

COLLEGE ALGEBRA – MAC1105 SPRING 2012

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Textbook: Algebra & Trigonometry by M. Sullivan 9th edition packaged with MyMathLab access code or MyMathlab Access Code alone (Mymathlab program contains an electronic version of the textbook). Keep in mind though that if you plan to take Trigonometry, you will most likely need the textbook.

Prerequisites: C or better in Intermediate Algebra or an adequate score on the placement test

Course Description: The focus of this course is on functions and their properties. In particular, properties and graphs of linear, quadratic, polynomial, rational, exponential and logarithmic functions are discussed. Ways of solving systems of equations are introduced at the end of the semester.

Course Objectives: After finishing the course students should have a good understanding of the concept of a function, its domain and range. They should be able to graph basic functions and be familiar with their properties. They should be able to perform operations on functions, form composition and find the inverse of some one-to-one functions. They should know and be able to apply properties of logarithms. They should be able to solve exponential and logarithmic equations and systems of equations.

Material to be covered:

- Chapter R - review: Sections: 2, 4, 5, 7, 8
- Chapter 1- review: Sections: 1, 2, 4, 5
- Chapter 2: Sections: 1, 2, 3, 4
- Chapter 3: Sections: 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6 and departmental handout More on Functions
- Chapter 4: Sections: 3, 4, 5
- Chapter 5: Sections: 2, 3, 4
- Chapter 6: Sections: 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8
- Chapter 12: Sections: 1, 6

Examinations: There will be three in-class paper and pencil exams and a comprehensive departmental final exam (see the schedule). Moreover, you will have weekly online homework and quizzes assigned in MyMathLab.

Online Assignments: To access online assignments you must purchase an access code for MyMathLab. You can purchase it together with the textbook at FIU bookstore, or as standalone item either at the bookstore or at <http://pearsonmylabandmastering.com/>

If you are repeating the course, you do not have to purchase a new access code. Just login to your account and choose the new course. You need the course ID.

If you are not able to purchase an access code immediately, you can use a temporary access code. Ask the instructor for the information.

-First assignment is **due on January 18, at midnight**, so buy the access code as soon as possible.

-All online assignments have a due date. They will generally be available till 11:59pm on the due day. At that time, program will not allow you to continue. Therefore you have to plan accordingly - you will not be able to finish 60 problems in two hours. Late submissions will not be accepted under any circumstances.

- Online problems are algorithmic iterations of textbook exercises.

- Homework assignments can be attempted an infinite number of times, but must be completed within assigned period of time.

- There is one quiz per week. Quiz is associated with the homework assigned for that week.

A quiz can be taken three times and the highest score is registered.

- To take a quiz, you must score at least 80% on the associated homework. If you don't receive required 80% on the prerequisite homework, you will not be able to take the associated quiz and consequently, you will receive 0 on that quiz.

- At the end of the semester, the homework assignment with lowest grade and the quiz with the lowest grade will be dropped.

The **deadlines will not be extended** under any circumstances. All assignments are due at midnight on the due day. Do not wait till the last moment to complete the assignments since you don't know what problems, technical or not, you might encounter along the way. The excuse "I had a problem with my internet connection" will not be accepted.

Please be advised that merely completing online assignments is not a guarantee of success in the class. You need to understand what you do. A test question will not come with the "help me solve it" button. So, if you can't correctly do a homework problem without any help, you will not be able to do a similar problem on a test.

Keep in mind that your grade in this class will be determined mainly by your performance on the tests.

Grading policy: To get a full credit for a problem on a test you must show your work. An answer alone, even correct, will get no credit. Please note that **if you decide to skip online assignments, you will have to score at least 88% on each test to receive a passing grade (C).**

Your grade will be calculated as follows:

	% of Grade
Tests 1-2	18% each
Test 3	19%
Final exam	25%
MyMathLab online homework	8%
MyMathlab online quizzes	12%
Total	100%

Your final grade will be assigned according to the following scale.

