

**Kings River Community College**

Fall 1997

Math 3 - Intermediate Algebra

Sch# 1101

**COURSE OUTLINE AND POLICY**

Class Hours: T, Th 6:00-8:15 P.M.

Room: SS-30

Instructor: Bill Regonini

Prerequisite: Math 1 or equivalent

Required Text: McKeague, Intermediate Algebra, 2nd edition, Saunders College Publishing, 1993.

**OBJECTIVES:**

Students are expected to obtain a working knowledge of the course content and apply their skills in problem-solving situations. Upon completion of the course, the student will be able to:

1. solve linear and quadratic equations and systems of equations.
2. analyze and solve word problems using algebraic methods.
3. solve inequalities with and without absolute value.
4. apply principles of algebra to simplify algebraic, exponential, and radical expressions.
5. factor an algebraic expression, including the sum or difference of two cubes, by grouping or trial and error.
6. graph linear and quadratic functions.
7. solve problems involving logarithms and progressions.

**ATTENDANCE:**

Students are expected to attend all class meetings and to be on time. It is distracting and unfair to fellow students to arrive late or leave early from a class. **Two incidences of tardiness and/or leaving class early constitutes one absence.**

**Any student absent for 4 consecutive classes or 6 total classes before the drop deadline is subject to being dropped from the class.**

If you decide to drop the class, it is **YOUR** responsibility to officially drop the class. **The last day to drop this class is OCTOBER 17, 1997.** College policies on attendance, illness, dropping a class, etc. as outlined in the Kings River Community College Catalog will be strictly enforced.

**TESTS:**

A series of tests, worth 100 points each, will be administered periodically throughout the semester.

A two-hour **final exam**, worth 100 points, will be administered at the end of the semester during "Finals Week."

**THERE ARE NO MAKE-UPS FOR MISSED TESTS!!**

To compensate for illness and emergencies, the lowest score from these test grades will be discarded when determining the final grade.

**NOTE: You may not leave the classroom after you have begun taking a test.**

**HOMEWORK:**

An assignment sheet will be passed out at the beginning of each chapter. A portion of these homework assignments will be collected **each Thursday**.

**NO LATE HOMEWORK ACCEPTED!!**

Assignments will be graded on completeness, neatness, and **effort**. Problems must be written out (except word problems), and all work must be shown in order to receive credit. The **average** of all homework grades will be worth one test grade.

**GRADING :**

Your lowest test score will be discarded. Your remaining test scores and homework grade will be averaged, and the resulting percentage will determine your grade according to the following scale:

90 - 100%	A
80 - 89%	B
65 - 79%	C
50 - 64%	D
0 - 49%	F

**IMPORTANT DATES:**

September 19, 1997

Last day to change to/from credit/no credit

October 17, 1997

**LAST DAY TO DROP A CLASS**

November 11, 1997

Veteran's Day - NO CLASS

November 27, 1997

Thanksgiving Day- NO CLASS

December 16, 1997

**FINAL EXAM 6:00 P.M. - 8:00 P.M.**