

VALENCIA COLLEGE
MGF 1106 – COLLEGE MATHEMATICS
COURSE SYLLABUS
FALL TERM 2012

Course: MAC 1106 College Mathematics for CRN: 12051 and 11209

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Student Engagement Hours:

Monday 4:20 p.m. – 5:50 p.m. AND 7:55 p.m. – 8:55 p.m.
Tuesday 1:00 p.m. – 2:15 p.m. AND 4:00 p.m. – 5:15 p.m.
Wednesday 4:20 p.m. – 5:50 p.m. AND 7:55 p.m. – 8:55 p.m.
Thursday 1:00 p.m. – 2:15 p.m. AND 4:00 p.m. – 5:15 p.m.
Friday 7:45 a.m. – 9:45 a.m.

Catalog Course Description:

The prerequisite for MGF 1106 College Mathematics is a minimum grade of “C” or better in any one of the following list of classes: MAT 1033C, MAC 1102, MAC 1104, and MAC 1105. An appropriate score on an approved assessment test or departmental approval may also satisfy this prerequisite requirement. MGF 1106 is a three-credit course covering topics in probability, statistics, counting methods, geometry, sets, logic, and the history of mathematics. This course can be used to satisfy the Gordon Rule and general education requirements provided that a minimum grade of “C” is earned for the course. This class is not a prerequisite for any other mathematics course.

Course Outcomes: This course will enable a student to achieve the following learning outcomes:

- 1) Student can determine the validity of a logical argument.
- 2) Student can use set relationships to solve applications.
- 3) Student can find the probability of events.
- 4) Student can use an appropriate statistical tool to solve an application.
- 5) Student can recognize the historical development of mathematical ideas and concepts.
- 6) Student can understand the concept of two-dimensional geometry and the use of points, lines, angles, and similar polygons to solve applications.
- 7) Student can recognize the difference between linear distance, area, and volume measurements and can use appropriate geometric formulae to solve applications.
- 8) Student can use an appropriate rule of counting to solve applications.

Required Materials:

1. *Thinking Mathematically*, 5th edition by Robert Blitzer published by Pearson/Prentice Hall
2. MyMathLab access code (included with new textbook if purchased at Valencia Bookstore)
3. A scientific calculator is required for the course. A graphing calculator can satisfy this requirement.
4. One Three Ring Binder with 100 sheets of college ruled lined notebook paper.
5. Pencils (mechanical or regular)

Optional Materials:

Student Solutions Manual

Homework: The daily homework assignments, by section, for this course will be posted regularly on my website at <http://faculty.valenciacollege.edu/koverhiser/> as well as MyMathLab. Use the access code provided with your textbook to create an account online at <http://coursecompass.com>. Your professor will give you the course ID needed to register. If your textbook did not come with an access code, you may purchase one at the aforementioned website or at the Valencia Bookstore. Each of the MyMathLab homework problems are similar to the problems assigned from the physical textbook. There will be time allotted at the beginning of each class to go over selected textbook problems. Use what you learn from these discussions to help you complete the MyMathLab homework problems. The deadline to complete all MyMathLab homework problems is Wednesday December 12, 2012. The key for success in this course is to do the homework. If you have trouble with the material, be sure to obtain help.

Examinations: There will be TWO in-class exams and a comprehensive final exam. All exams must be done in PENCIL. Because mathematics is a subject that builds upon itself, some of the content from exam to exam may be cumulative. Many of the exam questions are similar to homework problems, examples in the book and/or examples worked out in class. Exam dates are found in the course calendar. TEST 1 covers chapters 2 and 3
TEST 2 covers chapters 11 and 12
Final Exam is cumulative and covers chapter 10.

Makeup Policy for Exams: No makeup exams are available without the explicit consent of the professor, which will only be granted in certain cases per Valencia policy. All exams must be taken on or before the dates assigned in the course calendar. If you are unable to take an in-class exam due to a medical emergency, legal situation, or death in the family then contact your professor as soon as possible. In these cases, the final exam score may replace ONE missed exam once appropriate documentation is received by the professor. Missing more than one exam will result in a zero percent grade.

Final Exam Dates and Times: You must attend the final exam for the CRN that you are assigned. Final exams are held in our regularly scheduled classroom.
The final exam for CRN: 12051 will be held on Thurs. December 13, 2012 from 1:00 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.
The final exam for CRN: 11209 will be held on Friday December 14, 2012 from 10:00 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.

