

Course Objectives/Course Outline
Spokane Community College

Course Title: Developmental Math

Prefix and Course Number: MATH 21

Course Learning Outcomes:

By the end of this course, a student should be able to:

- Demonstrate understanding of the place value, system of whole numbers and decimals by reading and writing word names for numerals and numerals for word names.
- Identify properties of real numbers for addition, multiplication and exponents.
- Estimate answers to problems involving whole numbers and decimals.
- Arrange two or more decimals according to their size.
- Perform operations (addition, subtraction, multiplication, division, raising to powers) for whole numbers, decimals, fractions and integers.
- Reduce fractions to lowest terms and write equivalent fractions with higher terms.
- Write improper fractions as mixed or whole numbers and mixed numbers and whole numbers as improper fractions.
- Apply the order of operations to whole numbers, fractions, decimals and integers.
- Write ratios or rates as fractions.
- Simplify ratios and rates involving fractions or decimals.
- Solve proportions.
- Set up correct proportions for word problems.
- Convert between percent, decimals and fractions.
- Graph positive and negative integers on the number line.
- Find the opposite and the absolute value of a given real number.
- Simplify algebraic expressions by using the distributive property and combining like terms.
- Solve linear equations.
- Solve word problems involving whole numbers, decimals, fractions, ratio & proportion and percent.

Course Outline:

- I. Whole Numbers
 - A. Show understanding of the place value system by writing word names for numerals and numerals for word names.
 - B. Round off whole numbers to the indicated place.
 - C. Identify and use the properties of addition and multiplication.
 - D. Find the value of a number raised to a power.
 - E. Find the indicated root of a number.
 - F. Simplify expression involving addition, subtraction, multiplication, division and/or powers and roots using the rules for order of operation.
 - G. Identify prime and composite numbers and prime factor a number.
- II. Applications of Arithmetic
 - A. Solve word problems involving whole numbers.
 - B. Estimate answers to word problems involving whole numbers.
 - C. Solve word problems involving averages.
 - D. Evaluate formulas.
 - E. Solve word problems involving perimeters and areas of common

geometric figures.

F. Read and interpret bar graphs. •

III. Fractions

- A. Reduce fractions to lowest terms.
- B. Form equivalent fractions.
- C. Write improper fractions as mixed numbers or whole numbers.
- D. Write mixed numbers and whole numbers as improper fractions.
- E. Find the product of two or more fractions, mixed numbers and/or whole numbers.
- F. Find the quotient of two fractions, mixed numbers, and/or whole numbers.
- G. Find the sum of two or more fractions, mixed numbers and/or whole numbers.
- H. Find the difference of two fractions, mixed numbers and/or whole numbers.
- I. Simplify complex fractions.
- J. Raise a fraction to the indicated power.
- K. Find the square root of a fraction.
- L. Simplify expressions involving fractions using the rules for order of operation.
- M. Arrange two or more fractions in order according to size.
- N. Solve word problems involving fractions.

IV. Decimals

- A. Show understanding of the place value system by writing the decimal for the word name and the word name for the decimal.
- B. Round off decimals to the indicated place.
- C. Find the sum of two or more numbers written as decimals.
- D. Find the difference of two numbers written as decimals.
- E. Find the product of two numbers written as decimals.
- F. Find the quotient of two numbers written as decimals.
- G. Simplify expressions involving decimals using the rules for order of operation.
- H. Write a fraction or mixed number as an exact decimal or an approximate decimal rounded to the indicated place.
- I. Write a decimal as a fraction or mixed number.
- J. Write a complex decimal as a fraction or mixed number.
- K. Simplify expressions involving both common fractions and decimals.
- L. Arrange two or more decimals in order according to the size.
- M. Read and interpret line graphs and area graphs. •

V. Ratios, Rates, and Proportion

- A. Express ratios or rates as fractions.
- B. Simplify ratios involving whole number terms.
- C. Simplify ratios involving terms that are fractions and/or decimals.
- D. Use unit fractions to solve word problems.
- E. Solve a proportion when a term is missing.
- F. Solve proportions involving terms that are fractions and/or decimals.
- G. Use proportions to solve word problems.

VI. Percent

- A. Convert percents to decimals and fractions.
- B. Convert decimals and fractions to percents.
- C. Find a fractional part of a number.
- D. Solve the three types of percent problems using the percent proportion.
- E. Solve word problems involving percents.
- F. Read and interpret circle graphs. •

VII. Integers

- A. Graph positive and negative integers on the number line.
- B. Arrange two or more integers in order according to size.
- C. Determine the opposite of an integer.
- D. Determine the absolute value of an integer.
- E. Find the sum of two or more integers.
- F. Find the difference of two integers.
- G. Find the product of two integers.
- H. Find the quotient of two integers.
- I. Find the value of an integer raised to a power.
- J. Simplify expressions involving integers using the rules for order of operation.
- K. Simplify expressions involving real numbers using the rule for order of operation.
- L. Solve word problems involving integers.

VIII. Algebraic Expressions and Equations

- A. Simplify algebraic expressions by combining like terms.
- B. Simplify algebraic expressions by using the distributive property to eliminate parentheses.
- C. Determine if a number is a solution to an equation.
- D. Solve linear equations using the Addition Property of Equality.
- E. Solve linear equations using the Multiplicative Property of Equality.
- F. Solve linear equations using a multi-step process.