MATH 317-001: INTRODUCTION TO ALGEBRAIC SYSTEMS
(3 credit hours)/CRN 05609
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COURSE DESCRIPTION. Introduction to groups, rings, polynomial rings, integral domains, and fields.

PREREQUISITES. MATH 307 and MATH 310.

IMPORTANT DATES.
January 26: Classes begin
February 2: Last day to add/drop
March 9-13: Spring Break
March 20: Last day to withdraw
May 15: Final Exam


GRADING. Updated grades, as well as additional course material, will be posted on Blackboard. Please check for these updates regularly.

Exams. There will be three in-class exams, each worth 100 points. There will be NO make-up exams. NO EXCEPTIONS. If you do miss an in-class exam, the portion of the final exam covering that material will be counted twice. The final exam is comprehensive, and will be worth 200 points.

Homework. Homework problems will be assigned and collected on a regular basis. Homework counts 100 points toward your final grade.
The standard ten-point grading scale will be used. Your course grade will be determined as follows:

**A: 540-600 points**

**B: 480-539 points**

**C: 420-479 points**

**D: 360-419 points**

**F: 0-359 points**

Borderline cases will be given special consideration, with factors such as attendance, participation, improvement, and performance on the final exam taken into account.

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