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## COURSE OUTLINE

## Course Title: Mathematics

Code No.: MTH 126-4
Semester: winter

Program: Forestry Technician

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Total Credits: 4
Prerequisite(s): Mth 113-4
Substitutes: Mth 119, Mth 142, Mth 220, Mth 221
Total Credit Hours: 64

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## I. COURSE DESCRIPTION:

When the student has successfully completed this course, he/she will have demonstrated an acceptable ability to pass tests based upon the course contents as listed elsewhere. If, after completing the course, the student takes further courses (or employment) in which he/she is required to apply this material, he/she should then, through practice, be able to develop a good command of this subject matter.

## II. LEARNING OUTCOMES AND ELEMENTS OF THE PERFORMANCE:

## A. Learning Outcomes and Elements of the Performance:

The basic objectives are that the student develop an understanding of the methods studied, a knowledge of the facts presented and an ability to use these in the solution of problems. To accomplish these objectives, exercises are assigned. Tests questions 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 on the following pages.

## TOPICS:

1 Fractions, fractional equations and formulae
2 Algebraic and graphical solution of systems of equations
3 Ratio, proportion and variation
4 Trigonometry
5 Exponents, powers and roots, quadratic equations

## Approximate Time Frame

14hrs
12 hours
5 hours 10 hours 7 hours

## IV. REQUIRED RESOURCES:

1. Introductory Algebra and Trigonometry with Applications. Calter, Rogers
2. Calculator (Recommended) SHARP Scientific Calculator EL-531L. The use of some kinds of calculators may be restricted during tests.

## V. LEARNING ACTIVITIES:

| TOPIC <br> NUMBER | TOPIC DESCRIPTION | REFERENCE CHAPTER <br> ASSIGNMENTS |
| :---: | :--- | :--- |
| $\mathbf{1 . 0}$ | FRACTIONS, FRACTIONAL EQUATIONS, <br> FORMULAE, |  |
| 1.1 | Equivalent fractions | Ex. 17-1, pp. 350-351 |
| 1.2 | Multiplication and division of fractions | Ex. 17-2, p. 355-356 |
| $\mathbf{1 . 3}$ | Addition and subtraction of fractions | Ex. 17-3, pp. 362-363 |
| 1.4 | Solving fractional equations | Ex. 18-1, p. 373 |
| 1.5 | Literal equations and formulae | Ex. 18-2, p. 376 |
| 1.6 | Applications | Ex. 18-3, pp. 380-381 |
| 1.7 | Review exercises | pp. 382-383 |
| 2.0 | ALGEBRAIC AND GRAPHICAL SOLUTION OF <br> SYSTEMS OF EQUATIONS |  |
| 2.1 | Solving systems of equations by graphing | Ex. 19-1, pp. 390-391 |
| 2.2 | Solving systems of equations by addition or <br> subtraction | Ex. 19-2, pp. 395-396 |
| 2.3 | Solving systems of equations by comparison | Ex. 19-3, p. 398-399 |
| 2.4 | Solving word problems by using systems of <br> equations in two unknowns | Ex. 19-4, pp. 403-405 |
| 2.5 | Solving systems of equations in three <br> unknowns | Ex. 19-5, pp. 408-409 |
| 2.6 | Review exercises | pp. 419-420 |
| 3.0 | RATIO, PROPORTION AND VARIATION |  |
| 3.1 | Write the ratio of numbers or quantities in <br> simplest form | Ex. 26-1, p. 588 |
| 3.2 | Solve a proportion for an unknown term | Ex. 26-2, pp. 593-595 |
| 3.3 | Direct variation | Ex. 26-3, pp. 600-602 |
| 3.4 | Joint, inverse and combined variations | Ex. 26-4, pp. 607-609 |
| 3.5 | Review exercises | pp. 609-611 |
| 4.0 | TRIGONOMETRY | Ex. 15-1, p. 294 |
| 4.1 | Sine, cosine and tangent functions | Ex. 15-2, p. 297 |
| 4.2 | Inverse trigonometric functions | Ex. 15-3, pp. 302-303 |
| 4.3 | Solve right triangles | Ex. 15-4, pp. 307-310 |
| 4.4 | Solve word problems by using trigonometry | Ex. 22-1, pp. 492-493 |
| 4.5 | Find the functions of angles of any size | Ex. 22-2, pp. 499-500 |
| 4.6 | Find an angle from a given function value | Ex. 22-3, pp. 505-506 |
| 4.7 | The Sine Law | Ex. 22-5, pp. 513-514 |
| 4.8 | The Cosine Law | pp. 515-516 |
| 4.9 | Review exercises |  |
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## V. LEARNING ACTIVITIES (cont'd):

