**Self-Paced Intermediate Algebra Bridge**

**Math 220S – 2 units - Fall 2018**

**A (NON-GRAPHING) SCIENTIFIC CALCULATOR MAY BE USED ON ALL TESTS.**

**Text:** Intermediate Algebra, 5th edition by Tussy/Gustafson or a WebAssign access code w/e-book

**Prerequisite:** successful completion of Math 131. Ask instructor if necessary.

**Attendance:** Students must complete 6 hours per week in the lab.

* You may complete your hours any time the Math Discovery Center (AS 103) is open.
* According to the college catalogue, you may be dropped from a class if you miss a total of two weeks of class time.
* **PLEASE CHECK IN AND OUT EVERY TIME YOU COME IN TO THE LAB AND LEAVE THE LAB.**

**ID:** You will need to bring your GCC ID card with you to check in and check out.

You may check out lab copies of the text or any other related materials with your ID card. You may be asked to show a picture ID before taking tests and module exams.

**Description:** This is a self-paced Algebra Bridge course designed to allow students who completed

Math 131 to enter the STEM path. There is no lecture version of this course.

There are no formal lectures; however you may use videos, DVD’s, software, and tutors. *You are required to meet with your instructor at least once a week during class time.*

**Math 220S is a 2 unit class covering selected sections from ch. 3 and 5, and all of chapters 6, 7, 8, 10, 11.** *(Please see the Student Progress Chart for more details.)*

**Pre-Tests/Quizzes/Homework:** Quizzes and Pre-Tests are available on WebAssign.

* Quizzes are designed to help you prepare for the tests and modules.
* You have one attempt to pass a pre-test with a 70% or better. If you are not successful, you will have to do all the homework and quizzes and pass with an 80% or better.
* Quiz and Pre-Test scores do not count toward your grade, but you will be required to pass the pre-test or quizzes before taking a test.

Homework: While homework is not collected, it is the best way to practice.

* You may be required to show homework based on your instructor’s “prescription” if you score less than a 60% on a test.
* Suggested homework: Odds in each section and/or online assignments.

Chapter Tests: Math 220S is a 2-unit class which means that you must pass six chapter tests and 2 module exams to pass the class. *(Please see the Student Progress Chart for more details.)*

Each online chapter test must be passed with a grade of 70% or better. If you score a 50% or higher on a test, your instructor will re-grade it (awarding partial credit) and that score will count toward your grade.

* You must pass the pre-test (70%) and/or quizzes (80%) before attempting a test.
* If you do not pass a test on the first attempt, your instructor may prescribe additional work for you to do which may include: homework assignments, computer quizzes, or tutoring.
* Once you have completed your “prescription”, your instructor will check it, and you may attempt a different version of the test.
* Once you have passed a test (with a 70% or higher), you may retake it one additional time for a better grade.
* Only the highest grade will be averaged as 10% of your unit grade: all the chapter tests will be averaged to 60% of your final grade.
* All tests must be taken during class time with any instructor. See testing schedule for available times. Video cameras are installed in the testing room.
* All students with disabilities requiring accommodations are responsible for making arrangements in a timely manner through the Center for Students with Disabilities.

Module Exams: Math 220S contains two comprehensive module exams (passing grade: 70%).

* Each module exam is paper/pencil and includes material from previous chapters. The same grading/re-taking rules apply. Module exams are worth 40% of your unit grade: 20% each).
* ONLY module exams are administered during finals week. The last day to take chapter tests is Tuesday, December 4, 2018.

Variable Credit: There is no variable unit credit for this class. You must pass all 6 chapter tests and 2 module exams with a 70% or better to earn 2 units of credit in Math 220S. Students who do not complete all the material will earn an “F” in Math 220S and must enroll in Math 220S again continuing where you left off the following semester.

**2 units:** In order to earn a grade of A, B, or C in this class, you must successfully complete both units. Students who do not pass all the required tests will earn an “F” in Math 220S and must re-register for the same course the following semester, but may continue where they left off.

Withdraw Deadline: November 17, 2018. Students entering after Nov. 17th may not withdraw.

Pass/No Pass: You can petition for a Pass/No Pass grade by filling out the proper form from Admissions and Records and getting a counselor’s signature by September 14, 2018.

Student Conduct: Students will behave themselves in an appropriate manner. Unauthorized cooperation among students is inappropriate. Cheating in this class will not be tolerated and includes, but is not limited to, copying or looking at another person’s test, and/or allowing a student to copy or to look at your test. Having cell phones in the testing room is also considered cheating. Any instance of cheating could result in administrative disciplinary proceedings, which may result in expulsion from the class and/or the college. For more details, please visit the GCC Board Policy at http://gcc.glendale.edu/policies&regulations/BPweb/BP6133.htm. IF you are caught cheating, it will be reported to the V.P. of Instruction, you will be given a zero on the test/module exam and will not be allowed to continue in the class during the same semester.

**Rules:** Although it may not look like it, this is a classroom; *do not* bring friends with you.

1. Keep the noise down.
2. No Food or Drinks!
3. No Socializing—Conversations should be math related.
4. Sit in your designated area.
5. Turn off cell phones.
6. Study math only.
7. Keep your backpacks on the floor.
8. Computer usage should be math related.
9. Comply with the requests of all Staff.

**Resources:** Learning Center (AD 232): 30 minute one-on-one tutoring by appointment.

 SmartThinking FREE online tutoring is also available through myGCC