

Course: **Math 151 Section 2 Algebra I** 5 units

When/Where: 8:00-9:00 AM MTWThF Room 2206

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Office Hour: M 1:00pm-2:00pm @ MLC (HH218/219)

W 1:30pm-2:30pm @ MLC (HH218/219)

TThF 10:15am-11:15am @ Room 8301

Textbook: *Elementary and Intermediate Algebra*, 5<sup>th</sup> ed. by Bittenger, Ellenbogen, & Johnson

Calculator: Scientific calculator with  $y^x$  functions

Objective: You will learn mathematical operations using signed numbers, operations on algebraic expressions, factoring, exponents, rational and radical expressions, linear equations and inequalities and graphs, and systems of equations.

Homework: You will use an online software, MyMathLab to do homework. Several problems will be assigned for each section and some of them will be discussed in class. Print only the homework overview page and submit it. It will be collected on a quiz day or an exam day.

Go to [www.coursecompass.com](http://www.coursecompass.com).

MyMathLab Course ID: **honma65215**

**NO LATE HOMEWORK WILL BE ACCEPTED.** If you do not have access to Internet, you may work on problems from the textbook and submit all the work. Your homework must be written neatly in pencil and papers must be stapled together. Like any physical or mental activity, you learn math by doing it. You should plan on spending at least 2 hours a day on reading and homework.

Quizzes: Several quizzes will be given throughout the semester. Quizzes are based on lecture and homework. A make-up will not be given. Your lowest quiz score will be dropped.

Midterm Exams: Six chapter tests will be given. **A make-up exam is given only if you have a very serious reason and only when the arrangement is made in advance.** If you are unable to take an exam for a very serious reason, you must contact me immediately. The final exam will be weighed more and the score will be replaced for the missed midterm. If you do not contact me within 24 hours, you will receive **ZERO** for the exam. If you miss two exams, you will not pass this class. Your highest exam score will be tripled.

Sample exams are available at [www.ohlone.edu/instr/math/tests.html](http://www.ohlone.edu/instr/math/tests.html).

Final Exam: A comprehensive final exam will be given at 7:00AM, Wednesday, December 16. You must take the final exam in order to pass this class. If you do not take the final exam, you will receive an **F** for the course.

Grading: Your grade will be determined by the following percentages:

- A: 90% and over
- B: 80% to 89%
- C: 70% to 79%
- D: 50% to 69%
- F: under 50%

The grade distribution is as follows:

Midterms	50%
Quizzes	20%
Homework	10%
Final	20%

Attendance: It is very important to attend class regularly in order to pass this class successfully. If you miss one class meeting, there is a lot to catch up.

Withdrawal: It is your responsibility to drop from the class officially. However, I **may** drop you from the class if you are absent for more than three consecutive class meetings and have not contacted me. If you fail to drop before the deadline and your name appears on the final grade roster, you will automatically receive an **F**.

Important Dates: Last day to drop without grade recorded:  
Sunday, September 13  
Last day to drop with a **W**: Thursday, November 19

Notes: Help is available. You can come to me during my office hours or go to the Math Learning Center (Hyman Hall), where instructors and tutors are waiting to help you. Also, it is good to form a study group with your classmates. You will learn a lot by talking about problems with other people.

Math Learning Center Hours  
M-Th: 9:00AM-6:30PM  
F: 9:00AM-1PM  
SaSu Closed

Class Etiquettes: I would like you to enjoy the class; yet, this is not a social gathering. In order for our class to proceed smoothly, I ask you to follow some class etiquette.

- Be on time. If you are late, enter the classroom without disturbing other students.
- Turn off any electric device before coming to class.
- Do not talk unless you are allowed to do so.
- Be respectful to other students.

Academic

Dishonesty: Cheating will not be tolerated at any time. Looking at someone else's exam, helping another student during an exam, talking to another student during an exam, or using

an external source of information will result in an **F** for the course. See the note on Academic Dishonesty in a course schedule for details.