# J. Sargeant Reynolds Community College Course Content Summary 

Course Prefix and Number: MTH 111
Credits: 3
Course Title: Basic Technical Mathematics
Course Description: Provides a foundation in mathematics with emphasis in arithmetic, unit conversion, basic algebra, geometry and trigonometry. Replaces MTH 101 or 103 or 104 or 105 or 106. Prerequisites: Competency in Math Essentials (MTE) 1-3 as demonstrated through the placement and diagnostic tests or by satisfactorily completing the required MTE units or equivalent or MCR 1. Lecture 3 hours per week.

General Course Purpose: For students who are in career and technical fields/degree programs requiring technical math components including trigonometry.

## Course Prerequisites and Co-requisites:

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## Student Learning Outcomes:

Upon completing the course, the student will be able to

1. Demonstrate basic skills in mathematics

- Use a scientific calculator;
- Round off numbers correctly;
- Identify significant digits;
- Use scientific notation;
- Convert between units in both standard and metric;
- Perform operations with signed numbers;

2. Demonstrate knowledge of basic algebra

- Apply and interpret ratio and proportion;
- Compute values in direct, indirect, and inverse variation;
- Solve single variable equations;
- Locate and plot points on the xy plane;
- Interpret the concept of slope using real world examples (including vertical and horizontal lines);
- Graph lines using a table of values with and without the domain provided;
- Graph lines using the slope-intercept method when lines are in $y=m x+b$ form and $A x$ $+B y=C$ form;
- Write the equation of a line in slope-intercept form that models a real world situation when given the rate of change and initial value;
- Make predictions using the equation of a line;

3. Demonstrate knowledge of geometry

- Classify triangles by their sides/angles;
- Calculate the perimeter and circumference;
- Calculate the area of a polygon and circle;
- Apply concepts of sector and arc length of a circle;
- Recognize various geometric solids such as cylinder, cone, pyramid, prism, and sphere;
- Calculate surface area and volume of various geometric solids;
- Use the properties of inscribed and circumscribed polygons and circles to find unknown amounts;
- Apply the concept of similar triangles;
- Apply the Pythagorean theorem;
- Convert between decimal degrees and DMS notation;
- Interpret and apply line and angle relationships;

4. Demonstrate knowledge of trigonometry

- Properly use terms related to an angle(s);
- Define the trigonometric functions and their values;
- Solve right triangles and their applications;
- Identify the signs of the trigonometric function of angles greater than $90^{\circ}$; and
- Determine trigonometric functions of any angle.

Major Topics to Be Included:

1. Basic Skills
2. Basic Algebra
3. Geometry
4. Trigonometry

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