

WACO, TEXAS 76708

# AND INSTRUCTOR PLAN

College Algebra Readiness
NCBM 0101.371

**Peter Blaskiewicz** 

**NOTE:** This is a 16-week online course.

# **COVID 19 Notice:**

McLennan Community College is committed to providing you with every resource you need to reach your academic goals including your safety. We will continue to monitor the evolving situation with COVID 19 and adjust our safety guidelines to make sure we offer a safe environment for you and our faculty. Please make sure to consult your faculty and the MCC website on any changes to these guidelines.

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## **Course Description:**

NCBM 0101 provides support for college-level math skills focusing on the study of topics matching those of the corresponding college level math course. Available support will be described in the Brightspace course for this class.

### Prerequisites and/or Corequisites:

Co-enrollment in Math 1314.37 (College Algebra)

## **Course Notes and Instructor Recommendations:**

This Non-Course Competency Based Option focuses on an individualized curriculum to address a student's specific needs. Students are assigned this NCBM to support their efforts in college math. Students will communicate with the instructor and take advantage of all appropriate college resources to support success in your college math class. A variety of college resources to aid in success will be available in the Brightspace course home for this class.

## **Instructor Information:**

Instructor Name: Peter Blaskiewicz

MCC E-mail: <u>pblaskiewicz@mclennan.edu</u> Office Phone Number: (254) 299-8869

Office Location: MATH 213
Office/Teacher Conference Hours:

MW 9:45-10:45 a.m.; TTh 1:30-2:30 p.m.; other times by arrangement

(Office Zoom: https://mclennan.zoom.us/j/2542998869 by prior email arrangement)

## **Required Text & Materials:**

NONE

MCC Bookstore Website: http://www.mclennan.edu/bookstore/

## Methods of Teaching and Learning:

The following methods for teaching and learning will be used: personalized and individualized approach for each student depending on their concurrent college level math class.

# **Course Objectives and/or Competencies:**

Upon successful completion of this course, students will be able to successfully complete the objectives of the college math course that this supports.

# **Course Outline or Schedule:**

# CONTACT THE INSTRUCTOR FOR YOUR COLLEGE MATH COURSE.

NCBM scheduling will be customized to meet the student's remediation needs and will be a collaborative design to accommodate the schedules of the instructor and student. Contact must be made by the student on the first day of the semester and an agreement entered into by both parties.

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### **Course Grading Information:**

To receive credit for NCBM 0101, students must demonstrate mastery on competencies defined in their college math course.

The grade for the course is (CR) Credit or (NC) Non-credit and will be given to each student on the last class meeting to allow the instructor to help advise the student based on either the successful completion of the NCBM and hopefully the concurrent college math course. Students who do not earn a passing grade in their college level math course will not receive credit for the course. Grades will be CR-Credit (Pass), W (Withdrawal), or NC (Non-Completion). If the student does not earn credit, they must then follow the guidelines for enrollment. This may include registration in developmental math before retaking the college level math class again.

## Late Work, Attendance, and Make Up Work Policies:

Communication between the student and NCBM instructor is critical. Email communication may be acceptable, but the student must respond as requested by the instructor. Failure to do so may result in being dropped from NCBM and that would initiate being also dropped from the college level class.

## **Student Behavioral Expectations or Conduct Policy:**

Students are expected to maintain classroom decorum that includes respect for other students and the instructor, prompt and regular attendance, and an attitude that seeks to take full advantage of the education opportunity. Students are expected to come to class prepared and with supplies necessary to participate actively in each class meeting.

## **MCC Attendance Policy:**

\* Click Here for the MCC Attendance/Absences Policy

(www.mclennan.edu/highlander-guide/policies)

Click on the link above for the college policies on attendance and absences. Your instructor may have guidelines specific to this course.



# **ACADEMIC RESOURCES/POLICIES**

## **Student Support/Resources:**

MCC provides a variety of services to support student success in the classroom and in your academic pursuits to include counseling, tutors, technology help desk, advising, financial aid, etc. A listing of these and the many other services available to our students is available at <a href="http://www.mclennan.edu/campus-resource-guide/">http://www.mclennan.edu/campus-resource-guide/</a>

College personnel recognize that food, housing, and transportation are essential for student success. If you are having trouble securing these resources or want to explore strategies for balancing life and school, we encourage you to contact a Success Coach by calling (254) 299-8226 or emailing <a href="mailto:SuccessCoach@mclennan.edu">SuccessCoach@mclennan.edu</a>. Students may visit the Completion Center Monday-Friday from 8 a.m.-5 p.m. to schedule a meeting with a Success Coach and receive additional resources and support to help reach academic and personal goals. Paulanne's Pantry (MCC's food pantry) provides free food by appointment to students, faculty and staff based on household size. Text (254) 870-7573 to schedule a pantry appointment. The Completion Center and pantry are located on the Second Floor of the Student Services Center (SSC).

