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MATH 201 – Beginning Algebra (#50636)
Course ID: perez57674
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Instructor: Mr. Conrad Perez
Class Time: Wed. Jan. 11; Wed. Feb. 15; Mon. Mar. 27; Thurs. May 11; Wed. May 17
6:00 PM- 8:00PM
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Textbook (Optional): Elementary and Intermediate Algebra (Fourth Edition) by Woodbury
<u>**Web Access (Required):**</u> Course Compass access code must be purchased

Computer Requirements:

	Operating systems	**browsers**
Windows	Windows 10	Edge 12 or newer Firefox 45 or newer Chrome 49 or newer
	Windows 7, 8, and 8.1	Internet Explorer 11 Firefox 45 or newer Chrome 49 or newer
Mac OS	OS X 10.12 - Sierra	Safari 10 Firefox 45 or newer Chrome 49 or newer
	OS X 10.11 - El Capitan	Safari 9 or newer Firefox 45 or newer Chrome 49 or newer
	OS X 10.10 - Yosemite	Safari 8 or newer Firefox 45 or newer Chrome 49 or newer
	OS X 10.9 - Mavericks	Safari 7 or newer Firefox 45 or newer Chrome 49 or newer

- Internet Connection: Cable/DSL, T1 or other high-speed connection. You **<u>cannot</u>** use a dial-up modem for the course.

- Adobe Acrobat Reader

Important Dates: Drop Deadline- Fri. March 10, 2017.
       Days Off- Mon. Jan. 16; Fri. Feb.17; Mon. Feb. 20; Mon.-Fri. Apr. 10 - 14.
       Final Exam- Wed. May 17, 2017 from 6:00 PM to 8:00 PM

Course Prerequisites: C or better grade in Math 250 or Math 256 or equivalent.

Course Overview: The course will cover all or parts of chapters 1-7. The course objective is to obtain a solid understanding of the following algebraic concepts and problems:

    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: N/A

Behavior: A student may be suspended from the class if he or she engages in a classroom behavior that interferes with the learning environment. Such behavior includes, but is not limited to, disruptive conversations with fellow students, regular tardiness, sleeping, and leaving the classroom during class time. Students are expected to turn off all cell phones and other electronic devices during class time.

Homework: Homework assignments are completed online and the assignments can be found at the Course Compass website (http://www.pearsonmylabandmastering.com). A student not registered on the MyMathLab website by the first Sunday of the semester will be dropped from the course. A student with 3 consecutive 0s on the homework may be dropped from the course. You may work ahead if you like; all homework for the entire course is now available to the student. **It is important to stay current to be successful in the course!** The program is set up so that you must complete **all** the homework of a chapter with at least 70% success to be able to take the chapter exam. **Do not expect to take the exam and then complete the homework.** Each assignment has a due date and the assignment will be unavailable to the student after the due date. **No late homework will be accepted.** Each online homework will be worth 10 points.

Note: When working on the homework, you do not have to complete an entire assignment during one session. If you need to stop while in the middle of an assignment, simply click

*the **Save** icon and the program will save your work. You can then come back to the assignment and continue from where you left off.*

Online Tests: There will be seven online tests given, one for each chapter of material covered in the course. The online tests are also currently available to the student. Each online test will be worth 20 points.

Note: The computer will not allow you to take the online tests unless you have completed all the homework with at least 70% success. Once you begin the online test you will have 90 minutes to complete it. After the 90 minutes have expired the online test will no longer be available to you. It is <u>not possible</u> to stop the exam and return to it later!

In-class tests: There will be four in-class tests which will be given at the Reedley College campus in rooms TBA at the above dates from 6:00 PM – 8:00 PM. Students will need to present a valid picture I.D. in order to take the test. Three in-class tests will be worth 300 points, will cover two or three chapters, and will require all work to be shown for each problem in order to receive full credit. There will be one final worth 600 points. Two hours will be allowed to take each in-class test. No make-up tests will be given for the in-class tests unless <u>prior arrangements have been made before the in-class test.</u>

Grading: The course grade is based upon the points earned from the homework, online tests, extra credit, and in-class tests. At any time during the course, the grade of a student is determined as follows:

<u>Points Earned</u>   x 100 = grade of the student
Total Points Possible

The grade will be based upon the following percentages (**NO ROUNDING**):
90-100% A   80-89% B   70-79% C   65-69% D   0-64% F

Note: 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.