

<b>North Seattle Community College</b>	<b>Math 085 Algebra II</b>	<b>Winter 2010</b>
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**5 credits**                      **Monday – Friday, room CC 3457**                      **11:00 – 11:50 a.m.**

**Prerequisite:** Math 084

**Text:**                      Elementary Algebra, by Tussy and Gustafson, 4<sup>th</sup> edition

**Instructor:** Pam Lippert

**Office:** IB 2420 B                      **Office hours:** 10:00 – 10:50 a.m. M – F

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**This syllabus is subject to change at the discretion  
of the instructor or as circumstances necessitate.**

**Course Content:** Second half of the elementary algebra course includes factoring, rational and radical expressions, solving and graphing quadratic functions, and applications. The course will include chapters 6 – 9 followed by a brief review of Math 084 concepts. Math 085 is a prerequisite for Intermediate Algebra, Math 098.

**Daily Schedule:** Each class will begin with questions from the homework. Check your homework sheet for specific problems. To succeed at the study of Elementary Algebra, you will need to attend class and come prepared with homework completed.

**Homework:** Daily homework as well as problems from each chapter test in the text will be assigned. Assigned homework is a beginning point only; do more problems if needed to fully understand the concepts. Homework assignments will be submitted for credit; a random problem will be graded each day. Special assignments may be given throughout the quarter. Due dates will be announced in class. No late homework will be accepted without a *Late Homework Voucher*

**Supplies:** All work must be done in pencil and on lined paper; no spiral bound paper, please. A good eraser is a necessity for this class. Graph paper will be needed for work in Chapter 9. Calculators may be used on all tests and homework. The calculator on your cell phone may not be used during class or on tests

**Cell phones, pagers, and earphones:** In consideration of others, please turn ringers off and use cell phones outside of the classroom. All cell phones must be turned off during the test times and may not be answered during a test. Earphones may not be used during class or a test.

**Tests:** Each test will cover one or more chapters. All work must be shown for full credit and neatly organized so it can be easily followed. Your work is to be done in pencil and all errors are to be erased. Dates for tests will be announced in class at least two class days before given. The final test is comprehensive and includes all elementary algebra concepts, including Math 084 topics.

**If you miss a test, it must be taken during finals week; if you miss more than one test, the second score will be 0.**

An occasional in-class quiz may be given without notice. No make up quizzes will be allowed. Opportunities for extra credit may be available throughout the quarter.

*The final exam will be given Tuesday March 23, 10:30 – 12:30 p.m.*

**Grading:** The final grade will be computed by adding the points earned on the chapter tests plus submitted homework. The total points earned on homework submitted for review and any special assignments are equal to one in-class test. An average of 75% is necessary to receive an 'S' grade and meet the prerequisite for Intermediate Algebra, Math 098.

**Math Learning Center:** Tutoring for all math students is available in the Math Learning Center, ED 1845B. One or two elective credits can be earned. Information on credit will be available both in class and the Math Learning Center. If you are enrolled in Math 089, contact the instructor during the first week of the quarter.

Your Math Learning Center instructor is **Barbara Goldner**.

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**Class Website:** <http://northstar.northseattle.edu/MLC/>

### ***Math Success Workshops***

Presented by Barbara Goldner and Jenny Mao  
room CC 3450

Date	Time	Topic
January 14, Thursday	2:00 pm	Notetaking Strategies
February 1, Monday	4:30 pm	
February 17, Wednesday	2:00 pm	Time Management
March 4, Thursday	4:30 pm	
March 15, Monday	2:00 pm	Preparation for Final Exams

I urge you to form your own study groups to help each other. Helping each other and being able to explain concepts to your classmates will help your own understanding tremendously.

**Classroom Etiquette:** Math 085 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 the concepts the instructor is presenting.

Disrespect for each other or for the instructor will not be tolerated. Each student in the class has the right to a safe classroom environment that is conducive to learning.

**Diversity and Classroom Learning:** Respect for diversity is a core value of NSCC. Our college community fosters an optimal learning climate and an environment of mutual respect. We, the college community, recognize individual differences. Therefore, we are responsible for the content and tone of our statements and are empathetic speakers and listeners.

**Academic Dishonesty:** Academic dishonesty 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 and disciplinary action may be taken.

**Chemical Sensitivities and Smoking Policy:** NSCC is a non-smoking campus except for designated areas where smoking is permitted. Due to the increasing numbers of individuals developing chemical sensitivities and to the increased awareness of such conditions, when you attend this campus you are asked to refrain from wearing any fragrance or perfume.

**Students with Disabilities:** In our commitment to student learning we want to support all students. If you have a disability that will affect your performance in this class please contact your instructor during class, by phone or email. Students with disabilities are encouraged to use Disability Services for support in implementing reasonable accommodations for their disabilities. You may make an appointment with Disability Services by calling 527-3697 or stopping by the DS office on the 2<sup>nd</sup> floor of the Campus Center.

#### **Dates to Note**

<b>No class</b>	Monday, January 18* Monday, February 15*
<b>Last day to withdraw</b>	Friday, February 26
<b>Last day of class</b>	Friday, March 19
<b>Final test</b>	Tuesday March 23, 10:30 – 12:30 p.m.

**Communicating with your Instructor:** The best way to contact me is by email, plippert@northseattle.edu Note your class and name in the subject line.

Example, the subject line for an email from Edgar Martinez is: Edgar math 085.