

SYLLABUS FOR MATH 210 PREALGEBRA, FALL 2015

MATH-210. – 27, CRN: 01606

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Class Hours: Tues/Thurs, 4 : 00P.M.-6 : 15P.M. in room MQ-2.

Office Hours: Thursdays from 2 : 50P.M.-3 : 50P.M. in room E37.

Textbook: *Prealgebra*, 2nd Ed., by College of the Redwoods Department of Mathematics, 2009.

This book is free and can be found online at: mathrev.redwoods.edu/PreAlgText/

Grading:

- **Homework:** Homework will be assigned after almost every class. I will not collect all of your homework and grade each assignment. However, I will collect 2 assignments on exam days. Before you take the quiz or exam I will call one of these assignments at random and you will turn them in with your exam. This will count for 1 question on your exam. I will not accept late homeworks. The homework will be graded on a scale of 1 – 5 where 5 is a perfect score. I will be primarily grading the homework on effort and to give you feedback.

- **Tests:** There will be a total of 4 exams in the class: 3 midterms and 1 final. You will not be allowed to use a calculator on the exam. The final will be cumulative. **Makeup Policy:** There are **no** makeup tests in this class. If you miss an exam, then the following exam score will count for double.

Midterm 1 20%

Midterm 2 25%

Midterm 3 25%

Final 30%

Tentative Dates for Midterms: Tuesday October 13th for Midterm 1, Thursday November 3rd for Midterm 2, and Thursday 26th for Midterm 3.

Final Exam: The date of the final exam is on Tuesday December 8th from 4 : 00P.M.-6 : 00P.M. **The date of the final exam is set in stone** and will not be changed.

Date: September 22, 2015.

• Grade Breakdown:

90 – 100% = A.

80 – 89% = B.

70 – 79% = C.

60 – 69% = D.

below 60% = F.

This grading scale is not set entirely in stone. I may curve the class at the very end of the course. It depends on how the entire class performs, but the above scale will be a good indication of how you are doing in the course.

Free Tutoring: The Math Tutoring Center in Room S4 offers free tutoring on Mondays-Thursdays from 9 : 00A.M.-5 : 30P.M. More information can be found here:

<http://www.deanza.edu/studentsuccess/mstrc/>

Disability Support Services: If you need to contact the Disability Support Services, then please contact them as soon as possible. More information can be found here:

<https://www.deanza.edu/dss/>

Academic Integrity: This is pretty straightforward: Do not cheat on quizzes, exams, or directly copy other student's work. It is not worth getting caught and suffering the consequences. For more information about De Anza College's policy on academic integrity:

<https://www.deanza.edu/studenthandbook/academic-integrity.html>

Policies for This Class: These policies are part of the syllabus and will be strictly enforced. By enrolling in this course, you as the student agree to accept these policies and follow them and agree that **the instructor reserves the right to drop a student from the course with a W if any of the policies are violated**. Further action may also be taken against a student who violates specific policies, such as the policy on cheating.

• Cell phone use (talking on your phone, texting, etc.) during lecture is not allowed. This is considered to be rude behavior and tells me that you are not paying attention in class. If you are using your phone, then you will be warned once to stop. If it happens again, then you may be asked to leave the class and you will not be allowed back into the class until you emailed the instructor or talked to him before the next class meeting.

If you have an emergency and need to use your cell phone, then you are free to excuse yourself from class to deal with the situation.

• Tests are usually given at the end of class and must be completed by the time class time ends. You will receive a two minute warning before your time is fully up. When time is over, you must put down your writing utensil and **stop writing immediately**. If you do not stop writing immediately, your test may **not** be collected and you may receive a

grade of zero. Also, during exams everything must be off of your desk and either in your backpack (or under your seat if you do not have a backpack). If the instructor sees any phones, paper, notebooks, textbooks, etc. out during an exam, then it will be considered cheating and the student will receive a zero for that exam. If the instructor observes a student placing his or her hands beneath his or her desk for an extended period of time, the instructor may ask that student to stand up or move to another desk. If a student is observed with a cell phone in his or her hands, lap, or other easily accessible place after the student has received his or her test, that student will be considered cheating and will receive a zero on that test.

- If a student is caught cheating, the instructor reserves the right to assign a grade of F for the entire course or to drop the student with a W from the course. If a student is returned a graded test or quiz and the student changes his or her incorrect answers in order to receive more points, the student is considered cheating and such an act will carry the same consequences as those mentioned above. If you are caught cheating on the final exam, you will automatically receive a grade of F for the course.