COURSE OBJECTIVES:

- NCBM/MATH 0311 will satisfy your TSI requirement in advising and allow you to take coursework toward on-time degree completion
- NCBM/MATH 0311 will prepare you for success in college level mathematics
- NCBM/MATH 0311 will provide you with access to a team of instructors dedicated to your success

Instructor Info

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TEXT

WE USE THE ALEKS PROGRAM AND NOTEBOOK. THE BOOK MUST BE PURCHASED IN THE UTEP BOOKSTORE. YOU MUST BRING IT TO EVERY MODULE EXAM AND FINAL.

ONLY THE NOTE PAGES, YOUR PERSONAL NOTES AND HELP SHEETS FROM THE TEXT WILL BE ALLOWED DURING KNOWLEDGE CHECKS AND EXAMS.

Homework Form and Contract

Once a week your instructor will discuss your progress with you through email or via zoom. You will be provided with a progress chart which you are required to follow throughout the course. **You are required to complete an average of 6 topics per day in each module.** Each **week topic goals must be met**. Failure to meet your weekly goal will result in a warning.

If neither of the goals stated above are met, you will be given an ALEKS Student Deficiency Contract. This contract will specify goals and a timeline required to be completed by you, to remain in the class. In addition, you may be required to attend additional tutoring. Failure to complete the targeted goals on time may result in being dropped from the course.
COURSE COMMUNICATION:
Because this is a hybrid course, we won’t see each other in the ways you may be accustomed to: classtime every MW or TTR. However, there are a number of ways we can keep the communication channels open:

*Office Hours: They will be held via zoom. Date, time and zoom link are provided in this syllabus as well via email and blackboard.
*Email: UTEP e-mail is the best way to contact me. I will make every attempt to respond to your e-mail within 24-48 hours of receipt.
*Announcements: Check the Blackboard announcements and email frequently for any updates, deadlines, or other important information.

* You will attend the class in person for module exams and the final exam on the dates listed below.

COURSE GRADE:

✓ You will receive a Grade of S* for the NCBM portion once you have completed 100% of your NCBM ALEKS pie and taken the Goal Completion with a grade of 70% or better on or before the end of the fourth week of class.

✓ If you do not pass the Goal Completion Exam with a 70% or better, you will receive an incomplete and be allowed to work for two weeks to complete all NCBM topics. If you complete the topics by refilling the ALEKS pie to 100%, you will pass the NCBM and move to Math 0311. If you do not complete the topics and refill your ALEKS pie, you will fail the NCBM course, and you will be dropped from Math 0311.

✓ You will receive a Grade of S* in MATH 0311 when:
  • You must complete Modules 1-3, (minimum of 6 topics required/day) to 100% and take each Module Exam no longer than the day of your designated date of your exam unless other arrangements are made with your instructor.
  • All Module Exams have been completed AND all the remaining topics are completed in order to take the Comprehensive Final Exam.

You must accumulate a minimum of 490 points from the following:

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- Note:
  - You must bring a picture ID to the Final Exam.
  - Average greater than or equal to 490 pts receive a passing grade of “S”, Satisfactory
  - An average of less than 490 pts receive a failing grade of “U”, Unsatisfactory.
CREATING YOUR ALEKS ACCOUNT:

1. Go to www.aleks.com and click on yellow box which says, “new user sign up now”. (Even if you have used ALEKS before, please click on the new user link anyway.)
2. There will be two boxes, look for the box on the left and enter the following code: ____________
3. Next you will see your instructor’s name and the name of your course. If it is correct, continue.
4. Next you will be asked if you have ever used ALEKS before. Choose “I have never used ALEKS before or I do not have an ALEKS login name”. (Even if you have used ALEKS before, please click this option anyway)
5. Open your textbook and remove the ALEKS card. Enter the code in the spaces provided.
6. Fill in the profile.
7. You can record your username and password here:
   a. USERNAME: _____________________________
      PASSWORD: _____________________________
8. Complete the tutorial and start working.

CALCULATOR: The ALEKS program is equipped with a calculator for use in certain parts of the ALEKS course. You will also have access to the calculator in Windows. In addition, you may use a basic 4 function calculator. NO OTHER CALCULATOR WILL BE ALLOWED. If you are caught using a calculator, phone, web-based math program, or any other device you will be turned into the UTEP Office of Student Conduct and Conflict Resolution for cheating.

