

**Cuyamaca College Spring 2019**  
**MATH 110 Section # 1208**  
**Intermediate Algebra**

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**Course Description:**

**MATHEMATICS 110**

**INTERMEDIATE ALGEBRA FOR BUSINESS, MATH, SCIENCE AND ENGINEERING MAJORS**

The second of a two-course sequence in algebra. This course completes some topics from the first course, such as factoring and operations on rational and radical expressions, and includes the addition of new topics such as absolute value equations and inequalities, exponential and logarithmic expressions and equations, conic sections, and an introduction to matrices and sequences and series. The concept of functions is developed including composition and inverses. Quadratic functions are covered in depth. Computational techniques developed in beginning algebra are prerequisite skills for this course. This course is appropriate for students with knowledge of beginning algebra or who have had at least two years of high school algebra but have not used it for several years. Graphing calculators are required for this course. *Maximum of 5 units can be earned for taking MATH 103 and 110.*

**TEXT AND MATERIALS:**

1. **Text (REQUIRED):** *Intermediate Algebra Student Workbook*, Scottsdale Community College, Creative Commons Attribution 4.0. You are required to bring the print version to class. Its only cost is for the paper and printing which will be less than \$40).
2. **Calculator (REQUIRED):** A TI-83 OR a TI-84 Plus graphing calculator. The Mathematics Department of Cuyamaca College highly recommends and supports the use of Texas Instruments graphing calculators.
3. **Class Tools (REQUIRED):** Paper, PENCIL, eraser and a 3-ring binder.
4. **MyOpenMath Account (REQUIRED):** FREE  
To create an account you will need:
  - a. Internet connection - go to [www.myopenmath.com](http://www.myopenmath.com)
  - b. Course ID # = **44454**
  - c. Enrollment Key = **Cuyamaca**
  - d. Your personal email address



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## **IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER:**

- February 8 Last Day to Drop without "W"
- February 15 & 16 **Holiday** (Lincoln's Birthday Observed)
- February 18 **Holiday** (Washington's Birthday Observed)
- March 1 Last Day to Apply for P/NP
- March 25 - 30 **Holiday**: Spring Recess
- April 26 Last Day to Drop Semester Length Classes
- May 27 **Holiday** (Memorial Day)
- May 28 - June 3 Final Exams (No class this week – only come for exam)
- \_\_\_\_\_ **Final Exam**, \_\_\_\_\_

## **TIPS FOR SUCCESS**

- Ponder these success principles so you can achieve your best from this class.
- Cultivate a positive attitude; Make friends and do your homework together in groups.
- Every time - Come to class on time and stay the whole time
- Take **responsibility** for **YOUR** own learning.
- Ask questions – lots of questions – to yourself, to classmates, to tutors and to the instructor.

## **ACCOMODATIONS:**

**Academic accommodations** are available for students with disabilities. Please identify yourself to me (after class) and/or to **Disabled Students Programs & Services** staff so that the appropriate accommodations can be ensured. If you suspect you have a learning disability or need services for any other type of disability, contact the **Disabled Students Programs Services (DSP&S) Office, A-113**, at the **Student Services One-Stop Center** or call **(619) 660-4239**.

## **CLASSWORK, HOMEWORK AND COMPUTER WORK:**

**Classwork:** Classwork consists of both individual and group activities. Some (but not all) of your in-class activities will be graded. For the in-class group work, each group member should complete the work and keep a copy for review. However, I may randomly select only one group member's work to grade for the entire group, OR I may choose to chat with that group member to determine how well the group has mastered the lesson. Again, the group members present will earn the same grade for the activity/group-work. I do not accept late work for in-class assignments and you cannot make-up missed in-class assignments (so if you miss class, you will earn a zero for any in-class work collected on that day).

**Homework:** Problems will be assigned from each section of the text covered in class. I will not collect all paper homework. I will randomly select assignment to collect. The paper and pencil homework will also be assigned as the semester progresses. Each assignment should be neat with your **NAME** at the top of the page. You don't want to lose points for your hard work because you did not put your name or the teacher cannot read it.

**Computer Work:** Students will have online homework problems. The online homework is to be completed through [MyOpenMath.com](http://MyOpenMath.com). It is your responsibility to regularly check your computer account for the assignments and their due dates. Please obey the computer lab rules and remember that food and drinks are not allowed in the Math Lab and STEM center. Failure to submit computer homework on time will result in 40% deduction up to the time to the chapter exam unless you claim a LATEPASS **before** the due date. After the chapter exam the computer homework can NOT be submitted for grading/points.

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**QUIZZES:** All quizzes will be either given as individual or as group quizzes. Quizzes will generally be given in class either as verbal or written quizzes. Some quizzes due dates will be announced in class; however, homework quizzes are unannounced.

**EXAMS:** There will be 6 exams during the semester. These cannot be made up. Students who have a legitimate reason for being absent on an exam day, need to contact me **before** the test date to schedule another time. A no-show without contacting me will result in getting a zero for that test. **Cell phones, or other communication devices, are not allowed on exams.** Turn the cell phone off and put them away. If I catch you with one out, I will take your exam away and you will get ZERO on the test.

