College Algebra (semester)
Course Number: MATH 1314
Semester & Year: Fall 2021
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Textbook/Supply Information:
MyMathLab student access code (provided by PGHS)
Course ID: durham16007

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A Graphing Calculator (preferably a TI-84)

Student Learning Outcomes for the Course
Upon successful completion of this course, student will:
1. Demonstrate understanding and knowledge of properties of functions, which include domain and range, operations, compositions, and inverses.
2. Recognize and apply polynomial, rational, radical, exponential, and logarithmic functions and solve related equations.
3. Apply graphing techniques.
4. Evaluate all roots of higher degree polynomial and rational functions.
5. Recognize, solve and apply systems of linear equations using matrices.

Homework and Quizzes will be completed online using *MyMathLab*. I will drop your lowest quiz grade each nine weeks. All due dates are final. Students are responsible for the assignment(s) whether present or not. If you are absent, all assigned work is due by the designated date and time shown online.

Tests – There will be 6 chapter tests as follows:
     Unit 1: Sections from Chapters 1 and 2 (Linear)
     Unit 2: Sections from Chapters 1 and 2 (Non-Linear)
     Unit 3: Sections from Chapter 2 (Functions/Graphs 2.6-2.8)
     Unit 4: Chapter 3
     Unit 5: Chapter 4
     Unit 6: Chapter 5

Final Exam – There will be a multiple choice comprehensive final exam given the last week of the semester in our regular classroom. A practice final exam will be available for the test.

Student Assessment - You have the opportunity to earn points in the following 4 areas. Your final grade will be determined by the corresponding percentages.
     (1) Homework   9%
     (2) Quizzes   36%
     (3) Chapter Tests   45%

(4) Final Exam   10%

Final Grade = 0.45*1st nine weeks average +0.45*2nd nine weeks average + 0.10*final exam average

Grading Scale

A 90-100	**B** 80-89	**C** 70-79	**D** 60-69	**F** 59-below

Absentee Policy
Texarkana College's absentee policy allows instructors to withdraw a student from a course due to excessive absences. If a student leaves and returns during class or leaves the class before the class is over, he/she **may** be considered absent. Three tardies constitute one absence.
Faculty members **are not** obligated to provide opportunities for students to make-up missed assignments and tests as a result of a student's absence from class. The institution is not required to take attendance with the exception of workforce/vocational areas, where certification requirements require taking attendance. However, experience demonstrates that regular attendance enhances academic success. As such, students are expected to attend each meeting of their registered courses.
A student should not stop attending a class without formally withdrawing from the course by the institutions published Last Day for Students to Drop. If a student stops attending class after the published Last Day for Students to Drop, the student **may** receive a grade of "F" in the class. The instructor will submit the last date of attendance for students receiving a grade of "F" or "W".
Withdrawal from a course(s) **may** affect a student's current or future financial aid eligibility. Students should consult the Financial Aid Office to learn both short and long term consequences of a withdrawal.

EXCUSED ABSENCES
A student's absence due to school trips and/or school business will not be counted against a student's allowable number of absences. Military duty and absences for Holy Days (FBD LEGAL) are covered in a separate section of the catalog and the student handbook. These are the only excused absences that are considered by Texarkana College. Responsibility for work missed for any absence is placed on the student. Instructors are required to allow students to make up work missed if the absence is due to military duty* or religious holy days when students follow the correct notification procedures. Instructors are not required to allow students to make up work for absences due to other reasons.
MAXIMUM ALLOWABLE ABSENCES
After official registration, the following number of unexcused absences will be the maximum allowable before a student **may** be dropped from the class. For Academic classes that meet twice a week, an instructor may withdraw a student from a course if they exceed 4 absences. For Academic classes that meet once a week, an instructor may withdraw a student from a course if they exceed 2 absences.

Make-up Policy
There will be **NO** make-up exams for major tests or the final exam. Any test missed will be recorded as a zero. Any student missing 3 major tests may be dropped from the course. If your final exam grade is higher than one of your unit test grades, the final exam grade will replace the lower test score. Homework assignments not completed by the assigned due date will be recorded as a zero. I will drop your 3 lowest homework grades.

Academic Integrity Statement
Scholastic dishonesty, involving but not limited to cheating on a test, plagiarism, collusion, or falsification of records will make the student liable for disciplinary action after being investigated by the Dean of Students. Proven violations of this nature will result in the student being dropped from the class with an "F".

This policy applies campus wide, including TC Testing Center, as well as off-campus classroom or lab sites, including dual credit campuses. This information can be found in the Student Handbook at https://texarkanacollege.edu.

Disability Act Statement:
Texarkana College complies with all provisions of the Americans with Disabilities Act and makes reasonable accommodations upon request. Please contact *Tonja Blasé, Director of Student Retention, at 903-823-3349*, or go by the Recruitment, Advisement, and Retention Department located in the Administration building for personal assistance.
If you have an accommodation letter from their office indicating that you have a disability which requires academic accommodations, please present it to me so we can discuss the accommodations that you might need for this class. *It is best to request these changes at the beginning if not before the start of class* so there is ample time to make the accommodations.

Financial Aid:
Attention! Dropping this class may affect your funding in a negative way! You could owe money to the college and/or federal government. Please check with the Financial Aid office before making a decision.

Cell Phones:
Cell phone use is prohibited during class. If you are using a cell phone during class you may be asked to leave and counted absent for the day. If a student repeatedly violates this policy, he/she may be dropped from the course. **Any use** of the cell phone during scheduled class times must be cleared with the instructor prior to the class. Please turn your phone on silent, not vibrate!

Class Behavior: Each student must respect the learning environment of others, therefore, there will be a zero tolerance policy, and the student may be dropped, for any behavior that is disruptive to classroom learning. This includes use of vulgar language or rude behavior toward the instructor or any other student in the class.
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Course Correspondence:
Any course correspondence will be through TC student email. It is the student's responsibility to check his/ her TC email regularly for any announcements relating to the course. I may also post announcements on MyMathLab.
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Any student who has difficulty affording groceries or accessing enough food to eat every day, or who lacks a safe and stable place to live and believes this may affect their performance in this course or ability to remain in school, is urged to contact Tonja Blasé, Director of Student Retention, at 903-823-3349 for support. Furthermore, please notify the professor if you are comfortable in doing so. This will enable them to provide any resources that they may possess.

Free Tutoring @ Texarkana College:
-TC Math Lab- located in the TC Library, 2nd Floor
-Student Services – located in the TC Library, 2nd Floor

*The instructor reserves the right to amend the syllabus as needed anytime during the semester.