



Course Specifications

Course Title:	Introduction to mathematics
Course Code:	202112-3
Program:	Bachelor in Mathematics.
Department:	Department of Mathematics and Statistics
College:	Faculty of Sciences
Institution:	Taif University

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A. Course Identification

1. Credit hours:	Three Hours
2. Course type	
a.	University <input type="checkbox"/> College <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Department <input type="checkbox"/> Others <input type="checkbox"/>
b.	Required <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Elective <input type="checkbox"/>
3. Level/year at which this course is offered:	1 st level, 1 st year
4. Pre-requisites for this course (if any):	None
5. Co-requisites for this course (if any):	None

6. Mode of Instruction (mark all that apply)

No	Mode of Instruction	Contact Hours	Percentage
1	Traditional classroom	5Hr /Week	100%
2	Blended		
3	E-learning		
4	Distance learning		
5	Other		

7. Contact Hours (based on academic semester)

No	Activity	Contact Hours
1	Lecture	50
2	Laboratory/Studio	
3	Tutorial	
4	Others (specify)	
	Total	50

B. Course Objectives and Learning Outcomes

1. Course Description

This course introduces a collection of several basic topics which serve in general the most courses of mathematics. These basic topics are: Linear equations and Inequalities, Mathematical Induction, The Binomial Theorem, Partial Fractions, The Theory of Equations, relations and functions-combination of functions – composition of functions, inverse function and exponential and Logarithmic Functions, an Introduction to Analytic Geometry.

2. Course Main Objective

This course is designed mainly for the students majoring in mathematics. The student will be taught as follows:

- 1-Knowing the Theory of Equations, Binomial theorem, Partial fraction and mathematical induction and other relevant subjects to complement the core for their future courses.
- 2- Studying the straight lines, curves and circle.



3. Course Learning Outcomes

CLOs		Aligned PLOs
1	Knowledge and Understanding:	
1.1	outline exponential and Logarithmic Functions.	K1
1.2	Recognize simplification of mathematical expressions	K1
2	Skills:	
2.1	Demonstrate different mathematical tools in mathematics.	S1
2.2	Plan polynomial equations using the Rational Root Theorem, the generation of binomial theorem, partial fraction decomposition	S1
3	Values:	
3.1	Work effectively within groups and independently.	V1
3.2	Demonstrate act responsibility and ethically in conducting their work	V3

C. Course Content

No	List of Topics	Contact Hours
1	Linear equation and linear inequalities: properties of inequality in \mathbb{R} – solution of linear equation - properties of inequality in \mathbb{R} – Real intervals – solution of inequality – absolute value of a real number – absolute value equations and inequalities	5
2	The Theory of Equations: general 2 nd order equation, higher order equations, polynomial, Division Algorithm – synthetic division – Evaluating polynomial functions using the Remainder Theorem.	5
3	Factor Theorem-Finding zeros of polynomial functions — Rational Zeros Theorem – Fundamental Theorem of Algebra. Complex conjugate Theorem –Descartes' Rule of signs.	5
4	The Binomial Theorem: n-Factorial - Binomial coefficient – Binomial Theorem – Pascal's Triangle - k^{th} Term of Binomial expansion.	5
5	Mathematical Induction: Principle of mathematical induction – proving statements – Generalized Principle of mathematical induction.	5
6	Midterm exam, Partial Fractions: dividing polynomials by a polynomial – proper fraction – decomposition of rational expressions – distinct linear factors – repeated linear factors – distinct linear and quadratic factors	5
7	Repeated quadratic factors. Relations and functions-combination of functions – composition of the functions, inverse function.	5
8	Exponential Functions- Logarithmic Functions.	5
9	Introduction to Analytic Geometry: Ordered pairs – The Rectangular Coordinate system – The Distance Formula – Midpoint Formula – The Slope of a line.	5
10	Equations of lines (Point-slope form, slope-intercept form) – Equations Parallel lines – perpendicular lines. Equation of the Circle	5
Total		50



D. Teaching and Assessment

1. Alignment of Course Learning Outcomes with Teaching Strategies and Assessment Methods

Code	Course Learning Outcomes	Teaching Strategies	Assessment Methods
1.0	Knowledge and Understanding:		
1.1	outline exponential and Logarithmic Functions.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Lectures Self-learning through the website 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Quizzes
1.2	Recognize simplification of mathematical expressions	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Lectures Group discussions 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Exams
2.0	Skills:		
2.1	demonstrate different mathematical tools in mathematics.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Problem based learning Lectures 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Assignments
2.2	Plan polynomial equations using the Rational Root Theorem, the generation of binomial theorem, partial fraction decomposition	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Lectures Self-learning through the website 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Exams
3.0	Values:		
3.1	Work effectively within groups and independently.	Projects.	Through the oral presentation of the projects.
3.2	Demonstrate act responsibility and ethically in conducting their work	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Lectures 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Assignments

2. Assessment Tasks for Students

#	Assessment task*	Week Due	Percentage of Total Assessment Score
1	Quizzes + Home works	Continues	10 %
2	Midterm exam	5th-6th	30 %
3	Class Work (Homework- report- class test...)	8th	10 %
4	Final exam	11th	50 %

*Assessment task (i.e., written test, oral test, oral presentation, group project, essay, etc.)

E. Student Academic Counseling and Support

Arrangements for availability of faculty and teaching staff for individual student consultations and academic advice:

6 hours per week (as defined in the teaching schedule of the faculty member) for academic advice and consultations.

Teaching staff is also available using Blackboard web site and Taif University “Edugate” System.

F. Learning Resources and Facilities

1. Learning Resources

Required Textbooks	1- Lial, Hornsby, and Schneider; College Algebra and Trigonometry, (3ed), Addison Wesley, 2005. 2- R.N. Aufmann, V. C. Barker, R.D. Nation; College Algebra and Trigonometry, (7ed), BROOKS/COLE, 2011.
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Essential References Materials	J. Stewart, (2012), Calculus: Early Transcendentals, 7th edition, USA, Brooks/Cole.
Electronic Materials	https://theswissbay.ch/pdf/Gentoomen%20Library/Maths/Calculus/Calculus%20-%20J.%20Stewart.pdf
Other Learning Materials	Black Board system

2. Facilities Required

Item	Resources
Accommodation (Classrooms, laboratories, demonstration rooms/labs, etc.)	Lecture halls, containing white boards, and electronic monitors - The seats fit the number of students - Laboratories equipped with suitable numbers of computers
Technology Resources (AV, data show, Smart Board, software, etc.)	Data show and Smart Board
Other Resources (Specify, e.g. if specific laboratory equipment is required, list requirements or attach a list)	Wi-Fi internet connections

G. Course Quality Evaluation

Evaluation Areas/Issues	Evaluators	Evaluation Methods
Effectiveness of teaching and assessment	Students	Indirect
Quality of learning resources	Peer Reviewer Students	Direct Indirect
Extent of achieving the course learning outcomes	Peer Reviewer Students	Direct Indirect

Evaluation areas (e.g., Effectiveness of teaching and assessment, Extent of achievement of course learning outcomes, Quality of learning resources, etc.)

Evaluators (Students, Faculty, Program Leaders, Peer Reviewer, Others (specify))

Assessment Methods (Direct, Indirect)

H. Specification Approval Data

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