## Math 107: Algebra for Pre-Calculus 2 credits

## Spring 2023 Syllabus

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#### **Office Hours**

Tuesday & Thursday 1:00-1:50 pm Stevens Point Campus Science Building Room D221

Monday & Wednesday 10:30-11:00 am Wausau/Marshfield Campus Classroom or Zoom Option

# **Class Schedule**

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3:00PM - 3:50PM

Science Building A207

### MATH 107 (2 credits):

Topics include factoring & simplifying rational equations, interval notation, solving absolute value equations, linear inequalities, rules for exponents and logarithms, solving exponential & logarithm equations, functional notation, and evaluation of functions and graphs.

**Prerequisites:** a suitable score on the math placement test OR Math 95

**Required Text:** *Elementary & Intermediate Algebra*, 5<sup>th</sup> edition

by Alan S. Tusy & R. David Gustafson (Published by Cengage),

customized for UWSP, ISBN: 978-1-111-56768-2

Calculator:

A <u>scientific calculator</u> is required for this course. Computers, cell phones, SMART watches, iPads or other tablets, and calculators with a "QWERTY" keyboard or built-in computer algebra systems are not allowed.

**Learning Outcomes**: Upon the successful completion of the course you will understand:

- 1. Algebraic expressions can be rewritten in an equivalent simplified form.
- 2. Solving equations/inequalities is a process to find value(s) that yield a true statement.
- **3**. There are several methods that can be used to solve equations/inequalities, so careful analysis of the problem will determine the appropriate method to use.

**Canvas:** Course information will be posted daily. This will include homework, copies of any handouts, review materials for exams, and current grade information.

**Course Communication:** Announcements, homework assignments, grade information, and other course information will be in Canvas. To access Canvas, go to <a href="https://www.uwsp.edu">https://www.uwsp.edu</a>, choose Canvas from the "Logins" dropdown menu, and use your regular campus login ID and password.

- Email is an excellent way to contact me (Ikennedy@uwsp.edu).
- I will send the class emails using your UWSP address. Please check your email daily.

# **Projected Pacing for Math107 Spring 2023**

	Week	Sections	Topic
		M: 8.4	Interval Notation & Solving Compound Inequalities
1	March 27	T: 8.5	Solving Absolute Value Equations
		W: 5.1	Rules for Exponents
		TH: 5.2	Zero and Negative Exponents QUIZ
	April 3	M: 9.2a	Rational Exponents
2		T: 9.2b	Day 2 Rational Exponents <b>Review</b>
		W: 6.1	Greatest Common Factor; Factoring by Grouping
		TH: 8.6	Review Factoring: GCF, Grouping, Trinomials QUIZ
	April 10	M: 8.7	Review Factoring: The Difference of Two Squares
3		T: <b>Exam 1</b>	Exam on Sections <b>8.4</b> , <b>8.5</b> , <b>5.1</b> , <b>5.2</b> , <b>9.2</b> , <b>6.1</b> , <b>8.6</b> , <b>8.7</b>
3		W: 7.1	Simplifying Rational Expressions
		TH: 7.2	Multiplying & Dividing Rational Expressions
	April 17	M: 7.3 T: 7.4	Adding & Subtracting Rational Expressions
			Adding & Subtracting with Unlike Denominators
4			QUIZ
		W: 7.5	Simplifying Complex Fractions
		TH: 7.6	Solving Rational Equations
		M: 8.2	Functions
5	April 24	T: 8.3	Graphs of Functions <b>QUIZ</b>
3	Αρι 11 24	W: Review	Review Unit 2
		TH: Exam 2	Exam on Sections <b>7.1 - 7.6, 8.2, 8.3</b>
	May 1	M: 11.1	Algebra & Composition of Functions
6		T: 11.2	Inverse Functions
U		W: 11.3	Exponential Functions <b>QUIZ</b>
		TH: 11.4	Logarithmic Functions
	May 8	M: 11.5	Base-e Exponential & Logarithmic Functions
7		T: 11.6	Properties of Logarithms
<b>'</b>		W: 11.7	Exponential & Logarithmic Equations
		TH: Review	QUIZ
8	Monday	Exam 3 &	Math 107 Exam #3 and Final Exam
	May 15 Final Exam		5:00PM - 7:00PM Science Building A113

#### **Course Grade:**

Course Grades (%) at or above	93	90	87	83	80	77	73	70	67	60
will receive at least a grade of	Α	A -	B +	В	B -	C +	С	C -	D +	D

(Note: There is no such grade as a D- at this university)

10% Homework

20 % Quizzes

50 % Exams

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20% Comprehensive Final Exam -May 15

I reserve the right to exercise discretion in raising a student's grade if the final weighted average does not appear to reflect the quality of a student's work (for example, because of low performance one week due to illness). I will not use discretionary judgments to lower a student's final grade.

10% Homework: Each class period, a list of homework problems will be assigned from the textbook. This will be a minimal list of problems needed to understand the content to do well in this course. Doing the homework is extremely important. Plan to work on math everyday after class. The online assignments will be scored in canvas. The textbook assignments will be turned in on the day of the exam.

