

# PENSACOLA STATE COLLEGE

College Algebra
MAC 1105 Section P1384
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Final Exam Date: Monday, May 4, 2026, 8:00-10:00AM

Last Date of Drop/Add: January 15, 2026

Last Date for Student to Withdraw: April 6, 2026

**Course Description:** In this course, students will develop problem solving skills, critical thinking, computational proficiency and contextual fluency through the study of equations, functions, and their graphs. Emphasis will be placed on quadratic, exponential, and logarithmic functions. Topics will include solving equations and inequalities, definition and properties of a function, domain and range, transformations of graphs, operations on functions, composite and inverse functions, basic polynomial and rational functions, exponential and logarithmic functions, and applications.

Class Meeting Time: Monday/Wednesday 8:00-9:15AM

Class Location: Building 27 Room 2726

Credits: 3

Prerequisites: MAT 100 Intermediate Algebra with a grade of "C" or better or MAT1033C Intermediate

Algebra with a grade of "C" or better.

Offered: FA, SP, SU

**Distribution:** Meets AA General Education Core, Mathematics requirement

Required Textbooks and Instructional Materials: College Algebra (ALEKS 360 for College Algebra); Miller and

Gerken; 3rd; McGraw-Hill; 2023

**Calculator:** Only a TI-30XIIS calculator may be used in this class.

**Course Learning Outcomes:** Upon completion of this course, the student will be able to solve problems relating to:

- 1. Solve linear, quadratic, rational, absolute value, and radical equations and inequalities algebraically and graphically.
- 2. Use exponential and logarithmic properties to analyze functions and solve equations.
- 3. Analyze relations and functions.
- 4. Sketch and interpret graphs of linear, quadratic, rational, absolute value, radical, exponential and logarithmic functions.
- 5. Solve systems of equations and inequalities.
- 6. Set up and solve application problems related to the above concepts.

#### **Methods of Evaluation:**

At minimum, the instructor will cover content which aligns with statewide and institutional learning outcomes for the course. The instructor will measure student performance using the following:

<b>Grading Scale:</b>		
90% - 100%	Α	
87% - 89%	B+	
80% - 86%	В	
77% - 79%	C+	
70% - 76%	С	
67% - 69%	D+	
60% - 66%	D	
0% - 59%	F	

Grading Calculation		
Test 1	18%	
Test 2	18%	
Test 3	18%	
Homework	16%	
Attendance	5%	
Final Exam	25%	
Totals	100%	

- **A. Tests:** 3 tests will be given in this course. Tests are based on lectures, textbook, and homework assignments. No makeup tests will be given. If a test is missed, a zero will be assigned for that grade. The final exam will replace the lowest test grade.
- **B.** Homework: Most homework will be assigned in ALEKS. Some worksheets will also be assigned.
- **C. Final Exam.** A final is mandatory and will cover the entire semester.
- **D. ATTENDANCE:** Attendance will be taken at the beginning and end of each class--any student beyond ten minutes late will be counted as absent as well as anyone leaving early without permission. No more than **THREE** classes can be missed without penalty. Absences after the third miss will be considered excessive and ½% point will be deducted from the course average for each additional absence over three with a maximum of 5% deduction. A student may also be withdrawn from this course if more than three absences occur.
- E. Extra Credit.
- 1) May be offered by the instructor.
- 2) Is only offered to the entire class, not on a case by case basis.
- 3) Will not be offered after you have taken the final exam and/or after you have received your grade and do not like what you earned and therefore wish to "do something" to improve it after the fact.

#### **General Education Student Learning Outcomes:**

**Critical Thinking:** The student analyzes, evaluates, and, if necessary, challenges the validity of ideas, principles, or data in order to develop informed opinions, probable predictions, or defensible conclusions.

**Scientific and Mathematical Literacy:** The student properly identifies and applies scientific or mathematical principles and methods.

