Prerequisite: Math 084/085 or Math 097 or by placement.
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This syllabus is subject to change at the discretion of the instructor.

Course Content: Welcome to Math 098! This course will include chapters 2 – 8 in the course textbook. Math 098 assumes that you have a working knowledge of beginning algebra. Students need to be aware that Summer Quarter is very intensive and fast paced. Organizing time well and allowing enough hours to study is extremely important to achieve success with the demands of the Summer Quarter schedule.

Daily Schedule: Each class will begin with questions from the assigned homework. Check your homework sheet for specific problems to solve. To succeed at the study of Intermediate Algebra, you will need to attend class and come prepared with homework completed. A new topic will be presented on a daily basis. Attendance is taken on a regular basis.

Homework: Daily homework will be assigned and is to be done outside the class period. Assigned homework is a beginning point only. Do more problems if needed to fully understand the concepts. For 1 hour of class time, expect to do 2 hours of study. Late homework assignments will not be accepted. A late homework voucher can be used for two assignments. The rules listed on the voucher must be followed. All assignments must be done in pencil with all work showing. They must be neat. All daily assignments must be done in a spiral bound notebook. This notebook will be submitted for credit and graded periodically in the quarter. Further information on homework that is to be submitted for credit, will be given in class.
Supplies: Two 8.5 X 11 spiral bound notebook are required for this class. A good eraser is a necessity as well as a number of pencils. Graph paper and a ruler will be needed for work in Chapters 4 and 8. Scientific calculators may be used on all tests and homework. Cell phones are not allowed as a calculator.

Cell phones: Turn ringers off and use cell phones outside of the classroom. Cell phones may not be answered or used during a test.

Tests: Students must be present the day a test is given in class. Make-up tests will be given only if I am notified within 24 hours of the test and the student has an excuse that is acceptable to me. If a student misses a test and does not meet the criteria for a make-up test, a grade of "0" will be given. The final exam will be held on the last day of the quarter, Thursday, August 18.

Grading: Math 098 is a graded course. The grade will be determined by the number of points earned from homework submitted for credit, class participation, and tests. There are approximately 800 points possible for this course. Tests and homework assignments will have a certain number of points. The number of points earned will be added together at the end of the quarter and divided by the total number of points possible to determine the percentage earned. The quarter grade will be based on the following percentages:

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Tutoring: Tutoring help for Math 098 students is available in the Math Learning Center. I urge students to take advantage of the MLC and to form study groups with other members of the class.

Classroom Etiquette: Math 098 is taught in a college environment. Please respect other students by allowing a learning environment that is both pleasant yet mindful of the quiet necessary for others to focus on what the instructor is teaching. During class, please refrain from any behavior that would be a distraction for the other students or the instructor.

Penalty for Cheating: Cheating in any form will not be tolerated and will result in a failing grade for the material for which the student has committed the offense of cheating. Any student found to be cheating on an exam will receive a "0" grade for the exam.

Withdrawal from class: If a student withdraws from the class, an official drop form must be filled out by the student and submitted to the Register's office. Failure to officially withdraw from a class can result in a grade of "0".
**Math Anxiety Bill of Rights**

I have the right to learn at my own pace and not feel put down or stupid if I’m slower than some one else.

I have the right to view myself as capable of learning math.

I have the right to ask whatever questions I have.

I have the right to ask the teacher or tutor for help.

I have the right to say, “I don’t understand”.

I have the right to fell good about myself regardless of my abilities in the study of math.

I have the right to be treated as a competent adult.

I have the right to define success in terms of my own goals.