

MATH 4, INTERMEDIATE ALGEBRA SPRING 2008

CATALOG DESCRIPTION: Intermediate Algebra (3:3:0). Algebraic expressions; linear, absolute value equations and inequalities; lines; systems of linear equations; integral exponents; polynomials; factoring. This course may not be used to satisfy the basic minimum requirements for graduation in any baccalaureate degree program.

PREREQUISITE: Math 3 or satisfactory performance on the mathematics proficiency examination.

TEXT: *Intermediate Algebra for College Students*, 8th Edition, by Jerome E. Kaufmann, published by PWS-Kent Publishing.

COURSE FORMAT: There are three 50-minute lectures each week. The sections covered in these lectures are listed on Page 3 of this handout.

EXAMINATIONS: Three 75-minute evening examinations will be given during the semester and a comprehensive final examination will be given during the final examination period. No books or notes may be used on the examinations unless otherwise stated by the instructor. The use of calculators is not permitted.

The three examinations will be given from 6:30 to 7:45 PM on the following dates:

Exam I: Thursday Feb., 7

Exam II: Tuesday March, 4

Rooms for the exams will be announced by your instructor at a later date, and may also be found on the bulletin board outside 107 Whitmore Lab. You must bring your University ID card to all exams.

CONFLICT EXAMINATIONS: For the two mid-semester examinations, there is a conflict examination from 5:05 to 6:20 PM on the same night as the regular exam. If you have a conflict with the regular exam time, such as a class or other scheduled activity, you may sign up with your instructor to take the conflict exam. You must have a valid reason for taking the conflict exam, and you need to sign up by one week before the exam date. You will be given the room for the conflict exam when you sign up. Students must bring their University ID to the conflict exam. The ID will be checked by the exam proctor. Although the conflict exam will end at 6:20, no student will be permitted to leave the exam room before 6:25. A student who leaves before 6:25 will receive a grade of zero on the exam and will not be allowed to retake it.

MAKEUP EXAMINATIONS: Students who have a valid verifiable reason, such as illness or a class during both the conflict and regular exam times, are permitted to schedule a makeup examination with no penalty. **Personal business such as travel, employment, weddings, graduations or attendance at public events such as concerts, sporting events, etc. are not valid excuses.** Students who do not have a valid reason for missing the exam, such as forgetting the date, time, or room of an exam, are also permitted to schedule a makeup, but 20 points will be deducted from their score. In order to take a makeup exam, you must sign up with your instructor within 48 hours of the date of the regular exam. You will be given the room for the makeup exam when you sign up. You must be prepared to verify the reason for taking the makeup, so if you were ill, you need an excuse from Ritenour or from another medical facility. Students who have taken the regularly scheduled exam are not permitted to take the makeup. Students who have not signed up for the makeup will not be allowed to take it. If a student misses both the regularly scheduled exam and the scheduled makeup, it may be possible to take a makeup by appointment. With a valid, verifiable reason, these makeups will be given with no penalty. Otherwise, at least a 20-point penalty will be imposed. All such makeups must be scheduled through the course coordinator, and must be completed no later than one week after the scheduled makeup exam. Information on contacting the course coordinator is given later in this handout.

FINAL EXAMINATION: The final exam will be given during Finals Week, May 5 - 9. When the final exam schedule is released, you will be given information on filing for conflict exams if you

have two exams at the same time, or three or more exams during a 15 hour period. These are the only valid reasons for filing for a conflict exam. The conflict filing period is from Monday, to Friday. Students who have a direct conflict but have not filed during this period will be given a 30-point penalty on the conflict exam. See *Policies and Rules, Student Guide to the University*, Policy 44-25. Students who miss the final exam will be allowed to take a makeup final. If the student had a valid, verifiable reason, such as illness, no penalty will be imposed; if the student did not have a valid reason, a 30 point penalty will be imposed. Students who have taken the original final exam are not permitted to take a makeup final exam.

