# CAMDEN COUNTY COLLEGE Spring 2012



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# ELEMENTARY ALGEBRA COURSE DESCRIPTION, POLICIES & OUTLINE

## **TEXTS:**

- ◆ Beginning Algebra by Baratto, Bergman & Hutchison, 8th Edition, McGraw Hill, Inc., 2008
- <u>Elementary Algebra Review</u> by Bogardus, Flacche, Freedman, Jackson, Owens & Tannen, 1st Edition, McGraw Hill, Inc. 2011

## **COURSE DESCRIPTION:**

This course is designed to provide the student with the basic algebraic concepts and skills necessary to meet the prerequisites for college level math courses. The course includes a quick review of the arithmetic and algebra of counting numbers, integers, and rational numbers. Main topics include: the arithmetic and factoring of polynomials, the simplifying of rational and irrational expressions, laws of exponents, solving and graphing linear equations solving and graphing linear equations, solving fractional and quadratic equations, solving systems of equations, and the application of these concepts to word problems.

## **ATTENDANCE POLICY:**

Summer Classes & Hybrid:

There are NO excused absences. A student is required to attend all class meetings. If a class is missed the student is held responsible for the full requirements of the class.

*MWF Classes*: <u>More than 6 class absences may result in a full grade reduction</u>.

T-R & M-W Classes:

More than 4 class absences may result in a full grade reduction.

More than 2 class absences may result in a full grade reduction

Promptness is also required. If a student misses the final exam, he will NOT be allowed to take a make up exam unless there is a documented emergency. *Missing the final exam will result in an automatic failure of the course*.

#### **GRADING POLICY:**

Grades will be based on 3-4 exams, quizzes and a final exam. The final exam will count 25%-50% of the final course grade. A minimum competency in elementary algebra is necessary to pass the course. There are no make up quizzes. An average of "D" is necessary to pass the course.

 A
 90 - 100

 B
 80 - 89

 C
 70 - 79

 D
 60 - 69

 RV
 Recommended for 4 day Algebra Review Course

 F
 Below 60

#### **CELL PHONE POLICY:**

All cell phones will be turned OFF during class sessions. If a cell phone is answered during a test, it will result in an automatic failure of the test. Text messaging during a test will result in an automatic failure of the test. No bluetooth adapters or headset permitted in the classroom. No text messaging permitted during class.

Camden County College is committed to providing reasonable accommodations for all persons with disabilities. If you have specific physical, psychiatric, or learning disabilities and require accommodations, please contact the PACS Office (Disability Support Services Office) at (856) 227-7200, Extension 4430, as soon as possible to ensure that such accommodations can be implemented in timely fashion.

Do not throw away the MathZone card that is packaged with your texts. This contains your password and User ID to access MathZone on line which is an excellent supplemental for tutorials. The 24 hour tech support number for MathZone is 1-800-331-5094.