# Math 1111 - College Algebra

Fall Semester 2006

Time:

Section:

Location:

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Office Hours Note: Other office hours may be scheduled by appointment !

Mon	Tues	Wed	Thur	Fri
11 – 12 pm	12:15 – 2 pm	11 – 12 pm	12:15 – 2 pm	11 – 12 pm
1 – 2 pm		1 – 2 pm		1 – 2 pm

**Prerequisites:** Compass score **37** or higher or SAT Math score of **450** or higher. **Text**: <u>College Algebra</u>, 7<sup>th</sup> edition, Larson and Hostetler.

**Course Content**: Selected sections of chapters 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 of textbook. **Course Objectives**: The student will:

- 1. Demonstrate mastery of the topics covered in this course.
- 2. Understand and use the vocabulary of algebra.
- 3. Demonstrate enhanced problem-solving skills.
- 4. Demonstrate improved mathematical study skills.

Grades: Grades will be based on the following:

- 1.) **Tests** 4 will be given worth 100 points each 400 points total.
- 2.) Final Exam (100 points) A comprehensive final exam covering all material from the semester will be given on \_\_\_\_\_\_. No exemptions or make-ups will be granted for the final exam. EVERYONE MUST TAKE THE FINAL EXAM!

Your <u>final grade</u> is determined by dividing points earned by points possible. You can earn approximately 500 points total.

No make-ups on tests. In other words, you must be in class on a day a test is given. A student will receive a grade of 0 on each missed test. No exceptions!!

A 90-100 % B 80-89 % C 70-79 %	D 60-69 % F 0-59 %
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A student who has more than the allowed absences, equivalent to two weeks of class, may receive a grade of "F".

**Calculator Policy:** The TI-83 graphing calculator is recommended, but not required. No unauthorized material may be stored in a calculator. Your calculator memory should be empty. **NO CELL PHONES** !

Withdrawal Date: The last day to withdraw from classes without academic penalty is <u>10/9/06</u>

Attendance Policy: A student who misses more than \_\_\_\_\_ classes may receive a grade of "F".

Class roll is checked everyday at the beginning of class. Any student who comes in after roll is called is counted tardy. A combination of 3 **tardies** is an absence. Any student who misses 80% or more of a class period is counted absent. When you are absent, you are responsible for all material covered and for any assignments. An absence does not allow an assignment, made or due on that day, to be turned in late.

**Homework**: Homework will be assigned daily. You are expected to complete these assignments by the following day we complete the section. I will work as many homework questions as possible in class but we <u>may not have time to do them all</u>. While these assignments will not be graded, it is <u>very important</u> that you work all the problems. The key to success in this class is to thoroughly work and understand all homework assigned. All tests will be primarily based on the homework.

**Make-Ups**: It is the total responsibility of the student to get any notes missed due to any kind of absence. There will be **NO** make-up tests. A student who has <u>advanced permission</u> from the instructor to miss a test for a legitimate reason ( documented cases of illness, death in the family or other documented reasons deemed appropriate by the instructor) <u>may</u> substitute the final exam grade for the missing test grade. Any student who does not take a test at the scheduled time <u>without the prior consent</u> of the instructor will receive a grade of zero (0) on that test.

### Academic Dishonesty: (Plagiarism):

I expect complete integrity from all students on all work submitted for evaluation. <u>Students guilty of cheating on any test/exam will receive a grade of "zero" for that test/exam, at least, and may fail the course.</u> The Vice President for Academic Affairs will maintain a file of all incidents of academic dishonesty. A more complete statement on academic integrity may be found in the student handbook.

General Education Learning Outcomes: See class website.

# Additional Help: Tutorial center hours:

### **ADA Statement:**

If any student has special needs because of learning disabilities or other disabilities, the student should provide the proper documentation and discuss this problem with the instructor in the privacy of their office.

**Comments:** It is extremely important for you to spend the time necessary to complete the homework each night. If you do not understand a section after studying and working the assigned problems, please come to my office immediately the next day for help. Do not wait until the test. **I am more than willing to help anyone who is having trouble**, but each student needs to realize that the responsibility for learning the material lies on the student. Academic insurance, which allows students to expect the same education from all sections of a course, demands that a certain schedule be followed in this course. If there is not enough time on a certain day to answer all the homework questions, please come to my office for help. Keep in mind that college is not an institution where students receive all their education in the classroom. Most learning must happen individually (outside of class), so be prepared to work hard on your own.

# **Classroom behavior:**

It is the policy of this college that classes be conducted in an environment that lends itself to learning. Therefore, it is expected that students behave in a manner so as to avoid disturbing the learning process for other students. Any behavior that could be distracting to other students or the instructor will not be tolerated. The instructor may deny entrance to a student entering class late and will ask any student whose behavior is distracting to leave the class.

**Campus Emergencies:** In the event the fire alarm is sounded, everyone must evacuate the building at once and in a calm and orderly fashion <u>- DO NOT RUN</u> - using the nearest exit. In the event of a severe weather warning, which will be delivered verbally, everyone must proceed immediately to the nearest designated shelter area which are marked by a small tornado symbol. All severe weather shelter locations are posted on the EGC website. Each student should, on the first day of class, determine the location of the nearest exit and the nearest designated shelter area for each of his or her classrooms. If you have difficulty locating either ask you instructor to assist you.

# Additional Info: EGC website: www.ega.edu