Syllabus for: Math 301 – Prealgebra Review	
Semester & Year:	Summer 2013
Course ID and Section	033568 (E3568)
Number:	
Number of Credits/Units:	1
Day/Time:	M-Th 2-4:05pm
Location:	PS 110
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## Course Description (catalog description as described in course outline):

A review course covering material from Math 376 (Prealgebra). This review course is designed for students preparing to place into Math 380 (Elementary Algebra). Content will include: review of arithmetic operations involving fractions, decimals, and signed numbers; review of problem-solving strategies for problems involving ratios, percents, and geometry; review of basic algebra concepts; review of techniques for simplifying algebraic expressions and solving linear equations.

## **Student Learning Outcomes (as described in course outline):**

1. Demonstrate the skills required to pass the placement exam which will allow the student to enroll in the proper level of mathematics. This will be assessed at the end of each module. These assessments will include: operations with rational numbers, solving algebraic equations, and basic geometry.

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M-Th – 2:00-4:05pm – PS 110 (Course number 033658)

#### Instructor

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## **Course Description**

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## **Required Materials**

**Notebook:** Composition notebook (recommended), OR notebook and lined paper.

Pencil and eraser

#### **Course Work**

The course will proceed as follows:

- This review course is broken up into 6 modules (We will cover about one module a day).
- Each module has 2 or 3 skills (labeled A, B, ...) to be reviewed.
- Each skill has a PDF text file, with examples, explaining that particular skill.
- Each skill has some exercise sets for practice available on OPTIMATH, our online testing system.
- After reviewing and practicing each skill within a module, complete the Module Completion Quiz available on OPTIMATH.

- 1. If you just want to review and you think you are taking (or placed into) the appropriate course in Fall 2012
  - Recommended that you complete all assignments and receive passing grades (at least 70%) on all completion quizzes.
- 2. If you would like to test out of Math 376 and into Math 380 for Fall 2013
  - You should currently be enrolled in Math 376 for Fall 2013 semester
  - o Recommended that you complete all assignments and receive at least 80% on each completion quiz.
  - You will be required to take the placement exam, outside of class. Upon results, you will either be guaranteed a seat in a Math 380 course, or will remain in the Math 376 course you are currently enrolled in.
- 3. If you would like to test out of Math 376 and into Math 380 in the future (Not Fall 2013)
  - It is recommended that you complete all assignments and receive at least 80% on each completion guiz.
  - You will be required to take the placement exam, outside of class.

#### **Placement Exam Dates**

Each student is individually responsible to contact the Academic Support Center to schedule an appointment for taking the Math Placement Exam. You can schedule by phone: 476-4106, or drop-in to schedule (the ASC is located in the Library). Their hours are Monday through Thursday 8am-5pm.

### **Optimath**

We'll be using the online testing system Optimath. All computers on campus are already set up to use Optimath. If you want to practice at home, then be sure your computer web browser is using the most recent version of Adobe Reader (Google Chrome browser excluded). If you have any trouble, ask me.

Your Optimath login information is the same as your MyCR login information:

Username: first initial – last name – last three digits of student ID (ex. jbrown999)

Password: Student ID

#### Classroom Environment and Attendance

It is essential to our class that both the students and teacher behave in a manner that will provide a comfortable learning atmosphere. Be respectful of one another. You should not hesitate to ask questions nor feel embarrassed to ask for help. Please be on time and prepared with your

headphones put away and cell phones turned on silent. Texting will not be tolerated. You are expected to arrive on time and to leave when the class is dismissed. Arriving late or leaving before class is dismissed is disruptive and disrespectful to your fellow students as well as your teacher.

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