A. **TITLE:** BEGINNING ALGEBRA

B. **COURSE NUMBER:** MATH 100

C. **CREDIT HOURS:** (Hours of Lecture, Laboratory, Recitation, Tutorial, Activity)

   # Credit Hours: 3
   # Lecture Hours: 3 per week
   # Lab Hours: 0 per week
   Other: 0 per week

   Course Length: 15 Weeks

D. **WRITING INTENSIVE COURSE:** Yes ☐ No ☒

E. **GER CATEGORY:** None: ☐ Yes: ☒

   *If course satisfies more than one:

F. **SEMESTER(S) OFFERED:** Fall ☐ Spring ☐ Fall & Spring ☒

G. **COURSE DESCRIPTION:**

   This course is designed to prepare the student for Intermediate Algebra (MATH106). It assumes a limited algebra background at the secondary level. Topics include: a review of arithmetic operations, signed numbers, exponents, basic geometry concepts (such as angle measure, area and volume formulas), operations with polynomials, solving linear equations, introduction to graphing, and elementary word problems.

H. **PRE-REQUISITES:** None ☐ Yes ☒ If yes, list below:

   For students with no algebra background or for those receiving less than 75 on the New York State Math A or Integrated Algebra Regents or equivalent examination, or permission of instructor.

   **CO-REQUISITES:** None ☐ Yes ☐ If yes, list below:
I. **STUDENT LEARNING OUTCOMES:** *(see key below)*

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

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<td>Perform computations applying order of operations to real numbers.</td>
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<td>Simplify and solve linear equations (conditional) and simple inequalities.</td>
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<td>Solve literal equations and word problems using algebraic methods.</td>
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<td>Perform basic operations with exponential expressions and polynomials.</td>
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<td>Factor polynomials (greatest common factor, difference of squares, and trinomials).</td>
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<td>Solve quadratic equations and application problems by factoring.</td>
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<td>Industry, Professional, Discipline Specific Knowledge and Skills</td>
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*Include program objectives if applicable. Please consult with Program Coordinator*
J. **APPLIED LEARNING COMPONENT:** Yes ☐   No ☒

If YES, select one or more of the following categories:

- Classroom/Lab
- Internship
- Clinical Placement
- Practicum
- Service Learning
- Community Service
- Civic Engagement
- Creative Works/Senior Project
- Research
- Entrepreneurship (program, class, project)

K. **TEXTS:**

Currently using: *ELEMENTARY ALGEBRA FOR COLLEGE STUDENTS*

L. **REFERENCES:**

Worksheets, software, computer tutorials, and other texts are available on the network, in the Math Lab, and the Library.

M. **EQUIPMENT:** None ☐   Needed:

Smart classroom (computer projection and access to the internet). **NOTE:**
calculators will not be allowed in this course for tests and quizzes.

N. **GRADING METHOD:** A-F

O. **SUGGESTED MEASUREMENT CRITERIA/METHODS:**

- Homework
- Quizzes
- Tests

P. **DETAILED COURSE OUTLINE:**

I. Real Numbers
   A. Fractions, Decimals, and Per Cents
      1. Reducing
      2. Converting – mixed numbers, improper fractions
      3. Operations +, -, x, /
   B. The Real Number System
      1. Sets of numbers – names and structure
      2. Inequalities - relation between two real numbers (<, >, =)
   C. Signed Numbers
      1. Absolute Value
      2. Opposites
      3. Operations +, -, x, /
D. Powers and Roots
E. Order of Operations
   1. Evaluate algebraic expressions
F. Properties of the Real Number System
   1. Identity, Inverse
   2. Commutative, Associative
   3. Distributive

II. Linear Equations and Inequalities
A. Simplify Algebraic Expressions
   1. Remove Parentheses
   2. Combine Like Terms
B. Solving Linear Equations (Using Inverse Operations)
   1. Determine whether a number is a solution to an equation
   2. Variable on Only One Side of the Equation
   3. Variable on Both Sides of the Equation
   4. Simplification and Equation Solving
C. Ratios and Proportions
   1. Write ratios
   2. Solve Fractional Equations
D. Solving Linear Inequalities
   1. Simple (not compound) – graph the solution on a number line

III. Graphing Linear Equations
A. Reading Graphs
B. The Cartesian Coordinate System
   1. Plot points
   2. State coordinates and quadrants
C. Graphing Linear Equations
   1. Determine whether an ordered pair is a solution to a linear equation
   2. Point Plotting Method
   3. X- and Y-intercept Method
   4. Vertical and Horizontal Lines
D. Slope of a Line
   1. Given two points
   2. Given a graph
   3. Given an equation

IV. Formulas and Applications of Algebra
A. Formulas and Literal Equations
   1. Evaluate
   2. Solve for a specified variable
   3. Geometric: Perimeter, Area, Volume (square, rectangle, triangle, circle, and other figures if given formula)
B. Translating (words to symbols)
   1. Write expressions involving percents
C. Applications-Using Algebraic Models to Solve Word Problems
   1. Number Relation (consecutive integers)
   2. Geometry (perimeter, angles)
   3. Distance (Motion)
   4. Mixture (Dry) - coin, investment
   5. Average
V. Exponents and Polynomials
   A. Laws of Exponents (+, -, 0)
      1. Scientific Notation
   B. Types of Polynomials and Degree
   C. Addition and Subtraction of Polynomials
   D. Multiplication of Polynomials
      1. Two or More Monomials
      2. Distributive Property: (monomial) (polynomial)
      3. Two Binomials (F.O.I.L. and special products)
      4. Two Polynomials
   E. Division of Polynomials
      1. Short Division (divisor is a monomial)

VI. Factoring
   A. Prime Factorization of a Number
   B. Greatest Common Factor (GCF)
   C. Difference of Two Squares $a^2 - b^2$
   D. Trinomials (using reverse of F.O.I.L.)
      1. Simple $x^2 + bx + c$
      2. General $ax^2 + bx + c$
   E. General Factoring Strategy (Factor Completely)
   F. Solve Quadratic Equations by Factoring
      1. Zero Product Rule
      2. Application Problems (rectangle-area, consecutive integers - product)

Q.  **LABORATORY OUTLINE:** None ☒ Yes ☐