**Marshall University**

**Syllabus**

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| Course Title/Number  | Concepts and Applications (CT) / MTH 121-207  |
| Semester/Year | Spring 2014 |
| Days/Time | MWF 2-250 pm |
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| University Policies | By enrolling in this course, you agree to the University Policies listed below. Please read the full text of each policy be going to [www.marshall.edu/academic-affairs](http://www.marshall.edu/academic-affairs) and clicking on “Marshall University Policies.” Or, you can access the policies directly by going to <http://www.marshall.edu/academic-affairs/?page_id=802> **Academic Dishonesty:** If a student behaves academically dishonest in any way, i.e. copying/turning in another’s work or cheating on quizzes or exams, I reserve the right to fail the individual. The behavior may be reported to the department chair and/or dean of the college and could result in expulsion from the university. Please refer to your handbook for further details.**Disabilities and/or Special Needs:** If any students have a disability and/or special need that interferes with their involvement in the classroom, they must see the Office of Disability Services, Prichard Hall 117, phone 304-696-2271. Appropriate accommodations can then be made.**University Computer Services’ Acceptable Use Policy:** All students are responsible for  knowing this policy, which can be found at  <http://www.marshall.edu/ucs/CS/accptuse.asp>.**Affirmative Action Policy:** This course will follow Marshall University’s policy on  Affirmative Action, which can be found on pg. 93 of the 2008-  2009 undergraduate catalog. Specifically, all students will be  afforded equal opportunity without regard to race, color, sex,  religion, age, disability, national origin, or sexual orientation.**Inclement Weather Policy:** Students can find information concerning Marshall’s  policy regarding inclement weather on pp. 64-65 of the 2010- 2011 undergraduate online catalog  http://www.marshall.edu/catalog/undergraduate/ug\_10-  11\_published.pdf. |

**Course Description: From Catalog**

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| This is a critical thinking course for non-science majors. Topics include logical thinking, problem solving, linear modeling, beginning statistics and probability, exponential and logarithmic modeling, and formula use.  |

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

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| **Course Student Learning Outcomes**  | **How students will practice each outcome in this Course** | **How student achievement of each outcome will be assessed in this Course** |
| Students will develop the critical thinking skills needed for college, career, and life. | Students will practice this outcome by doing homework, in class activities and projects. | Students will be assessed on this outcome using quizzes and tests. |
| Students will develop the mathematical thinking skills needed to analyze various problems. | Students will practice this outcome by doing homework and in class activities. | Students will be assessed on this outcome using quizzes and tests. |
| Students will have a solid understanding of algebra. | Students will practice this outcome by doing homework and in class activities. | Students will be assessed on this outcome using quizzes and tests. |

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

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| 1. The required text is Using and Understand Mathematics: A Quantitative

 Reasoning Approach by Jeffrey Bennett and William Briggs, 5th Edition.1. Students are required to have a scientific calculator with a yx or xy or ^ key. However, most calculations can be done simply with a pencil and piece of paper.
2. Students must also have an MU computer account for email.
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**Course Requirements / Due Dates**

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| 1. All due dates can be found on the course schedule.
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**Grading Policy**

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| **Student Assessment:** Students will be assessed using various methods, such as assigned homework, quizzes, and exams. There will also be one project to be completed. Homework will be due after the completion of each chapter. It will be graded and returned promptly for the students’ review before each test. Quizzes will be given after the submission of homework assignments, except on weeks when an exam is scheduled. There will be a total of three exams and one final.**Grading Scale:** 100% - 90% A89% - 80% B 79% - 70% C 69% - 60% D 59% and below F**Board Points:** Extra credit problems will not be given on exams. However, students can receive board points during the semester, which will count towards their lowest test grade. Typically, students earn board points by performing tasks on the board. For example, before each homework submission students may request a problem to be worked out on the board. If another student has performed this problem in his/her homework, he/she may go to the board and work out the problem and therefore, receive a board point. Board points may also be earned during class activities. **Note:** Please note that an incomplete cannot be given unless the student completes 75% of the course. |

