



**Texas A&M University - San Antonio**  
**Math 1350 Fundamentals of Mathematics I, Section 600**  
**Fall 2024**

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<b>IMPORTANT NOTE: TO CONTACT THE INSTRUCTOR, USE EMAIL TO EITHER Craig.McCarron@tamusa.edu or cmccarro@tamusa.edu. YOU SHOULD RECEIVE A RESPONSE TO EMAIL IN AT MOST ONE BUSINESS DAY. DO NOT USE BLACKBOARD MESSAGING TO CONTACT THE INSTRUCTOR, IT IS NOT RELIABLE.</b>	

***Course Description and Material***

***Catalog Description:*** Study of the concepts of sets, functions, numeration systems, number theory, and properties of the natural numbers, integers, rational, and real number systems with an emphasis on problem solving and critical thinking. This course meets the standards for the mathematics category of courses under the core curriculum.

***Prerequisite:*** MATH 1314 College Algebra or equivalent.

***Required Textbook:*** Long, DeTemple, Millman, *Mathematical Reasoning for Elementary Teachers* (7th ed.), Pearson, ISBN-13: 978-0321900999.

***Required Equipment:*** TI-30 series scientific calculator or equivalent. (Graphing calculators are not allowed during exams.)

***Student Learning Outcomes:*** Upon completion of this course, students will be able to:

1. Interpret and apply Venn diagrams, elementary set terminology and functions in solving problems and in representing mathematical relationships.
2. Demonstrate an understanding of the structure of our base-10 system and various other numeration systems including positional and additive systems.
3. Demonstrate an understanding of elementary number theory and its application to arithmetic and problem solving.
4. Demonstrate standard arithmetic algorithms.
5. Relate the course content to the teaching and learning of mathematics in the elementary school classroom.

MATH 1350 helps students develop Critical Thinking, Communication, and Empirical and Quantitative Skills by focusing on student understanding of essential mathematical concepts for secondary teachers to include recognizing, identifying, solving, analyzing and explaining applications in elementary educational settings.

List of Topics: Topics to be covered include but are not limited to the following.

- Problem Solving
- Patterns
- Algebra
- Reasoning
- Sets
- Addition/Subtraction of Sets
- Multiplication/Division of Sets
- Non-Decimal Systems
- Numeration Systems
- Add & Subtract Algorithms
- Multiplication Algorithms
- Division Algorithms
- Mental Computation
- Divisibility
- GCF & LCM
- Add & Subtract Integers
- Multiply & Divide Integers
- Basic Concepts of Fractions
- Add & Subtract Fractions
- Multiply & Divide Fractions
- Decimals and Real Numbers
- Computations with Decimals
- Proportional Reasoning

The instructor reserves the right to modify/update the topics as appropriate.

**NOTE:** Each week a set of learning activities will be posted in a folder on Blackboard for that week. The folder will normally be made available at 8:00 AM on Monday morning with assignments (recordings, exercises in MyMathLab, assessments, etc.) due the following Sunday at 11:59 PM. Aside from the three hours that you spend viewing video recordings each week, you should devote at least another 6~8 hours to studying on your own: reading the book and lecture notes, working out your homework assignments, and solving some extra related problems for practice. You are responsible for any and all materials/topics discussed in this class and in the assigned textbook sections.

## Course Expectations and Requirements

Examinations: There will be three exams during the semester:

- Exam 1 Window (60 minute exam): 0800 Thursday, September 26<sup>th</sup> through 1700 Saturday, September 28<sup>th</sup>
- Exam 2 Window (60 minute exam): 0800 Thursday, October 31<sup>st</sup> through 1700 Saturday, November 2<sup>nd</sup>
- Final Exam Window (120 minute exam): 0800 Tuesday, December 10<sup>th</sup> through 1700 Wednesday, December 11<sup>th</sup>

Students are expected to take all three exams in the scheduled windows. It is the student's responsibility to schedule test times with the Testing Center at Texas A&M University – San Antonio (<https://www.tamusa.edu/academics/testing-center/index.html>) for each exam.

Homework: There will be approximately 27 homework assignments to be completed in the MyMathLab site provided by Pearson publishing company. These assignments will generally be due Sundays at 11:59 PM. Which homework assignments are due each week will be determined by the weekly progress in recorded lectures. The assignments will be given in recorded lectures.

Quizzes: There will be eight Quizzes for this course that will be administered in the MyMathLab site.

Students can have group/team discussions about homework problems. However, each student must do his/her own work. Be mindful of academic integrity.

Examples of collaboration on homework:

1. A group of students studying together read a problem and then discuss verbally the techniques or strategies they will use to solve the problem. **This level of cooperation is allowed.**
2. One student writes a solution to a problem which other students then use as an example. **This level of cooperation is NOT allowed.**

No collaboration is allowed on quizzes.