A: 93 – 100 B + : 86 – 88 C+: 75 – 78 D +: 60 - 64
A- : 89 – 92 B: 83 – 85 C: 70 – 74 D : 55 - 59
B-: 79 – 82 C-: 65 – 69 F: 0 - 54

Make-up Policy: There will be no make-up tests. If you miss a test due to illness or other emergency and provide documentation supporting your claim, your final exam will count in place of the missed test. There will be no make-ups for online assignments, but the lowest score on homework assignments and quizzes will be dropped.

Attendance Policy: You are expected to attend all classes. It is your responsibility to complete all assignments on time regardless of whether or not you were present in the class. Excessive absence will be taken into consideration when assigning the grade. **Up to 5 points can be deducted** from your total at the end of the semester for missing more than 5 lectures.

Calculator Policy: Use of graphing calculators is prohibited in this course. The scientific calculator TI- 30XA will be used occasionally. **No other calculator can be used on a test.** The instructor has a right to prohibit the use of calculators on a test.

Incomplete Grade Policy: The incomplete grade is given to a student who has substantially completed most of the course work but is unable to finish an exam or other work because of circumstances beyond the student's control. An IN grade cannot be given if it is necessary for the student to repeat the course. An incomplete grade must be made up within two semesters. There is no extension of the two semester deadline. The student must not register again for the course to make up the incomplete. Every incomplete grade must be approved by the Mathematics Department.

Drop Date: The last day to drop a course is March 19.

Academic Misconduct: Includes (but is not limited to) giving or receiving assistance on a test, quiz, or homework assignment for which such assistance is not permitted, falsifying a document to obtain an excusal from a test, and using unauthorized notes on a test or quiz. A more complete definition of Academic Misconduct is given in the Student Handbook. Penalties for Academic Misconduct range from an F in the course to expulsion from the University.

Tutoring Services: The Mathematics Department and the University offers a variety of services, ranging from online videos to free tutoring, designed to help students with their courses. Please visit <http://casgroup.fiu.edu/MathStatistics/pages.php?id=1168> for more details.

Classroom Etiquette: To create and preserve a classroom atmosphere that optimizes teaching and learning, students are expected to conduct themselves at all times in a manner that does not disrupt teaching or learning. You are expected to come prepared to the class, be on time and remain in the classroom for the duration of the lecture. Talking, eating, sleeping, checking e-mail, using a phone, reading a newspaper, preparing for another class, packing up early is disruptive to others around you and to the instructor. Though classroom participation is always welcomed, questions and comments must be relevant to the topic at hand. If you have a question or comment, raise your hand to be recognized. Electronic devices such as cell phones, iPods, and computers must be turned off during class. Student conduct which disrupts the learning process shall not be tolerated and may lead to disciplinary action and/or removal from class.

Daily Class Schedule

Spring 2012	Date	Topics	Online assignments – due dates
Week - 1	1/9	Chapter R -review	HW 1(93 problems) due 1/18 Quiz 1(10 problems) due 1/18 (80% on HW 1 required)
	1/11	Chapter R- review	
Week – 2	1/16	M.L.King Jr. Day- No school	HW 2(45 problems) due 1/22 Quiz 2(10 problems) due 1/23 (80% on HW 2 required)
	1/18	Chapter 1- review	
Week – 3	1/23	Sec 5.4	HW 3(33 problems) due 1/29 Quiz 3(10 problems) due 1/30 (80% on HW 3

