Intermediate Algebra – Spring 2016 – Course Syllabus
Math 96-2004 – TR (34069)

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Course: Math 126-2004 (34069)
Classroom: Cheyenne Campus, Room S134
Class meets: TR 4:30–5:50 pm

Course Description

Topics include factoring polynomials, rational expressions and equations, radical expressions and equations, quadratic equations, graphs, and applications. A comprehensive, proctored, departmental final exam will be given. Prerequisite: MATH 95 with a grade of C or better; or a satisfactory ACT/SAT/Placement Test score.
This course DOES NOT satisfy the Math component of a degree or certificate program at CSN.

Course Policies

This syllabus contains the course organization and policies that I require. These policies are designed to help you succeed in this class. I love the material we will cover in this course and will work hard and happily to help you in any way I can. Please do not hesitate to ask questions in and out of class. I encourage you to come to my office hours, to email me and to phone me.

A high level of professionalism is required in this course. You are responsible for all information covered in class. If you miss a class, you must get notes, handouts, and other pertinent information from another student.

Materials Required

Textbook: ALEKS course code for Beginning & Intermediate ALGEBRA, 4e:

Calculator: A scientific calculator is required for this course. Recommended: TI-30X-IIS. This can be obtained from various vendors for $12.

Note: Graphing, IPad, computer, graphing, smart watch and cell-phone calculators are not permitted on quizzes or exams.
Sharing a calculator with other student(s) during a quiz or an exam is also prohibited.
Remember to bring your own calculator!
**Communication**

I encourage you to communicate with me via email, telephone, office hours and before/in/after class. For me to communicate with you, make sure your e-mail address you have provided in the MyCSN system is correct. Also, please include your name, course and either course number or day the course meets.

Form study groups!

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**Assessments and Grading**

**HOMEWORK:** Homework will be done online using the ALEKS system. The assignments will each have a due date listed. A homework notebook is required. The notebook will be collected on exam dates to be assessed for completion. The notebook will contain each assignment. The assignment number and title will head the section and every problem in that section will be labeled with the objective. The notebook will also contain each worksheet, either done in class or at home. Do your homework each day. There will be NO adjusting of homework due dates, except if I deem fit because we get behind in the lecture topics.

**QUIZZES:** There will be periodic in-class and take-home quizzes. In-class quizzes will be announced prior to the quiz date. Your lowest quiz grade will be dropped.

**EXAMS:** There will be 4 unit exams and a comprehensive final exam. The exams will cover the topics as listed in the schedule of lectures. Missing an exam results in a grade of **ZERO** for that exam. Note: If we get "behind" in the lecture schedule, rest assured that any of the exams will only include the material we have covered up to that date.

The breakdown of the assignments for your grade is as follows:

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Test dates are:

- EXAM 0: (Review) Tuesday, January 26,
- EXAM 1 Tuesday, February 16, 2016
- EXAM 2 Thursday, March 10, 2016
- EXAM 3 Tuesday, April 19, 2016
- FINAL EXAM Tuesday, May 10, 2016

Remember, a missed exam will result in a **ZERO** for that exam.

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**Make-up Work**

NONE. Missing an assignment, quiz or exam results in a grade of ZERO for that assignment, quiz or exam.

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**Classroom Etiquette, Please**

1. No headphones or ear buds.
2. All cell phones, beepers, pagers, iPods, mp3 players, etc. should be **turned off and out of sight** during the class time. If you must answer a call during class, please leave the room discretely to take the call. In class, it is disrespectful to talk, text, surf the web, check facebook, etc. Continued use of a cell phone in class may result in the student being asked to leave.
3. I will allow the use of computers and IPads for class work.
4. If you have to leave class before the time, you should let me know advance.
5. Be on time! Attendance will be taken on random days.
6. Please be courteous towards the class and the instructor. No disruptions, e.g., private conversations.

**Americans With Disabilities Act Statement**

If you have a documented disability that may require assistance, you will need to contact the Disability Resource Center (DRC) for coordination of your academic accommodations. The DRC is located in Student services on each campus. Cheyenne 651-4045, West Charleston 651-5644, and Henderson 651-3795. For those students that would like to perform community service or earn extra money, stop by the DRC to fill out a job interest card. This office hires students as note takers, proctors, scribes and research assistants as needed.

**Math Resource Center**

Drop-in tutorial centers are available on the Cheyenne, West Charleston and Henderson campuses.

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**Tutorial Services**

Free tutoring is available through the Centers for Academic Success. Please visit www.csn.edu/tutoring.

**Library**

There is a library on each campus. The programs, workshops the library offers may not be pertinent to this class, but may be to other classes. For information about the libraries, visit www.csn.edu/library.

**Academic Honesty**

Please do your own work. Dishonest work on an exam or quiz will result in a 0 on that exam or quiz. Academic dishonesty could result in failing the course.

Scholastic dishonesty will not be tolerated and will be prosecuted to the fullest extent. You are expected to have read and understood the CSN Academic Integrity Policy at http://www.csn.edu/academicintegrity. Please be aware that the use of unauthorized devices during tests/quizzes is not allowed and constitutes a violation of academic integrity, this includes but is not limited to the use of phones and or smart watches.

**Disclaimer**

All policies as written above are fixed, no exceptions. The schedule of topics as listed (another handout) may be subject to change, as deemed appropriate.