

MATH 114.05 – Math Prep 3: Intermediate Algebra– Spring 2021



MATH 114 – Intermediate Algebra Spring 2021 Section 05Z, CRN 44260

Instructor and Contact Information

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Class Dates/Times: Mon – Fri 9:30 – 10:20a

Office Hours: Mon – Thurs 10:30 – 11:20a

Class Website / Canvas

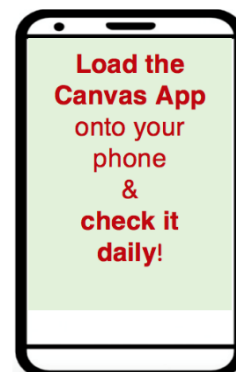
We'll be using **CANVAS** to manage our class documents and deadlines. Your canvas connection should work, giving you access to all relevant course materials for our class.

If you know how to access Canvas, go to it! Otherwise, try the steps below.

- Go to MyPortal on the www.deanza.edu website.
- Click on the  link in the left-hand navigation on page then choose to enter the  Canvas App. Choose "Login to De Anza Canvas Site"
- Once in Canvas, click on our course:

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Load the APP and check the CANVAS homepage daily.



Required Materials –

Our e-textbook, online homework, and graphing calculator are FREE. (yay!)

- We'll use a **notes package** as our textbook and these notes will be published in Canvas.
- **MyOpenMath** is a free online homework system.
- **Desmos** is a free online calculator.

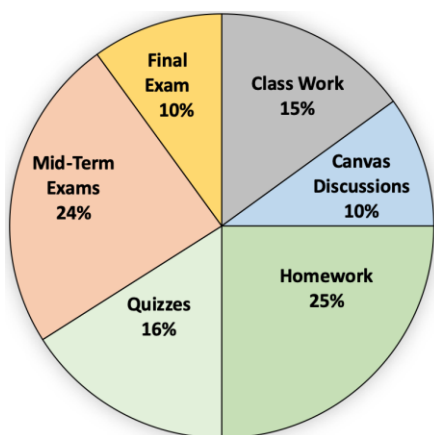
Basic Calculator – A simple arithmetic calculator may be useful in this class, but it is not required.

Class Structure

- We'll use Canvas as our shared platform for the class.
- We will meet five days per week (Mon – Fri), and your attendance is required in class.

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Grades will be assigned as follows:



Grade	Percentage	Grade	Percentage
A+	At least 98%	B -	80% – 81%
A	92% – 97%	C+	78% – 79%
A -	90% – 91%	C	70% – 77%
B+	88% – 89%	D	60% – 69%
B	82% – 87%	F	Under 60%

Make up Policy – There are no make ups.

You must take the exams on the dates listed in Canvas. There are absolutely no make-up quizzes or exams. The final exam date and time have been determined and mandated by the college. No early/late final exam may be scheduled. If you know that you are unable to take the final at the date and time above, you must drop the class now.

Dropped/Replaced Grades –

- (1) Lowest quiz score is dropped
- (2) Lowest exam grade will be replaced by final exam grade *if* the final exam grade is higher than the lowest exam grade
- (3) Lowest 2 homework scores will be dropped
- (4) No Canvas discussion assignments are dropped
- (5) Lowest class work score will be dropped

Class Work (15% of course grade):

Each week, we'll work in groups on in-class questions. These will be submitted into Canvas and will account for 15% of our course grade.

Canvas Discussions (10%):

Each week, students will be expected to either ask or answer questions in the Canvas Discussions board.

Homework (25% of course grade):

Homework will be submitted on Canvas using MyOpenMath and also via scan submissions of handwritten exercises into Canvas. Lowest 2 homework scores will be dropped.

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Quizzes (16% of your course grade):

Quizzes will usually include 5 or 6 questions. They will usually be taken online in MyOpenMath, but we may have one or two that are handwritten then submitted in Canvas. The lowest quiz will be dropped; however, you are not allowed to drop a quiz in which you cheat. Quiz dates will be posted in Canvas.

Quizzes will be timed and most will last approximately 30 minutes. Class policy is that there are no late or make-up quizzes, but your lowest quiz score will be dropped.

Midterm Exams (24% of your course grade):

We will have **3 or 4 midterm exams** *through the quarter in addition to the final*. Midterm exams will last approximately 50 minutes.

Each of the midterm exams will cover only the material since the previous test.