	1/25	2.1, 2.2 (# 15-27, 75,77)	required)
Week - 4	1/30	2.2, 2.3	HW 4(57 problems) due 2/5 Quiz 4(10 problems) due 2/6 (80% on HW 4 required)
	2/1	2.3, 2.4	Review for test 1(69 problems) due 2/5
Week - 5	2/6	Test # 1(Chapter R, 1, 5.4,chapter 2)	HW 5(27 problems) due 2/12 Quiz 5(6 problems) due 2/13 (80% on HW 5 required)
	2/8	3.1+ departmental handout More on Functions (omit operations on functions)	
Week - 6	2/13	3.2, 3.3	HW 6(45 problems) due 2/19 Quiz 6(10 problems) due 2/20 (80% on HW 6 required)
	2/15	3.4	
Week - 7	2/20	3.5	HW 7(30 problems) due 2/26 Quiz 7(7 problems) due 2/27 (80% on HW 7 required)
	2/22	3.5, 3.6	
Week - 8	2/27	4.3	HW 8(30 problems) due 3/4 Quiz 8(7 problems) due 3/5 (80% on HW 8 required)
	2/29	4.4, 4.5	
Week - 9	3/5	5.2	HW 9(14 problems) due 3/6 Review for test 2 (41 problems) due 3/7 (4pm) Quiz 9 (4 problems) due 3/12 (80% on HW 9 required)
	3/7	Test # 2 (Chapter 3, 4, 5.2)	
Week - 10	3/12	Spring Break	No HW10 and Quiz 10
	3/14	Spring Break	
Week - 11	3/19	5.3 drop date	HW 11(23 problems) due 3/25 Quiz 11(6 problems) due 3/26 (80% on HW 11 required)
	3/21	6.1+ 3.1 (operations on functions)	
Week -12	3/26	6.2	HW 12(50 problems) due 4/1 Quiz 12(10 problems) due 4/2 (80% on HW 12 required)
	3/28	6.3	
Week -13	4/2	6.4	HW 13(69 problems) due 4/8 Quiz 13(10 problems) due 4/9 (80% on HW 13 required)
	4/4	6.5, 6.6 (not included in HW 13)	
Week -14	4/9	6.6	HW 14 (49 problems) due 4/15 Review for test 3 (43 problems) due 4/15 Quiz 14 (10 problems) due 4/16 (80% on HW 14 required)
	4/11	6.7, 6.8	
Week -15	4/16	Test # 3 (sec 5. 3, Chapter 6)	HW 15(21 problems) due 4/22 Quiz 15(5 problems) due 4/23 (80% on HW 15 required)
	4/18	12.1, 12.6	
Week-16		Final week of the semester – no classes	Review for Final (91 problems) due 4/26 (noon)
	4/26	Final Exam, 2:15 – 4:45pm, room TBA	

DEPARTMENTAL HANDOUT
MORE ON FUNCTIONS

Find the domain of the given function

$$1) f(x) = \frac{1}{2-3x}$$

$$2) f(x) = \frac{x-2}{x^2+5x+6}$$

$$3) f(x) = \frac{2x}{3-x^2}$$

$$4) f(x) = \frac{x-1}{x^2-7x+2}$$

$$5) f(x) = \frac{-3}{x^2+1}$$

$$6) f(x) = \frac{2x+1}{x(x+1)(x-3)}$$

$$7) f(x) = \frac{4x^2}{3x^2+6x}$$

$$8) f(x) = \frac{-2}{|3x+2|-1}$$

$$9) f(x) = \frac{1-x-x^2}{4|2x-3|+1}$$

$$10) f(x) = \sqrt{\frac{1}{3}x+2}$$

$$11) f(x) = \frac{-1}{\sqrt{3-2x}}$$

$$12) f(x) = \sqrt{6+x-x^2}$$

$$13) f(x) = \sqrt{\frac{x}{1-x}}$$

$$14) f(x) = \sqrt{x^2-4}$$

$$15) f(x) = \sqrt[3]{x+2}$$

$$16) f(x) = \sqrt{3x^2-x-2}$$

$$17) f(x) = \sqrt{\frac{x}{x^2-4x-5}}$$

$$18) f(x) = \frac{5}{\sqrt{4x+1}-2}$$

$$19) f(x) = \frac{3x-1}{\sqrt{x+5}+1}$$

ANSWERS

$$1) \{x \mid x \neq \frac{2}{3}\} = (-\infty, \frac{2}{3}) \cup (\frac{2}{3}, +\infty) \quad 2) \{x \mid x \neq -3, -2\} = (-\infty, -3) \cup (-3, -2) \cup (-2, +\infty),$$

