

Math 1020 Corequisite Support for Math 1021 College Algebra Summer 2026 Session C Syllabus for Section 151-152

You are responsible for abiding by all of the rules and policies stated on this Syllabus. Print it and read it carefully. Refer to it throughout the semester.

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Course Design Overview

- You will need to create an account in Zoom if you do not already have one. Be sure to use your full name as listed in Moodle. To create an account or change your name in Zoom, go to lsu.zoom.us and use your myLSU credentials to login.
- You are enrolled in both Math 1021 and Math 1020. These classes meet virtually every day from 9:10 – 11:50 AM CDT in Zoom. Active class participation is critical to your success in this course. Therefore, you are required to attend.
- Your homework and quizzes will be completed using a web-based learning and assessment system called MyLab Math (MLM). You will be required to purchase a MLM access code if you do not already have one. This same account will be used for Math 1021. An interactive etext is included in your MLM course. See details below in the section titled MLM Account.
- In addition to the required class time, you should plan to spend at least 12 additional hours each week working on Math 1020.

Course Contents

As required by the LA Board of Regents Academic Affairs Policy 2.18, this course will contain the following items:

- Instruction and practice in prerequisite algebra topics necessary to master skills and knowledge required for success in Math 1021 College Algebra.
- Instruction that positively contributes to the student's academic mindset and develops non-cognitive skills that improve overall student learning.

Topics

Topics included in homework and quizzes include properties of real numbers, order of operations, operations with fractions and decimals, evaluating and simplifying polynomial expressions, factoring polynomials, working with integer and rational exponents, solving simple linear equations and inequalities, solving rational and quadratic equations, using function notation, finding intercepts, and sketching the graphs of basic functions.

Announcements

Throughout the session, most important announcements will be shared during class meetings each day. Some announcements will also be sent by LSU email or posted in the Moodle Announcements forum or on the MLM announcement page. You are responsible for checking and reading your emails and these announcements at least daily. Be sure to check your junk mail folder regularly to be sure emails sent via Moodle are not being misidentified.

Course Coordinator and Course Website

Mrs. Stephanie Kurtz, skurtz1@lsu.edu
www.math.lsu.edu/precalcprogram/1020and1021

MyLab Math Account

The same Trigsted MLM account (*Algebra & Trigonometry, 4th edition*) will be used for both Math 1020 and Math 1021. The etext and all assessments for both courses will be contained in one MLM course. To set this account up at <https://mlm.pearson.com/northamerica>, you will need the following:

- **MyLab Math Course ID#**

The course ID# for your specific section of these courses (Math 1020 and Math 1021) will be given to you by your teacher by email prior to your first class meeting. It will be your teacher's last name and then five digits. This course ID# ensures that you are placed into the correct MLM section of Math 1020 and Math 1021.

- **Trigsted MyLab Math access**

- Access code options: You will have to choose 18-week or 24-month access. Math 1021 students who expect to take Math 1022 should choose 24-month access. For most other 1021 students, 18-week (1 semester) access is sufficient.
- If you purchased a 24-month Trigsted MLM access code previously AND you remember your username and password for this account, then you may not need to purchase anything. Sign in to your MLM account and click Enroll in a New Course. Enter the course ID# given to you by your teacher. If you need to purchase an access code, you will be prompted to do so.
- If you purchased 18-week access in Spring 2026, you will need to purchase a new access code for the summer session.
- Payment Options: To pay for a new account, you can either 1) purchase a Trigsted MLM access code from the LSU Barnes and Noble bookstore (by going to the bookstore or from their website <https://lsu.bncollege.com/>) prior to beginning the MLM registration process or 2) pay online during the MLM registration process using a personal credit card or Pay Pal account. Do not use a debit card. If you do, your payment will not be processed even if it appears to go through.
- Temporary access: If financial constraints prohibit you from purchasing access the first week of class, you can get a 14-day temporary access during the MLM registration process. By the end of the temporary access period, you must purchase access in order to be able to continue working in the course. No extensions on assignments will be given because of expired access.

- **LSU email address**

You MUST use your LSU email address that is in the form mtiger1@lsu.edu in MLM in the email address field even if it is not your preferred email address. It will be used as the personal identifier that allows your MLM grades to be properly imported into your Moodle gradebook.

Technology Required

You will need the following in order to take this course:

- a computer with a Windows or Apple operating system (no phones, tablets, or iPads)
- internet access that is stable and reliable (no hotspots)
- the latest version of Chrome or Firefox
- an internal or external webcam
- an internal or external microphone or working speakers
- no Chromebooks for ProctorU testing

- the ability to turn off any firewalls operating on your network for ProctorU testing
- a device that meets the system requirements listed at <https://support.pearson.com/getsupport/s/system-requirements>

Calculator

The TI-30XIIS (solar) or the TI-30XIIB (battery) with a two-line display is required. No other calculators are allowed on exams. If you use any other calculator on an exam, you will be referred to the Dean of Students and charged with Academic Misconduct.

