THE UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS AT EL PASO
COLLEGE OF SCIENCE
DEPARTMENT OF MATHEMATICAL SCIENCES

Modern Algebra - 17703 - Math 4325
Principles of Algebra - 17704 - Math 5325

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<th>Aug. 24, 2020 – Dec. 03, 2020</th>
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Prerequisite Course:
Math 3325 – Principles of Mathematics

Instructor:
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Office Hours:
Online/TBA
For communication, you must use only your UTEP email address.
I will try to return e-mails within 24 hours (except weekends/holidays)

Textbook:
Elements of Modern Algebra / Gilbert / 8th edition

Course Objectives and Content
Students are expected to build a solid understanding of some basic concepts, principles, theorems in Algebraic Structures (groups, rings, integral domains, and fields) and to be able to elaborate rigorous proofs.

Math 4325: The course will cover sections from the chapters 1, 3 - 6 of the textbook.
Math 5325: The course will cover sections from the chapters 1, 3 – 6, 8 of the textbook.

You will be responsible to access BLACKBOARD to watch the videos posted each week, check the announcements which include the homework, review the notes posted and follow the lessons in the textbook.

Exams and Assignments:
Math 4325: There will be three midterm exams (Exam 1, Exam 2 and Exam 3) and one comprehensive final exam.
Math 5325: There will be three midterm exams (Exam 1, Exam 2 and Exam 3) and one project.
There will be no extra credit or curves on exams. Your exams will be offered on specific dates and will have a time window.
Regularly homework will be assigned. The homework will not be collected. The exams will include also problems from homework similar.
Exams Tentative Schedule and Grading Policy:

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<td>Exam 1</td>
<td>Tuesday Sept. 29</td>
<td>Chapters: 1,3</td>
<td>100 points possible (25% of final grade)</td>
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The time window for each exam will be announced. The dates for the exams may be changed during the semester.

The Final Grade will be the average of all four scores (Ex1, Ex2, Ex3 and Final/Project) respecting the following grading scale:
90 – 100 = A
80 – 89 = B
70 – 79 = C
60 – 69 = D
0 – 59 = F.

Late Work and Make-up Policy:
No late work and submission of exams will be accepted if the reason is not considered excusable. Make-up exams will only be given under extraordinary circumstances, approved by instructor.

Attendance & Withdrawal:
This is an online course and as such you do not have any strict attendance guidelines. You are expected to work toward completion of the course weekly. It is the student's responsibility to drop the course if she/he desires a grade W. The Drop Date for this semester is Friday Oct. 30, 2020. After the drop deadline the College of Science will not approve any drops (W).

Technology Requirements:
Course content is delivered via Blackboard. Google Chrome and Mozilla Firefox are the best browsers for Blackboard. You will need to have access to a computer/laptop and scanner.
IMPORTANT: If you encounter technical difficulties beyond your scope of troubleshooting, please contact the UTEP Help Desk.
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Scholastic Integrity:
Each student is responsible for notice of and compliance with the provisions of the Regents' Rules and Regulations, which are available for inspection electronically at http://www.utsystem.edu/bor/rules/homepage.htm
Academic dishonesty is prohibited and is considered a violation of the UTEP Handbook of Operating Procedures. It includes, but is not limited to, cheating, plagiarism, and collusion. Cheating may involve copying from or providing information to another student, possessing unauthorized materials during a test, or falsifying research data on laboratory reports. Plagiarism occurs when someone intentionally or knowingly represents the words or ideas of another as ones' own. Collusion involves collaborating with another person to commit any academically dishonest act. Any act of academic dishonesty attempted by a UTEP student is unacceptable and will not be tolerated. All suspected violations of academic integrity at The University of Texas at El Paso must be reported to the Office of Student Conduct and Conflict Resolution (OSCCR) for possible disciplinary action. To learn more, please visit Hoop: Student Conduct and Discipline.

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Military Statement:
If you are a military student with the potential of being called to military service and/or training during the course of the semester, you are encouraged to contact the instructor as soon as possible.