ALEKS REQUIRED MODULE REVIEWS AND EXAMS

FIRST DAY
*Initial KC and start of class
*Week of Sept 4th
NCBM Mid Term
*Before or by Sept 18th NCBM Goal Completion Exam

Mod 1 Due:
OCT8th BY 11:59pm/TR Oct 9th

Mod 1 Exam:
Mon OCT9th

Mod 2 Due:
MWN0V 5th BY 11:59pm/TR Nov 6

Mod 2 Exam:
Mon NOV 6th
Tues NOV 7th

Mod 3 Due:
MWN0V 26th BY 11:59pm/TR Nov27

Mod 3 Exam:
Mon Nov 27
Tues NOV 28

Final Exam:
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FAQs:

What if I can’t afford my book by the first day of class? Book loans are available to most students even if you are not eligible for financial aid. Go to https://loans.utep.edu/ and select the third option to apply for a book loan. This will allow you to receive funds which may be used only in the UTEP Bookstore.

What if my computer won’t run ALEKS at home? Call ALEKS tech support at 800-258-2374.

What if I get behind in hours and/or percentage? You may make up hours and percentage attending extra labs or using online tutoring.

What if I get dropped? If you get dropped from the NCBM class, you cannot be reinstated. If you are in danger of being dropped from the 12 Week MATH 0311 course due to falling behind in topics, please talk to your instructor immediately. Your instructor will be able to advise you and provide options if any are available. Failing to discuss options with your instructor and/or failing to meet deficiency goals will result in being dropped.

Contact Info for HELP

Developmental Math Program Leader: Mrs. Rocio Myres Bishop
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ALEKS Program Coordinator: Mrs. Rosa Hernandez
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Associate Director of Entering New Students Experience:
Mr. Alejandro Mena Email: alemena@utep.edu cell: 915-892-2127

ALEKS Customer Service number:
800-258-2374

What if I need to drop the class? All requests to drop the course require a face-to-face meeting and must be approved by the Associate Director of Entering New Students Experience Mr. Alejandro Mena. If you need to withdraw after the University withdrawal date, please contact your instructor for assistance.

What if I need special accommodations? Please contact the Center for Accommodations and Support Services, 106 East Union. If you are eligible for accommodations, you are responsible for presenting to your Instructor any DSSO letter and instructions

May I bring food or drinks into the lab with me? Bottled drinks with screw on caps may be brought into the lab. No other food or drink allowed.

What is the policy concerning cell phones, other electronics, and personal belongings? Cell phones may not be used in the classroom at all. This includes, but isn’t limited to, sending/receiving text messages, listening to music, checking email, looking at websites (Including social media), or using your device as a calculator. Your instructor may ask you to leave all personal belongings in an area away from the computers as you walk into the classroom. If you have an emergency and need to use your phone, you must step out of the classroom.

Daniel Halenar, Technology Specialist Lupe Mercado, Office Manager
COVID-19 PRECAUTIONS

Please stay home if you have been diagnosed with COVID-19 or are experiencing COVID-19 symptoms. If you are feeling unwell, please let me know as soon as possible, so that we can work on appropriate accommodations. If you have tested positive for COVID-19, you are encouraged to report your results to covidaction@utep.edu, so that the Dean of Students Office can provide you with support and help with communication with your professors. The Student Health Center is equipped to provide COVID 19 testing.

The Center for Disease Control and Prevention recommends that people in areas of substantial or high COVID-19 transmission wear facemasks when indoors in groups of people. The best way that Miners can take care of Miners is to get the vaccine. If you still need the vaccine, it is widely available in the El Paso area, and will be available at no charge on campus during the first week of classes. For more information about the current rates, testing, and vaccinations, please visit epstrong.org

COURSE RESOURCES: WHERE YOU CAN GO FOR ASSISTANCE

UTEP provides a variety of student services and support:

Technology Resources

- **Help Desk**: Students experiencing technological challenges (email, Blackboard, software, etc.) can submit a ticket to the UTEP Helpdesk for assistance. Contact the Helpdesk via phone, email, chat, website, or in person if on campus.

Academic Resources

- **UTEP Library**: Access a wide range of resources including online, full-text access to thousands of journals and eBooks plus reference service and librarian assistance for enrolled students.
- **University Writing Center (UWC)**: Submit papers here for assistance with writing style and formatting, ask a tutor for help and explore other writing resources.
- **Math Tutoring Center (MaRCS)**: Ask a tutor for help and explore other available math resources.
- **History Tutoring Center (HTC)**: Receive assistance with writing history papers, get help from a tutor and explore other history resources.
- **RefWorks**: A bibliographic citation tool; check out the RefWorks tutorial and Fact Sheet and Quick-Start Guide.

Individual Resources

- **Military Student Success Center**: Assists personnel in any branch of service to reach their educational goals.
- **Center for Accommodations and Support Services**: Assists students with ADA-related accommodations for coursework, housing, and internships.
- **Counseling and Psychological Services**: Provides a variety of counseling services including individual, couples, and group sessions as well as career and disability assessments.