

Grande Prairie Regional College
Academic Upgrading Department

INTRODUCTION TO MA0135

Instructor=s name: _____

Instructor=s office: _____ Phone number: _____

This course is divided into 10 separate units called modules. The instructions are given in the modules along with several examples and exercises. Study the instructions and work through the examples before starting the exercise. The answers for the exercises are given at the end of the module. Check your work **often**. **The key to success** in working with modules **is to ask questions** whenever you have difficulty understanding the instructions, the examples or the exercises. **Do not hesitate to ask for help.**

After each module you must write a test. A **passing mark of 50%** is required on the test before continuing on to the next module. Students unable to attain this mark must review the material and rewrite the test. The first and second test marks will be averaged.

A 50 minute midterm which will cover the first five modules must be written by a **compulsory date**. If you miss this date you will receive a mark of 0% on your midterm. Upon completion of all the course modules you will write a three hour final exam. Be sure to allow time to write these important exams! They are worth a large percentage of your final grade.

The recommended test date for each module and the midterm is on the back. **Consult your instructor immediately if you find yourself falling behind schedule.** It may be necessary to reassess your math skills to ensure that you are placed in a course where you can be successful.

Your final mark is determined by:

10 module tests	40%
Midterm	20%
Final Exam	40%

EXP, \sqrt{x} , sin, cos, tan, y^x , π ,

You will find a calculator, with the following functions, helpful in this course:

BONUS
When you write your module tests on or before the given date, you will receive an additional 2% on each test score.

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Module	TOPIC/DESCRIPTION	Recommended Time & Test Date	Date you wrote	Your mark
1	Fractions / Decimals (burgundy) -review of fractions and decimals	5 days Sept. 10		
2	Measurement (orange)	4 days Sept. 16		
3	Ratio, Proportion, & Percent (burgundy)	6 days Sept. 24		
4	Factoring (burgundy) -common factors, trinomials, and difference of squares; solving equations by factoring	7 days Oct. 3		
5	Statistics (grey) -organize data; graphs -measures of central tendency	5 days Oct. 10		
	MIDTERM - must be written on or before	Oct. 15		
6	Review (burgundy) -signed numbers, order of operations, fractions, polynomials, equations, inequalities & number line graphs	7 days Oct. 24		
7	Exponents & Radicals (burgundy) - rational exponents, four basic operations on exponents and radicals, solving radical equations	8 days Nov, 5		
8	Rational Expressions (burgundy) -non permissible values, simplifying four basic operations, equations	8 days Nov. 19		
9	Quadratic Equations (burgundy) -solving by factoring & quadratic formula -nature of roots, applications	5 days Nov. 26		
10	Statistics (yellow)	9 days Dec. 10		
	FINAL EXAM - 3 HOURS	T.B.A.		