Course Grade and Evaluation: Each of the two in-class exams is worth 20% of the final grade. The Final Exam is worth 25% of the final grade. The overall MyMathLab homework grade is worth 35% of the final grade. Grades will be assigned according to the rule: 90-100 is an A, 80-89 is a B, 70-79 is a C, 55-69 is a D, and below 55 is an F.

Tutoring: The Math Support Center provides free walk-by tutoring on a first come first serve basis. This center is located in building 4 inside the Academic Success Center (ASC) on the first floor. The ASC has limited tutoring hours. See the posted hours outside for more details.

College Withdrawal Policy: A student who withdraws from class on or before the withdrawal deadline of Friday November 2, 2012 will receive a grade of 'W'. A student is not permitted to withdraw after this deadline. If you wish to withdraw from the course, please do so through ATLAS by the withdrawal deadline. Students who do not withdraw themselves prior to the withdrawal deadline will be assigned whatever grade (A–F) was earned for the course as their final grade. Any student who withdraws or is withdrawn from a class during a third or subsequent attempt in the same course will be assigned a grade of 'F'. More information is available in the 2012-2013 College Catalog on pages 93 - 94.

Attendance Policy: Regular attendance and class participation are significant factors that promote student success in this course. Attendance is mandatory and expected of all students except in emergencies and will be taken at the beginning of each class. If you are not present at the time roll is taken you will be marked absent. If you arrive late or leave early, it is courteous to speak with the professor about your reasons for doing so. Regardless of being absent or not, students are responsible for all information covered and all announcements made in class. I do not withdraw students from class for lack of attendance at any time during the semester.

Valencia Student Core Competencies: Valencia faculty members have defined four interrelating competencies (Think, Value, Communicate, Act) that prepare students to succeed in the world community. These competencies are outlined in the 2012-2013 College Catalog on page 18. In this course, you will further your mastery of these core competencies through classroom lecture and discussion, group work, and other learning activities.

Academic Dishonesty: All forms of academic dishonesty are prohibited at Valencia. Academic dishonesty includes, but is not limited to, plagiarism, cheating, furnishing false information, forgery, alteration or misuse of documents, misconduct during a testing situation, and misuse of identification with intent to defraud or deceive. Sanctions available to the professor should a violation occur are described in the current Student LifeMap Handbook or online at <http://valenciacollege.edu/pdf/studenthandbook.pdf>

Student Code of Classroom Conduct: Valencia is dedicated not only to the advancement of knowledge and learning, but is concerned with the development of responsible personal and social conduct. By enrolling at Valencia, a student assumes the responsibility for becoming familiar with and abiding by the general rules of conduct. Students who engage in any prohibited or unlawful acts that results in disruptive behavior may be directed by the professor to leave the class. Violation of any Valencia policies or procedures or classroom rules may lead to disciplinary action up to and including expulsion from the College. Disciplinary action may include being withdrawn from the class, probation, suspension, expulsion, or other appropriate and authorized actions. Valencia's Student Conduct Code can be found in the current Student LifeMap Handbook, or online at <http://valenciacollege.edu/pdf/studenthandbook.pdf> Additional information is available in the 2012-2013 College Catalog on pages 95-96.

Students with Disabilities: Students with disabilities who qualify for academic accommodations may provide the professor a notification letter from the Office for Students with Disabilities (OSD) and discuss specific needs with the instructor, preferably during the first two weeks of class. The Office for Students with Disabilities determines accommodations based on appropriate documentation of disabilities. The East Campus office is located in Building 5 Room 216.

Student Assistance Program: Valencia College is interested in making sure all our students have a rewarding and successful college experience. To that purpose, Valencia students can get immediate help with issues dealing with stress, anxiety, depression, adjustment difficulties, substance abuse, time management as well as relationship problems dealing with school, home or work. BayCare Behavioral Health Student Assistance Program (SAP) services are free to all Valencia students and available 24 hours a day by calling (800) 878-5470. Free face-to-face counseling is also available.

Cell Phones: Please turn off your cell phones during class. NO texting during class time.

Valencia ID cards: Valencia ID cards are required for the Library, Testing Center, and other on campus services. No other forms of ID at those locations will be accepted and having a Valencia ID is mandatory to obtain those services. You may obtain a Valencia ID on the 2nd floor of building 5 on the East Campus.

E-mail Communication: Where appropriate, I will communicate with you through ATLAS email. Please check your ATLAS account regularly. If you need to contact me, please take a moment or two and login to ATLAS and send me an email through that portal. Due to SPAM filters, I might not receive emails from 'outside' email accounts.

Disclaimer: Changes to the syllabus, grading procedure, course calendar, and homework assignments may be made at any time at the discretion of the professor.