

# **Math 1050 Elementary Algebra**

# **Catalog Description:**

This is an introductory course in elementary algebra that introduces the real number system; equations; inequalities; graphs of linear equations and inequalities in two variables; systems of linear equations and inequalities; exponents and polynomials; and factoring.

#### SLO:

Course #1 - Solve a system of two linear equations and interpret the solution graphically and algebraically. Course #2 - Perform algebraic operations on polynomials: add, subtract, multiply, and divide by a monomial.

# **Sample Problems:**

Multiply or divide and write answer in lowest terms.

1. 
$$\frac{5}{12} \cdot \frac{3}{10}$$

2. 
$$\frac{5}{4} \div \frac{3}{8}$$

Add or subtract and write answer in lowest terms.

3. 
$$\frac{4}{15} + \frac{1}{5}$$

4. 
$$\frac{7}{12} - \frac{1}{9}$$

Simplify by using the order of operations.

5. 
$$-3+(-2+-9)+2(2-5)$$

6. 
$$\frac{9^2 - 4^2}{3 + -8}$$

Simplify by collecting like terms.

7. 
$$-7q-5+13q+21$$

# Solve the equation.

8. 
$$-x+28-6x=5x-12-2x$$

## Solve each proportion.

10. 
$$\frac{x}{12} = \frac{45}{60}$$

11. 
$$\frac{x}{7.5} = \frac{5.7}{4.5}$$

#### Solve each percent problem.

- 12. What percent of \$540 is \$189?
- 13. 40% of what amount is \$256?

#### Perform the indicated operations.

14. 
$$(5k^2 - 3k + 7) + (-8k^2 + 2k - 6)$$

15. 
$$(8x^3 - 5x^2 + 9) - (8x^3 + 3x^2 - 10)$$

### **Answers**

1. 
$$\frac{1}{8}$$

2. 
$$\frac{10}{3}$$

3. 
$$\frac{7}{15}$$

4. 
$$\frac{17}{36}$$

7. 
$$6q + 16$$

8. 
$$x = 4$$

9. 
$$m = 3.1$$

10. 
$$x = 9$$

11. 
$$x = 9.5$$

12. 
$$x = 35\%$$

13. 
$$x = $640$$

14. 
$$-3k^2 - k + 1$$

15. 
$$-8x^2 + 19$$