Math 95 - Syllabus Fall 2019

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Math 95 - Intermediate Algebra: 2 cr.

Linear equations including graphing, exponents, radicals, function notation, and quadratic equations. Prereq: 90 or suitable placement test score.

Text: Elementary & Intermediate Algebra, 5th Ed., by Alan S. Tussy and R. David Gustafson, customized for UWSP.

MathPad: Online. MathPad is both a classroom and tutoring lab for students enrolled in Math 90/95/107 courses.

Math Tutoring Room: Online. UWSP students provide free tutoring on a drop-in basis for all math courses.

See http://www.uwsp.edu/mathsci/Pages/tutoring.aspx for details of above tutoring services.

Tutoring Learning Center (TLC): Individual and group tutoring is available for many subjects, including math. See http://www.uwsp.edu/tlc/Pages/schedules.aspx for details, or ask your instructor.

Evidence suggests that students seeking tutoring support tend to have a higher overall GPA. Students are encouraged to study at the various drop-in tutoring sites on campus, and seek help as necessary. Be proactive and don't be shy!

Attendance: This course will be taught 100% online with the option of watching lectures live each morning (Monday – Thursday) on Zoom or viewing the recordings at another time. Regular engagement is required. Extensions for serious illness, family emergencies, or University sponsored activities may be provided if you adequately notify the instructor by e-mail prior to intended absence or provide documentation of an emergency. Late quizzes and tests will not be given for unexcused absences and arrangements must be made PRIOR to the test date.

Calculators: You may use any four-function, scientific, or graphing calculator, *except*: calculators including pocket organizers, handheld or laptop computers, electronic writing pads, pen-input devices or *calculators built into cellular phones or other wireless communication devices*, calculators with a typewriter keypad with keys in QWERTY format, calculators with built-in computer algebra systems. *Prohibited* calculators in this category include: Casio: Algebra fx 2.0, ClassPad 300, and all model numbers that begin with CFX-9970G; Texas Instruments: All model numbers that begin with TI-89 or TI-92; Hewlett-Packard: hp 48GII and all model numbers that begin with hp 40G or hp 49G.

Sharing calculators during exams/quizzes is not allowed.

There may be assignments, quizzes, or tests that calculators will not be allowed.

Homework: Homework is assigned (nearly) every day and will consist primarily of problems on WebAssign. In addition, worksheets and other opportunities may be posted on Canvas. Penalties will be assessed on late homework assignments on WebAssign (see below). All other late assignments will be accepted at the discretion of the instructor. If assignments are late due to an excused absence, penalties will be waived if reasonable and timely communication is received by the instructor. Extra credit opportunities will be not be accepted late.

Homework assigned on Monday or Tuesday will be due by midnight the Wednesday of that week. Homework assigned on Wednesday or Thursday will be due by midnight the Saturday of that week.

Late Penalties for WebAssign assignments:

- The first extension requested for each assignment (via WebAssign) will be granted without penalty.
- Any further extensions will be granted with a 20% penalty assessed on previously unfinished work. Problems finished before an extension request will still receive full credit.

Quizzes: Quizzes will be assigned on WebAssign on occasional Thursdays. These quizzes will be due by midnight of the following Sunday. No extensions will be granted for quizzes.

Tests: There will be three unit tests on every other Sunday and remain open through that Wednesday. Tests will be administered through HonorLock.

Test dates: September 20, October 4, and October 18.

Final Exam: Details to be announced

Grading: Grades will be based on the following percentages:

Homework: 30% Quizzes: 20% Tests: 20% Final Exam: 30%

93 - 100%	A	77 - 79.99	C+
90 - 92.99	A-	73 - 76.99 %	С
87 - 89.99	B+	70 - 72.99	C-
83 - 86.99	В	65 - 69.99	D
80 - 82.99	В-	0 - 64.99	F

Completing the final exam is required for passing the course. *To receive a C or higher in the course, a student must score at least 60% on the final exam*. If the calculated final course grade is above 70%, but the final exam score is less than 60%, the student's final grade will be lowered one full letter.

The instructor reserves the right to exercise discretion in raising a student's grade if he feels that the final weighted average does not properly reflect the quality of a student's work. The instructor will not use discretionary judgments to lower a student's final grade.

WebAssign, UWSP E-mail & Canvas: All of these resources will be used for communication between the instructor and students. Students will be responsible (i.e. required, expected) for reading all messages and assignments posted on any of the above and in lecture.

Incompletes: A grade of incomplete may be given when circumstances arise which are beyond the student's control and the student is unable to complete the course AND the student is passing when the circumstances arise.

General Course Policies

- 1. Tests and Quizzes MUST be ONLY your own work. You are encouraged to work together or ask for assistance on homework (unless otherwise specified), but it is your responsibility to understand and learn the content.
- 2. Generally, it is my policy to **not** allow make-up tests or quizzes. An exception is likely to be made provided you make your request **in advance** of the test or quiz. The make-up date will need to be within a reasonable timeframe and at the convenience of the instructor.
- 3. Appeal of grading should be submitted in writing within 5 days of receiving the evaluation.

Disability Accommodations: Information regarding Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act or the Americans with Disabilities Act can be found at the UWSP Disability and Assistive Technology Center site http://www.uwsp.edu/disability. To request any accommodations relevant to this class, please discuss the matter with the staff at the Center and communicate with the instructor for proper accommodations. If your accommodations are sent to the instructor via email, please take time to discuss them in person as well.

Community Bill of Rights and Responsibilities: You should be fully aware of your rights and responsibilities as a UWSP student. These are detailed in the UWSP Community Rights and Responsibilities found at http://www.uwsp.edu/dos/Documents/CommunityRights.pdf.

Title IX makes it clear that violence and harassment based on gender are Civil Rights offenses subject to the same kinds of accountability and the same kinds of support applied to offenses against other protected categories such as race, national origin, etc. If you or someone you know has been harassed or assaulted, you can find the appropriate resources at http://www.uwsp.edu/DOS/sexualassault/Pages/default.aspx.

Face Coverings:

· At all UW-Stevens Point campus locations, the wearing of face coverings is mandatory in all buildings, including classrooms, laboratories, studios, and other instructional spaces. Any student with a condition that impacts their use of a face covering should contact the Disability and Assistive Technology Center to discuss accommodations in classes. Please note that unless everyone is wearing a face covering, in-person classes cannot take place. This is university policy and not up to the discretion of individual instructors. Failure to adhere to this requirement could result in formal withdrawal from the course.

Other Guidance: Please monitor your own health each day using this screening tool. If you are not feeling well or believe you have been exposed to COVID-19, do not come to class; email your instructor and contact Student Health Service (715-346-4646).

- o As with any type of absence, students are expected to communicate their need to be absent and complete the course requirements as outlined in the syllabus.
- · Maintain a minimum of 6 feet of physical distance from others whenever possible.
- · Do not congregate in groups before or after class; stagger your arrival and departure from the classroom, lab, or meeting room.
- · Wash your hands or use appropriate hand sanitizer regularly and avoid touching your face.
- · Please maintain these same healthy practices outside the classroom.