

South Plains College  
Department of Mathematics and Engineering  
MATH FOR TEACHERS I: 1350.001  
Spring 2019 Course Syllabus

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**Office Hours:** As listed or by appointment.

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
9:00 – 10:00	1:00-2:30	9:00 – 10:00	1:00-2:30	10:00-1:00

**Course Description:** This course is designed to provide the prospective elementary/junior high school teacher with some background in elementary analysis. This course is a requirement for the Associate of Arts in Teaching (AAT) degree. Pre-requisite: MATH 1314.

**Course Objectives:** To successfully complete this course, you must master 70% of the following objectives:

- Analyze numerical and geometric patterns and express them mathematically in words or in symbols.
- Use problem solving strategies and algebraic thinking.
- Use set notation and Venn diagrams.
- Define, add, subtract, multiply, and divide whole numbers, integers, rational numbers, decimals, and real numbers.
- Identify functions, evaluate functions, and write functions in algebraic notation.
- Convert numerals in the Hindu-Arabic numeration system into the Roman numeration system and other number base systems and vice versa.
- Determine if a number is prime or composite.
- Determine the greatest common divisor and least common multiple of a set of numbers.
- Solve proportions.
- Convert decimals and fractions into percent and percent into decimals and fractions.

**Core Objectives:**

Communication Skills:

- Develop, interpret, and express ideas through written, oral, and visual communication

Critical Thinking:

- Generate and communicate ideas by combining, changing, and reapplying existing information
- Gather and assess information relevant to a question
- Analyze, evaluate, and synthesize information

Empirical and Quantitative Competency Skills:

- Manipulate and analyze numerical data and observable facts, and arrive at an informed conclusion

**Textbook:** A Problem Solving Approach to Mathematics for Elementary School Teachers, 12<sup>th</sup> edition, by Billstein, Libeskind, & Lott.

**Supplies:** Pencils, erasers, 3-ring binder, notebook paper, calculator (when allowed)

**Attendance:**

Attendance and effort are crucial for success in this course. Record of your attendance will be maintained throughout the semester. Leaving class early and being tardy will be recorded as ½ of an absence. Sleeping in class will also be recorded as an absence. You may be dropped from this course with a grade of X or F if you are absent four consecutive days or if you accrue five absences for any reason throughout the semester. Absences are not classified as 'excused' or 'unexcused'.

**Student Responsibilities & Expectations:**

- **Come to class on time and prepared to learn. (Pencil, book, notebook, calculator, ect.)**
- Read the syllabus.
- **Good study habits are essential for success.**
- Take notes, participate in class, and complete course assignments early enough to seek help if needed.
- Food and drink are NOT allowed in the classroom with the exception of bottled water.
- Cell phones and any other electronic devices must be silenced and put away before entering the classroom. Use of these devices during class will result in a zero for that day's quiz, homework, or exam.

<b>Grading:</b>	Homework/Quizzes/Activities/Mini Lessons	15%	<b>Grading Scale:</b>	A	90-100
	Detailed Lesson Plan	10%		B	80-89
	Unit Exams	60%		C	70-79
	Final Exam	15%		D	60-69
				F	59 or below

**Homework:** Homework will be assigned for each section on MyMathLab (MML). The Course ID is **thompson88749** and the zip code is **79336**. Although the homework is done online, the problems should be worked neatly either in a spiral or notebook paper in pencil.

**Quizzes:** Quizzes will also be assigned on MML. Again, the problems should be worked neatly in either a spiral or on notebook paper in pencil.

**Activities:** There will be activities on a regular basis. You will receive a grade for your participation in these activities. If you are absent on the day an activity is given, you will receive a zero for that activity.

**Mini Lessons:** Each student will be required to prepare and teach mini lessons throughout the semester. If you are absent on the day you are to teach a lesson, you will receive a zero.

**Detailed Lesson Plan:**

Each student will write a detailed lesson plan. More information will be given in class. A grading rubric will also be provided.

**Exams:** There are 4 unit exams (15% each) and a comprehensive final exam (15%). Dates for the exams are given on the course calendar. If for any reason you are unable to take an exam at the designated time you must contact me prior to class time. Make-up exams will be given at the discretion of the instructor. You may not leave the classroom during the exam for any reason, unless you turn in your exam for grading. You must complete all exams in the allotted class time. Extra time will not be given.

**Religious Holy Days:** In accordance with Section 51.911, Texas Education Code, South Plains College will allow a student who is absent from class for the observance of a religious holy day to take an examination or complete an assignment scheduled for that day within seven (7) calendar days after the absence. Students are required to file a written notification of absence with each instructor within the first fifteen (15) days of the semester in which the absence will occur. Forms for this purpose are available in the Student Services Office along with instructions and procedures. "Religious holy days" means a holy day observed by a religion whose place of worship is exempt from property taxation under Section 11.20, Tax Code. (copied from current South Plains College catalog)

**Equal Opportunity:** South Plains College strives to accommodate the individual needs of all students in order to enhance their opportunities for success in the context of a comprehensive community college setting. It is the policy of South Plains College to offer all educational and employment opportunities without regard to race, color, national origin, religion, gender, disability, or age.

