



COURSE SYLLABUS

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COURSE: MAT 172 PRECALCULUS TRIGONOMETRY

HOURS: Lecture: 3 Lab/Shop: 2 Work Exp/Clinical: 0 Credits: 4

COURSE DESCRIPTION:

This course is designed to develop an understanding of topics which are fundamental to the study of Calculus. Emphasis is placed on the analysis of trigonometric functions in multiple representations, right and oblique triangles, vectors, polar coordinators, conic sections, and parametric equations. Upon completion, students should be able to select and use appropriate models and techniques for finding solutions to trigonometry-related problems with and without technology.

Note: In accordance with the Comprehensive Articulation Agreement, this course has been approved to satisfy the Universal General Education Transfer Component requirement for mathematics in the A.S. degree program. This course has been approved to meet the mathematics requirement in A.A.S. degree programs.

PREREQUISITE(S): MAT 171 with a grade of "C" or better.

COREQUISITE(S): NONE

TEXTBOOK(S) & OTHER SPECIAL REQUIREMENTS:

Open Educational Resources (OER) are listed in the course Moodle.

STUDENT LEARNING OUTCOMES:

Upon successful completion of this course, the student will be able to:

1. Use the unit circle and right triangle definitions to evaluate and graph trigonometric functions and their inverses, to derive trigonometric identities, and to simplify trigonometric expressions.
2. Use multiple methods to solve problems involving trigonometric equations, right triangles, and oblique triangles.
3. Demonstrate knowledge of vector definitions and perform vector operations.
4. Convert equations and graphs between rectangular and polar coordinate systems, and apply to complex numbers.
5. Use multiple representations to define, construct and analyze conic sections.
6. Create, graph, and analyze parametric equations.

*****Please refer to the online version of the Richmond Community College Program & Course Catalog and the Student Handbook for current academic and general information.**