# MATH 099: Pre-Algebra - Spring 2018 (Lecture Class)

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**OFFICE HOURS**: Tuesday/Thursday 12:15 pm – 1:15 pm or by appointment

Section	Class Time	Meeting Days	Meeting Location	MML Course Code
501	10:30am – 12:10pm	Tue/Thu	C-108	lawson46453

**COURSE DESCRIPTION**: This is a pre-college mathematics course. Emphasis is placed on basic operations for whole numbers, fractions, decimals, integers, percent, ratios, and introductory algebra and includes a skills laboratory. Prerequisites/placement: Minimum pre-algebra COMPASS score of 24, or math ACT score of 14.

## **COURSE STUDENT LEARNING OUTCOMES:**

Upon successful completion of the course, students will be able to:

- 1. Demonstrate an understanding of the meaning of, and add, subtract, multiply and divide whole numbers, fractions, and decimals.
- 2. Convert between decimal, fraction and percent notation.
- 3. Use ratios and proportions to solve problems.
- 4. Solve basic percent problems.
- 5. Demonstrate an understanding of, and correctly use, the order of operations.
- 6. Compute perimeter, area, and volume of geometric figures.
- 7. Convert basic units of measure.
- 8. Find the absolute value of a number.
- 9. Take the square root of a perfect square number.
- 10. Demonstrate an understanding of the meaning of, and add, subtract, multiply and divide integers.
- 11. Demonstrate an understanding of the concept of a variable.
- 12. Simplify simple algebraic expressions.
- 13. Solve basic linear equations.
- 14. Use the above skills to solve simple applications problems

## **COURSE MATERIALS:**

- MyMathLab (MML) Student Access Code: This code is available for purchase in the UNM-VC Bookstore or online at http://www.mymathlab.com/
  - You must purchase the student access code for MyMathLab by the beginning of the 3rd week of classes or risk being dropped from the course. (You can use a temporary access code for 21 days given to you by MML, but will then have to purchase a code.)
- · PreAlgebra (M099) Workbook. This is available for purchase in the bookstore.
- 3-Ring binder (1-1/2 inch), 5 divider tabs, spiral, notebook paper, pencil, eraser, 3X5 note cards, scientific calculator (NOT a graphing calculator). Refer to Binder organization chart for requirements
- **EXPECTATIONS**: Students are expected to conduct themselves in a polite, courteous, professional and collegial manner. Cell phones must be <u>set on silent</u> and <u>be out of sight</u> during class. No food or drink is allowed in the computer labs. Cell phones can not be used as calculators during class sessions and tests.

# ATTENDANCE/NOTES/PARTICIPATION:

- You are expected to be <u>on time</u> to each class and stay the <u>entire</u> class, have the necessary course materials on hand, and participate in the lecture and/or group activities to receive full credit for attendance each day.
- If you miss 2 classes in the first two weeks, 3 consecutive class periods or have 3 unexcused absences you <u>WILL</u> be dropped from the class.
- Attendance is taken at the **beginning** of class. You will be marked absent if: (1) you are absent, (2) you are tardy and/or leave early twice, and/or (3) you are disruptive to the learning environment.
- If absent or tardy, the student must email the instructor within 24 hours of the absence to be excused. The student bears full responsibility for the material and procedural information covered in class.

#### **HOMEWORK:**

All assignments in MML must be completed. You will be able to go back to improve your grade after the due date

## **TESTS:**

Tests will be assigned during the term. Tests will be a paper/pencil test where students are expected to show all work to get full credit and tests/quizzes in the MyMathLab. A 3" X 5" note card (both sides) will be allowed to be used on tests.

**SUPPORT SERVICES: The Learning Commons tutors** are available in the Learning Commons M-Th from 8 to 5, and Fridays 8 to 1 (925-8907). There are also open computer labs on campus for students' use. The Valencia Campus Library provides a quiet atmosphere for study and is an excellent resource for supplementary materials.

**TITLE IX:** In an effort to meet obligations under Title IX, UNM faculty, Teaching Assistants, and Graduate Assistants are considered responsible employees. This designation requires that any report made to a faculty member, TA, or GA regarding sexual misconduct or gender discrimination must be reported to the Office of Equal Opportunity and the Title IX Coordinator. For more information on the campus policy regarding sexual misconduct, see: <a href="https://policy.unm.edu/universitypolicies/2000/2740.html">https://policy.unm.edu/universitypolicies/2000/2740.html</a>

**DISABILITY STATEMENT:** If you have a documented disability, please provide me with a copy of your letter from Equal Access Services <u>as soon as possible</u> to ensure that accommodations are provided in a timely manner. The Equal Access Office can be reached at 925-8510.

**UNM'S POLICY ON ACADEMIC HONESTY:** Each student is expected to maintain the highest standards of honesty and integrity in academic and professional matters. The University reserves the right to take disciplinary action, including dismissal, against any student who is found responsible for academic dishonesty. Any student who has been judged to have engaged in academic dishonesty in course work may receive a reduced or failing grade for the work in question and/or for the course. Academic dishonesty includes, but is not limited to, dishonesty in quizzes, tests or assignments, claiming credit for work not done or done by others; hindering the academic work of other students; and misrepresenting academic or professional qualifications within or outside the University.

# IMPORTANT DATES (all deadlines are by 5:00 PM Mountain Time):

Last date to drop without a grade:

Spring Break:

Last date to drop without Dean's Permission:

Friday, February 2, 2018

March 12-16, 2018

Friday, April 13, 2018

Last date to change grading mode with form:

Last date to drop with Dean's permission:

Friday, May 4, 2018

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Final Exam: Tuesday, May 8, 2018 at 10:30am-12:30pm

## **COURSE AVERAGES:**

Attendance/Notes/Class Participation	15%
Homework/Quizzes	25%
Tests	30%
Cumulative Final Exam*	<u>30%</u>
Total	100%

<sup>\*</sup>Students must receive a minimum of 70% on the final exam to pass the course.

**GRADING SCALE**: While you will receive credit toward establishing a full-time load for financial aid purposes for Math 099, this course is NOT accepted to satisfy UNM core degree requirements. Students in this course will receive the following grades:

RA 90 – 100% RB 80 – 89%

RC 72 - 79% RCR 72 - 100%

RNC < 72%

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Tab Headings:

- 1. <u>Syllabus/Reference</u>
  - Syllabus
- 2. Notes taken in class
- 3. Study Material
  - Terms and Definitions / Formulas
- 4. Resources
  - Notes taken while watching Math Videos / Notes from Tutoring
- 5. Assessments
  - Practice Tests
  - Tests and quizzes
  - Test Analysis (If any)