Although tentative dates for these exams are posted in Canvas at the beginning of the quarter, we'll set each date firmly at least one week in advance.

I understand that you may be required to miss an exam because of circumstances in life, and my policy is that there are no late or make-up exams. That said, if you miss an exam, you'll earn an score of 0 on that exam....and....Your final exam score will replace your lowest midterm exam score, even if your lowest exam score is a zero. If your lowest mid-term exam score is the result of cheating or cell phone misuse, that score will not be replaced by the final exam score, but the next lowest will.

Final Exam (10% of your course grade):

Our Final Exam will occur on Tuesday, 6/22/21 @ 9:15 –11:15a.

The final exam will be 2 hours long, worth at least 10% of your final grade, and will be mandatory. It will be comprehensive and will include all material covered during the quarter.

The final exam will cover material from the whole course.

If English is a second language (ESL), an English translation dictionary is allowed for exams/quizzes.

If you miss the final exam without contacting me (your instructor), you will receive a score of 0 on the Final Exam.

Please keep your work neatly written and organized.

If I can't read your work or track your logic, you may not receive full credit.

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Tips for Success in our class.

- Attend daily class sessions on Zoom.
- Ask questions. You can always e-mail me or ask questions during discussions or office hours.
- Work the assigned homework exercises (+ others!) and share questions.
- Take notes.
- Get help if you need it. Use resources in the Math, Science and Technology Learning Center
 - Resources can be accessed here.
<http://deanza.edu/studentssuccess/servicesupdate.html>
 - For individual tutoring sessions, click here:
http://deanza.fhda.edu/studentssuccess/mstrc/weekly_ind.html
- Work with others in this class. Share contact information with classmates and work together.
- Attend office hours. I'm happy to help, and I value your questions. If you have them, others will too.

Accommodations for Students with Learning Differences:

If you are a student who has been found to be eligible for accommodations by Disability Support Services (DSS), please follow up to ensure that your accommodations have been authorized for the current quarter. If you are not registered with DSS and need accommodation, please go to the DSS office in the Registration & Student Services Building (RSS) (Room 141) for information on eligibility and how to receive support services. You can also go online to <https://www.deanza.edu/dsps/dss/> for additional help.

Please send an e-mail or participate in office hours regarding your accommodations.

HEFAS – Resource Center for Undocumented Students:

HEFAS (Higher Education for AB 540 Students) provides free services, reduces financial stress and creates a safe space for all with an emphasis on undocumented and AB 540 students. They are dedicated to building leaders, promoting social justice, and giving students tools to reach higher education regardless of the barriers that may exist. HEFAS provides free services like books and testing materials and connects students to on and off campus resources including tutoring, counseling and legal aid.

Location: ECOT-2

Website: <https://www.deanza.edu/hefas>

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Academic Integrity:

Cheating and academic dishonesty aren't tolerated and can result in a grade of 0 or F for the assignment (quiz/exam/other assignment) or a grade of F for the course and referral to the Dean for academic discipline. *Just don't do it.* Any grade of 0 or F for dishonesty will be not be dropped and not replaced.

Cheating includes, but isn't limited to: copying from other students, permitting other students to copy from you, plagiarism, submitting work that isn't your own, using notes that don't meet permitted specifications, continuing to write/erase on an exam/quiz after permitted time has ended, changing your exam/quiz paper after it's been graded and then requesting a grading correction.

Key Dates

- APRIL 5** First day of spring quarter classes
- APRIL 17** Last day to **add classes**
- MAY 28** Last day to **drop classes** with a "W"
- MAY 29-31** Memorial Day Weekend - offices closed; no classes
- JUNE 21-25** **Final exams**

*Our class final exam is scheduled to occur on **Tuesday, 6/22/21 @ 9:15 – 11:15a.***

Disclaimer:

Any of information in this syllabus is subject to change if the instructor finds it necessary. Changes will be announced during a class session and those who are absent will be held responsible for any announced changes to the syllabus.

*Thanks for reading this in detail.
If you have any questions at all regarding our class, please ask.
I'm really looking forward working together!*

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Student Learning Outcome(s):

*Evaluate real-world situations and distinguish between and apply exponential, logarithmic, rational, and discrete function models appropriately.

*Analyze, interpret, and communicate results of exponential, logarithmic, rational, and discrete models in a logical manner from four points of view - visual, formula, numerical, and written.