**Attendance Policy**

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| Attendance will not be taken, but students are strongly urged to attend since points may be lost by not turning in assignments and/or missing quizzes and exams. Quizzes/Tests and assignments can only be turned in and/or made up if the student is present or has a university excused absence. Please consult your handbook for excused absences and the required documentation for excuses.When in attendance I expect each student to behave respectively. You must not only have respect for me, but respect for your fellow classmates as well. If your actions become disruptive or distracting for me or another student, you will be asked to cease your behavior. If you choose to continue, you will be asked to leave. Disruptive behaviors may include, but are not limited to, the following: cell phone use in class, talking during class, and the use of iPods or mp3 players during class |

**Tutoring Services**

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| Tutoring services are available in Smith Music Hall 115 daily. The schedule will be postedon the door after the first week of classes. I strongly suggest you take advantage of this **FREE** service. |

**Course Schedule (tentative):**

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| Week | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday |
| Jan 13-17 | Syllabus and Introductions |   |  **Discuss Project 1**1B1B Hmwk: 15-21odd, 29,37,45,47,49,61 |  | 1C1C Hmwk: 13,19,21, 35,37,43,53,55,59,61 |
| Jan 20-24 | **University Closed**No Class |  | 1D1D Hmwk: 15,17,19, 25,27, 29,31,33,37,39 |  | Ch 1 Hmwk DueBoardwork**Quiz 1** |
| Jan 27-31 | 2A2A Hmwk: 13,21,23, 35,39,49,53,59,63,73 |  | 2B2B Hmwk: 21,27,29, 39,43,45, 47,49,53,55 |  | 2C2C Hmwk: 7-15 odd  |
| Feb 3-7 | Ch 2 Hmwk DueBoardwork**Quiz 2** |  | 3A3A Hmwk: 17,19,25, 29,31, 53,55,77,79,81 |   | 3B3B Hmwk: 15,17,19, 21,23, 25,27,41,43,49 |
| Feb 10-14 | 3C3C Hmwk: 25, 27, 29, 33, 39, 43, 69-75 odd |  | Ch 3 Hmwk DueBoardwork Review |  | **Test 1** |
| Feb 17-21 | 4A4A Hmwk: 19,21,23, 31,33,35,39,41,43,45 |  | 4B4B Hmwk: 19,37,39, 43,47,49,53,67,69,77 |  | 4B cont. |
| Feb 24-28 | 4C4C Hmwk: 17,21,23, 25,29,31,33,37,39,41 |  | 4D4D Hmwk: 13,15,19, 21,23,25,29,31,33,37 |  | Ch 4 Hmwk DueBoardwork**Quiz 3****Project 1 Due** |
| Mar 3-7 | 5A5A Hmwk: 15,19,21, 23,27,29,33,35,37,47 |  | 5B5B Hmwk: 13-31 odd |  | 5C5C Hmwk: 15-33 odd |
| Mar 10-14 | **Midterm Grades Due**Ch5 Hmwk DueBoardworkReview |  | **Test 2** |  | 6A6A Hmwk: 13-31 odd |
| Mar 17-21 |  **Spring Break** | **Spring Break** | **Spring Break** | **Spring Break** | **Spring Break** |
| Mar 24-28 | 6B6B Hmwk: 15,17 |  | 6C6C Hmwk: 11,13,15, 17,19,21,23,27,29,31 |  | **Last Day to Drop**6D6D Hmwk: 15-33 odd |
| Mar 31-April 4 | Ch 6 Hmwk DueBoardwork**Quiz 4** |  | 7A7A Hmwk: 13,17,19, 21,23,27,29,33,47,49 |  | 7B7B Hmwk: 13-31 odd  |
| April 7-11 | 7C7C Hmwk: 13-31 odd |  | 7E7E Hmwk: 15-33 odd |  | Ch7 Hmwk Due Boardwork |
| April 14-18 | **Test 3** |  | 8A8A Hmwk: 9-27 odd |  |  8A cont. |
| April 21-25 | 8C8C Hmwk: 13-31 odd |  | Ch8 Hmwk DueBoardwork |  | Review? |
| April 28-May 2 | Dead WeekReview? | Dead Week | Dead WeekReview? | Dead Week | Dead WeekReview? |
| May 5-9 | **Final 1245-245** |  |  |  |  |