

SAULT COLLEGE OF APPLIED ARTS & TECHNOLOGY
SAULT STE. MARIE, ONTARIO

COURSE OUTLINE

Course Title: COLLEGE PREPARATORY MATHEMATICS
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CALENDAR DESCRIPTION

COLLEGE PREP MATHEMATICS

MTH 098

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PHILOSOPHY/GOALS;

The objectives of this course are to develop the student's skill in performing basic algebraic operations, as well as the solution of practical problems involving linear equations in one and two variables. A survey of geometry will enable the student to identify a variety of basic plane and solid figures encountered and to determine their perimeters, areas and volumes appropriately in both British and SI units.

METHOD OF ASSESSMENT;

Periodic tests and daily assignments based on material in the course outline will be given during the semester. A final exam and a make-up test will be at the discretion of the instructor.

The final mark will be based on the results of the tests and assignments given in each of the topics.

Grading: A+ = 90-100%
A = 80-89%
B = 65-79%
C = 55-64%

A passing grade will be based on a minimum grading of 55%. For further details, read the Mathematics department's publication, "To the Mathematic Student," which is attached.

TEXTBOOK:

Essentials of Basic Mathematics (Third Edition), Washington/Plotkin/Edmonc

MTH098 COURSE OUTLINE

OBJECTIVES;

The basic objective is for the student to develop an understanding of the methods studied, knowledge of the facts presented, and an ability to use these in the solution of problems. For this purpose, exercises are assigned. Tests will reflect the sort of work contained in the assignments. The level of competency demanded is the level required to obtain an overall passing average on the tests. The material to be covered is listed below.

Topic No.	Number of Periods	Topic Descriptions	References
1	5	Numbers	Ch. 1 Pgs. 1-3
2	6	Introduction to Algebra	Ch. 2 Pgs.35-5
3	5	Single Equations and Formulas Ratio and Proportion	Ch. 3 Pgs.56-6 Pgs.75-8i
4	10	Basic Algebraic Operations	Ch. 4 Pgs.92-1
5	10	Factoring	Ch. 5 Pg.116-1
6	8	Problem solving	Ch. 7 Pg.167-1
7	3	Graphs	Ch.10 Pg.232-2.
8	10	Simultaneous Equations	Ch.12 Pg.304-3;
9	3	Pythagorean Theorem	Ch. 8 Pg.193-1'
10	5	Geometry	Ch.13 Pg. 326-3- Pg.355-31
11	4	Trigonometry (if time permits)	Ch.14 Pg.386-41
12	3	Quadratic Equations (if time permits)	Ch. 9 Pg.207-2:
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	72 hours		

1. GRADES

Each Mathematics grade is based upon a weighted average of test scores on the following basis:

90-100%	A+
80%-89%	A
65%-79%	B
55%-64%	C
45%-54%	I, X, OR R (See #5 & 6)
0% -44%	R

The method of calculating your weighted average will be defined by your instructor. Since grades are based upon averages, it follows that good marks in some tests can compensate for a failing mark in another test. If there are extenuating circumstances, an instructor can make an exception and assign an "I" or "X" grade even if the average is below 45%.

2. TESTS

While regular tests will normally be scheduled and announced beforehand, there can be an unannounced test on current work at any time. Such tests, at the discretion of the instructor, can be used for up to 30% of the overall mark.

At the discretion of the instructor, there can be a final test which can be used for up to 30% of the overall mark. Anything included in the work of the semester is fair game on such a final test.

3. ABSENCE FROM CLASS

If you are absent from class, it is your responsibility to find out from another student what work was covered and assigned and to complete this work before the next class. Your absence indicates your acceptance of this responsibility.

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TEST ABSENCE

Unexcused absence from a scheduled test will result in a zero mark. Absence may be excused on compassionate grounds such as verified illness or bereavement. On return from an excused absence, you should ask your instructor about writing a make-up test.

If your instructor uses short unannounced tests, the following will apply. Unexcused absence from such a test will result in a zero mark. If absence from such a test is excused, then, at your request, the marks for that test will be excluded from the calculation of your course average.

MAKE-UP PERIOD (IF APPLICABLE)

An "X" grade may be assigned at the end of the regular semester if you have achieved an overall average between 45%-54% and your attendance and effort on the course have been satisfactory. Satisfactory attendance and effort will include writing all the topic tests and attending at least 80% of the scheduled classes. If you are assigned an "X" grade, you may convert HT to a "C" grade by passing a make-up test on the whole course. This test will be available only at the time specified by your instructor. At the end of the regular term, it is the student's responsibility to obtain his/her results from his/her instructor and, in the event of an "X" grade, to inquire when the make-up test will be available. At the discretion of the instructor, a topic make-up test may be used instead of an overall test in special circumstances. No student will be permitted more than one such topic make-up test.

"R" AND "X" GRADES - AT THE END OF THE SEMESTER

If an "X" grade is not cleared by the specified date, it will become an "R" grade. Except for extenuating circumstances, an "X" grade in Math will not carry on into the next semester.

"R" GRADES DURING THE SEMESTER

A student with a failing grade and poor attendance (less than 80% attendance) may be given an "R" at any time during the semester.