COLLEGE ALGEBRA MATH 1233

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Office Hours:

MWF 10:00 - 11:00 TR 1:30 - 2:30 or by appointment

Grading: There will be 3 exams worth 100 points each, 8-10 quizzes worth a total of 100 points, and a comprehensive final exam worth 150 points. Your 2 lowest quiz scores will not count toward your grade. Missed quizzes cannot be made up. If you miss an exam you must arrange to makeup the exam before the next class period. Only one exam can be made up.

% of Total Points	Grade
90 - 100	Α
80 – 89	В
70 - 79	С
60 - 69	D
0 - 59	F

Attendance: A student with more than 2 absences may be dropped from the course.

Students should refer to the current MSU Student Handbook and Activities Calendar for university policies on academic dishonesty, class attendance, student rights and activities.

Tentative outline

Week of	Chapter and Sections Covered
Aug 25	1.2 – 1.3
Sept 1	1.3, 1.4, 2.1
Sept 8	2.2, 2.3, 2.4
Sept 15	2.5, 3.1
Sept 22	Exam 1
Sept 29	3.2, 3.3
Oct 6	3.4, 3.5
Oct 13	4.1 – 4.3
Oct 20	4.4 - 4.6
Oct 27	Exam 2
Nov 3	4.7, 4.8
Nov 10	5.1 – 5.4
Nov 17	5.5, 5.6
Nov 24	Exam 3
Dec 1	Review For Final
Dec 10	Wednesday, Final Exam 1:00 – 3:00PM

Attendance Policy:

Students must attend all lectures. Students who miss more than five lectures may be withdrawn from the course with the grade of F.

Disabilities Statement:

Students who need special accommodations should inform the Instructor and contact the Disability Support Services Office: room 168 Clark Student Center Phone: (940) 397-4140.

Academic Dishonesty:

The sanction for academic dishonesty on quizzes, tests, or the final exam will be the assignment of the grade of ZERO on the given test where the dishonesty occurred. This may lead to the failing of the course should the students' course grade fall below the passing grade.

The following link describes the appeal process (to the chair of the Mathematics Department) for an Academic dishonesty sanction from your instructor.

Academic Honesty Checklist

Student Handbook:

Students should refer to the current MSU Student Handbook and Activities Calendar for university policies on academic dishonesty, class attendance, student rights and activities. The Student Handbook can be found on the MSU website at Student Life, Dean of the Students.

Student Handbook 2024-2025

Campus Carry:

Effective August 1, 2016, the Campus Carry law (Senate Bill 11) allows those licensed individuals to carry a concealed handgun in buildings on public university campuses, except in locations the University establishes as prohibited. The new Constitutional Carry law does not change this process. Concealed carry still requires a License to Carry permit, and openly carrying handguns is not allowed on college campuses. For more information visit

Campus Carry.

Active Shooter:

The safety and security of our campus is the responsibility of everyone in our community. Each of us has an obligation to be prepared to appropriately respond to threats to our campus, such as an active aggressor. Please review the information provided by MSU Police Department regarding the options and strategies we can all use to stay safe during difficult situations. For more information, visit

Safety / Emergency Procedures

Students are encouraged to watch the video entitled "Run, Hide. Fight" which may be electronically accessed via the University Police department's webpage:

"Run. Hide. Fight."