Extended syllabus for Beginning and Intermediate Algebra, MATH 0003

Spring 2015

COURSE NAME: Beginning and Intermediate Algebra (MATH 0003)

REQUIRED SOFTWARE: ALEKS software (will be provided)

REQUIRED MATERIALS: TI-84 or below

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PURPOSE: To provide the essential prerequisite skills to take College Algebra.

MASTER SYLLABUS: You are responsible for reading the MRTC Master Syllabus on the MRTC Webpage at:

http://mrtc.uark.edu/7249.php

Note: You will be using different software. This software will be provided for you.

CLASS TIME: This class meets 5 days a week. You are expected to come to class every day. The online quizzes and online tests will be taken during class time.

HOMEWORK: Your pie chart will count as your homework. You can find your pie chart on ALEKS. Whatever percent your pie chart is at by the end of the semester will count as your homework grade. You should work to complete your pie chart to a 100%. You are **REQUIRED** to complete at least 15 course topics a week. There are a total of 511. You can receive help on these topics in the MRTC labs, located in SCEN rooms 212, 211, and 209.

ONLINE QUIZZES: There are 12 online quizzes. The online quizzes will be taken in ALEKS during class time. The quizzes will be given at the end of each week, when there is not a test.

MAKE-UPS QUIZZES/TESTS: There are no make-ups for the quizzes or tests. If you miss a test contact your instructor immediately.

TESTING: There will be 3 unit tests. These tests must be taken during class time on one of the scheduled days. The tentative testing dates are below. These tests will be comprehensive.

<u>**TENTATIVE**</u> **DEADLINE FOR TEST :**

<u>**Test #1:**</u> Thursday, February 12; Friday February 13

<u>**Test #2:**</u> Thursday, March 12; Friday March 13

<u>**Test #3:**</u> Sunday, April 29; Monday, April 30

<u>**EOC EXAM:**</u> Sunday, May 3; Monday, May 4; Tuesday, May 5

EOC EXAM: You will receive up to three (3) attempts at the EOC exam on the specific dates shown above. The final exam must be taken on the computer in the testing center, SCEN 203. **NOTE: the exam times for this course are not based on the time the class meets.** Only the highest score will count if you choose to make multiple attempts. You must show your university issued ID in order to take the exam.

PARTICIPATION: Attendance is required for the traditional class meetings and roll will be taken **EVERY** day. Participation counts toward your final grade. If you are absent, it is your responsibility to check the due dates for any online course work that is due in addition to anything that your instructor may have assigned. You can expect a variety of participation work that will be graded and count toward your final grade.

DETERMINATION OF YOUR GRADE: Your grade is determined by your scores on the three tests, the EOC and the remaining percentage is determined by your scores on the homework assignments, quizzes, topics completed and participation grades. Your instructor will upload the participation grades into ALEKS at the end of the semester. The final letter grade is based on the following percentage scale:

A = 90.0%-100%; B = 80.0%-89%;   C = 70.0%-79%;   D = 60.0%-69%; F = 0-59.9%

The breakdown of grades for this course is shown below:

Topics (REQUIRED TO COMPLETE 15 A WEEK)	5%
Homework (PIE CHART)	5%
Quizzes	10%
Test 1 (CUMULATIVE TEST)	13%
Test 2 (CUMULATIVE TEST)	13%
Test 3 (CUMULATIVE TEST)	13%
Project	10%
Participation	10%
EOC Exam	21%

NOTE: This is a pilot class. The instructor reserves the right to make changes to this Syllabus during the semester.