$$3) \{x \mid x \neq -\sqrt{3}, \sqrt{3}\} = (-\infty, -\sqrt{3}) \cup (-\sqrt{3}, \sqrt{3}) \cup (\sqrt{3}, +\infty)$$

$$4) \{x \mid x \neq \frac{7-\sqrt{41}}{2}, \frac{7+\sqrt{41}}{2}\} = (-\infty, \frac{7-\sqrt{41}}{2}) \cup (\frac{7-\sqrt{41}}{2}, \frac{7+\sqrt{41}}{2}) \cup (\frac{7+\sqrt{41}}{2}, +\infty)$$

$$5) (-\infty, +\infty) \quad 6) \{x \mid x \neq -1, 0, 3\} = (-\infty, -1) \cup (-1, 0) \cup (0, 3) \cup (3, +\infty)$$

$$7) \{x \mid x \neq -2, 0\} = (-\infty, -2) \cup (-2, 0) \cup (0, +\infty) \quad 8) \{x \mid x \neq -\frac{1}{3}, -1\} = (-\infty, -1) \cup (-1, -\frac{1}{3}) \cup (-\frac{1}{3}, +\infty)$$

$$9) (-\infty + \infty) \quad 10) \{x \mid x \geq -6\} = [-6, +\infty) \quad 11) \{x \mid x < \frac{3}{2}\} = (-\infty, \frac{3}{2})$$

$$12) \{x \mid -2 \leq x \leq 3\} = [-2, 3] \quad 13) \{x \mid 0 \leq x < 1\} = [0, 1)$$

$$14) \{x \mid x \leq -2 \text{ or } x \geq 2\} = (-\infty, -2] \cup [2, +\infty) \quad 15) (-\infty, +\infty)$$

$$16) \{x \mid x \leq -\frac{2}{3} \text{ or } x \geq 1\} = (-\infty, -\frac{2}{3}] \cup [1, +\infty)$$

$$17) \{x \mid -1 < x \leq 0 \text{ or } x > 5\} = (-1, 0] \cup (5, +\infty)$$

$$18) \{x \mid x \geq -\frac{1}{4}, x \neq \frac{3}{4}\} = [-\frac{1}{4}, \frac{3}{4}) \cup (\frac{3}{4}, +\infty)$$

$$19) \{x \mid x \geq -5\} = [-5, +\infty)$$

MyLab Course Registration Instructions

Dear Student,

Your instructor chose MyLab to help you succeed in this course. With rich media, your eText, and much more, your course provides you with the resources you need to master even the most difficult concepts. Your course is designed to help you get a better grade!

What You Need to Enroll in your Instructor's Online Course

- ✓ **A Course ID:** 6:25 class leon74745 (Your instructor will give you this.)
7:50 class leon80175
- ✓ **A valid email address that you check regularly**
This address will be used to confirm your registration and for other communication about the course. Your instructor will also use this email address to communicate with you.
- ✓ **A student access code** (Or, you can pay with a credit card or a PayPal account.)
This pre-paid code is printed inside the Student Access Code Card. The code card may be packaged with your new textbook or it may be available for purchase separately from your school's bookstore.

To Register and Sign in to Your Instructor's Course the First Time

- Go to www.pearsonmylab.com.
- Click **Student** under Register.
- Enter your Course ID and click **Continue**.
- Verify the course information.
- You have a Pearson account if you have used other Pearson online products. Enter your username and password, and click **Sign In**.
- If you don't have a Pearson account, click **Create an account**.
- Complete your account set up by entering your name, email address, a username and password, and any other required information.
- Click **Create Account**. You now have a Pearson account.
- Paying for your course access.
 - If you have already purchased an access code, click **access code**, enter the code and click **Finish**.
 - If using a credit card or PayPal, click the button for the access you want to purchase, provide payment account information and verify your order.
 - You might also obtain a temporary access code , valid only for 17 days, if you are not able to purchase the code right away.
- Print the Confirmation & Summary

You now have access to your instructor's online course.

