

Syllabus

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MyMathLab	Website: http://pearsonmylabandmastering.com/	Course ID: pignotti_____
For Technical help	http://247pearsoned.custhelp.com/	
Alternate Website	http://www.mathxl.com/login_mml.htm	

Requirements:

- 1. Text:** Elementary & Intermediate Algebra, 6th ed., by Bittinger, Ellenbogen, Johnson with Custom Supplement OR access to e-text
- 2. Online Homework Access:** MyMathLab is an online homework system that requires purchase of an access code. An access code can be purchased online or with a text bundle at bookstore.
**Students can register for a trial period with deferred payment.

All registered students must register onto MyMathLab by Friday, January 13th. Students not registered in MyMathLab will be dropped from the course. Use your **MJC student email account** when creating your MyMathLab account.

- 3. Binder:** Students must purchase a 3-ring binder with dividers for notes, quizzes, and exams. Place class quizzes and tests in binder for later study. Bring your binder to class for reference.
- 4. Calculator:** Calculators will not be used on quizzes or exams. You may use a calculator to check HW.
- 5. TIME:** At least 10 hours per week OUTSIDE OF CLASS dedicated to succeeding in this course.

Homework: *Homework is an essential component of your learning in this course.* Most homework will be done on the computer. It is your responsibility to know when online homework is due. **NO LATE WORK IS ACCEPTED AND NO EXTENSIONS ARE GIVEN.** You must have a reliable computer with reliable internet in order to do the online assignments. Plan on working in an MJC computer lab until you get your home system working. Routinely check your MML homework page. Open everything that has become available and make a note of all the due dates.

Location of MJC Computer Labs and Drop in Tutoring Centers:

Campus	Location	Hours
East Campus	Library Building	Monday – Friday, 9am - 8pm Saturdays 8:15 am - 5 pm
West Campus	Library in Yosemite 235	Monday – Friday, 9am - 8pm

Exams: There are four in-class exams and a final exam. Calculators are not allowed for exams. **Please use a pencil on exams.** Should ANY electronic device go off during an exam you will be asked to turn in your paper and leave the room. You will not be given an opportunity to make up the exam.

Final Exam: The cumulative final exam schedule is listed on the Course Calendar. If you cannot make this final exam date you **SHOULD DROP THIS CLASS NOW**.

Course Grading:

Homework and Khan Academy	10%
Exams	56%
Quizzes	14%
Final Exam	20%
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Total	100%

Grading as follows:

A	90-100%
B	80-89%
C	70-79%
D	60-69%
F	50-59%

Professor Drop for lack of Class Participation Required participation in this class consists of daily attendance, completion of assigned homework problems, responding at least occasionally during in-class discussions, and doing your best on each exam. Each of these activities is designed to help you master the material and demonstrate your knowledge on exam day. State law allows the instructor of record (me) to drop students for “lack of participation.” Students may be dropped from class for any of the following reasons:

- Absent for any TWO days during the first two weeks of class.
- Absent for any four days of class and/or missing assignments.
- Miss any exam without prior notification.

Note: It is your responsibility to drop this class if you stop attending.

Classroom Behavior Expectations:

1. You must arrive on time and stay the entire class period. In the rare event that you are late, please enter the classroom quietly and sit near the entrance. Do not walk in front of the seated classroom.
2. Talking is not allowed between any individuals for any reason during class unless the Professor has initiated group work.
3. Students may not leave the classroom once class has begun. Entering and exiting the classroom disrupts the class. Disruptions are not allowed. Please see me if you have a medical condition or are sick prior to the start of class.
4. All electronic devices must be turned OFF (preferably, not vibrate!) during class.

General Suggestions:

1. Read the covered sections in the text (preferably before lecture.)
2. Do all homework, however this is a bare minimum. If you **ONLY** do homework you will not be successful. You must study, review and prepare for quizzes and tests.
3. Redo all the examples done in class as soon as possible afterwards. Then do all the assigned homework. Do the problems over until you have mastered them and can do them without hesitation or struggling. Do additional similar problems from the text.
4. Participate: Always ask questions if you have them.
5. Come to my office hours when you need help. I’ll be there waiting to help you.
6. Use your returned exams to study for the next exam. “Never make the same mistake twice!”
7. Form a study group with others in the class. Work together on homework, prepare
8. Please turn all cell phones and pagers either *off* or to *vibrate* during class.