**AFFECTIVE SUPPORT ASSIGNMENTS:** These assignments may include reading articles, watching videos, writing and reflecting on certain concepts and ideas regarding the affective part of your learning. Points earned will be added to the other book and computer homework which makes up 25% of your overall score.

**FINAL EXAM:** A comprehensive final exam will be given at the end of the course and is worth 20% of your overall grade. The final exam is mandatory and may not be dropped. If you do not take the final, you will receive a failing grade in the course. If you receive less than a 60% on the final, you will receive a "D" or an "F" for the final course grade.

### **CLASS POLICIES/ EXPECTATIONS:**

**Your decision to enroll in this class constitutes an implicit agreement to the following:**

**TIME COMMITMENT:** You are expected to keep up to date, study your notes and do the homework. The usual rule of thumb for college courses is a minimum - Two hours of study out of class for every hour in class. Since we meet 5 hours per week, you should spend *at least* 10 hours studying and doing homework for this class each week (**about 2 hour PER NIGHT**).

**RESPECT:** You are expected to be courteous to each other and to the instructor. When class is doing a group activity there is a lot of talking amongst students as well as with the instructor. We need to respect each other. Be aware of when it is time to listen and when it is ok to talk. When the teacher or a classmate is talking you are to listen (without interrupting). You will be given time to comment and ask questions. You will be asked to leave the class for display of behavior the instructor deems as disruptive to the learning environment.

**HONESTY POLICY:** Students are expected to display the utmost integrity. During tests and quizzes, calculators cannot be shared, students are not to communicate with others and your eyes should remain on your papers. No other electronic device may be used during tests or quizzes. If a question arises during the assessment see the instructor. You may not leave during the exam. There is absolutely NO tolerance for cheating in this class. Any student caught cheating or assisting another student in the act of cheating will receive a zero on the assignment, test or quiz. If it happens a second time, you will earn a '0' on that assignment and you will be reported to the Dean of Student Services which will go on your permanent record and may result in removal from the class. (On test days, the instructor reserves the right to move students to different seats, do not take it personally ☺ ).

**NO CELL PHONES:** All cell phones must either be turned off or put on silent during class time. They are not allowed on desks during class and are not to be used as a calculator. If you have your cell phone out during class, the instructor may confiscate your phone until class is over.

**ATTENDANCE:** You are expected to attend each class, **arriving on time** and **remaining for the entire class**. Please grant me the courtesy of letting me know at the beginning of class if you must leave early.

- You may be dropped from the class if you are absent more than three. If this becomes a problem, please come and speak with me. I may decide to drop you unless you convince me of your motivation to stay, and your grades support this motivation. When you are dropped you may receive a “W” or an “F”, depending on the date dropped.
  - Do not assume that you will be dropped if you do not attend classes. To ensure that you are withdrawn, you must officially withdraw online, in person, or by telephone. Failing to drop a class in a timely manner may earn you a failing grade in the class.
- Arriving late or leaving early may be counted as an absence. Excessive tardiness (3 or more) will result in being dropped.
- You are responsible for getting class notes from other classmates and getting any schedule changes or other class announcements from classmates on days missed from the class. Any changes and class announcements will be made known in class. It is not acceptable to return to class following an absence and claim that you did not know about some assignment, class activity, quiz, or an exam.

**METHOD OF EVALUATION:**

This class is an 8 unit course. Your semester grade will be based on the different categories listed below:

- HOMEWORK & Group-work 25% of overall grade
- QUIZZES (Individual and Group) 10% of overall grade
- EXAMS 45% of overall grade
- FINAL 20% of overall grade

Your final grade is based on the percentage of the number of points you have acquired over the semester to the total number of points possible.

**An A = 90% or higher, B = 80% - 89.9%, C = 70% - 79.9%, D = 60% - 69.9%, F = below 60%. Note: You must earn at least a “D” on the final AND earn an overall average of 70% to earn a passing grade in this course!**

**TUTORING:** To support your efforts to succeed in this class, it is highly recommended that you utilize the free math tutoring services available in the STEM Center (the Tutoring Center). Students needing additional help to achieve the learning outcomes for this class are encouraged to enroll in **Math 198, Supervised Tutoring**. The H-building STEM center tutor station will provide students with an add code to enroll in this free non-credit class. Instructors and student tutors are available to answer homework questions, give confidence, and support math students. Students also have access to graphing calculators, textbooks, instructional videos, and computer tutorial programs. Computers are also available for student use. **Hours of the STEM Center:** \_\_\_\_\_.

**Student Learning Outcomes:**

<b>Math 110</b>
<ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. Simplify or reorganize expressions.</li><li>2. Solve equations and inequalities.</li><li>3. Solve systems of two or three equations.</li><li>4. Recognize and graph elementary conics.</li><li>5. Use the graphing calculator to solve equations graphically.</li><li>6. Solve application problems.</li><li>7. Simplify or reorganize functions by operations.</li><li>8. Graph a function and identify its defining elements.</li><li>9. Find the domain and range of a given function.</li></ol>

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