EDUC 1031 – MATH STUDY SKILLS Spring 2015 – Course Syllabus

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Course goals and objectives:

- Build confidence in your ability to succeed in college level mathematics
- Decrease your math anxiety
- Increase your knowledge of how to study mathematics
- Increase your understanding of how a college classroom functions

Textbook:

Math Study Skills

A Guide to Help You Succeed in Math, 2nd edition,

by Alan Bass; published by Pearson Education, Inc.

Tentative course content (may be adjusted according to needs and interests of students):

- Day 1: Introduction to course, including self-assessment in math anxiety and math study skills
- Day 2: College mathematics environment
- Day 3: Managing time
- Day 4: Thinking in mathematics
- Day 5: Increasing confidence and motivation
- Day 6: Instructor and student responsibilities
- Day 7: Taking notes in math class
- Day 8: Reading mathematics
- Day 9: Managing problem assignments in mathematics
- Day 10: Learning mathematics notation
- Day 11: Technical aspects of writing mathematics, including using a computer
- Day 12: Attributes of a problem solver
- Day 13: Development of problem solving skills
- Day 14: Reviewing and remembering mathematics
- Day 15: Self-evaluation of progress
- Day 16: Preparing for tests and examinations

Grading:

Attendance and in-class participation	25%
Assignments/textbook work/written reflections	50%
Final	25%

Letter Grades:

A: 90 – 100% B: 80 – 89.9%

C: 70 – 79.9% D: 60 – 69.9%

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F: Below 60%

Academic Integrity:

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Inclement Weather Policy:

Class will meet unless the University is closed. You should make your own decisions in the best interest of personal safety. If attendance is severely affected by weather, deadlines and exam dates may be adjusted.

Accommodations:

Under University policy and federal and state law, students with documented disabilities are entitled to reasonable accommodations to ensure the student has an equal opportunity to perform in class. If any member of the class has such a disability and needs special academic accommodations, please report to the Center for Educational Access (CEA). Reasonable accommodations may be arranged after CEA has verified your disability. You must submit your paperwork to me as soon as possible. This must be done before accommodations can be arranged for any class assignments, quizzes, or exams.

NOTE: The instructor reserves the right to make changes to the syllabus as needed.