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	COU	RSE OUTLINE	
COURSE TITLE:	Algebra		
CODE NO. :	MTH131-4	SEMESTER:	Тwo
PROGRAM:	General A	rts & Science	
AUTHOR:	The Mathe	matics Department	
DATE:	January	PREVIOUS OUTLINE DATED:	January
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PREREQUISITE(S):	None		
HOURS/WEEK:	4 hrs./wee	k	
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I. COURSE DESCRIPTION: This course builds on the student's algebra skills and applies these skills in the context of business, life, and social sciences. The topics of study include equations and inequalities, analysis of polynomial, rational, exponential, and logarithmic functions, systems of equations and inequalities, matrices, mathematics of finance, and introductory probability theory.

#### II. TOPICS:

- 1. Graphs, Equations, and Inequalities 10 hours
- 2. Polynomials and Rational Functions 11 hours
- 3. Exponential and Logarithmic Functions 8 hours
- 4. Mathematics of Finance 8 hours
- 5. Systems of Linear Equations and Matrices 9 hours
- 6. Sets and Probability 14 hours

## III. LEARNING ACTIVITIES:

1.0	Graphs, Equations, and Inequalities	Pages	Exercises
1.1	Graphs	pp. 71-79	2.1 pp. 79-83
1.2	Equations of lines	pp. 83-92	2.2 pp. 92-95
1.3	Linear models	pp. 96-103	2.3 pp. 103-107
1.4	Quadratic equations	pp. 56-63	1.7 pp. 63-65
1.5	Linear inequalities	pp. 107-113	2.4 pp. 113-115
1.6	Polynomials and rational inequalities	pp.115-121	2.5 pp. 121-122
2.0	Polynomials and Rational Functions		
2.1	Functions	pp. 129-136	3.1 pp. 136-138
2.2	Graphs of functions	pp. 139-147	3.2 pp. 147-151
2.3	Applications of linear functions	pp. 151-159	3.3 pp. 159-163
2.4	Quadratic functions	pp. 163-168	3.4 pp. 168-170
2.5	Applications of quadratic functions	pp. 171-176	3.5 pp. 176-179
2.6	Polynomial functions	pp. 179-186	3.6 pp. 186-188
2.7	Rational functions	pp. 188-196	3.7 pp. 196-198
3.0	Exponential and Logarithmic		
	Functions		
3.1	Exponential functions	pp. 205-212	4.1 pp. 212-215
3.2	Applications of exponential functions	pp. 215-219	4.2 pp. 219-222
3.3	Logarithmic functions	pp. 222-229	4.3 pp. 230-232
3.4	Logarithmic and exponential functions	pp. 232-239	4.4 pp. 239-242
4.0	Mathematics of Finance		
4.1	Simple interest and discount	pp. 249-254	5.1 pp. 254-256
4.2	Compound interest	pp. 256-265	5.2 pp. 265-267
4.3	Future value of an annuity and sinking	pp. 268-276	5.3 pp. 276-278
	funds		
4.4	Present value of an annuity and amortization	pp. 278-284	5.3 pp. 285-287

5.0	Systems of Linear Equations	Pages	Exercises
5.1	Systems of linear equations	pp. 295-308	6.1 pp. 309-313
5.2	The Gauss-Jordan Method	pp. 314-322	6.2 pp. 322-324
5.3	Basic matrix operations	pp. 325-330	6.3 pp. 331-332
5.4	Matrix products and inverses	pp. 333-343	6.4 pp. 343-346
5.5	Applications of matrices	pp. 347-355	6.5 pp. 355-359
6.0	Sets and Probability		
6.1	Sets	pp. 441-449	8.1 pp. 450-451
6.2	Applications of Venn diagrams	pp. 451-458	8.2 pp. 458-461
6.3	Introduction to probability	pp. 461-467	8.3 pp. 467-469
6.4	Basic concepts of probability	pp. 469-476	8.4 pp. 476-480
6.5	Conditional probability and independent	pp. 480-491	8.5 pp. 491-494
	events		
6.6	Permutations and combinations	pp. 521-531	9.2 pp. 531-534
6.7	Applications of counting	pp. 535-539	9.3 pp. 540-541
6.8	Markov chains	pp. 548-557	9.5 pp. 557-560

