CASPER COLLEGE COURSE SYLLABUS  
MATH 1100 N1 Math for Elementary Teachers I

**Semester / Year:** Summer 2016  
**Lecture Hours:** 3  
**Lab Hours:** 0  
**Credit Hours:** 3  
**Class Time:** NA  
**Days:** NA  
**Room:** NA  
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**Course Description:** (Casper College Catalog)  
This course is required for prospective elementary school teachers. Its purpose is to prepare students to be competent in teaching the major concepts of the real number system with the four arithmetic operations. The course includes a study of problem solving, patterns, the origin of numeration systems, sets, number theory, the properties of whole, integer, rational and real numbers, and algorithms for addition, subtraction, multiplication and division in base 10 and other bases.

**Prerequisite:** (Must meet ONE of the following)  
- “C” or better in Math 0930 or Math 0934  
- ACT Math score of at least 23  
- COMPASS score in the Algebra domain of 60-100 or College Algebra 0-64 (past year)

**Co-requisite:** Must be taken concurrently with EDEL 1410 N1.

**Goal:**  
The 2001 Conference Board of the Mathematical Sciences recommended that “Prospective teachers need mathematics course that develop deep understanding of the mathematics they will teach. . . and most of all, [they] need to learn how to learn mathematics.”

Consequently, the goal of this course is to provide prospective elementary school teachers with a deeper understanding and mastery of the mathematical skills, concepts, processes, theories, and applications of probability, statistics, geometry, and measurement. This foundation will help future teachers to make appropriate “mathematical and pedagogical decisions” pertaining to the teaching of mathematics at the elementary level. The main focus of the course is on content and not pedagogy. We will take a look at some pedagogical issues (teaching strategies) in EDEL 1410.
Course Objectives/Outcomes: Students who successfully complete this course will:

- Demonstrate the meaning of addition, subtraction, multiplication, and division and provide multiple models for operations on whole numbers, integers, and rational numbers.

- Utilize commutativity, associativity, distributivity, and existence of identities and inverses as properties of operations.

- Demonstrate proficiency in and understanding of multi-digit computation using standard and alternative/invented algorithms, mental mathematics, and computational estimation.

- Understand the multiplicative structure of the whole numbers including the Fundamental Theorem of Arithmetic and the relationship between factors, multiples, and prime factorizations.

- Understand and apply divisibility rules.

- Demonstrate knowledge of the historical development of number and number systems and the role of place value.

Casper College General Education Requirement:

- Use quantitative analytical skills to evaluate and process numerical data.

*Casper College may collect samples of student work demonstrating achievement of the above outcomes. Any personally identifying information will be removed from student work.

Required Materials:

1. MyMathLab access code. Please see [http://www.pearsonmylabandmastering.com/](http://www.pearsonmylabandmastering.com/) to register and purchase a code. The course ID is: stricklin88212

2. Textbook – *A Problem Solving Approach to Mathematics for Elementary School Teachers 12th Edition* by Billstein,Libeskind,Lott (you can either purchase a hard copy of this or use the electronic version that is included with the MyMathLab code)

3. Internet access (computers are available in both the CC library and the Math Learning Center)

4. Scientific calculator no graphing calculators will be allowed

5. Scanner, fax machine or digital camera that takes legible pictures of written work

6. A means of recording and submitting videos through your Casper College YouTube account

Methodology:

This course will be completed using Moodle in conjunction with MyMathLab. All written assignments and email correspondence will be submitted via Moodle while weekly learning quizzes will be completed in MyMathLab. Each week, it will be your responsibility to read the assigned pages in the textbook, complete the written assignment as well as the weekly learning quizzes. It is my goal to teach the concepts of this course through the 8 Mathematical Practices aligned in the Common Core. It is most important that you understand how and why things work and not just simply memorize algorithms. As a future teacher, you must be able to justify your reasoning and make appropriate adjustments to that reasoning.
**Evaluative Criteria:** Your grade will be based on your performance (not effort) on the following tasks:

**50% Summative Assessments (Written Unit Exams)**
Students will be required to 2 exams—one midterm and one final exam. Both exams are weighted equally of 100 points each and will **not be allowed to be retaken**. You will have **ONE WEEK** to complete each written exam. Those students who live in the Casper area will be required to take each exam in the Casper College Academic Testing Center. Those not living in the Casper area will need to make proctor arrangements approved by me before taking the first exam.

**35% Formative Assessments** (explorations/supplemental written homework)
This category will consist of written and/or videotaped explanations for various explorations. I am not only looking for correct solutions, but more importantly **quality explanations** of your thinking and insights into each problem solving activity. The “how” and “why” you solved a given problem is most important. These will be assigned weekly and must be submitted via the Moodle dropbox by **Sunday night at 11:55pm**.

**10% Weekly Learning Quizzes**
I will assign 2-4 learning quizzes per week through MyMathLab. Each quiz will consist of 5-10 questions over specific outcomes and can be taken up to 3 times. I will count your highest score towards your overall grade in this course. All quiz questions are pooled and randomly chosen so every time you choose to retake a learning quiz, you will be given different questions and in different orders. Only after you have completed each quiz will you be allowed to access the learning aides available in MyMathLab. All weekly learning quizzes will be due by **Wednesday night at 11:55pm**.

**5% Participation**
Each week you will be asked to submit your thoughts and comments to various discussion topics. You must first submit your initial thoughts by **Thursday night at 11:55pm** before you will have access to read and reply to other students’. In order to earn full credit, you must submit your own response and critique the responses of others by **Sunday night at 11:55pm**. Details about a quality critique can be found on the Moodle page.

**Point Scale:**
Letter grades will be based upon the traditional grading scale:
A = 100 – 90%  B = 89 – 80%  C = 79 – 70%  D = 69 – 60%  F ≤ 60%

**Absent/Late Work Policy:** Because so much of mathematics builds on prior knowledge, it is imperative that you keep up. Late assignments (whether it is 1 minute or 1 week late) will result in a zero! If you are absent for one week or more due to accident, illness, etc., contact the dean of students and explain your reason. In these cases arrangements will be made for you to make up your work.

**Last Day to Withdraw:** **July 6, 2016** (No exceptions to this date will be considered per college policy)

**Student Rights and Responsibilities:** Please refer to the Casper College Student Conduct and Judicial Code for information concerning your rights and responsibilities as a Casper College Student.

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**Chain of Command:** If you have any problems with this class, you should first contact the instructor to attempt to solve the problem. If you are not satisfied with the solution offered by the instructor, you should then take the matter through the appropriate chain of command starting with the Department Head/Program Director, the Academic Dean, and lastly the Vice President for Academic Affairs.

**Official Means of Communication:** Casper College faculty and staff will employ the student's assigned Casper College email account as a primary method of communication. Students are responsible to check their account regularly.

**Academic Dishonesty - Cheating & Plagiarism:** Casper College demands intellectual honesty. Proven plagiarism or any form of dishonesty associated with the academic process can result in the offender failing the course in which the offense was committed or expulsion from school. See the Casper College Student Code of Conduct.

**ADA Accommodations Policy:** If you need academic accommodations because of a disability, please inform me as soon as possible. See me privately outside of class, or during my office hours. To request academic accommodations, students must first consult with the college’s Disability Services Counselor located in the Gateway Building, Room 344, (307) 268-2557, bheuer@caspercollege.edu. The Disability Services Counselor is responsible for reviewing documentation provided by students requesting accommodations, determining eligibility for accommodations, and helping students request and use appropriate accommodations.
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