Class Notes

The Class Notes will help you create an organized set of notes for each section and will be a valuable resource when working on the assignments and preparing for tests. You must either purchase a packet of Class Notes for the semester at the LSU Bookstore or print the Class Notes one section at a time from Moodle, MLM, or the course website. The password can be found in the left menu of MLM and in the Class Notes and Videos section of Moodle. See your Daily Schedule (also posted in Moodle, in MLM, and on the course website) to determine what class notes you will need for each class meeting.

Videos

LSU-created closed-captioned videos are available for many of the Math 1020 Coreq topics. They can be accessed in Moodle, in MLM, and on the course website. The password can be found in the left menu of MLM and in the Class Notes and Videos section of Moodle. This resource will help you if you have specific questions about a section or if you must miss a class meeting

MyLab Math Tips

- Prior to using MLM on any personal device, be sure to run the MLM Browser Check. Access the Browser Check by clicking Getting Started in the MLM menu for your course.
- If you are able to sign in to MLM using Safari but are unable to access your assignments, switch to either Chrome or Firefox.
- If your homework assignments do not open, you need to edit your pop-up settings in your browser to allow pop-ups for the Pearson site.
- It is possible that at some point during the semester, after you have successfully registered and enrolled in your current semester's course at <https://mlm.pearson.com/northamerica> you will not be able to access your account in MLM by going to <https://mlm.pearson.com/northamerica> and selecting "Sign in" on the upper right side. In this situation, you can use the alternate login page for MyLab Math found at <https://mlm.pearson.com/northamerica/altsignins/>.
- If you need technical assistance, go to <https://support.pearson.com/getsupport>. If your issue is not addressed in the Popular Topics list, click Contact Us at the top to access and submit the customer support form. Do not leave the page until you have received a case number and are directed to a support agent.

Purged Students

If you are purged from the LSU class roster for any reason, you must email your teacher immediately to let your teacher know you have been purged so that you can be manually re-added to Moodle. You must continue to attend class. In addition, since you still have access to MLM, you must continue to keep up with all assignments and due dates. Being purged does not constitute an excuse for missing class or any MLM deadlines including exams.

Code of Student Conduct

The LSU Code of Student Conduct explains student rights, excused absences, and what is expected of student behavior. Students are expected to understand this code, which can be found at <https://lsu.edu/saa/students/codeofconduct.php>. If you are found responsible for a violation of the LSU Code of Student Conduct and receive a zero on any assignment for this violation, that zero is non-replaceable and non-droppable. In addition, according to the Code, a student found responsible cannot withdraw from the course.

Virtual Class Meetings

- Class participation is a vital part of the learning cycle and increases your chances of being successful in this course. Class participation does not simply mean attendance. It means actively participating by taking notes, asking and answering questions, and working on your assignments in MLM during the dedicated lab time.
- You are enrolled in both Math 1021 and Math 1020. These classes meet virtually on Zoom every day from 9:10 – 11:50 AM CDT (160 minutes). The link to join class is posted in Moodle under Virtual Class Meetings.
- You will receive a participation grade for each class meeting. Your class participation average is worth 10% of your course grade.
- During class meetings you will take notes on the material presented and work exercises in MLM.
- You must have your Zoom video turned on with your face visible during the entire class meeting.
- You must use a computer (not a tablet or phone) during class meetings.
- In order to earn your class participation grade, you cannot be engaging in any activities that would not be permissible in a physical classroom. For example, you cannot be in a car or other vehicle, at work, lying down, sleeping, or walking around.
- Phones and other electronic devices cannot be used during class.
- During each class meeting you must pay attention, take notes, and work on your MLM assignments. If you fail to meet these requirements throughout the entire class meeting, you will receive a grade of 0% for that class meeting.
- During the class time that is dedicated to working on your MLM assignments, you must be actively working in MLM on a homework assignment, quiz, or practice exam.
- Your participation grade for Math 1020 and Math 1021 each class meeting will be assigned as follows:

Class Minutes Per Day	Participation Credit Assigned
150 or more*	100% for both Math 1020 and Math 1021
[90,149)	100% for Math 1021 and 0% for Math 1020
[60,89)	100% for Math 1020 and 0% for Math 1021
[0,59)	No credit for either course

You must follow all class rules to earn a grade of 100%.

*You should plan to attend for the entire time each day from 9:10 - 11:50 AM if you wish to be successful.

- If you must miss class and have a documented university excuse in accordance with PS-22 (https://lsu.edu/policies/ps/ps_22.pdf) contact your teacher before the absence occurs, if possible. You will be considered for an excused absence if you provide documentation to your teacher no later than 48 hours after the absence.
- Note that a student who is purged from the LSU class roster for any reason is still expected to attend and participate in class. Being purged does not constitute an excused absence.

