# SAULT COLLEGE OF APPLIED ARTS \& TECHNOLOGY SAULT STE MARIE, ON 



## COURSE OUTLINE

## Course Title: College Preparatory Mathematics

Code No.: Mth 92-5<br>Semester: Two

## Program: Access

## Author: Math Department

Date: August 1998 Previous Outline Dated: June 1997
Approved:

Total Credits: 5 Prerequisite(s): Mth 097-5
Substitutes: Mth 099, Mth 113, Mth 120, Mth 111, Mth 153
Length of Course: 5 hrs./week Total Credit Hours: 80

## I. COURSE DESCRIPTION:

The objectives of this course are to develop the student's skill in manipulating algebraic terms with enough dexterity to be able to solve linear, fractional and quadratic equations and to be able to solve for a specified variable in literal equations.

## II. TOPICS TO BE COVERED:

## Topics

1. The Language of Algebra
2. Signed Numbers
3. Equations
4. Polynomials
5. Factoring 9
6. Algebraic Fractions 9
7. Graphing Linear Equations 9
8. Systems of LinearEquations 9
9. Radicals 9

## III. LEARNING ACTIVITIES

|  |  | Pages | Suggested Odd <br> Numbered Problems |
| :---: | :--- | :---: | :---: |
| $\mathbf{1 . 0}$ | The Language of Algebra - Chapter 1 |  |  |
| $\mathbf{1 . 1}$ | From Arithmetic to Algebra | 7 | $1-29$ |
| 1.2 | Exponents, order of operations | $17-18$ | $1-13,25-45$ |
| 1.3 | Properties of addition and multiplication | 25 | $1-19$ |
| $\mathbf{1 . 4}$ | Adding and subtracting <br> Algebraic expressions | $33-34$ | $11-45$ |
|  | Self-test for Chapter 1 | $41-42$ | $1-20$ All |
| $\mathbf{2 . 0}$ | Signed Numbers - Chapter 2 | 49 | $1-6$ all |
| 2.1 | Signed numbers | 61 | $1-29$ |
| 2.2 | Adding signed numbers | $69-71$ | $1-31,75-85$ |
| 2.3 | Subtracting signed numbers | 81 | $1-31$ |
| $\mathbf{2 . 4}$ | Multiplying signed numbers | $89-90$ | $1-23,31-41$ |
| 2.5 | Dividing signed numbers | 99 | $1,3,5,21-31$ |
| $\mathbf{2 - 6}$ | Evaluating algebraic expressions | $107-108$ | $1-15$ all |
|  | Self-test for Chapter 2 |  | $18-30$ all |

