

MA 109-014: COLLEGE ALGEBRA

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UNIVERSITY OF KENTUCKY

T/TR 9:30 – 10:45AM

CB 334

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Class Time and Location:

Tuesday & Thursday 9:30am – 10:45am, Classroom Building (CB) 334.
All registered students are expected to attend and participate actively in class regularly.

Course Webpage:

CANVAS: MA 109-014: <https://uk.instructure.com/courses/1876838>

Course Syllabus:

http://www.ms.uky.edu/~ma109/fall_2016/syllabus.html

This document can also be found on Canvas, under "Pages" then "Syllabus."

Every section of MA 109 taught at the University of Kentucky covers the same material, has the same homework due dates, exam dates, expectations, etc.

MAKE SURE TO COPY THE COURSE SCHEDULE INTO YOUR PERSONAL PLANNER/CALENDAR.

Instructor Score:

This portion of your grade will be earned by *attending class on a regular basis* (without arriving late or leaving early), completing in-class assignments, and actively participating in the lesson with REEF polling. You will often be allowed (and encouraged) to work in groups during our class meetings.

****Refer to the MA 109 Course Syllabus with any questions about the attendance policy.****

Math is not a spectator sport!
Attendance is quite useful to your success in this course.

Classroom Expectations:

- I expect that you will attend and participate for the ENTIRE class.
- I expect that you will be respectful of yourself and others.
- Please do not eat your meals during class. Any drinks need to be in a container with a lid/cap.
- Please SILENCE YOUR CELL PHONES, but keep them connected to Wi-Fi if you use your phone for REEF polling.
- I expect that you will ONLY WORK ON OUR CLASS MATERIAL during our class time. No other class work, no surfing internet/checking social media sites, no puzzles, etc. during class. If you are working on non-class material, you will be asked to leave class and receive an unexcused absence.
- Remember, you earn your grade for this class; I do not GIVE out any grades. Therefore, I expect everyone to try and do his or her best. You are responsible for your own experience in this class and university.
- The university, college and department have a commitment to respect the dignity of all and to value differences among members of our academic community.
- Obviously, the accepted level of civility would NOT INCLUDE attacks of a personal nature or statements denigrating another on the basis of race, sex, religion, sexual orientation, age, national/regional origin or other such irrelevant factors.
- Students who are not respectful, not civil or disruptive in any way will be asked to leave the class, with all subsequent penalties applied to their grade.

There are certain things that are essential for success in this course (and any other math course.):

1. Attend class every day. Your instructor attempts to find a way to present and illustrated that material to make it understandable. You will have the opportunity to ask questions about points that are not clear and to hear responses to questions raised by other students.
2. Do the work. You should not expect to pass this course without understanding and solving completely and accurately many problems. It is no more possible to pass this course with a vague understanding of the material than it is to pass a driving test without ever having previously driven an automobile.
3. Don't get behind. If you find you do not understand a concept, make an attempt to immediately clarify it. Mathematics builds on previously learned material and gaps in understanding soon get out of hand.
4. There are two steps in solving problems. First, figure out how to do the problem. This may require lots of scratch paper and time. The next step, is to write the solution up in a logical way that could be understood by a friend with the appropriate background.
5. Stay organized. Keep a calendar or planner with all the due dates of homework, quizzes, exams, etc. This is a good idea to implement with all of your classes.

Math is the world's universal language. Be proud to speak it.