### Grading Policy

Category	Number	Points Each	Drops	Total	Percent
Homeworks	27	5	3	120	21.43%
Quizzes	8	20	1	140	25.00%
Exam 1	1	100	0	100	17.86%
Exam 2	1	100	0	100	17.86%
Final Exam	1	100	0	100	17.86%
			<b>Total</b>	560	100%

(All numbers above are approximate and subject to adjustments.)

## Grading Scale:

90.0%-100%	A
80.0%-89.9%	B
70.0%-79.9%	C
60.0%-69.9%	D
59.9% and below	F

**Classroom Etiquette:** Students are expected to refrain from distracting classmates as a result of off-task conversation, electronic devices, or other class interruptions.

**Electronic Communication Devices:** Electronic communication devices (e.g., laptop computer, tablet computer, cellular phone, smart phone) can be useful learning tools, but can also be distractions. Mathematical concepts often require *intense concentration* to grasp, so missing even a few words of classroom discussion can leave a student confused and frustrated. During scheduled classroom times, electronic communication devices are not to be used unless specifically authorized by the instructor. Unauthorized use of electronic communication devices during class time *will result in the student being dismissed from class*. If a student has an urgent situation (e.g., family member in the hospital), inform the instructor at the beginning of class that you wish to leave your cell phone on in case you receive an emergency call.

**Recording:** If a student wishes to record any part of classroom activity, the student must obtain written permission from the instructor *in advance* of recording. Unauthorized recording can infringe on other class members' rights.

## IMPORTANT POLICIES AND RESOURCES

Academic Accommodations for Individuals with Disabilities: Texas A&M University-San Antonio is committed to providing all students with reasonable access to learning opportunities and accommodations in accordance with The Americans with Disabilities Act, as amended, and Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act. If you experience barriers to your education due to a disability or think you may have a disability, Disability Support Services is located in the Central Academic Building, Suite 210. You can also contact us via phone at (210) 784-1335, visit us <https://www.tamusa.edu/Disability-Support-Services/index.html> or email us at [dss@tamusa.edu](mailto:dss@tamusa.edu). Disabilities may include, but are not limited to, attentional, learning, mental health, sensory, physical, or chronic health conditions. All students are encouraged to discuss their disability-related needs with Disability Support Services and their instructors as soon as possible.

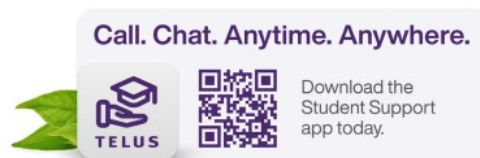
Academic Learning Center: The Academic Learning Center provides free course-based tutoring to all currently enrolled students at Texas A&M University-San Antonio. Students wishing to work with a tutor can make appointments through the Brainfuse online tutoring platform. Brainfuse can be accessed in the *Tools* section of Blackboard. You can contact the Academic Learning Center by emailing [tutoring@tamusa.edu](mailto:tutoring@tamusa.edu), calling (210) 784-1307, or visiting the Central Academic Building, room 202.

Counseling/Mental Health Resources: As a college student, there may be times when personal stressors interfere with your academic performance and negatively impact your daily functioning. If you are experiencing emotional difficulties or mental health concerns, support is available to you through the Student Counseling Center (SCC). To schedule an appointment, call 210-784-1331 or visit Madla 120.

All mental health services provided by the SCC are free and confidential (as the law allows). The Student Counseling Center provides brief individual and group therapy, crisis intervention, consultation, case management, and prevention services. For more information on SCC services visit [tamusa.edu/studentcounseling](http://tamusa.edu/studentcounseling)

*Crisis support is available 24/7 by calling the SCC at 210-784-1331 (after-hours select option '2').*

Additionally, the TELUS Student Support App provides a variety of mental health resources to including support for in the moment distress, an anonymous peer to peer support network, mental health screenings, podcasts, and articles to improve your mental wellbeing.



Emergency Preparedness: JagE Alert is Texas A&M University-San Antonio's mass notification. In the event of an emergency, such as inclement weather, students, staff and faculty, who are registered, will have the option to receive a text message, email with instructions and updates. To register or update your information visit: <https://tamusa.bbcportal.com/>.

More information about Emergency Operations Plan and the Emergency Action Plan can be found here: <https://www.tamusa.edu/about-us/emergency-management/>.

Download the SafeZone App (<https://safezoneapp.com/>) for emergencies or call (210) 784-1911. Non-Emergency (210) 784-1900.