III. LEARNING ACTIVITIES (cont'd):

|  |  | Pages | Suggested Odd Numbered Problems |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 3.0 | Equations - Chapter 3 |  |  |
| 3.1 | Solving equations by adding and subtracting | 122-123 | 31-63 |
| 3.2 | Solving equations by multiplying or dividing | 135-136 | 1-25, 35, 37, 39 |
| 3.3 | Solving equations by combining rules | 149-150 | 1-7, 21-29, 37-43 |
| 3.4 | Solving literal equations | 159-160 | 1-7, 15, 17,21 |
| 3.5 | More on linear equations | 171 | 1-23 |
|  | Self-test for Chapter 3 | 197-198 | 1-15 all |
| 4.0 | Polynomials - Chapter 4 |  |  |
| 4.1 | Multiplying and dividing algebraic expressions | 207-209 | 1-25, 37-53 |
| 4.2 | Extending the properties of exponents | 217 | 9-23 |
| 4.3 | Zero and negative exponents | 225-226 | 11-41 |
| 4.5 | Adding and subtracting polynomials | 243 | 1-15, 25-41 |
| 4.6 | Multiplying polynomials | 253-254 | 1-39 |
| 4.7 | Special products | 263-264 | 1-33 |
| 4.8 | Dividing polynomials | 273 | 1-21 |
|  | Self-test for Chapter 4 | 283-284 | 1-28 all |
| 5.0 | Factoring - Chapter 5 |  |  |
| 5.1 | Common factoring | 291-292 | 21-51 |
| 5.2 | Difference of two squares | 297-298 | 11-41 |
| 5.4 | Trinomials of the form $a x^{2}+b x+c$ | 317-318 | 43-77 |
| 5.5 | Solving quadratic equations by: <br> a) factoring <br> b) quadratic formula | $\begin{gathered} 329-330 \\ 691 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 1-41 \\ 1-17 \\ \hline \end{array}$ |
| 5.6 | Literal equations | 337 | 3,5,19 |
|  | Self-test for Chapter 5 | 349-350 | 1-26 |
| 6.0 | Algebraic fractions - Chapter 6 |  |  |
| 6.2 | Writing algebraic fractions in simple form | 365-366 | 1-39 |
| 6.3 | Multiplying and dividing algebraic fractions | 373-374 | 1-15, 19,23,25-33 |
| 6.4 | Adding and subtracting like fractions | 381-382 | 1-15, 17-23 |
| 6.5 | Adding and subtracting unlike fractions | 393-394 | 1-17,21,31,49,51 |
| 6.6 | Complex fractions | 403 | 1-13 |
| 6.7 | Equations involving fractions | 419-420 | $\begin{gathered} 1,3,5,15,17,19,23 \\ 27,31 \end{gathered}$ |
| 6.8 | Ratio and proportion | 429 | 1,3,5,17, 19 |
|  | Self-test for Chapter 6 | 445-446 | 1-25 |

## IV. LEARNING ACTIVITIES (cont'd):

|  |  | Pages | Suggested Odd <br> Numbered Problems |
| :---: | :--- | :---: | :---: |
| $\mathbf{7 . 0}$ | Graphing Linear Equations - Chapter 7 |  |  |
| 7.3 | Graphing linear equations | $485-486$ | $1-11$ |
| 7.4 | The slope of a line | $507-508$ | $1-9,19,21,33,35$ |
|  | Self-test for Chapter 7 | $549-550$ | $13-17,19-22$ |
| $\mathbf{8 . 0}$ | Systems of Linear Equations - Chapter 8 |  |  |
| $\mathbf{8 . 1}$ | Solving systems of equations by graphing | $561-562$ | $1,3,5$ |
| $\mathbf{8 . 2}$ | Solving systems of equations by addition | 583 | $1-5,17-23$ |
|  | Self-test for Chapter 8 | $607-608$ | $1-11$ |
| $\mathbf{9 . 0}$ | Radicals - Chapter 9 |  |  |
| $\mathbf{9 . 1}$ | Roots and radicals | $623-624$ | $1-23,37-43$ |
| $\mathbf{9 . 2}$ | Simplifying radical expressions | $633-634$ | $1-27$ |
| $\mathbf{9 . 3}$ | Adding and subtracting radicals | $639-640$ | $1-23$ |
| $\mathbf{9 . 4}$ | Multiplying and dividing radicals | 647 | $1-21$ |
|  | Self-test for Chapter 9 | 661 | $1-17$ |

## V. REQUIRED RESOURCES / TEXTS / MATERIALS:

1. Beginning Algebra. Fourth Edition. Form A. Streeter and Alexander
2. Calculator: SHARP Scientific Calculator EL-531G. The use of some kinds of calculators may be restricted during tests.

## V. EVALUATION PROCESS / GRADING SYSTEM:

## Pretest

There is a pretest for each module of MTH 92. You can choose to do the pretest for a particular module when you reach it during the course. If you score $80 \%$ or better on a pretest, you will be exempted from the module. You can complete modules that you have been exempted from; however, no test marks will be recorded for those modules. You will receive credit (CR) only.