**Information Literacy:** The student effectively locates, evaluates, and applies information from a variety of sources.

Academic Dishonesty Statement	Pensacola State College is committed to upholding the highest standards of academic conduct. All forms of academic dishonesty, to include plagiarism and cheating, are prohibited. Penalties for academic dishonesty include but are not limited to one or more of the following: the awarding of no credit on the assignment, a reduction in the course grade, or the assignment of a final course grade of F and removal from the course. See the College Catalog for more details: <a href="Mailto:Academic Integrity">Academic Integrity</a>
ADA Statement	Students with a disability that falls under the Americans with Disability Act Amendments Act of 2008 or Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act should contact the Student Resource Center for ADA Services to discuss academic accommodations. Appropriate academic accommodations are determined on an individual basis with careful consideration of the course learning outcomes and the documentation of the disability. For more information, students should visit the Student Resource Center for ADA Services on the Pensacola campus in building 6, room 603; call 850-484-1637; email <a href="mailto:ADAservices@pensacolastate.edu">ADAservices@pensacolastate.edu</a> ; or complete the online intake form in the ADA Services app within the MyPSC apps dashboard.
AI Statement for Writing Emphasis Courses	Because writing emphasis courses focus on the foundational skills of critical thinking, rhetorical awareness, and information literacy, the work presented by students must be original. As such, the use of generative AI for graded assignments is prohibited unless specifically authorized by the instructor. The instructor reserves the right to assign a failing grade to an assignment determined to exhibit markers of generative AI use. In such instances, the student may challenge the failing grade and is responsible for demonstrating the originality of a submitted text. Continued registration in the course will be understood as acceptance of this policy.
Emergency Statement	In the case of severe weather or other emergency, the College administration maintains communication with appropriate state and local agencies and makes a determination regarding the cancellation of classes. Notices of cancellation will be made through the College's PSC Alert system and on the College's website.
Flexibility Statement	It is the intention of the instructor to accomplish the objectives specified in the course syllabus. However, circumstances may arise which prohibit the fulfilling of this endeavor. Therefore, this syllabus is subject to change.

	When possible, students will be notified of any change in advance of its occurrence.
Nondiscrimination Statement	Pensacola State College does not discriminate against any person on the basis of race, color, ethnicity, religion, sex (as defined by applicable federal and state law), national origin, age, disability, genetic information, pregnancy, or marital status in its educational programs, activities, or employment. For inquiries regarding the College's nondiscrimination policies, contact the Civil Rights Compliance Officer at (850) 484-1759, Pensacola State College, 1000 College Blvd., Pensacola, Florida 32504.
Security Statement	Pensacola State College is committed to encouraging all members of the College community to be proactive in personal safety measures. In case of emergency, students should ensure that they are aware of the building exit closest to each of their classrooms, as well as all alternative building exits in case circumstances require using a different route.
Student Email Statement	Pensacola State College provides an institutional email account to all students enrolled in courses for credit. PirateMail is the official method of communication, and students must use PirateMail when communicating with the College. In cases where companion software is used for a particular class, email may be exchanged between instructor and student using the companion software.

**Pirates CARE Student Resource Center:** As a student, you may experience challenges that can interfere with your academic and personal success. These can include things such as basic needs (food, housing, transportation, healthcare, etc.), increased anxiety, depression, substance use, grief, or other stressful experiences. The Pirates CARE Student Resource Center provides free services to students, including emergency aid, campus food pantries, career clothing closets, connections to local resources for basic needs support, and confidential mental health counseling services provided in-person or via telehealth.

You can contact the Pirates CARE Student Resource Center at 850-484-1759 or by email at <a href="mailto:PiratesCARE@pensacolastate.edu">PiratesCARE@pensacolastate.edu</a>. More information about our services can be found online at <a href="https://www.pensacolastate.edu/PiratesCARE">www.pensacolastate.edu/PiratesCARE</a>.

For additional 24/7 crisis help, the Crisis Text Line can be accessed by texting "GULF" to 741-741, and the Suicide Lifeline can be reached by phone at 9-8-8.

### **Testing:**

Please call these numbers to make an appointment to take a test or register online:

Pensacola campus
 Bldg. 6, Rm. 635 (850) 484-1656

Warrington campus

Bldg. 3300

(850) 484-1076

•	South Santa Rosa Center	Bldg. 51	(850) 471-4630
•	Milton campus	Bldg. 4200	(850) 484-4420

- There is no fee for any PSC student to take a PSC course exam.
- Students should make an appointment for an exam.
- Students must bring a valid ID. A student cannot test without it.

## **Tutoring:**

The Math Lab offers free math tutoring to all Pensacola State College students currently enrolled in developmental education or college level courses. No appointment is necessary. Services include tutoring in all math courses, tutoring in several science courses (please see website or call for current availability), instruction for using scientific calculators, study tips, test-taking strategies, and textbooks and solution manuals for most Pensacola State College math courses. Computers are available for homework and online course work. Virtual tutoring featuring live online help for all math courses is offered.

• Pensacola campus	Bldg. 1, Rm. 111	(850) 484-2003
Warrington campus	Bldg. 3100, Rm. 3142D	(850) 484-2378
Milton campus	Bldg. 4400, Rm. 4401	(850) 484-4403
• South Santa Rosa Center	Bldg. 51, Rm. 5194	(850) 475-4851

Student Support Services and Veterans Student Support Services (TRIO), located on the Pensacola Campus, Building 6, provide one-on-one tutoring to students who apply to the program and meet eligibility requirements.