# **MCC Foundation Emergency Grant Fund:**

Unanticipated expenses, such as car repairs, medical bills, housing, or job loss can affect us all. Should an unexpected expense arise, the MCC Foundation has an emergency grant fund that may be able to assist you. Please go to <a href="https://www.mclennan.edu/foundation/scholarships-and-resources/emergencygrant.html">https://www.mclennan.edu/foundation/scholarships-and-resources/emergencygrant.html</a> to find out more about the emergency grant. The application can be found at <a href="https://www.mclennan.edu/foundation/docs/Emergencygrant.html">https://www.mclennan.edu/foundation/docs/Emergencygrant.html</a> (Grant Application.pdf.

# **Minimum Technical Skills:**

Students should have basic computer skills, knowledge of word processing software, and a basic understanding of how to use search engines and common web browsers.

# **Backup Plan for Technology:**

In the event MCC's technology systems are down, you will be notified via your MCC student email address. Please note that all assignments and activities will be due on the date specified in the Instructor Plan, unless otherwise noted by the instructor.

# Minimum System Rquirements to Utilize MCC's D2L|Brightspace:

Go to <a href="https://www.mclennan.edu/center-for-teaching-and-learning/Faculty%20and%20Staff%20Commons/requirements.html">https://www.mclennan.edu/center-for-teaching-and-learning/Faculty%20and%20Staff%20Commons/requirements.html</a> for information on the minimum system requirements needed to reliably access your courses in MCC's D2L|Brightspace learning management system.

# **Email Policy:**

McLennan Community College would like to remind you of the policy (<a href="http://www.mclennan.edu/employees/policy-manual/docs/E-XXXI-B.pdf">http://www.mclennan.edu/employees/policy-manual/docs/E-XXXI-B.pdf</a>) regarding college email. All students, faculty, and staff are encouraged to use their McLennan email addresses when conducting college business.

A student's McLennan email address is the preferred email address that college employees should use for official college information or business. Students are expected to read and, if needed, respond in a timely manner to college emails.

# **Instructional Uses of Email:**

Faculty members can determine classroom use of email or electronic communications. Faculty should expect and encourage students to check the college email on a regular basis. Faculty should inform students in the course syllabus if another communication method is to be used and of any special or unusual expectations for electronic communications.

If a faculty member prefers not to communicate by email with their students, it should be reflected in the course syllabus and information should be provided for the preferred form of communication.

# **Email on Mobile Devices:**

The College recommends that you set up your mobile device to receive McLennan emails. If you need assistance with set-up, you may email <a href="mailto:Helpdesk@mclennan.edu">Helpdesk@mclennan.edu</a> for help.

# **Forwarding Emails:**

You may forward emails that come to your McLennan address to alternate email addresses; however, the College will not be held responsible for emails forwarded to an alternate address that may be lost or placed in junk or spam filters.

# **MCC Academic Integrity Statement:**

Go to <u>www.mclennan.edu/academic-integrity</u> for information about academic integrity, dishonesty, and cheating.

# **Accommodations/ADA Statement:**

Any student who is a qualified individual with a disability may request reasonable accommodations to assist with providing equal access to educational opportunities. Students should contact the Accommodations Coordinator as soon as possible to provide documentation and make necessary arrangements. Once that process is completed, appropriate verification will be provided to the student and instructor. Please note that instructors are not required to provide classroom accommodations to students until appropriate verification has been provided by the Accommodations Coordinator. For additional information, please visit www.mclennan.edu/disability.

Students with questions or who require assistance with disabilities involving physical, classroom, or testing accommodations should contact:

disabilities@mclennan.edu 254-299-8122

Room 319, Student Services Center

# Title IX:

We care about your safety, and value an environment where students and instructors can successfully teach and learn together. If you or someone you know experiences unwelcomed behavior, we are here to help. Individuals who would like to report an incident of sexual misconduct are encouraged to immediately contact the Title IX Coordinator at <a href="mailto:titleix@mclennan.edu">titleix@mclennan.edu</a> or by calling Dr. Drew Canham (Chief of Staff for Diversity, Equity & Inclusion/Title IX) at (254) 299-8645. Individuals also may contact the MCC Police Department at 299-8911 or the MCC Student Counseling Center at MCC at (254) 299-8210. The MCC Student Counseling Center is a confidential resource for students. Any student or employee may report sexual harassment anonymously by visiting <a href="http://www.lighthouse-services.com/mclennan/">http://www.lighthouse-services.com/mclennan/</a>.

Go to McLennan's Title IX webpage at <a href="www.mclennan.edu/titleix/">www.mclennan.edu/titleix/</a>. It contains more information about definitions, reporting, confidentiality, resources, and what to do if you or someone you know is a victim of sexual misconduct, gender-based violence or the crimes of rape, acquaintance rape, sexual assault, sexual harassment, stalking, dating violence, or domestic violence.

# Disclaimer:

The resources and policies listed above are merely for informational purposes and are subject to change without notice or obligation. The College reserves the right to change policies and other requirements in compliance with State and Federal laws. The provisions of this document do not constitute a contract.