

NOVA COLLEGE-WIDE COURSE CONTENT SUMMARY MTH 111 – BASIC TECHNICAL MATHEMATICS (3 CR.)

Course Description

Provides a foundation in mathematics with emphasis in arithmetic, unit conversion, basic algebra, geometry and trigonometry. This course is intended for CTE programs. Lecture 3 hours. Total 3 hours per week.

General Course Purpose

This course is intended for students who are in career and technical fields/degree programs requiring technical math components including trigonometry.

Course Prerequisites/Corequisites

Prerequisite: At least one of MTE units 1 – 3; MDE 10; or other placement methods.

Course Objectives

Upon completing the course, the student will be able to:

- *Communication*
 - *Interpret and communicate quantitative information and mathematical and statistical concepts using language appropriate to the context and intended audience.*
- *Problem Solving*
 - *Make sense of problems, develop strategies to find solutions, and persevere in solving them*
- *Reasoning*
 - *Reason and draw conclusions or make decisions with quantitative information.*
- *Evaluation*
 - *Critique and evaluate quantitative arguments that utilize mathematical, statistical, and quantitative information.*
- *Technology*
 - *Use appropriate technology in a given context.*
- *Students will engage in all course content described below in context to the technical fields being supported.*
- *Basic Skills*
 - *Use a scientific calculator.*
 - *Round-off numbers correctly.*
 - *Identify significant digits.*
 - *Use scientific notation*
 - *Convert between units in both standard and metric*
 - *Perform operations with signed numbers*
- *Basic Algebra*
 - *Apply and interpret ratios and proportions*
 - *Compute values in direct, indirect and inverse variation*
 - *Solve single variable equations*
 - *Locate and plot points on the xy plane*
 - *Interpret the concept of slope using real world examples (including vertical and horizontal lines)*
 - *Graph lines using a table of values with and without the domain provided*
 - *Graph lines using the slope-intercept method when lines are in $y=mx+b$ form and $Ax+By=C$ form*
 - *Write the equation of a line in slope-intercept form that models a real world situation when given the rate of change and initial value*
 - *Make predictions using the equation of a line*
- *Geometry*

- *Classify triangles by their sides/angles.*
- *Calculate the perimeter and circumference*
- *Calculate the area of a polygon and circle*
- *Apply concepts of sector and arc length of a circle*
- *Recognize various geometric solids such as cylinder, cone, pyramid, prism and sphere.*
- *Calculate surface area and volume of various geometric solids*
- *Use the properties of inscribed and circumscribed polygons and circles to find unknown amounts*
- *Apply the concept of similar triangles*
- *Apply the Pythagorean theorem*
- *Convert between decimal degrees and DMS notation.*
- *Interpret and apply line and angle relationships.*
- *Trigonometry*
 - *Properly use terms related to an angle(s).*
 - *Define the trigonometric functions and their values*
 - *Solve right triangles and their applications*
 - *Identify the signs of the trigonometric function of angles greater than 90°*
 - *Determine trigonometric functions of any angle*

Major Topics to be Included

- a) Basic Skills
- b) Basic Algebra
- c) Geometry
- d) Trigonometry
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