Homework

- All Math 1020 homework exercises cover prerequisite skills required for successful completion and mastery of the material in Math 1021.
- Homework assignments are available from the beginning of the semester and are due at 11:59 PM CDT on the due date shown on the Daily Schedule.
- The work you submit must be your own. Your work must be independently written and entered into MLM. Using any additional online or third-party resources to get answers to homework exercises is a violation of the LSU Code of Student Conduct.
- When working your homework assignments, you should save after completing each exercise especially if using a Mac or a hotspot. For each homework exercise, the result of your last attempt for each exercise will be recorded when you save.
- You can rework exercises, enter and exit your homework, and get back to it at a later time prior to the due date.
- If you rely on the MLM learning aids or other help to get an exercise correct, then use the Similar Exercise feature and rework the exercise repeatedly until you can get it correct without any help. This is essential. Many students who become overly dependent on the learning aids or other assistance to get a score of 100% on the homework assignment find that they score much lower on the quizzes than they would if they had done the work independently.
- Your homework assignment average is worth 45% of your course grade.
- Extensions on homework assignments are rarely given since the assignments are available from the beginning of the semester. In order to be considered for an extension on a homework assignment, you must have documentation to support your request and must email your teacher, attaching the documentation, no later than 48 hours after the due date for that homework assignment. Extensions on homework assignments will not be given due to personal computer or internet issues.
- Graded homework for each section has due dates and will close then, but a copy of the homework assignment (labeled Practice Homework) is open throughout the semester to be used for studying. The Practice Homework does not count toward your course grade.
- Homework exercises usually have the following features:
 - Learning aids available in MLM
 - Three attempts allowed for each iteration with feedback after each
 - Similar Exercise (i.e., a new iteration for the same exercise number) available an unlimited number of times
 - Tutors in the lab can assist

Quizzes

- All Math 1020 quiz questions come from the Math 1020 homework, so you should master your homework before attempting the quizzes. Math 1020 quizzes are designed to help you be certain you have mastered the prerequisite skills needed for the Math 1021 content.
- You should try to do the quizzes without any help.
- Quizzes are available from the beginning of the semester and are due at 11:59 PM CDT on the due date shown on the Daily Schedule.
- You are allowed to consult with others regarding math concepts but not regarding specific answers to questions. The work you submit must be your own. Your work must be independently written and entered into MLM. Using any additional online or third-party resources to get answers to quiz exercises is a violation of the LSU Code of Student Conduct.

- You will not get feedback after each exercise answer is entered. You must work through the quiz and submit it before seeing your score. You can review your quiz in Gradebook, and the MLM learning aids will appear for the review.
- Each quiz contains 15 questions with each question drawn from a pool of exercises having the same or similar learning objectives. It is recommended that you take a quiz at least four times even if you earn a score of 100% before that to ensure that you see a cross-section of the exercises.
- Each quiz in MLM can be attempted up to ten times prior to the due date, but only the highest score of your attempts for each quiz will be recorded in Moodle.
- Your quiz average counts as 30% of your course grade.
- The maximum working time allowed for each attempt of each quiz is 75 minutes. While working on a quiz with time remaining, you can close the browser (rather than choosing Submit) and re-open that same quiz later without any additional elapsed time.
- Extensions on quizzes are rarely given since the assignments are available from the beginning of the semester. In order to be considered for an extension on a quiz, you must have documentation to support your request and must email your teacher, attaching the documentation, no later than 48 hours after the due date on that quiz. Extensions on homework assignments will not be given due to personal computer or internet issues.

LSU Disability Services Accommodations

- Louisiana State University is committed to providing reasonable accommodations for all persons with disabilities. This syllabus is available in alternate formats upon request.
- If you have a disability that may have some impact on your work in this class and for which you may require accommodations, contact LSU Disability Services (DS), 124 Johnston Hall, 225-578-5919 or www.lsu.edu/disability.
- Students registered with DS and requiring accommodations must send an accommodation letter for the current semester via email to your teacher in advance of requesting any accommodation be granted.
- If consideration for absences is an accommodation and you need to use the accommodation for a class meeting, you must log your request in the DS portal within 24 hours of the missed class meeting. For this course, you are allowed two disability-related absences during the semester. Consideration for absences does not apply to assignments such as homework or quizzes open from the beginning of the semester. No accommodation will be given unless your teacher has a copy of your DS letter prior to the need for the accommodation.

Course Grade Calculation (posted in Moodle)

Category	Weight	Details
Participation	10%	class participation
Homework	45%	lowest 2 of 25 homework scores will be excluded
Quizzes	30%	lowest 1 of 7 quiz scores will be excluded
Skills for Success	15%	3 @ 5% each

An excluded homework or quiz grade will always show in the Moodle gradebook but will NOT be used in the Moodle grade calculation for the course. Any assignment labeled Practice does not count toward the course grade.

Grading Scale

A+: 97-100%	B+: 87-89%	C+: 77-79%	D+: 67-69%	F: 0-59%
A: 93-96%	B: 83-86%	C: 73-76%	D: 63-66%	
A-: 90-92%	B-: 80-82%	C-: 70-72%	D-: 60-62%	

Your course grade will be determined by rounding your course average (either up or down) to the nearest whole number using standard rounding procedures.

You must check your grades in Moodle at least once a week and contact your teacher immediately if there is a discrepancy.