**Disability Statement:** Students with disabilities, including but not limited to physical, psychiatric, or learning disabilities, who wish to request accommodations in this class should notify the Disability Services Office early in the semester so that the appropriate arrangements may be made. In accordance with federal law, a student requesting accommodations must provide acceptable documentation of his/her disability to the Disability Services Office. For more information, call or visit the Disability Services Office at Levelland Student Health & Wellness Center 806-716-2577, Reese Center (also covers ATC) Building 8: 806-716-4675, Plainview Center Main Office: 806-716-4302 or 806-296-9611, or the Health and Wellness main number at 806-716-2529.

**Sexual Misconduct Statement:** As a faculty member, I am deeply invested in the well-being of each student I teach. I am here to assist you with your work in this course. If you come to me with other non-course-related concerns, I will do my best to help.

It is important for you to know that all faculty members are mandated reporters of any incidents of sexual misconduct. That means that I cannot keep information about sexual misconduct confidential if you share that information with me. Crystal Gilster, the Director of Health & Wellness, can advise you confidentially as can any counselor in the Health & Wellness Center. They can also help you access other resources on campus and in the local community. You can reach Crystal Gilster at 716-2359 or [cgilster@southplainscollege.edu](mailto:cgilster@southplainscollege.edu) or go by the Health and Wellness Center. You can schedule an appointment with a counselor by calling 716-2529.

**Campus Concealed Carry syllabus statement:**

Campus Concealed Carry - Texas Senate Bill - 11 (Government Code 411.2031, et al.) authorizes the carrying of a concealed handgun in South Plains College buildings only by persons who have been issued and are in possession of a Texas License to Carry a Handgun. Qualified law enforcement officers or those who are otherwise authorized to carry a concealed handgun in the State of Texas are also permitted to do so. Pursuant to Penal Code (PC) 46.035 and South Plains College policy, license holders may not carry a concealed handgun in restricted locations. For a list of locations, please refer to the SPC policy at:

[http://www.southplainscollege.edu/human\\_resources/policy\\_procedure/hhc.php](http://www.southplainscollege.edu/human_resources/policy_procedure/hhc.php)

Pursuant to PC 46.035, the open carrying of handguns is prohibited on all South Plains College campuses. Report violations to the College Police Department at 806-716-2396 or 9-1-1.

## Fundamentals of Mathematics I Tentative Course Calendar Spring 2019

This is a tentative schedule. Changes will be announced in class.

MATH 1350.001 – MW 2:30 – 3:45 PM

Wk	Day	Date	Lesson
1	Monday	January 14	1-1 Mathematics and Problem Solving
	Wednesday	January 16	1-2 Explorations with Patterns
<b>2</b>	<b>Monday</b>	<b>January 21</b>	<b>Martin Luther King Holiday</b>
	Wednesday	January 23	2-2 Describing Sets
3	Monday	January 28	2-3 Other Set Operations and Their Properties
	Wednesday	January 30	3-1 Numeration Systems
4	<b>Monday</b>	<b>February 4</b>	<b>Exam 1—Chapters 1 &amp; 2 and Section 3-1 (15%)</b>
	Wednesday	February 6	3-2 Addition and Subtraction of Whole Numbers 3-3 Multiplication and Division of Whole Numbers
5	Monday	February 11	3-4 Mental Mathematics and Estimation for Addition and Subtraction 3-5 Mental Mathematics and Estimation for Whole-Number Operations
	Wednesday	February 13	4-1 Divisibility
6	Monday	February 18	4-2 Prime and Composite Numbers
	Wednesday	February 20	4-3 Greatest Common Divisor and Least Common Multiple
			<b>Lesson Plan Due</b> Review 2 Lesson Plan Presentations
7	Monday	February 25	
	<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>February 27</b>	<b>Exam 2—Chapters 3 &amp; 4 (15%)</b>
8	Monday	March 4	Lesson Plan Presentations
	Wednesday	March 6	Lesson Plan Presentations
<b>SPRING BREAK—MARCH 11 – 15</b>			
9	Monday	March 18	5-1 Integers and the Operations of Addition and Subtraction 5-2 Multiplication and Division of Integers
	Wednesday	March 20	6-1 The Set of Rational Numbers
10	Monday	March 25	6-2 Addition, Subtraction, and Estimation with Rational Numbers
	Wednesday	March 27	6-3 Multiplication and Division of Rational Numbers
11	Monday	April 1	6-4 Ratios, Proportions, and Proportional Reasoning
	<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>April 3</b>	<b>Exam 3—Chapters 5 &amp; 6 (15%)</b>
12	Monday	April 8	7-1 Introduction to Decimals
	Wednesday	April 10	7-2 Operations on Decimals
13	Monday	April 15	7-3 Nonterminating Decimals 7-4 Percent and Interest
	Wednesday	April 17	8-1 Real Numbers 8-2 Variables
14	<b>Monday</b>	<b>April 22</b>	<b>Easter Holiday (no class)</b>
	Wednesday	April 24	8-3 Equations 8-4 Functions
15	<b>Monday</b>	<b>April 29</b>	<b>Exam 4—Chapters 7 &amp; 8 (15%)</b>
	Wednesday	May 1	Review for Comprehensive Final Exam
16	<b>Monday</b>	<b>May 6</b>	<b>Comprehensive Final Exam (15%) (1:00-3:00)</b>

Important Dates:      January 21: Martin Luther King Holiday  
                                   March 11 – 15: Spring Break  
                                   April 22: Easter Holiday  
                                   April 25: Last Day to Drop