#### 20% Quizzes and 50% Exams:

Quizzes will be given roughly every other week. There will be **three unit** exams and the **final exam**. These Must be taken **in class on the day scheduled**. Missing quizzes/exams will result in a **zero**, unless an accommodation is deemed appropriate. Quizzes and exams may only be made up in special circumstances:

- If a medical emergency occurs, contact the Dean of Students or the Disability Resource
  Center as soon as possible (\* contact info. below \*). Then we can see if an exception is
  in order. Check the university's COVID website as it is updated throughout the semester:
   <a href="https://www.uwsp.edu/coronavirus/Pages/default.aspx">https://www.uwsp.edu/coronavirus/Pages/default.aspx</a>
  . <a href="https://www.uwsp.edu/coronavirus/Pages/default.aspx">https://www.uwsp.edu/coronavirus/Pages/default.aspx</a>
- If an unforeseen circumstance prevents you from being present in class. Contact me via email immediately. If the exam/quiz cannot be taken prior to the absence, an <a href="mailto:alternate">alternate</a> <a href="mailto:version">version</a> may be given.
- If a conflict will prevent you from taking a quiz or exam on the designated date/time, contact me as soon as possible to find out if it is possible to take the quiz/exam <u>EARLY</u> with the instructor.

**20% Final Exam:** The final exam will be cumulative, covering all of the content, taught in the course.

**Electronics**: Cell phones should be silenced and put away once class begins. I understand that occasionally you may want to take a picture of what is on the board. Otherwise, please put these devices away. Earphones/earbuds may not be used during class, quizzes, or exams. Cell phones and smart watches MUST be silenced and stowed in a backpack during quizzes and exams.

**Incompletes:** A grade of incomplete may be given when circumstances arise which are beyond the student's control, and which result in the student being unable to complete the course. A grade of incomplete will only be used if the student is passing when the circumstances arise.

#### **Available Support:**

Ask questions as they occur. Talk to me before or after class. Come to office hours or schedule an appointment. It my goal for all students to learn and build confidence in mathematics. I am committed to helping each student, I believe experience & exposure are the necessary components to achieve success. <u>Talk with other classmates about your work.</u> Communication helps to identify the questions needed to be asked and can solidify understanding of the concepts.

Attendance Policy: Attendance is expected at every class meeting. It is socially responsible to to take extra care to not spread germs. If you have a fever or are concerned based on symptoms like coughing/sneezing, please stay home. Email when the decision is made. It is the student's responsibility to make prompt arrangements for finding out what was missed and for making up any assigned work in the case of an absence. I recommend exchanging contact information with another student in this specific section of Math 107. Canvas is a great resource at these times.

Inclusivity Statement: It is my intent that all students from diverse backgrounds and perspectives be well-served by this course, that students' learning needs be addressed both in and out of class, and that the diversity brought by everyone in this class be viewed as a resource, strength, and benefit. It is my intent to present materials and activities that are respectful of diversity. I encourage you to make suggestions to this end. Please let me know ways to improve the effectiveness of the course for you personally, or for other students or student groups. If you have experienced a bias incident (an act of conduct, speech, or expression to which a bias motive is evident as a contributing factor regardless of whether the act is criminal) at UWSP, you have the right to report it using this <a href="link">link</a>. You may also contact the Dean of Students office directly at <a href="dos@uwsp.edu">dos@uwsp.edu</a>.

Accommodations: UWSP is committed to providing reasonable and appropriate accommodations to students with disabilities and temporary impairments. If you have a disability, acquire an impairment, or injury during the semester and you need assistance, please contact the Disability Resource Center as soon as possible, room 108 Collins Classroom Center (CCC), 715-346-3365, DATC@uwsp.edu, or Disability Resource Center (DRC) - University of Wisconsin-Stevens Point (uwsp.edu).

**UWSP student responsibilities:** All students are expected to know the UWSP student responsibilities found on the Dean of Students webpage. Information on Academic Concerns is available at <a href="https://www.uwsp.edu/dos/Pages/stu-academic.aspx">https://www.uwsp.edu/dos/Pages/stu-academic.aspx</a>. Information on Conduct Concerns and on Personal Concerns is also available on the Dean of Students site.

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	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
9:00 AM					
9:30 AM					
10:00 AM	Travel 10:00		Travel 10:00		
10:30 AM	Office hours location Wausau/Marshfield 10:30-11:00 Zoom Option		Office hours location Wausau/Marshfield 10:30-11:00 Zoom Option		
11:00 AM	Math 119 Sections M01 & W01 Precalculus Trigonometry Lecture 11:00-11:50 am Wausau 238. Marshfield 466		Math 119 Sections M01 & W01 Precalculus Trigonometry Lecture 11:00-11:50 am Wausau 238, Marshfield 466		
11:30 AM	January 23- May 12		January 23- May 12		
12:00 PM	Travel 12:00 -12:45	Travel 12:00 -12:45	Travel 12:00 -12:45	Travel 12:00 -12:45	
12:30 PM					
1:00 PM	Math 255 Section 03 Elementary Statistical Methods 1:00-2:00 pm	Math 255 Section 03 Elementary Statistical Methods 1:00-2:00 pm	Math 255 Section 03 Elementary Statistical Methods 1:00-2:00 pm	Math 255 Section 03 Elementary Statistical Methods 1:00-2:00 pm	
1:30 PM	Room A202 Science Building	Room A202 Science Building	Room A202 Science Building	Room A202 Science Building	
2:00 PM		Office Hours 1:00-1:50 pm Stevens Point		Office Hours 1:00-1:50 pm Stevens Point	
2:30 PM		Science Building Room D221		Science Building Room D221	
3:00 PM	MATH 107 Section 05 Algebra for Pre-Calculus 3:00-3:50 pm	MATH 107 Section 05 Algebra for Pre-Calculus 3:00-3:50 pm	MATH 107 Section 05 Algebra for Pre-Calculus 3:00-3:50 pm	MATH 107 Section 05 Algebra for Pre-Calculus 3:00-3:50 pm	
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4:00 PM				Math 107 Final Exam Monday, May 15 5:00PM - 7:00PM Science Building A113	MATH 119 - W01 & M01 Wednesday, May 17 12:30PM - 2:30PM (Final Exam) Wausau Campus 238