

2016 Spring LAVC – Intermediate Algebra - Math 115/125 Sec 1391/1128 - Syllabus

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Classroom Hours: MTWR 8:00 to 10:30

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Text Book: Beginning and Intermediate Algebra 5th Edition by Martin-Gay

myMathLab Course ID: **kawai61899**

Final Exam: Math 115 - Wed June 1st (8:00 to 10:00), Math 125 - Thr June 2nd 8:00 to 10:00

HaikuLearning Enrollment: To access old exams and supplementary course materials enroll in the course HaikuLearning website. Your invitation code is **LAVC2**

You can join the class by following this link <https://www.myhaikuclass.com/kawai442/2016spring/signup>

Math 115 - Course Description: The course covers the real numbers and their properties; evaluating and simplifying algebraic expressions; rules of positive integer exponents; fundamental operations on polynomial, rational, and radical (index 2) expressions; polynomial factoring; solving linear, quadratic, and special polynomial equations; solving rational and radical equations; graphing a linear equation in two variables; solving a system of two linear equations in two variables; setting up and solving a variety of word problems.

Math 125 - Course Description: This course reviews concepts learned in Math 115 and applies them to more complicated

Math 115 - Student Learning Outcome: Students will be able to think analytically and read critically to solve elementary algebra level mathematical problems.

Math 125 - Student Learning Outcome: Students will be able to think analytically and read critically to solve intermediate algebra level mathematical problems.

Exams: You will have a quiz or midterm on the first class of each week. There will be no make ups for quizzes, midterms or finals. Talk to me in advance of any midterm or final in case accommodation needs to be made.

Exam Schedule:

- Quizzes will be based on questions from the homework and from lecture.
- Quizzes will be given in the **first 20 to 30 minutes** of class.
- The midterms are tentatively scheduled for the first class of the 3rd, 6th, 9th, 12th and 15th week.
- Your lowest quiz and midterm score will be dropped from your Math 125 grade.

Calculator: Calculators are **not** allowed on any exam or homework.

Grading Math 115:

Homework	10%	(Up to Chapter 7)
Quizzes (4 of 5)	30%	
Midterm (3 of 3)	30%	
115 Final	30%	

Grading Math 125:

Homework	10%
Quizzes (8 of 9)	30%
Midterm (4 of 5)	30%
125 Final	30%

Grade Scale: Final letter grades will be based on percentage of total points earned in the class.

A	90% to 100%	of total points
B	80% to 89%	of total points
C	70% to 79%	of total points or above 75% on the final
D	60% to 69%	of total points and below 75% on the final
F	less than 60%	of total points and below 75% on the final

Tutoring Lab: Students are encouraged to seek help at the Math Tutoring Lab in LARC 226. (2nd floor library)

Warning: Excessive absences especially in the first 2 weeks may result in being dropped from the class. However, it is your responsibility to officially drop the course.

Attendance: Students are expected to attend every meeting of all classes for which they are registered. Violation of this regulation may result in exclusion from class as specified in Administrative Regulation E-13. Students are ultimately responsible for dropping the class should they choose to do so. Failure to do so may result in a grade of "F" in the class.

Accommodations: To make arrangements for accommodations that have been recommended by Services for Students with Disabilities (SSD), please contact the instructor.

Religious Holidays: Accommodations will be made for religious holidays if 2 week notice is given.

Financial Aid: Financial Aid is available! Call (818) 947-2412. Go to the Financial Aid Office in the Student Services Center, first floor. For more info: <http://www.lavc.edu/financialaid/index.html>.

***ADULT CONTENT IS COVERED IN THIS COURSE:** Please be advised that you have enrolled in a college-level course. The content of the course, and the discussions surrounding the lessons, may contain controversial, sexual, religious and political content, or otherwise thought-provoking topics. We reserve the right to edit inappropriate language that may appear in this course.

****Disclaimer:** The above information may change at any time. I will notify the class if it does. It is your responsibility to learn these changes in case you are not in class when it is mentioned.