Click **Go To Your Course**, and then in the left panel, click the course name to start your work.

To Sign in to Your Course Again Later

- Return to www.pearsonmylab.com.
- Click **Sign In**.
- Enter your Pearson account username and password and click **Sign In**.
- In the left panel, click the course name to continue your work.

MyLab Temporary Access Course Registration Instructions

Dear Student,

Temporary access for students waiting on financial aid may be available for your instructor's Pearson online course. If it is, you will see the temporary access option after entering your course id.

Temporary access lets you fully participate in your instructor's online course for 17 days without payment. Anytime before the 17th day you must pay or use an access code to keep access to the course and the work you have completed.

What You Need to Enroll in your Instructor's Online Course

- ✓ **A Course ID:** _____ (Your instructor will give you this.)
- ✓ **A valid email address that you check regularly**
This address will be used to confirm your registration and for other communication about the course. Your instructor will also use this email address to communicate with you.

To Register using Temporary Access and Sign in to Your Instructor's Course the First Time

- Go to www.pearsonmylab.com.
- Click **Student** under Register.
- Enter your Course ID and click **Continue**.
- Verify your course information.
- You have a Pearson account if you have used other Pearson online products.
Enter your username and password and click **Sign In**.
- If you don't have a Pearson account, click **Create an account**.
- Complete your account set up by entering your name and email address, a username and password, and any other required information.
- Click **Create Account**. You now have a Pearson account.
- Click on **Get temporary access** and then confirm your choice by clicking **Yes**.
- Print the Confirmation & Summary.

You now have temporary access to your instructor's online course.

Click **Go To Your Course**, and then in the left panel, click the course name to start your work.

To Sign in to Your Course Again Later

- Return to www.pearsonmylab.com.
- Click **Sign In**.
- Enter your Pearson account username and password and click **Sign In**.
- In the left panel, click the course name to continue your work.

Change Temporary Access to Full Access Student Instructions

Your instructor chose MyLab to help you succeed in your course. With rich media, your eText and much more, your course provides you with the resources to master even the most difficult concepts.

To get full access to your MyLab course after enrolling with temporary access, you must use an access code, a credit card, or a PayPal account.

Email Link Instructions

You should have received at least one email containing a payment link.

- Click the payment link in the email.
- Verify the course information.
- Enter your password and click **Sign In**.
- Paying for your course access.
 - If you have already purchased an access code, click **access code**, enter the code and click **Finish**.
 - If using a credit card or PayPal, click the button for the access you want to purchase, provide payment account information and verify your order.
- Print the Confirmation & Summary

You now have access to your instructor's online course.

Click **Go To Your Course**, and then in the left panel, click the course name to start your work.

Website Instructions

If you cannot access your email:

- Go to www.pearsonmylab.com
- Click **Student** under Register.
- Enter your current Course ID and click **Continue**.
- Verify the course information.
- Enter your password and click **Sign In**.
- Paying for your course access.
 - If you have already purchased an access code, click **access code**, enter the code and click **Finish**.
 - If using a credit card or PayPal, click the button for the access you want to purchase, provide payment account information and verify your order.
- Print the Confirmation & Summary

You now have access to your instructor's online course.

Click **Go To Your Course**, and then in the left panel, click the course name to start your work.

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If you do not pay for full access before your 17-day temporary access ends, you will lose access to your instructor's online course and the work you already submitted.

You can still pay after the 17th day and regain access to the course and your work, but you may miss deadlines or important notices from your instructor.

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