MATH 152 Section S0601 Introductory College Algebra II Jan – Apr 2006

Time & Location: Mon, Wed 1:00-2:30, Fri 1:00-2:00; Bldg 360 Rm 323

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Prerequisite: Min. "C" in MATH 151 or pass in Principles of Math 12, or equivalent.

Text: Just-In-Time Algebra and Trigonometry for Students of Calculus, Third Edition by

G. Mueller and R. Brent

Course Outline: This course is a continuation of Math 151 and covers additional theory and

techniques of algebra which form the foundation necessary for calculus and other advanced mathematics courses. Topics with corresponding chapters from

the text are

1. Simplifying Algebraic Expressions – Ch 6

- 2. Completing the Square and the Quadratic Formula Ch 2 and Appendix F
- 3. Trigonometric Functions Ch 7
- 4. Word Problems Ch 10
- 5. Trigonometric Identities Ch 11
- 6. Inverse Trigonometric Functions Appendix D
- 7. The Binomial Theorem Appendix E
- 8. Matrices Supplementary material to be handed out

Some of these topics will include material not found in the text. Detailed class notes and/or supplementary material will be handed out in class.

Homework:

Homework will be assigned weekly. Most homework problems will be from the textbook, though I will occasionally draw on problems from other sources. Doing practice problems is essential for learning mathematics and it is crucial that you complete and understand all assigned homework. In addition to the assigned problems, you should also attempt additional problems from the text to reinforce your understanding.

It is important that you are able to solve problems on our own, however you are also encouraged to work together on the problem sets. Explaining your solutions to others and discussing problem strategies contributes enormously to your understanding. You may of course also see me for help with homework problems.

Homework will not be collected for grading, though you will be tested on the homework in the form of quizzes (see below). Answers to odd-numbered problems are in the back of the text.

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Quizzes: Short in-class guizzes will be given the following Fridays: Jan 13 & 20;

Feb 10 & 17; Mar 17 & 24. The quizzes will have two to four questions and should only take 15 to 20 minutes. The purpose of the quizzes is to encourage you to keep up on your homework, and the questions will be virtually identical to homework questions assigned. Quizzes are worth 15% of your final grade. Your lowest quiz score will be dropped in the calculation of your average, so you may

miss one guiz without penalty. No make-up guizzes will be given.

Tests: There will be three class tests each worth 15% of your grade. The tests will be

one hour in length and will be given in class on **Friday Jan 27**, **Friday Mar 3** and **Friday Mar 31**. There will be no make-up tests, but if you miss a class test for a good reason (e.g. illness, with a doctor's note) allowances will be made.

Final Exam: There will be a final exam in April worth 40% of your grade. The exam period is

Apr 13-26 2006.

Grading Summary: Weekly Quizzes: 15%

Class Tests: 45%

Final Exam 40%

Grading Scale: 95-100% A+ 65-69% C+

90-94% 60-64% C Α 85-89% 55-59% C-A-80-84% B+50-54% D 75-79% В 0-49% F

70-74% B-

Web Page: http://web.mala.bc.ca/pughg/Spring2006/math152S0601

This page will be updated regularly with announcements, extra handouts, homework assignments and quiz/test solutions. Please have a look at it

regularly, especially if you miss a class.

Extra Help: In addition to help during office hours, you can also get extra help from the

tutors in the Math Learning Centre located in Bldg 360 Rm 303.

Miscellaneous Policies:

Calculators: A basic scientific <u>non-programmable</u>, <u>non-graphing</u> calculator

may be used for quizzes, class tests and the final exam. (The Canon F502, available at Staples for about \$9, is plenty).

Cell Phones: Turn off and put away before class. Cell phones may NOT be

used as clocks or calculators during tests.

Formula Sheets: The use of formula sheets will not be allowed for guizzes,

tests or the final exam.

Grade Review: If you do not agree with the grade received on a test or guiz,

you may submit your paper for regrading within three days of the date it was returned to you. In this case, the entire paper

will be regraded.