

CHAMINADE UNIVERSITY of HONOLULU

MA 098

MWF2:30-3:20

Instructor: Sheryl Dohm: Office Hours: 9-10am Thursday H123D

E-mail: sheryl.dohm@chaminade.edu

TEXTBOOK Gustafson, Karr, and Massey (2011) Beginning Algebra 9th ed. Cengage:
Belmont, CA.

COURSE DESCRIPTION. Improvement of basic arithmetic skills, and introduction to algebra.

COURSE FORMAT. Classes will consist of presentation of math principles and problems with opportunity for you to try practice problems and ask questions during the class time. You are encouraged to participate in class discussions and to ask and answer questions.

HOMEWORK. The only way to learn math is through practice. Study the examples in the text book, and do the assigned homework. Some of the homework problems may appear on exams.

SUPPLIES: Notebook paper, straight edge, graph paper, calculator

ATTENDANCE. Attendance in class is crucial to your success in this course. Attendance will be taken each class. Please read the section on CUH policy on attendance in your student handbook.

EXAM SCHEDULE. There will be four term exams (100 points each) and one noncomprehensive final (100 points).

FINAL EXAMINATION. You must take the fall examinations in order to pass the course.

METHOD OF DETERMINING FINAL COURSE GRADE

Four term exams @ 100 points each 400 points

Attendance: 50 points

Final Exam 100 points

TOTAL 550 points

Grades will be assigned to the following scale:

A (90%-100%) 495-550 points

B (80%-89.9%) 440-494 points

C (70%-79.9%) 385-339 points

D (60%-69.9%) 330-384 points

F below 275 points

Course Schedule

W1: 27-31 Aug		Ch 1
W2: 3-7 Sept	Mon Holiday	Ch 2
W3: 10-14 Sept		Ch 3 Exam 1
W4: 17-21 Sept		Ch 3
W5: 24-28 Sept		Ch 4
W6: 1-5 Oct		Ch 4 Exam 2
W7: 8-12 Oct	Mon Holiday	Ch 5
W8: 15-19 Oct		Ch 6
W9: 22-26 Oct		Ch 6
W10: 29 Oct – 2 Nov		Ch 7 Exam 3
W11: 5-9 Nov		Ch 7
W12: 12-16 Nov		Ch 8
W13: 19-23 Nov	Thurs, Fri. Holiday	Ch 8 Exam 4
W14: 26-30 Nov		Ch 9
W15: 3-7 Dec		Ch 9
Final Exam		

Music Devices and Cellphones: Use of music devices and cell phones is prohibited during all Natural Science and Mathematics classes at Chaminade, unless specifically permitted by your instructor. Use of cellphones and music devices in laboratories is a safety issue. In addition, use of cellphones and music devices in any class is discourteous and may lead to suspicion of academic misconduct. Students who cannot comply with this rule will be asked to leave class and may be subject to laboratory safety violation fines. Please refer any questions to the Dean of Natural Sciences and Mathematics.

ADA Accommodations: Students with special needs who meet criteria for the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) provisions must provide written documentation of the need for accommodations from the CUH Counseling Center (Dr. June Yasuhara; phone 735 4845) by the end of week three of the class, in order for the instructor to plan accordingly. Failure to provide written documentation will prevent your instructor from making the necessary accommodations. Please refer any questions to the Dean of Students and review the procedures at http://www.chaminade.edu/student_life/sss/counseling_services.php