Should pretesting indicate that you need to complete two or less modules, you will be granted a credit for the course after you have completed some supplemental work and further assessment. The professor of the course for which credit is being granted will arrange for your supplemental work and assessment.

## V. EVALUATION PROCESS / GRADING SYSTEM (cont'd):

## Attendance

It is your responsibility to attend all classes during the semester. Research indicates there is a high correlation between attendance and student success.

## Assignments and Tests

The MTH 92 course is delivered in a student-paced mode. You work through the module at your own pace. You decide when you are ready to be evaluated on each module.

The Module topics and the text book references, including assignment pages, are listed in the "Learning Activities" section of this course outline.

You may find the method outlined below helpful as you begin to work on your course:

## A. Complete the Module

1. Read through each teaching section.
2. Take notes on all main points and give examples.
3. Practise the skill using questions in the exercises provided. Complete all work showing the steps required to solve.
4. Determine whether you are ready to proceed by checking your answers in the answer keys.
5. Discuss any questions with your professor before going ahead to the next skill.
6. Complete enough questions to ensure understanding of the skill.
7. Proceed to the next skill and repeat the above instructions.
B. Complete the Review
8. Review your notes and examples as well as any appropriate "Summary of Chapters" from the text.
9. Answer all questions on appropriate Self-Tests without checking back to instructional modules.
10. Check your answers in the answer keys.
11. Review any problems from the Self-Tests with your professor to ensure understanding.

## V. EVALUATION PROCESS / GRADING SYSTEM (cont'd):

## C. Write the Test

1. Let your professor know you are ready to write the test so that the testing form can be completed.
2. Arrange to write your test at the Testing Centre.
3. Write the test at the arranged time. Bring all necessary supplies.
4. Obtain results from your professor.
5. Review your test noting any areas that require further work.
6. Proceed to next module once minimum pass grade has been reached.

You will need a $60 \%$ * or better to pass a module. If you score below $60 \%$ *, you will be allowed to write a second test after further study. If you score below $60 \%$ * on the second test, you will meet with the professor to discuss the matter. The marks of all tests required to pass a module will be averaged to determine the module grade.

All module grades will be averaged to determine the final grade. If your average is below $60 \%^{*}$ you will still pass the course provided you have passed all the modules. The College grading system* will be used to assign letter grades.

NOTE: * The LBS minimum grade and grading system may differ due to Ministry regulations.

## METHOD OF ASSESSMENT (GRADING METHOD)

A+ Consistently outstanding
(90\%-100\%)

A Outstanding achievement
( $80 \%$ - 89\%)
B Consistently above average achievement
(70\%-79\%)
C Satisfactory or acceptable achievement in all areas subject to assessment
(60\%-69\%)
X or R A temporary grade, limited to situations with extenuating circumstances, giving a student additional time to complete course requirements (See Below)
R Repeat - The student has not achieved (0\%-59\%) the objectives of the course, and the course must be repeated

CR Credit exemption

## V. EVALUATION PROCESS / GRADING SYSTEM (cont'd):

An " X " grade will be issued to a student who has not completed all the required course modules in a semester, provided the student has attended $80 \%$ of the classes, has shown regular progress and will be able to complete the course within a limited amount of time.

If an " X " grade is not cleared by the specified date, it will become an " $R$ " grade.

## VI. SPECIAL NOTES:

## Special Needs

Students with special needs (e.g. physical limitations, visual impairments, hearing impairments, and learning disabilities) are encouraged to discuss required accommodations with the professor and/or contact the Special Needs Office.

## Advanced Standing

Students who have completed an equivalent post-secondary course must bring relevant documents to the Coordinator, Mathematics Department:

- a copy of course outline
- a copy of the transcript verifying successful completion of the equivalent course Note: A copy of the transcript must be on file in the Registrar's Office.


## VII. PRIOR LEARNING ASSESSMENT

Students who have related employment-centered experience should see the Prior Learning Assessment (PLA) Coordinator.

