Math 129 College Algebra for Business Calculus Spring 2007

Course Information CRN 20140 – TR 9:00 a.m.– 10:50 a.m. Room 616

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Text: Harshbarger, College Algebra in Context. 1st Ed.

Prerequisite: Math 40 Intermediate Algebra with a grade of “C” or better, or math skills clearance.

Course Description: Four hours lecture per week. This course includes an examination of algebra topics required in business Calculus, with applications from business and economics. It is designed for students planning to enroll in Math 130 Business Calculus. (This course does not meet requirements in the Business Division and will not substitute for BUS 151 Business Mathematics)

Exams: There will be 4 midterm exams given on the dates indicated on the syllabus and a comprehensive final exam given during finals week. There will be no make-up exams. Each midterm exam counts 100 points and the final exam counts 200 points. The lowest midterm exam score will be dropped in computing your course grade. The final exam in this course will be held at Tuesday, May 22nd, 9:00 – 10:50 a.m..

Homework Assignments: There will be 25 homework assignments to be collected on the dates indicated on the syllabus. Homework will be collected at the beginning of class. Homework assignment turned in late during class hours will be deducted 1 point from the total score. Each assignment will be worth 3 points. Late homework will not be accepted after class session is over. Selected problems will be graded form each homework assignment and points will also be given for completeness of assignments. (Make sure to start a new section from the top of the page.) The lowest three homework scores will be dropped for a homework total of 66 points towards your course grade.

Quizzes: There will be 12 quizzes given on the dates indicated on the syllabus. Students will take a short quiz (10 to 15 minutes) covering the sections mentioned in class. The two lowest quiz scores will be dropped in computing your course grade. There will be no make-up quizzes. Each quiz will be worth 10 points. Quizzes will count a total of 100 points towards your course grade.

Calculators: Calculators (TI-83+ Graphing Calculator) will be required for selected topics. No cell phone will be allowed in class.

Classwork: During the course of the semester, there will be various class assignments to be done in groups. Some of these assignments will require written work turned in during the class. Classwork will count a total of 20 points towards your course grade. To earn credit on classwork, you must be in attendance and be an active participant in your group.
**Conference:** Everyone in class will meet with the instructor one-to-one to discuss about your grade. Conference will be held on Thursday, April 12th and it will be worth 4 points. However, if you miss the conference you will be deducted 8 points from your final score.

**Grading:** Your grade in Math 129 is based upon the following combinations:

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Total Points 690 points

with grading scale

A 90-100%, B 80-89%, C 70-79%, D 60-69%, F 0-59%

On all the homework, quizzes, and exams, you must show all of your work in obtaining your answers in order to receive credit. Remember, obtaining the correct final answer is less important than knowing and understanding the correct procedure required to obtain an answer.

**Class Attendance:** It is the responsibility of students to attend classes regularly and apply themselves to the college studies in which they are enrolled. Should a class be missed the student should arrange with another student (not the instructor) to find out what was missed. Students who are absent more than 3 times will be dropped from the class. **It is the students’ responsibility to withdraw from the class before the deadline Saturday, April 28th.**

**Academic Honesty/Dishonesty Policy:** Students who violate this policy are subject to disciplinary sanctions, including failure in the course and suspension or expulsion from the college. Examples of academic dishonesty include, but are not limited to: (1) copying from another student’s homework, quiz, or exam; (2) allowing another student to copy your work; and (3) using notes, “Cheat sheets,” during a quiz or test. (See College Catalog)

**Student Waiting Time:** If the instructor does not arrive at the scheduled start time for class, students are to remain in class for fifteen minutes (unless otherwise notified by the a staff member from the math department). If students do not receive notification to wait for their instructor to arrive, after fifteen minutes the students may leave with no penalty for absence or assigned work due for that class meeting.

**Pager and Cell Phones:** Pager and cell phones are to be turned off while a class is in session. If a student is using any of these devices during class, you will be ask to leave the class.

**Requirements – All requirements must be met for papers to be collected. If not, 1 point will be deducted for each requirement that is not met.**
1. Use 8 ½ -in X 11-in OR 8-in X 10 ½-in papers only. **Any other sizes will not be accepted.**
2. All papers (of course more than one paper) must be stapled.
3. Use pencil and eraser. No pen will be allowed.

**ADA Statement:** Fullerton College is committed to providing educational accommodations for students with disabilities upon the timely request by the student to the instructor. Verification of the disability must also be provided. Disability Support Services functions as a resource for students and faculty in the determination and provision of the accommodations.