

BUCKS COUNTY COMMUNITY COLLEGE
DEPT. OF SCIENCE, TECHNOLOGY, ENGINEERING, MATHEMATICS
MATH 103.N15 ~ INTERMEDIATE ALGEBRA
FALL 2014

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Course Website: http://faculty.bucks.edu/erickson/math103/int_algebra.html

Course Room & Times: Founders Hall 309 on TTh 3:30–4:45

Course Textbook: *Intermediate Algebra*, 11th edition, by Lial, Hornsby, McGinnis

Other Materials: A scientific calculator

MyMathLab: Course Name is Math103F14 and Course ID is erickson99345

Exam Dates & Sections:

Exam 1: September 23 (2.1,2.2,2.3,2.5,2.6,2.7,3.1,3.2,3.3,5.1)

Exam 2: October 16 (5.2,5.4,5.5,6.1,6.2,6.3,6.4,6.5)

Exam 3: November 6 (7.1,7.2,7.3,7.4,7.5,4.1,8.1,8.2)

Exam 4: December 4 (8.3,8.4,8.5,8.6,8.7,9.2,3.5,3.6,9.5)

Final Exam: December 11 (Comprehensive)

Course Grade: Your lowest score among the first four exams will be dropped. The remaining exam scores, which must include the final exam, will each constitute 25% of the total course grade. The letter grade is determined as follows: 90–100 = A, 87–89 = B+, 80–86 = B, 77–79 = C+, 70–76 = C, 67–69 = D+, 60–66 = D, 0–59 = F.

Homework Policy: Homework exercises are assigned for every section of the book that is covered, but they are not collected and therefore do not directly influence the course grade. However, to have any realistic prospect of succeeding in the course it is essential to do the exercises, since all of the exams are based upon them. Half of lecture time will be devoted to working out exercises that students have questions about.

Attendance Policy: Attendance is not mandatory, but it comes highly recommended. In my experience those who do not show up tend to wash out.

Withdrawal Policy: If you need to withdraw, be sure to make it official with the administration to avoid receiving an F on your transcript. The deadline is November 4, 2014.

Other Policies: Cell phones and other internet-capable devices are not allowed during exams. See the college catalog for the policy regarding cheating and plagiarism. There is no extra credit. If an exam is missed, it is given a score of zero and will be dropped unless it is the final exam, which cannot be dropped. Only one exam can be dropped. I only check voice-mail when I'm in the office, and strongly discourage its use in favor of e-mail.