

MAC1105 SYLLABUS

Fall 2007

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MAC1105, Section 002 , Ref # 53171 , TH: 8:35 – 9:50 a.m., Room SM126

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Office Hours: MWF: 9:00 – 11:15 a.m., 2:15 – 3 p.m.; TR: 10:00 a.m.– 12:15 p.m., 2:15 – 3 p.m.

Textbook: College Algebra: Graphs and Models, by Bittinger and Beecher, Addison Wesley Publishers, 3rd Edition.

Prerequisites: One of the following must be satisfied:

1. Appropriate placement test score.
2. Grade of C or higher in MAT1033, Intermediate Algebra
3. Transfer credit with grade of at least C in course equivalent to MAT1033.
4. Appropriate score on ACT or SAT.

Academic Alert: Florida Law! Beginning in Fall 97, all college level courses may be taken only TWICE at the in-state tuition rate. If you enroll the third time, you must pay the out-of-state tuition rate. A "grade" of W or AW counts as a "take". Any student is considered enrolled if their name is on the official roll after the date to receive a refund. On the third attempt, not only do you pay out-of-state fees, but you may not withdraw from the course. Fourth attempts are allowed only through an academic appeal. Since MAC1105 began in Fall, 1998, the count began then.

Grading policy: You must earn at least a C in MAC1105 in order to enroll in your next math course. MAC1105 is the prerequisite for Trigonometry (MAC2114), Precalculus (MAC2140) and Business Calculus (MAC2233).

Grading scale:

A 90-100, B 80-89, C 70-79

D 60-69, F below 60

Method to determine overall grade:

Quiz/Worksheet/HW Average = 1 test grade

Average of 4 unit tests and Quiz/Worksheet/HW Average = 75%

Cumulative Final Exam = 25%

Attendance and Withdrawal Policy: Attendance will be checked regularly. Arriving to class late or leaving early without permission may be counted as absences. If you accumulate more than 3 absences, you may be withdrawn from this course. However, DO NOT assume that you will be withdrawn if you stop attending class. It is your responsibility to formally withdraw yourself if you stop attending. I do not tolerate tardiness – if you are late to class more than 3 times without good reason, I will withdraw you from the course. The last day that you can withdraw yourself is **November 6, 2007**.

Homework: There is a possibility that your homework will be collected for a grade. This may be done on an unannounced basis, so ALWAYS HAVE YOUR HOMEWORK PREPARED TO TURN IN FOR A GRADE, EVEN ON TEST DAYS. Do homework in pencil and clearly label the section number and problem number. Use 8.5 X 11 loose-leaf paper, NOT TEAR-OUT PAPER. Your homework must be neat and organized or it will NOT be graded. LATE HOMEWORK WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED.

Missed Test Policy: A grade of "0" will be assigned for any missed test except in the case of a dire, well documented emergency. I must be notified before or on the day of the test. If approved, the final exam score will count for the missed test grade. If you miss a second test, you will receive a non-removable zero.

Class Cancellations: If there is a note on our classroom door announcing cancellation of the class, DO NOT TRUST IT! Please go to the main Science/Math Division office on the second floor of the SM building to verify the cancellation. If the note is bogus, I will still hold class that day, including any scheduled or non-scheduled tests or quizzes!

Use Pencil: On all written work in this course, please use pencil and not ink. On all quizzes, worksheets, and tests, points will be deducted for using ink.

Makeup Policy: THERE WILL BE NO MAKEUPS FOR QUIZZES, WORKSHEETS, HOMEWORK, TESTS, OR THE FINAL EXAM.

Final Exam: The Final Exam will be on **Tuesday, December 11, 2007**. It is your responsibility to find out the exact time and place for the Final and to be there on time. Bring pencils, photo I.D. and calculator. There will be no early, late, or makeup Final Exam.

Help!: Come for help during my office hours. Also, TCC has a Math Learning Center in DH 225 where tutors are on duty many hours of the day. This is free to all students with a student ID card. Other resources for help include: videos – available for viewing at the media center, tutorial software – at the Math Center and Open Access Computing Centers, and a WEB site .

Graphing Calculators: You are required to have a graphing calculator for this course. Bring it to class every day. No particular brand or model is required; however, I will be using a Texas Instrument TI-83Plus for instruction in the classroom. (I am not familiar with other companies' calculators and therefore would not be able to help you much with their use.) I would recommend a TI-83Plus. A TI-83 is required for Statistics, STA2023. Instructional videos are available in the library and Math Center. NOT ALLOWED: TI-89 or TI-92.

Cellular Phones and Pagers: All cell phones and pagers must be turned completely off before class begins. If any cell phone, pager, or any other electronic device makes any noise during class, I will ask the owner to leave class immediately for the day.

Student Conduct in the Classroom: Please refer to the TCC Student Conduct Code. I will treat all students with respect and dignity, and I expect the same in return. I will not tolerate disrespectful behavior toward myself or other students such as sleeping, audible yawning, disruptive talking, profane language, cell phone usage, clock watching, etc. Also note that there will be no smoking, eating or drinking in the classroom.