Emergencies: Things happen. If an emergency happens that affects your performance in some way, please let me know via phone or email as soon as possible. If you are unable to come in then email me or have a family member or friend contact me by email to explain. I will do my best to work with you so you have an opportunity to pass the class. This is especially true regarding submission deadlines and exam days.

Units and workload: This is a 5-unit class, meaning (in our compressed calendar) that it has slightly more than 5 hours of class time each week. College courses are designed such that for students to succeed they must spend at least *two hours outside of class* for each lecture hour. That means you should be spending at least 10 hours outside of class each week completing homework, working through online coursework, reviewing your notes, making flashcards of important ideas and formulas, and studying for exams. **Some students need additional study time.** *Without spending this time, you will not be successful.* If you are putting in 10 or more hours a week studying and you are still not able to do the work easily you may be either misplaced in the class or you are not studying effectively. In either case, the sooner you come speak to me the more options we have for making your semester successful.

Academic Dishonesty: Your integrity is vital to your success in college and in life. Your classmates expect a fair and just learning environment. Consequently, anyone found cheating in this course would be dealt with as firmly as college policies will allow. At the very minimum, your assignment will be recorded as a 0 and documentation of the incident will be recorded in your student discipline file. Additional consequences may include suspension or expulsion from the college.

Disabilities: Modesto Junior College prides itself on an extensive support system in place for our students. If you need testing or special accommodations for any disability, please go to MJC Disabilities Services Center.

Prerequisite: Satisfactory completion (C or better) of Math 20 (Pre-Algebra) or placement into Math 70 by the MJC Assessment Process.

Course Learning Outcomes:

As a result of satisfactory completion of this course, the student should be prepared to:

1. Analyze and solve level appropriate problems including algebraic expressions, linear and quadratic equations, factoring, graphing, radicals, and applications.
2. Effectively communicate, using appropriate mathematical notation, processes and strategies in solving level appropriate problems including algebraic expressions, linear and quadratic equations, factoring, graphing, radicals, and applications.

Week

Tentative Math 70 Class Schedule

1	9-Jan Intro and Review Review* - 1.1, 1.2, 1.3	10-Jan Review* - 1.4, 1.7, 1.8, 2.1 *Do 1.5, 1.6 review on your own	11-Jan 2.2 - Solving Eqns	12-Jan 2.3 Math 70 Pre-Test
2	16-Jan Martin L. King Jr. Holiday	17-Jan 2.4	18-Jan 2.5	19-Jan 2.5 / Quiz 1
3	23-Jan 2.6	24-Jan 2.7	25-Jan Review/Catch up	26-Jan Test 1 Ch 1 and 2
4	30-Jan 3.1, 3.2	31-Jan 3.3	1-Feb 3.4	2-Feb 3.5, 3.6 Quiz 2
5	6-Feb 3.6, 3.7	7-Feb 3.7	8-Feb 8.1, 8.2	9-Feb 8.2 Quiz 3
6	13-Feb 8.3	14-Feb 8.3, 9.4*	15-Feb Review/Catch up	16-Feb Test 2 Ch 3 and 8
7	20-Feb Washington Holiday	21-Feb 4.1, 4.2	22-Feb 4.3, 4.4	23-Feb 4.5 - Quiz 4
8	27-Feb 4.6, 4.7	28-Feb 4.8	1-Mar 5.1, 5.2	2-Mar 5.3 - Quiz 5
9	6-Mar 5.4	7-Mar 5.5, 5.6	8-Mar 5.6	9-Mar 5.7 - Quiz 6
10	13-Mar 5.8	14-Mar 7.1*	15-Mar Catch up/ Review	16-Mar Test 3 Ch 4 and 5, 7.1
11	20-Mar 6.1, 6.2	21-Mar 6.3, 6.4	22-Mar 6.4, 6.5	23-Mar 6.5 - Quiz 7
12	27-Mar 6.6	28-Mar 6.7	29-Mar 10.1	30-Mar 10.3 - Quiz 8
13	3-Apr 10.4	4-Apr 10.4	5-Apr 10.2, 10.5	6-Apr 10.5 - Quiz 9
14	10-Apr 10.6	11-Apr 10.8	12-Apr Catch Up/ Review	13-Apr Test 4
15	17-Apr 11.1	18-Apr 11.2, 11.3	19-Apr 11.6	20-Apr Review
16	24-Apr	25-Apr Math 70 Final Exam 1 pm - 3:50 pm	26-Apr	27-Apr