#### IV. REQUIRED RESOURCES/TEXTS/MATERIALS:

- 1. <u>Mathematics with Applications</u>, 9<sup>th</sup> Edition, Lial and Hungerford, Addison and Wesley Publishers
- 2. Calculator: SHARP Scientific Calculator EL-531W. The use of some kinds of calculators may be restricted during tests.

## V. EVALUATION PROCESS/GRADING SYSTEM:

## MAJOR ASSIGNMENTS AND TESTS

Regular topic tests will contribute a minimum of **60%** of the overall mark.

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

The instructor will provide you with a list of test dates and other required evaluation information for your class section. Tests may be scheduled out of regular class time.

#### ATTENDANCE

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

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

**Unexcused absence from a test may result in a mark of zero ("0").** Absence may be excused on compassionate grounds such as verified illness or bereavement. On return from an excused absence, you should ask your instructor to schedule the writing of a make-up test. Failure to do so will be considered as an unexcused absence.

# METHOD OF ASSESSMENT (GRADING METHOD)

Grade	Definition	Grade Point Equivalent
A+ A	90 – 100% 80 – 89%	4.00
В	70 - 79%	3.00
С	60 - 69%	2.00
D	50 – 59%	1.00
F (Fail)	49% and below	0.00
CR (Credit)	Credit for diploma requirements has been awarded.	
S	Satisfactory achievement in field /clinical placement or non-graded subject area.	
U	Unsatisfactory achievement in field/clinical placement or non-graded subject area.	
Х	A temporary grade limited to situations with extenuating circumstances giving a student additional time to complete the requirements for a course.	
NR W	Grade not reported to Registrar's office. Student has withdrawn from the course without academic penalty.	

Course: MTH 654		
Evaluation Device	<b>Topics Covered</b> (reference topic numbers from the course outline)	% weight of Final Average
Test 1	1,2	35%
Test 2	3,4	30%
Test 3	5,6	35%

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.

# VI. SPECIAL NOTES:

## Special Needs:

If you are a student with special needs (e.g. physical limitations, visual impairments, hearing impairments, or learning disabilities), you are encouraged to discuss required accommodations with your professor and/or the Special Needs office. Visit Room E1101 or call Extension 2703 so that support services can be arranged for you.

## Retention of Course Outlines:

It is the responsibility of the student to retain all course outlines for possible future use in acquiring advanced standing at other postsecondary institutions.

## Communication:

The College considers *WebCT/LMS* as the primary channel of communication for each course. Regularly checking this software platform is critical as it will keep you directly connected with faculty and current course information. Success in this course may be directly related to your willingness to take advantage of the *Learning Management System* communication tool.

#### Plagiarism:

Students should refer to the definition of "academic dishonesty" in *Student Code of Conduct*. Students who engage in academic dishonesty will receive an automatic failure for that submission and/or such other penalty, up to and including expulsion from the course/program, as may be decided by the professor/dean. In order to protect students from inadvertent plagiarism, to protect the copyright of the material referenced, and to credit the author of the material, it is the policy of the department to employ a documentation format for referencing source material.

## Course Outline Amendments:

The professor reserves the right to change the information contained in this course outline depending on the needs of the learner and the availability of resources.

Substitute course information is available in the Registrar's office.

## VII. PRIOR LEARNING ASSESSMENT:

Students who wish to apply for advanced credit in the course should consult the professor or the Coordinator, Mathematics Department. Credit for prior learning will be given upon successful completion of a challenge exam or portfolio.

# VIII. DIRECT CREDIT TRANSFERS:

Students who wish to apply for direct credit transfer (advanced standing) should obtain a direct credit transfer form from the Dean's secretary. Students will be required to provide a transcript and course outline related to the course in question`