Financial Aid and Verification of Attendance: According to the following federal regulation, 34 CFR 668.21: U.S. Department of Education (DoE) Title IV regulation, a student can only receive Title IV funds based on Title IV eligibility criteria which include class attendance. If Title IV funds are disbursed to ineligible students (including students who fail to begin attendance), the institution must return these funds to the U.S. DoE within 30 days of becoming aware that the student will not or has not begun attendance. Faculty will provide the Office of Financial Aid with an electronic notification if a student has not attended the first week of class. Any student receiving federal financial aid who does not attend the first week of class will have their aid terminated and returned to the DoE. Please note that any student who stops attending at any time during the semester may also need to return a portion of their federal aid.

Writing, Language, and Digital Composing Center: The Writing, Language, and Digital Composing Center supports graduate and undergraduate students in all three colleges as well as

faculty and staff. Tutors work with students to develop reading skills, prepare oral presentations, and plan, draft, and revise their written assignments. Our language tutors support students enrolled in Spanish courses and students composing in Spanish for any assignment. Our digital studio tutors support students working on digital projects such as eportfolios, class presentations, or other digital multimedia projects. Students can schedule appointments through JagWire under the Student Services tab. Click on “Writing, Language, and Digital Composing Center” to make your appointment. The Center offers face-to-face, synchronous online, and asynchronous digital appointments. More information about what services we offer, how to make an appointment, and how to access your appointment can be found on our website at <https://www.tamusa.edu/academics/>.

Meeting Basic Needs: Any student who has difficulty affording groceries or accessing sufficient food to eat every day or who lacks a safe and stable place to live, and believes this may affect their performance in the course, is urged to submit a CARE referral (<https://www.tamusa.edu/university-policies/Student-Rights-and-Responsibilities/file-a-report.html>) for support. Furthermore, please notify the professor if you are comfortable in doing so. This will enable them to direct you to available resources.

Military Affairs: Veterans and active-duty military personnel are welcomed and encouraged to visit the Office of Military Affairs for any question involving federal or state VA Education Benefits. Visit the Patriots’ Casa building, room 202, or to contact the Office of Military Affairs with any questions at [military.va@tamusa.edu](mailto:military.va@tamusa.edu) or (210)784-1397.

Religious Observances: Texas A&M University-San Antonio recognizes the diversity of faiths represented among the campus community and protects the rights of students, faculty, and staff to observe religious holidays according to their tradition. Under the policy, students are provided an opportunity to make up any examination, study, or course work requirements that may be missed due to a religious observance provided they notify their instructors before the end of the second week of classes for regular session classes.

The Six-Drop Rule: Students are subject to the requirements of Senate Bill (SB) 1231 passed by the Texas Legislature in 2007. SB 1231 limits students to a maximum of six (6) non-punitive course drops (i.e., courses a student chooses to drop) during their undergraduate careers. A non-punitive drop does not affect the student’s GPA. However, course drops that exceed the maximum allowed by SB 1231 will be treated as “F” grades and will impact the student’s GPA.

Statement of Harassment and Discrimination: Texas A&M University-San Antonio is committed to the fundamental principles of academic freedom, equal opportunity, and human dignity. To fulfill its multiple missions as an institution of higher learning, A&M-San Antonio encourages a climate that values and nurtures collegiality and the uniqueness of the individual within our state, nation, and world. All decisions and actions involving students and employees should be based on applicable law and individual merit. Texas A&M University-San Antonio, in accordance with applicable federal and state law, prohibits discrimination, including harassment, on the basis of race, color, sex, religion, national origin, age, disability, genetic information, veteran status, sexual orientation, gender identity, gender expression, or pregnancy/parenting status. Individuals who believe they have experienced harassment or discrimination prohibited by this statement are encouraged to contact the appropriate offices within their respective units.

Texas A&M University-San Antonio faculty are committed to providing a safe learning environment for all students and for the university as a whole. If you have experienced any form of sex- or gender-based discrimination or harassment, including sexual assault, sexual harassment, domestic or dating violence, or stalking, know that help and support are available.

A&M-San Antonio's Title IX Coordinator can support those impacted by such conduct in navigating campus life, accessing health and counseling services, providing academic and housing accommodations, and more. The university strongly encourages all students to report any such incidents to the Title IX Coordinator. Please be aware that all A&M-San Antonio employees (other than those designated as confidential resources such as counselors and trained victim advocates) are required to report information about such discrimination and harassment to the university. This means that if you tell a faculty member about a situation of sexual harassment, sexual violence, or other related misconduct, the faculty member must share that information with the university's Title IX Coordinator ([titleix@tamusa.edu](mailto:titleix@tamusa.edu), 210-784-2061, CAB 439K). If you wish to speak to a confidential employee who does not have this reporting requirement, you can contact the Student Counseling Center at (210) 784-1331 or visit them in Madla 120.

