

Winter 2004 MA 090 Beginning Algebra

Class Time, Days and Location: 9:00-9:50 a.m. MTWTh, Jamrich 231

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Required Materials:

Text: *Beginning Algebra: Once and For All* by Jamsen and Hetler

Calculator: A scientific calculator will suffice, a graphing calculator is preferred.

Pencil, eraser and loose-leaf lined paper.

Active e-mail account and internet access.

Homework, Quizzes, & Tests:

All homework, quizzes, and tests will be done in pencil.

Homework will be collected at the end of every section. Since the answers are given to all the problems immediately after each problem set, this homework will not be evaluated, but rather checked off as to whether the effort to learn the material was put forth. Each completed homework assignment counts as 5 points. **NO LATE HOMEWORK WILL BE ACCEPTED.**

Quizzes will be given every Thursday in order to give you, the student, feedback as to whether you are indeed comprehending the material. **YOU MUST BE PRESENT IN CLASS TO TAKE THE QUIZ. NO MAKEUP QUIZZES WILL BE GIVEN.** Quizzes will be worth 10 points each.

Tests will be given at the end of every two chapters. They will be worth 100 points each. No test scores will be dropped. A *documented* excuse is necessary in order to make up a test. Grades on quizzes and tests are not “curved”. Only students who have taken all chapter tests will be admitted to the final exam. Thus,

missing a test guarantees earning a failing grade in the course. The comprehensive final will be worth 200 points.

Other Notes: Labtops must be shut down and stored when not required for classroom activities. Labtops will not be used for tests unless explicitly stated.

Grading Scale:

A: 90-100% , B: 80-89% , C: 70-79% , D: 60-69% , F: < 60%

Material Covered: Chapters 1 – 6 and part of chapter 7.

Extra Help:

My office (During office hours or make an appointment. I want you to succeed!)

Math Help Center WS 3810

The Math Help Center will be open by the second week of the semester.

All-Campus Tutorial Services LRC 111H

Usually gets going by the third or fourth week of the semester.

Get together with people in the class and form a study group!

If you have a need for disability related accommodations or services, please inform the Coordinator of Disability Services in the Disability Services Office located in Room 1104 of the University Center (227-1737). Reasonable and effective accommodations and services will be provided to students if requests are made in a timely manner, with appropriate documentation, in accordance with federal, state, and University guidelines.