# **Marshall University** MTH 160 (CT) Syllabus

Course Title/Number	MTH 160 (CT) Sec 201 (CRN 4143)	
Semester/Year	Spring 2015	
Days/Time	Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday at 10:00 a.m.	
Location	M, W, F in SH 514; T, R in SH 532	
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# Course Description: From Catalog Applied Mathematics Reasoning (CT). 5 hrs.

A critical thinking course in applied mathematical reasoning. Topics include logic, problem solving, linear modeling, beginning statistics and prob-ability, exponential and logarithmic modeling, formula use. (PR: Math ACT 19, Math SAT 460, MTH 099, or equivalent)

# The table below shows the following relationships: How each student learning outcome will be practiced and assessed in the course.

Student Learning Outcomes	How students will practice each outcome in MTH 160	How student achievement of each outcome will be assessed in MTH 160
Students will demonstrate an ability to analyze arguments and identify fallacies.	Discussions, group work, board work, low-stakes writing, homework Chapters 1 and 9 (Johnson)	Quizzes, exams, and projects
Students will demonstrate an ability to translate natural language arguments into propositional and syllogistic forms.	Discussions, group work, board work, low-stakes writing, homework Chapter 1 (Johnson)	Quizzes, exams, and projects
Students will demonstrate a proficiency in utilizing formulas, solving equations and inequalities, and graphing the solutions.	Discussions, group work, board work, low-stakes writing, homework	Quizzes, exams, and projects

	Chapter 4 (Steege)	
Students will create tables and graphs from statistical data.	Discussions, group work, board work, low-stakes writing, homework Chapter 2 (Brase)	Quizzes, exams, and projects
Students will analyze and interpret statistical concepts such as measures of central tendency, measures of variation, and normal distributions.	Discussions, group work, board work, low-stakes writing, homework Chapters 3 and 6 (Brase)	Quizzes, exams, and projects
Students will demonstrate a proficiency in the fundamentals of probability including expected value.	Discussions, group work, board work, low-stakes writing, homework Chapter 4 (Brase)	Quizzes, exams, and projects
Students will analyze statistical data and report results.	Discussions, group work, board work, low-stakes writing, homework Chapters 2, 3, 6 (Brase)	Quizzes, exams, and projects
Students will compare linear growth and exponential growth rates and their real- world applications.	Discussions, group work, board work, low-stakes writing, homework Chapter 9 (Steege)	Quizzes, exams, and projects

# **Course Objectives**

This course will focus on the use of **critical thinking** to understand and interpret mathematical topics that will enable students to develop the quantitative reasoning skills they will need for a career in applied science or criminal justice.

Students will apply the **quantitative thinking** skills that they learn to analyze problems dealing with exponential growth and decay, logarithmic models, and other real-world scenarios.

Students will apply the **inquiry based thinking** skills that they learn to formulate focused questions and hypotheses, and collect and analyze data to draw justifiable conclusions.

Students will apply the **integrative thinking** skills that they learn to make connections and transfer skills and learning across mathematical disciplines and the social sciences.

Students will evaluate the effectiveness of their project plans or strategies to determine the degree of their improvement in knowledge and skills using **metacognitive thinking**.

Students will use their **communication fluency** skills to present their research. Each student will work on short projects on a variety of topics to be determined by the instructor.

#### **Required Texts, Additional Reading, and Other Materials**

- Custom text prepared by Cengage ISBN 978-1-305-01187-8 and
- Intermediate Algebra, 2<sup>nd</sup> Edition, by Ray Steege ISBN 978-0-07-162998-0
- Excel

#### **Course Requirements/Due Dates**

	Logic Project due on Friday, February 6, 2015
•	Exam 1 (Logic) on Friday, February 13, 2015
	Algebra Project due on Friday, March 20, 2015
•	Exam 2 (Algebra) on Friday, March 27, 2015
	Statistics Project due on Friday, April 24
•	Exam 3 (Statistics) on Monday, May 4, 2015

#### Grading Policy

Each examination (two in-class exams and a final exam) will be worth 60% of the semester grade. Homework and/or quizzes will be worth 15% of the semester grade. Projects will count as 25% of the grade.

90.00 – 100	A
80.00 - 89.99	В
70.00 – 79.99	С
60.00 - 69.99	D
Below 60.00	F
Below 60.00	F

# Attendance Policy

Students are expected to attend each class. Unexcused absences from **five** classes will result in a reduction of one letter grade for the semester; unexcused absences from **six or more** classes will result in an F. To obtain an excused absence, please go to the Dean of Students' Office in the MSC. Students **must** notify the instructor by phone or e-mail **prior to** an exam if they cannot take a scheduled exam. Students must present a serious reason for missing any exam. Makeup exams will be given to students outside of class time at the convenience of the instructor.

