

College Algebra

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Course Time: M.W. F, 1:10pm-2:00pm. **Course Room:** Lafayette L311.

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Office Hours: Tuesday, 10:30am-11:30am; Thursday 10:30am to 11:30am;
or by appointment.

Textbook:

Required: *College Algebra 5th Edition* by *Beecher, Penna and Bittinger*. (Please note that you will want the Course Compass MyMathLab Supplement that comes packaged with the textbook. You may wish to only purchase the Course Compass MyMathLab Supplement which includes an e-book or electronic version of the textbook. The UVM Bookstore offers both options!)

Topics:

This course mainly talks about sets, relations, functions with particular attention to properties of algebraic, exponential, logarithmic functions, their graphs and applications in preparation for MATH 019. **Pre/co-requisites:** Two years of secondary school algebra; one year of secondary school geometry.

The main topics will include:

Chapter 1 Graphs, Functions and Models.	(6 lessons)
Chapter 2 Properties of Functions.	(6 lessons)
Chapter 3 Quadratic Functions and Equations; Inequalities.	(5 lessons)
Chapter 4 Polynomial Functions and Rational Functions.	(5 lessons)
Chapter 5 Exponential Functions and Logarithmic Functions.	(5 lessons)
Exams and Reviews.	(3 lessons)

Grading:

- **COURSE COMPASS ASSIGNMENTS (20%)**---Every student is **Required** to log on to the CourseCompass MyMathLab system and complete a companion homework assignment that follows the material covered in class. You will be given several attempts to answer each question, and you can utilize the book and all of the aids offered within Course Compass system to help solve the problems. **At the end of the semester, I will drop the lowest 4 Course Compass Assignments and average the remaining assignment grades. This average will count towards 20% of your final grade.** The **COURSE ID** for the section is **chen88577**, (For more information about Registration, see **Registration-Handout.pdf**)

- **CLASS QUIZZES (20%)**---**Every week, usually on Thursday,** we will have a 15 minute quiz at the end of class. The quiz will cover very basic problems from previous lectures and will be a chance to show me that you are keeping active with the course materials. **All quizzes are closed notebook, and each quiz will be weighted the same. After the last quiz has been taken, I will drop the lowest 2 quiz grades and average the remaining grades. This average will count towards 20% of your final grade.**
- **TESTS (30%)**---There will be **Two** midterm tests (**Oct 5,2018 & Nov 16, 2018**).
All tests are closed notebook. Each test will count towards 15% of your final grade.
- **FINAL EXAM (30%)**---There will be a cumulative final exam given at the end of the semester. The final exam is closed notebook. The final exam will count towards 30% of your final grade:
Final Exam is December 14, 2018 ,13:30pm to 16:15pm in our Regular Classroom.

A+	100	B+	87 – 89	C+	77 – 79	D+	67 – 69
A	94 – 99	B	83 – 86	C	73 – 76	D	63 – 66
A-	90 – 93	B-	80 – 82	C-	70 – 72	D-	60 – 62

Remarks:

- ☆ **Late Work & Absence :** **If you miss a Quiz for a non-sanctioned UVM event, you will receive a 0% on this quiz. Remember that I will drop your two lowest grades.** MyMathLab assignments submitted late will incur a penalty. The penalty for late MyMathLab assignments is stated on the specific assignment.
Make-up quizzes and tests will be given if an emergency or reasonable issues arises.
- ☆ To ensure appropriate attention, students with disabilities who are eligible for accommodations are expected to notify the course instructor at the beginning of the semester.
- ☆ UVM’s policy on academic honesty has been communicated to you by the Dean of Students Office.
- ☆ Religious Holidays: Students have the right to practice the religion of their choice. **Each semester students should submit in writing to their instructors by the end of the second full week of classes their documented religious holiday schedule for the semester.** Faculty must permit students who miss work for the purpose of religious observance to make up this work.
- ☆ The course work will involve some fairly intense computations and mathematical modeling, and it is required that students purchase or obtain an appropriate calculator. TI-83/84 Graphing calculator is highly recommended, but a basic scientific calculator capable of performing exponential, logarithmic and trigonometric operations is adequate. Any calculators capable of performing symbolic algebra or calculus computations are prohibited. Students will be allowed to use a calculator on all assignments, quizzes and tests, **but please be aware that the instructor may ask for all work to be shown in order to receive credit.**

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