COURSE GRADES: Grades will be assigned on the basis of 450 points, distributed as follows:

Examination I: 100 points
Examination II: 100 points

Quizzes and/or homework: 100 points
Final Examination: 150 points

Final course grades will be assigned as follows:

419-450	A	347-359	C+
405-418	A-	315-346	C
392-404	B+	270-314	D
374-391	B	000-269	F
360-373	B-		

DEFERRED GRADES: Students who are unable to complete the course because of illness or emergency may be granted a deferred grade, which allows the student to complete the course within 6 weeks of the following semester. Note that deferred grades are limited to those students who can verify a valid reason for not being able to take the final exam. See *Policies and Rules, Student Guide to the University*, Policy 48-40.

ACADEMIC INTEGRITY STATEMENT: “Academic dishonesty includes, but is not limited to, cheating, plagiarizing,...facilitating acts of academic dishonesty by others, having unauthorized possession of examinations, submitting work of another person or work previously used without informing the instructor, or tampering with the academic work of other students...A student charged with academic dishonesty will be given oral or written notice of the charge by the instructor. If students believe that they have been falsely accused, they should seek redress through informal discussions with the instructor, the department head, dean or campus executive officer. If the instructor believes that the infraction is sufficiently serious to warrant the referral of the case to Judicial Affairs, or if the instructor will award a final grade of *F* in the course because of the infraction, the student and instructor will be afforded formal due process procedures.” From *Policies and Rules, Student Guide to the University*, Policy 49-20.

QUESTIONS, PROBLEMS, OR COMMENTS: If you have questions or concerns about the course, please consult your instructor first. If further guidance is needed, you may contact the course coordinator.

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DATE	SECTIONS	DATE	SECTIONS
Mon., Jan. 14, 2008	1-2	Mon., March 10-14, 2008	Spring Break - No Classes
Wed., Jan. 16, 2008	1-2		
Fri., Jan. 18, 2008	1 3	Mon., March 17, 2008	7-5
		Wed., March 19, 2008	7-5
Mon., Jan. 21, 2008	No Classes	Fri., March 21, 2008	3-1
Wed., Jan. 23, 2008	1-4		
Fri., Jan. 25, 2008	1-4	Mon., March 24, 2008	3-2
		Wed., March 26, 2008	3-2
Mon., Jan. 28, 2008	2-1	Fri., March 28, 2008	3-3
Wed., Jan. 30, 2008	2-2		
Fri., Feb. 1, 2008	2-2	Mon., March 31, 2008	3-4
		Wed., April 2, 2008	3-4
Mon., Feb. 4, 2008	2-3	Fri., April 4, 2008	3-5
Wed., Feb. 6, 2008	Review Exam I		
Thurs., Feb. 7, 2008	Exam I	Mon., April 7, 2008	3-5
Fri., Feb. 8, 2008	2-3	Wed., April 9, 2008	3-6
		Fri., April 11, 2008	3-6
Mon., Feb. 11, 2008	2-4		
Wed., Feb. 13, 2008	2-4		
Fri., Feb. 15, 2008	2-5	Mon., April 14, 2008	3-6
		Wed., April 16, 2008	3-7
Mon., Feb. 18, 2008	2 6	Fri., April 18, 2008	3-7
Wed., Feb. 20, 2008	2 6		
Fri., Feb. 22, 2008	2-7	Mon., April 21, 2008	Review
		Wed., April 23, 2008	10-1/10-2
Mon., Feb. 25, 2008	2-7	Fri., April 25, 2008	10-1/10-2
Wed., Feb. 27, 2008	7-1		
Fri., Feb. 29, 2008	7-4	Mon., April 28, 2008	Review
		Wed., April 30, 2008	Review
Mon., March 3, 2008	Review	Fri., May 2, 2008	Review for Final Exam
Tues., March 4, 2008	Exam II		
Wed., March 5, 2008	7-4		
Fri., March 7, 2008	7 5		

Do not plan to leave University Park before SATURDAY MAY 10th, 2008.