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Introductory Algebra

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Introduction
MAT005 is a one-semester introductory algebra course. Algebra allows us to solve for unknown quantities, draw graphs of relationships between numbers and make use of the inherent structure of our number system. This class will concentrate on the application of algebra, integration among math and other disciplines, and the communication thereof.

Class Schedule
The schedule is a guideline for the class and may be changed during the semester for various reasons. You are responsible for keeping up with any changes made via handouts or announcements in class.

Grades
Grades are based on exams; homework, assignments, workbooks, attendance, and participation; and the comprehensive Final.

There are seven exams, plus a Final Comprehensive Exam. Each exam is worth 100 points.

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<td>Homework, In-class assignments (Problem sets—in your book), Attendance, Participation, etc.:</td>
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90-100% A
80-89% B
70-79% C
60-69% D
Below 59% F

Makeup Tests
If you have special circumstances which prevent you from taking a test on time, you MUST notify me ahead of time.

Assignments: Homework & In-class
While not always assigned, working the problem sets in each chapter will dramatically increase your chances of success. I will periodically review your work to make sure you are working the problems.
Attendance & Participation
Attendance is required, as is participation. Lack of proper attendance or failure to participate will result in loss of credit and lowering of class grade.

Test Return Policy
My goal is to return tests the first class after the test is taken. There will be an opportunity to go over tests at that time.

Cheating
No form of cheating will be tolerated. The penalty for cheating on a test is loss of ALL points for that test. Cheating is not worth the effort and undermines the whole point in taking the class.