

**MATH 1332 STEM**  
**Contemporary Mathematics I**

**Western Texas College**

- I. Basic Course Information
  - A. MATH 1332 Course Description: Topics include introductory treatments of sets and logic, financial mathematics, probability and statistics with appropriate applications. Number sense, proportional reasoning, estimation, technology, and communications should be embedded throughout the course.
  - B. Any required prerequisites: A grade of C or higher in Math 0302 or placement by college entrance exam scores.
  - C. Advancement Via Individual Determination (AVID) learning strategies will be implemented periodically throughout the course.
  - D. This course has been designed to prepare students whose chosen field of study requires a STEM mathematical pathway.
  - E. Project Base Learning (PBL) is an active learning method in which students gain knowledge and skill by investigating and responding to a tangible, engaging and complex question, problem or challenge.
  - F. Online course content is administered through the college's learning management system (LMS), Moodle, also called eCampus. A link to Moodle can be found on mywtc.edu or the college's home page, [www.wtc.edu](http://www.wtc.edu) (the big M with a graduation cap).
- II. Student Learning Outcomes
  - A. Apply the language and notation of sets.
  - B. Determine the validity of an argument or statement and provide mathematical evidence.
  - C. Solve problems in mathematics of finance.
  - D. Demonstrate fundamental probability/counting techniques and apply those techniques to solve problems.
  - E. Interpret and analyze various representations of data.
  - F. Demonstrate the ability to choose and analyze mathematical models to solve problems from real-world setting, including, but not limited to, personal finance, health literacy, and civic engagement.
- III. Course Requirements
  - A. Major Requirements—All major requirements must be proctored.
    - 1. In-Class Participation
    - 2. Unit Exams
    - 3. Midterm Exam
    - 4. Final Exam
  - B. Minor Requirements
    - 1. Binder Checks
    - 2. Homework

- 3. Quizzes
- 4. Projects
- IV. Testing Requirements
  - A. Students are NOT allowed to use their book or notes of any kind while completing major requirements.
- V. Information on Books and Other Course Materials
  - A. Required Book: A Survey of mathematics with Applications, 9th edition, by Angel, Abbott, and Runde. ISBN: 978-0-321-75966-5
  - B. Required Access Code: Online Students must purchase a MyMathLab Access Code. This code can be purchased stand alone or bundled with the textbook.
    - 1. Book bundled with MyMathLab ISBN: 978-0-321-75966-5
  - C. Calculators: Students must have a calculator that provides them with the In (natural log) function key. A TI-84 or higher is strongly recommended. However, the TI-89, TI-Inspire with CAS or any other calculator with CAS capability are not permitted.
- VI. Other Policies, Procedures and important dates: Please refer to the WTC Course [Catalog](#) for the following:
  - A. Campus Calendar
  - B. Final exam schedule
  - C. How to drop a class
  - D. Withdrawal information
  - E. Student Conduct
  - F. Academic Integrity
  - G. Class Attendance
  - H. Students with disabilities
- VII. Planned Course of Study

Chapters and Sections to be covered throughout the semester	
Ch. 2—Sets	2.1 Set Concepts 2.2 Subsets 2.3 Venn Diagrams and Set Operations
Ch. 3—Logic	3.1 Statements and Logical Connectives 3.2 Truth Tables for Negation, Conjunction, and Disjunction
Ch. 5—Number Theory and the Real Number System	5.1 Number Theory 5.2 The Integers 5.3 The Rational Numbers 5.4 The Irrational Numbers and the Real Number System 5.5 Real Numbers and Their Properties 5.6 Rules of Exponents and Scientific Notation
Ch. 6—Algebra, Graphs, and Functions	6.1 Order of Operations 6.2 Linear Equations in One Variable 6.3 Formulas

	6.4 Applications of Linear Equations in One Variable 6.5 Variation 6.7 Graphing Linear Equations 6.9 Solving Quadratics Equations by Using Factoring and by Using the Quadratic Formula 6.10 Functions and Their Graphs
Ch. 11— Consumer Mathematics	11.1 Percent 11.2 Personal Loans and Simple Interest 11.3 Compound Interest 11.4 Installment Buying 11.5 Buying a House with a Mortgage 11.6 Ordinary Annuities, sinking Funds, and Retirement Investments
Ch. 12— Probability	12.1 The Nature of Probability 12.2 Theoretical Probability 12.3 Odds 12.4 Expected Value (Expectation) 12.5 Tree Diagrams 12.6 OR and AND Problems 12.7 Conditional Probability
Ch. 13— Statistics	13.3 Frequency Distributions and Statistical Graphs 13.4 Measures of Central Tendency 13.5 Measures of Dispersion 13.6 The Normal Curve 13.7 Linear Correlation and Regression

Disclaimer: Schedule and content is subject to change at the instructor's discretion.

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