# **Plagiarism Policy**

Plagiarism (stealing) will not be tolerated in any way, shape, or form. Students who plagiarize (including sharing files for assignments) will receive a zero for that assignment.

#### Computers

Students will be required to use Excel and Word.

#### Calculators

Students are required to have a scientific or graphing calculator during the course.

# **Course Schedule**

Week	Topics	
1	Monday: Tuesday: Wednesday: Thursday: Friday:	Introduction; Logic Defined (1.1) Informal Fallacies (9.1 – 9.6) Informal Fallacies (9.7 – 9.12) Informal Fallacies (9.13 – 9.18) In-class activity on fallacies
2	Monday: Tuesday: Wednesday: Thursday: Friday:	No class Arguments Defined (1.2), Diagramming Arguments (1.3) Supplying Missing Parts: Enthymemes (1.4) Recognizing Real Arguments (1.5) In-class activity on analyzing arguments
3	Monday: Tuesday: Wednesday: Thursday: Friday:	Good Arguments (2.1); Does the Conclusion Follow? (2.2) Deductive Validity Defined (2.3) Validity and Logical Form (2.4); Are the Premises True? (2.5) Truth, Validity, and Good Argument (2.6) In-class activity on deductive arguments and inductive arguments
4	Monday: Tuesday: Wednesday: Thursday: Friday:	Introduction (3.1); Categories and Reasoning (3.2) The Four Categorical Forms (3.3) Venn Diagrams (3.4) Recognizing Simple Inferences (3.5) In-class activity on categorical forms and Venn diagrams
5	Monday: Tuesday: Wednesday: Thursday: Friday:	The Squares of Oppositions (3.6) The Operations (3.7) In-class activity on the Traditional Square of Opposition Review <b>Exam 1 on Logic (2/13)</b>
6	Monday: Tuesday: Wednesday: Thursday: Friday:	Fundamental Concepts (Chapter 1) (1.1, 1.2, 1.3) Fundamental Concepts (Chapter 1) (1.4, 1.5, 1.6) Translating Phrases and Statements into Algebraic Form (1.7) Solving First-Degree Equations (4.1) In-class activity on translating to algebraic form
7	Monday: Tuesday: Wednesday: Thursday: Friday:	Graphs of First-Degree Equations (4.2) Applications of First-Degree Equations (4.4) Linear Systems in Two Variables (7.1) Quadratic Formula for Second-Degree Equations (6.2) In-class activity on linear equations in the real world
8	Monday: Tuesday:	Graphs of Second-Degree Equations (6.6) Applications of Second-Degree Equations (6.5)

	Wednesday: Thursday: Friday:	Functions – Basic Concepts (8.1), Function Notation (8.2) Types of Functions (8.5) In-class activity on quadratic equations in the real world
9	Monday: Tuesday: Wednesday: Thursday: Friday:	Inverse Relations and Functions (8.7) Exponential Functions (9.1) Logarithmic Functions (9.2) Properties of Logarithms (9.3) In-class activity on exponential growth
10	Monday: Tuesday: Wednesday: Thursday: <b>Friday:</b>	Exponential and Logarithmic Equations (9.4) Applications of Exponential and Logarithmic Functions (9.5) Applications of Exponential and Logarithmic Functions (9.5) Review Exam 2 on Algebra (3/27)
11	Monday: Tuesday: Wednesday: Thursday: Friday:	What Is Statistics? (1.1) What Is Statistics? (1.1) Random Samples (1.2) In-class activity on random samples Introduction to Experimental Design (1.3)
12	Monday: Tuesday: Wednesday: Thursday: Friday:	Frequency Distributions, Histograms, and Related Topics (2.1) Bar Graphs, Circle Graphs, and Time-Series Graphs (2.2); Stem-and-Leaf Display (2.3) Measures of Central Tendency: Mode, Median, and Mean (3.1) In-class activity on creating graphs in Excel Measure of Variation (3.2)
13	Monday: Tuesday: Wednesday: Thursday: Friday:	Percentiles and Box-and-Whisker Plots (3.3) What Is Probability? (4.1) Some Probability Rules – Compound Events (4.2) In-class activity on Galton Board Binomial Distributions
14	Monday: Tuesday: Wednesday: Thursday: Friday:	Binomial Distributions Random Variables Graphs of Normal Probability Distributions (6.1) In-class activity on graphs of normal probability distributions Standard Units and Areas Under the Standard Normal Distribution (6.2)
15	Monday: Tuesday: Wednesday: Thursday: Friday:	Areas Under Any Normal Curve (6.3) Sampling Distributions (6.4) The Central Limit Theorem (6.5) Finish Statistics Review

5/4 Monday: Exam 3 on Statistics from 10:15 a.m. to 12:15 p.m.
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