

LS 10A Elementary Algebra with Geometry – Fall 2012

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Texts: **Supplementary Activities for Elementary Algebra**, by Fredenburg, Barrick, and Baker, September 2012
Connect on line at Connect website with e-text of Beginning and Intermediate Algebra, by Sherri Messersmith, McGraw Hill, 3th edition, 2012. (See end of this handout for purchase instructions.)

Calculator: Basic scientific calculator. No graphing calculators. No substitutions.

Scantron: Scantron General Purpose Answer Sheet Form #882 for EGAD exam

Curriculum: The curriculum for LS 10A includes a review of fundamental concepts, measurement geometry, and introductory algebra. LS 10A is a course that satisfies the Entry Level Mathematics Requirement. This means that after receiving credit for LS10A you may substitute course passage for passage of the ELM exam. Students who scored between 36 and 42 on the ELM will be placed in LS 10A. Students who scored at least 44 on the ELM may take LS 10A or LS 10X and Math 9. This course is not recommended for students who have never had algebra or for students who scored less than 36 on the ELM. Students who scored less than 36 on the ELM should take LS 7A and LS 7B.

Course Format: The instruction for this course is provided through a structured lecture format. Homework and quizzes will be assigned using the online program Connect. In addition to the regularly scheduled class meetings, you may be required to spend at least one additional hour working on Connect working on your homework. You may work on Connect in the LS open lab (LSN 2107), in any open computer lab or on your own computer. See the schedule posted in LSN 2107 and in LSN 3003 for open lab times. Campus open lab times are posted at <http://www.csus.edu/uccs/labs/>.

Attendance and Participation: Regular attendance and effort in this course are the best guarantee of your success in this course. Each student is expected to be present and actively engaged in the daily activities. If your class meets 2 days per week, you must meet with me if you have 2 absences. *You may receive a "NC" grade on your fourth absence.*

Electronic Device Policy: All electronic devices must be turned off while class is in session. This includes cell phones, i-pods, PDAs, etc. These devices may not be used on exams.

Disability Accommodation: If you have a documented disability and are registered with Services to Students with Disabilities, please see your LS 10A instructor regarding any required accommodations.

Classwork: Classwork may be assigned frequently. Late class work will be accepted for half credit. If you are absent, e-mail the instructor for this assignment and due date.

Exams: There will be three exams given during the semester. Exams may not be retaken to improve the score. If you miss an exam, a make-up exam will be given on the last day of instruction. Students may take at most one make-up exam.

Homework: On-line Homework is assigned every class session. It is due Tuesday at 5:00.. Late assignments are not accepted. If you are absent, it is your responsibility to contact the instructor via e-mail for the assignment.

Final Exam: The final exam is comprehensive. In order to be eligible to take the final exam you must have taken all three exams. The final exam will be given during finals week at the time published in the class schedule. You may not make-up or retake the final exam. **A score of at least 70% on the comprehensive final exam is required for passage of the course.**

You will be exempt from the final exam if you:

- Have at least an 80% average in the class prior to the Final AND
- Take all exams on the scheduled date AND
- Are in good standing for attendance and tardies. (To be in good standing you must have no more than 2 absences if your class meets 2 days per week or have no more than 3 absences if your class meets 3 days per week.)

Academic Dishonesty Policy: *Although you are encouraged to work together for most of the course, you may not work together or share information on exams or quizzes.* Cheating on exams or quizzes is a serious offense and may result in expulsion, suspension, or probation from the University. Furthermore, cheating on exams or quizzes will result in a NC grade in this course.

Course Grade: LS 10A is graded as credit (CR) or no credit (NC). (It may be possible to receive a grade of report in progress.) If you receive a "RP", you may be required to attend a three-week post session.

Assessment will be based on total points earned and are roughly the following weighed points:

3 Exams (100 points each)	300 points
Comprehensive Final Exam	200 points
Homework	230 points
Classwork	100 points
Total Possible	830 points

To earn a credit grade, students must do ALL of the following:

- Complete the course with a 70% average AND
- Pass the comprehensive final exam with at least 70% (unless you are exempt from the final exam.).

Emergency Evacuation: In the event of an emergency evacuation, you need to go with your teacher to the assembly point. Your assembly point is the artwork located in the quad between the rose garden and the River Front Center. Once you are out of the building, do not leave your teacher to join your friends or leave campus. Your teacher will take roll at the assembly point to make sure everyone has safely left the building.

First time Log-in for Math Connect: Have your credit card ready and follow these instructions:

- Log-in to connectmath.com
- Under New User click on "Sign up now".
- Put in one of the following course codes:
 - TTh 7:30-8:45 LS 10A sec 41, course code **DP3WJ-96GQ9**
 - TTh 9:00-9:15 LS 10A sec 47, course code **GTEYD-X4TNE**
 - TTh 10:30-12:45 LS 10A sec 49, course code **UN4PR-V3A4V**
- Click on "continue"
- Verify that you are in the right class and click "Continue"
- If purchased Connect from the bookstore, put in the purchased code and start Connect and complete homework.
If not, click on "purchase access code online".
- Fill in the data and submit.
- Remember to record you log-in name and password.
- Log-in the connectmath.com and log-in to complete homework.
- ***If you have any problems with these instructions, see me during my office hours.***