Course Syllabus
UNIV 1108 Fall 2017

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Supplementary Materials: Access to the online homework system through web assign and a Graphing Calculator (TI-83 or TI-84).

Purpose of this Course:
Prepare students for Math 1101 (Mathematical Modeling)

Course Description:
During this course, students will participate in a review of algebra, problem-solving techniques, graphing functions, and calculator techniques for solving problems.

Topical Outline:
The following outline is given with the understanding that the topics may change depending on the pacing of the course.

1. Fundamental Concepts of Functions: what is a function, finding function values, finding domain and range.

2. Functions and Graphs: Properties of Functions and Their Graphs. Finding average rate of change and using it to make predictions.

3. Linear and Quadratic Functions: graphing, finding intercepts, finding slope and vertex, solving application problems, finding functions of best fit along with their average error, using models to make predictions.

4. Exponential and Logarithmic Functions: Properties, Graphing, Exponential Growth and Decay, solving equations involving exponentials or logarithms, finding functions of best fit along with their average error, using models to make predictions.

Grade Components: Your grade will consist of:
Tests - We will have 4 tests during the semester. Test will be given during class time and will account for 40% of your grade. Tentative tests dates are Sep 1st, Oct 6th, Nov 3rd and Nov 29th.

Homework: Homework will be assigned and graded through web assign. You will have multiple chances to answer each question and should not hesitate to work on your homework in the free math labs in milledge hall and the MLC. It is imperative to your learning that you keep up with assignments and ask questions when you need clarification. Completion of the online assignments and class participation will account for 40% of your final grade. To access the homework you will need to create an account with web assign and pay for the online homework feature. Go to www.webassign.com click on have a class key link and enter the code uga 3877 3254 in the boxes then click submit. Click on yes this is my class and then follow the directions to create your web assign account if you do not already have one. Once you have created your account you should log in daily to see if any announcements or assignments have been added.

Final Exam - the final exam will be comprehensive and will account for the remaining 20% of your final grade. The final exam will be given through webassign and will be due by the last day of finals.


Attendance Policy: Because this is a math class that will build from class to class it will be in your best interest to not miss class if at all possible. If you do need to miss please try your best to obtain any class notes from a classmate and make sure you ask me for any possible missed handouts.

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**This course syllabus is a general plan for the course; deviations announced by the instructor to the class may be necessary.**