Math 098

North Seattle College

Intermediate Algebra

Summer 2016

5 credits

Meets Mon-Thursday Room CC3457

9:10am- 10:40am

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Prerequisite: Students must have a “Satisfactory” grade in either Math 084-085, Math 097, or placement has been granted through the NSC testing center.

Text: Intermediate Algebra Workbook North Seattle College: Goldner, Jasso, Li, Lippert

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This syllabus is subject to change at the discretion of the instructor.

Course Content: Welcome to Math 098! This is an intermediate algebra course and will include topics from Chapters 1 – 11 of the course textbook.

Daily Schedule: To succeed at the study of Intermediate Algebra, you will need to attend class and come prepared with homework completed. New topics will be presented on a daily basis. Attendance is taken on a regular basis. It is the responsibility of the student to clearly communicate with the instructor, the need to be absent from the classroom. The textbook is a workbook meaning you write directly in the book. We will work various problems from the book on a daily basis. Therefore it is imperative that you bring your book to each class session.

Homework: Homework will be done through practice problems in your workbook and possibly online problems. The course management for Math 098 is with wamap.org. Included with wamap is a grade book that allows you to track your grade as the quarter progresses. You must self-register for the program. Further information regarding wamap will be discussed in class on the first day of the quarter.

Homework it is to be done outside the class period. Assigned homework is a beginning point only. Do more problems if needed to fully understand the concepts. For 1 hour of class time, expect to do at least 2 hours of study. If you are struggling with the concept, more study time may be needed. Late homework assignments will not be accepted under any circumstance. Assignments count for 25% of your overall grade. The lowest score for your homework will be dropped. The Math Leaning Center is an excellent place to do your homework. There are tutors in the MLC who are trained to help answer your questions.

Supplies: The following supplies are required for this class: an eraser, several #2 pencils, a small stapler, graph paper, a ruler, a notebook for in class notes and a folder for class handouts. Students will need a scientific calculator, which can be used on homework assignments and tests. Graphing calculators are not permitted in this class. Cell phones cannot be used as calculators.

Grading: Math 98 is a graded course. The grade will be determined by the number of points earned from homework submitted for credit, class participation, quizzes and tests. 60% of the quarter grade will be based on test. Quiz scores count for 15% of your grade. 25% of the quarter grade will be based on homework submitted for credit. The lowest quiz score will be dropped and the lowest homework assignment will be dropped.
The quarter grade will be based on the following percentages:

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**Cell phones:** Cell phones may not be visible during class time. Turn ringers off and use cell phones outside of the classroom. **Sending and receiving text messages is not permitted during class.**

**Tests:** Students must be present the day a test is given in class. Make-up tests will be given only if I am notified within 24 hours of the test and the student has an excuse that is acceptable to me. Only one make-up test per student is allowed for the quarter. If a student misses a test and does not meet the criteria for a make-up test, a grade of “0” will be given. If you miss a quiz, your grade for that quiz will be “0”. No make up quizzes are permitted. Any take home tests must be done outside of class time unless otherwise stated by the instructor. Failure to follow this policy may result in a grade of “0” for the take home test. The final exam will be held on Thursday, August 18, 2016 during the normal class period. **All students must be present for the final.** If you are planning a vacation, do so after the course is completed and the final exam is finished.

**Tutoring:** Tutoring services for Math 098 students are available in the Math Learning Center. I urge students to take advantage of the MLC and to form study groups with other members of the class.

**Classroom Etiquette:** Math 098 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 what the instructor is teaching. 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.

**Withdrawal from class:** If a student withdraws from the class, an official drop form must be filled out by the student and submitted to the Register’s Office. Failure to officially withdraw from a class can result in a grade of “0”. **The last day you can withdraw from a course at NSC for Summer Quarter 2016 is Aug 5, 2016** (no refund).

**Penalty for Cheating:** Cheating 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. Any student found to be cheating might be reported to NSCC administration for academic dishonesty.

**Math 089:** If you are enrolled in Math 089, you must contact the instructor for the course.

**Campus Closures:** If the campus is closed due to an emergency, school closings will be posted on www.northseattle.edu. If classes are cancelled, check your email account for any messages from me.

**Students with disabilities who need accommodations for this class are encouraged to contact Disability Services as soon as possible. You may make an appointment with Disability Services by calling 527-3697 or stopping by the DS office on the 2nd floor of the Campus Center.**