| TOPIC <br> NUMBER | TOPIC DESCRIPTION | REFERENCE CHAPTER <br> ASSIGNMENTS |
| :---: | :--- | :--- |
| 5.0 | EXPONENTS, POWERS AND ROOTS, <br> QUADRATIC EQUATIONS | Ex. 7-3, pp. 136-137 |
| 5.1 | Multiplication and division <br> Power of a product <br> Power of a quotient <br> Power of a power <br> Zero exponent <br> Negative exponent | Ex. 20-1, pp. 426-427 |
| 5.2 | Roots of numbers <br> Fractional exponents | Ex. 6-6, p. 118 |
| 5.3 | Scientific notation | Ex. 21-1, pp. 456-458 |
| 5.4 | Solving a pure quadratic equation | Ex. 21-2, p. 463 |
| 5.5 | Solving a quadratic equation by factoring | Ex. 21-3, p. 469 |
| 5.6 | Solving a quadratic equation by use of the <br> quadratic formula and completing a square | Ex. 21-4, pp. 473-478 |
| 5.7 | Solving word problems involving quadratic <br> equations | pp. 483-484 |
| 5.8 | Review exercises |  |

## VI. EVALUATION PROCESS / GRADING SYSTEM:

## MAJOR ASSIGNMENTS AND TESTING

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.

At the discretion of the instructor, there may be a mid-term exam and there may be a final exam, each of which can contribute up to $30 \%$ of the overall mark.

The instructor will provide you with a list of test dates. 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 from your instructor what work was covered and assigned and to complete this work before the next class. Your absence indicates your acceptance of this responsibility.

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

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 METHOSD)

A+ Consistently outstanding

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(90 \%-100 \%)
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A Outstanding achievement (80\%-89\%)
6 Consistently above average achievement (70\%-79\%)
C Satisfactory or acceptable achievement in all areas subject to assessment
(55\%-69\%)
X or R A temporary grade, limited to situations (45\% - 54\%) with extenuating circumstances, giving a student additional time to complete course requirements (See Below)
R Repeat - The student has not achieved the objectives of the course, and the course must be repeated

## CR Credit exemption

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.

## Make-Up Test (if applicable)

An "X" grade may be assigned at the end of the regular semester if you have met $\boldsymbol{A L L}$ of the following criteria:

- an overall average between $45 \%$ and $54 \%$ was achieved
- at least $50 \%$ of the tests were passed
- at least $80 \%$ of the scheduled classes were attended
- all of the topic tests were written

If you are assigned an "X" grade, you may convert it to a "C" grade by writing a make-up test on topics agreed to by the instructor. This test will be available at the time agreed to by your instructor.

At the end of the regular term, it is your responsibility to obtain your results from you instructor and, in the event of an " $X$ " grade, to inquire when the make-up test will be available.

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

The score you receive on this make-up test will replace your original test score and be used to re-calculate your weighted average. If the re-calculated average is $55 \%$ or greater, a "C" grade will be assigned. If the re-calculated average is $55 \%$ or greater, a " C " grade will be assigned. If the re-calculated average is $54 \%$ or less, an " $R$ " grade will be assigned.
"R" and "X" Grades at the end of 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.

## VI. SPECIAL NOTES:

## Special Needs

Students with special needs (e.g. physical limitations, visual impairments, hearing impairments, 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.

