

SYLLABUS FOR INTERMEDIATE ALGEBRA
MATH 118, SECTION 022
12:25 – 1:15 MWF
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Text: Intermediate Algebra, Martin-Gay.

Your syllabus, homework assignments, practice tests and quizzes are posted on the web at the above address. Please use this resource for your benefit. In particular, you may check the quizzes *in advance* by going to the site. In addition, I will assign worksheets from the site to hand in. The first one is the math 016 final due in one week. This will count as a quiz towards your grade, and is mandatory for passing the class.

There will be three tests and a final exam, as well as a short (5 question) quiz twice weekly. The quizzes will be on Monday and Friday. The quizzes are intended as a check on your progress and are part of the grade. There will be no makeup quizzes given. Therefore, attendance is essential.

Grading will be as follows: the total quiz score counts as one test and the final counts as two. Thus the formula for grading will be

$$\left(\frac{\text{test 1} + \text{test 2} + \text{test 3} + \text{total quiz score} + 2 \times \text{final}}{6} \right)$$

Please bring your textbook, *pencil* and paper to each class, as we will often do problems during the class period. We will cover a significant amount of material this semester. You are encouraged to read ahead to prepare for class, as well as complete the homework assignments.

My office hours are Monday through Friday 3:30 – 4:30, Wednesday 11:00 – 12:00. If these times are not suitable you are welcome to make an appointment. Please do not hesitate to come to me with any class problems you are having. There is no reason for any one who works hard to do poorly in this class. You are also encouraged to use the Learning Lab in room B2-36. The best days to make an appointment for free peer tutoring are Mondays or Tuesdays; you may go by yourself or with a friend, or just drop in. The Lab is open Monday through Thursday 9:00 A.M. to 7:00 P.M.; Friday 9:00 A.M. to 4:30 P.M.; and Saturday, 10:00 A.M. to 2:00 P.M.

It is the policy of CCP that no more than six (6) absences are allowed during the course of the semester. Any student missing more than four classes will be automatically dropped from the class. Cell phones must be turned off during class. Anyone whose phone rings will be asked to leave and counted absent.

While I am aware that most students take math courses only when required to do so, I sincerely hope that this course will not only be stress free, but also enjoyable and instructive. Much of this depends on you. Please ask questions, give your opinion, and participate!