

Math 0702 is an intermediate algebra course that will help you develop skills that will be useful in all of your future mathematics courses. Developing good study habits is the key to success in any mathematics course. Allow yourself enough time to first study your notes and the material presented in the text and then to work through the homework. Anyone who is diligent throughout the course should be able to complete the course successfully. All you need is a willingness to work hard at developing your natural ability.

TEXTBOOK: Intermediate Algebra, 7th edition, by Elayn Martin-Gay

Temple's bookstore has copies of the textbook bundled with MyMathLab. MyMathLab provides students with online homework assignments, practice tests, tutorials, and even an electronic version of the textbook. You may obtain the textbook either by purchasing it from the Temple Bookstore (for a physical copy) or directly from the publisher (for the online version).

Lecture/Discussion: Intermediate Algebra meets for three 70 minute periods each week resulting in approximately four hours of lecture and discussion.

Attendance Policy: *Attendance is required.* Attendance will be taken regularly beginning with the third week of the semester. Unexcused absences will affect your final grade according to the following schedule:

Number of Unexcused Absences	Penalty	Example
5	Final grade lowered to next level	B to B-
7	Final grade lowered one full grade	B- to C-
9	F for the course	

A student must be present for the full class period, otherwise he or she will be considered absent. **Leaving during lecture or disturbing the class in any way, as determined by the instructor, will be considered an absence.** If a student has a valid excuse, the instructor should be contacted as soon as possible.

Grading Policy: There are three tests and a comprehensive final examination, the latter being administered during the final exam week. Here is how your final grade will be determined:

Evaluation	Percent of Final Grade
Test 1	55*
Test 2	
Test 3	
Quizzes	10
MyMathLab	5
Final Exam	30
Total	100

*THE HIGHER TWO TEST SCORES WILL EACH BE WORTH 20% AND THE LOWEST SCORE 15% OF THE FINAL GRADE.

You must pass Math 0702 with a 73 (grade equivalent C) or higher to take Math 1021 (College Algebra), and a C- or higher to continue on to a non-Calculus track math course.

Tests: The three tests are each 70-minute tests, and the comprehensive final exam is two hours. Test questions are not multiple choice questions. **Students cannot use the textbook, notes or any other paper, or a calculator for any of the tests. Any student seen using a phone or similar electronic device during a test will instantly receive a zero for the test.** The tests and Final Exam will be administered according to this schedule:

Evaluation	Material Covered*	Given
Test 1	Unit 1	Tuesday, February 6 th
Test 2	Unit 2	Thursday, March 1 st
Test 3	Unit 3	Tuesday, April 10 th
Final Exam	Units 1 – 4	Thursday, May 3 rd

*PLEASE SEE COURSE OUTLINE FOR TOPICS AND CHAPTERS COVERED IN EACH UNIT

Quizzes: Quizzes will be given at a rate of approximately one per week during any of the weeks in which a test is not scheduled. Quizzes cannot be made up and your two lowest quiz scores will be dropped as long as more than 8 quizzes are administered during the term.

Homework: Among the documents for the course is the Assignment List. Students will be given regular assignments from this list. THIS IS THE CONTENT OF THE COURSE FOR WHICH EACH STUDENT IS RESPONSIBLE.

- **MyMathLab Assignments:** A subset of the homework problems assigned by your instructor will be assigned and scored using MyMathLab. In the range of 20 - 25 MyMathLab assignments will be given throughout the term. If you are able to successfully complete 90% of the work assigned, you will receive a score of 100 for this part of the course. Extra credit can be earned by any amount of work completed above the level of 90% and loss of credit due to incomplete or incorrect work is concurrently mitigated by this formula. Additional exercises for practice, video lectures, and practice tests, are also available online through MyMathLab.

Calculators: *No calculators* are permitted for any test or quiz in this course, including the final. You are also expected not to use calculators when working on your homework assignments.

Placement examination: We strongly encourage any student who feels that he or she has been misplaced into Math 0702 to retake the placement exam sometime during the first week of class. To do so, please contact the Director of Advising and Coordinated Courses in the Math Department, Dr. Boris Datskovsky, at bdats@temple.edu, or an adviser *immediately*. The website www.temple.edu/ira contains online practice problems for the placement exam. Students should study this online test before they take the placement retest.

Tutoring: Free one-on-one tutoring is available at the Student Support Center, Tuttleman Learning Center, Suite 100. The tutoring schedule is posted at www.temple.edu/class.