Reedley College
Math 201
Spring '14 Syllabus

Course: Math 201 Elementary Algebra
Schedule number: 52914
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Text: Woodbury, Elementary & Intermediate Algebra Third Edition
Website: http://www.mymathlab.com
Course ID: reimer95489 If you do not have online access on 1/31/14 and later you will be dropped from this course.
Meeting times: Daily, 1:00 – 1:50 PM, 1/13/14 – 5/23/14
Important dates:

January 20	Monday	Martin Luther King Jr Day No Class
February 14 – 17	Fri – Mon	Presidents Weekend No Class
March 14	Fri	Last Day to Drop a Full Semester Course
April 14 – 18	Mon – Fri	Spring Recess No Class
May 21	Wednesday	Final Exam 1:00 – 2:50 PM

Course Description: This course will deal with many algebraic concepts, including equations and inequalities in two variables, rational exponents and roots, quadratic functions, exponential and logarithmic functions, and conic sections.

Course Objectives
   A. recognize the real number system, its subsets and how to perform operations on numbers from these subsets.
   B. simplify algebraic expressions and solve linear equations and inequalities
   C. graph linear equations in two variables and solve systems of linear equations.
   D. simplify expressions using the properties of exponents and perform operations with polynomials.
   E. factor algebraic expressions and solve equations of degree greater than one.
   F. perform arithmetic operations on rational expressions and solve equations containing rational expressions.

Attendance: In order to maintain continuity of subject matter regular attendance is imperative in any academic course. You are expected to attend all class sessions, arrive on time and stay for the entire session. If you have accumulated more than 5 absences on March 14, 2014, you will be dropped from this course. Do not be late to class. If you are not present when role is taken you will be marked absent, it is your responsibility to inform me if you arrive after role has been taken.

Grading: Grades will be based on three sets of criteria: Homework, Midterm exams, and a Final exam.

Homework: Homework is to be done on paper and answers must be submitted online at http://www.mymathlab.com. There is no limit to how many times a new problem can be attempted. All problems must be written on paper and worked in an organized manner with all steps shown. Paper completion of homework will be collected on a random basis. Late work will receive seventy percent credit. Homework will make up twenty-five percent of your overall grade in this course.

Midterm Exams: The midterm exams will make up the majority of your grade in this course. In most cases a midterm exam will follow the completion of a chapter in the textbook and cover the material discussed in that chapter only. If appropriate a midterm exam may cover more or less than one chapter in the text. At the end of the semester if you have 5 or fewer absences and tardy/left early marks your lowest midterm exam score will not be calculated in your overall grade. Midterm exams will make up sixty-five percent of your grade.

Final Exam: There will be a comprehensive final exam at the end of this course. The final exam may not be dropped from your grade. The final exam will make up ten percent of your grade. The final exam date for this course is Wednesday May 21, 2014, 1:00 – 2:50 PM.

Grading scale:

Final Percentage Points	Grade
90<100	A
80<90	B
70<80	C
60<70	D
0<60	F

Academic Dishonesty: Academic dishonesty in any form is a very serious offense and will
incur serious consequences, including but not limited to receiving a grade of F in the course.
For the college policy on cheating and plagiarism, see the college catalog.

If you have a verified need for an academic accommodation or materials in alternate media (i.e., Braille, large print, electronic text, etc.) per the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) or Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act, please contact me as soon as possible.

A blackboard website will be maintained for this course. The web address is:
http://blackboard.reedleycollege.edu

User Name = *Your student I.D. number*
Password = *Your student I.D. number*