Pregnant/Parenting Students: Texas A&M-San Antonio does not require a pregnant or parenting student, solely because of that status or issues related to that status, to (1) take a leave of absence or withdraw from their degree or certificate program; (2) limit the student's studies; (3) participate in an alternative program; (4) change the student's major, degree, or certificate program; or (5) refrain from joining or cease participating in any course, activity, or program at the University. The university will provide such reasonable accommodations to pregnant students as would be provided to a student with a temporary medical condition that are related to the health and safety of the student and the student's unborn child. These could include maintaining a safe distance from substances, areas, and activities known to be hazardous to pregnant individuals and their unborn child; excused absences because of illness or medical appointments; modified due dates for assignments; rescheduled tests/exams; taking a leave of absence; and being provided access to instructional materials and video recordings of lectures for excused absences, if these would be provided to any other student with an excused absence. Pregnant/parenting students are encouraged to contact the Title IX Coordinator with any questions or concerns related to their status ([titleix@tamusa.edu](mailto:titleix@tamusa.edu); 210-784-2061; CAB 439K).

Texas A&M-San Antonio has also designated the Title IX Coordinator as the liaison officer for current or incoming students who are the parent or guardian of a child younger than 18 years of age. The Title IX Coordinator can provide students with information regarding support services and other resources.

Students' Rights and Responsibilities: The following statement of students' rights and responsibilities is intended to reflect the philosophical base upon which University Student Rules are built. This philosophy acknowledges the existence of both rights and responsibilities, which is inherent to an individual not only as a student at Texas A&M University-San Antonio but also as a citizen of this country.

#### *Students' Rights*

1. A student shall have the right to participate in a free exchange of ideas, and there shall be no University rule or administrative rule that in any way abridges the rights of freedom of speech, expression, petition and peaceful assembly as set forth in the U.S. Constitution.
2. Each student shall have the right to participate in all areas and activities of the University, free from any form of discrimination, including harassment, on the basis of race, color, national or ethnic origin, religion, sex, disability, age, sexual orientation, gender identity,

gender expression, and pregnancy/parenting or veteran status in accordance with applicable federal and state laws.

3. A student has the right to personal privacy except as otherwise provided by law, and this will be observed by students and University authorities alike.
4. Each student subject to disciplinary action arising from violations of university student rules shall be assured a fundamentally fair process.

### *Students' Responsibilities*

1. A student has the responsibility to respect the rights and property of others, including other students, the faculty, and administration.
2. A student has the responsibility to be fully acquainted with the published University Student Rules found in the Student Handbook, [Student Code of Conduct](#), on our website, and University Catalog, and to comply with them, as well as with federal, state, and local laws.
3. A student has the responsibility to recognize that student actions reflect upon the individuals involved and upon the entire University community.
4. A student has the responsibility to recognize the University's obligation to provide a safe environment for learning.
5. A student has the responsibility to check their university email for any updates or official university notifications.

We expect that students will behave in a manner that is dignified, respectful, and courteous to all people, regardless of sex, ethnic/racial origin, religious background, sexual orientation, or disability. Conduct that infringes on the rights of another individual will not be tolerated. Students are expected to exhibit a high level of honesty and integrity in their pursuit of higher education. Students engaging in an act that violates the standards of academic integrity will find themselves facing academic and/or disciplinary sanctions. Academic misconduct is any act, or attempt, which gives an unfair advantage to the student. Additionally, any behavior specifically prohibited by a faculty member in the course syllabus or class discussion may be considered as academic misconduct. For more information on academic misconduct policies and procedures please review the Student Code of Conduct (<https://www.tamusa.edu/university-policies/student-rights-and-responsibilities/documents/Student-Handbook-2022-23.pdf>) or visit the resources available in the OSRR website (<https://www.tamusa.edu/university-policies/student-rights-and-responsibilities/academic-integrity.html>).



### Option 1 - No Use of Generative AI Permitted

MATH 2314 Calculus II assumes that all work submitted by students will be generated by the students themselves, working individually or in groups. Students should not have another person/entity do the writing of any portion of an assignment for them, which includes hiring a person or a company to write assignments and/or using artificial intelligence (AI) tools like ChatGPT. Use of any AI-generated content in this course qualifies as academic dishonesty and violates Texas A&M-San Antonio's standards of academic integrity.

#### Important Dates:

August 26	First day of class
September 2	Labor Day Holiday
November 11	Last day to drop with an automatic "W"
November 19	Last day to drop a course or withdraw from the University
November 27	Study Day – No classes
November 28-30	Thanksgiving Holiday – No classes
December 5	Last day of classes
December 6	Study Day – No classes
December 7-13	Final exams

*The complete academic calendar is available online:*

<https://www.tamusa.edu/academics/academic-calendar/index.html>.