CCC Adult Education Program
ABE/GED

- SAMPLE SYLLABUS
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Course Syllabus Template

Course Title:        Course Number:          Section Number:
Class Schedule:     First Day of Class:       Last Day of Class:

Adult Educator Information
First Name:          Last Name:
Mailbox Location:
Office:
Office Phone:
E-mail Address:

Materials
Textbook Information: CCC Core Text
Technology and Software:
Supplies and Supplementary Materials:

Classroom Polices and Procedures
General Information: Information about the college, the program and/or the class
Course Description: Use CCC course description, which is available in your AE office.
Attendance Policy: Programmatic attendance policy (ICCB rules) as well as any additional Adult Educator preferences

Homework Policy:

Grading System: Requirements to pass the course

Course Calendar:

### Course Student Learning Outcomes and Objective Strands

Student Learning Outcomes: From CCC AE Curriculum

Course Strands: Description of curriculum strands and samples of curriculum objectives

### Topical Outline/Course Calendar

Week-by-Week Schedule:

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### Methods of Assessment

**Classroom Assessment Techniques (CATs)**

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## Methods of Instruction

### Active Learning Strategies
- Think-Pair-Share
- Drill Review Pairs
- Structured Academic Controversies
- Guided Reciprocal Peer Questioning
- Send-a-problem
- Structured Problem Solving
- Think Aloud
- Other (s):

### Project-Based Learning

Projects:

### Contextualization

Contextualized Learning Activities:

## College Resources

(AEs can add information related to available college resources for adult education students)
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Beginning ABE (2.0 – 3.9) – Math Course Syllabus

Instructor:  Sharon Bryant    sbryant6@ccc.edu    (312) 553-3309
Course Title:  Beginning ABE Math      Course Number: 0123      Section Number:  001
Term:  Fall 2009 (August 31, 2009 – December 19, 2009)
Class Schedule: Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday 9 am – 12 pm
Lab:  Tuesday & Thursday 12:05 pm – 1:05 pm

Course Description:  This 8-week Adult Basic Education Math course is designed to reinforce addition, subtraction, and estimation competencies, simple decimals and fractions are also introduced during the course.  Mathematical lessons reflect real-life situations and usage in which sound knowledge of vocabulary, critical thinking, and mathematical concepts are needed.    Pre-requisites:  Successful completion of Beginning Literacy Math or TABE score of 2.0 or higher.

Course Objectives:
1. Recognize even (e.g. 0, 2, 4, 6, and 8 etc) and odd (e.g. 1, 3, 5, 7, and 9, etc) number endings.
2. Know that the position of a digit signifies its value (ones, tens, hundreds, etc), including the use of zero.
3. Associate whole numbers to their respective spoken names, written, and numerals.
5. Add or subtract 2 through 4-digit numbers with or without regrouping numbers, apply rules if necessary.
6. Multiply and divide 2 and 3 digit numbers.
7. Identify dimensional shapes (e.g. a square, circle, rectangle, and a triangle) and use in simple word problems.
8. Define:  metrics and solve basic metric conversion problems.
9. Solve two-step word problems applying appropriate operations (addition, subtraction, multiplication and or division).
10. Distinguish how mode, mean, and median are used in simple word problems.
11. Define:  fractions and distinguish proper fractions, improper fractions and mixed fractions.
12. Divide the whole into parts (e.g. dividing a pizza into equal parts).
13. Define:  decimals and compare decimals according to size (e.g. difference between .07 & .7).
14. Identify place values to the right and left of the decimal point.
15. Illustrate and demonstrate the connection between decimals and money.

Student Learning Outcomes:
- Apply understanding of ways numbers are represented and used in the real world (Use fractions ½ or ¼, classify as even or odd).
- Perform the four basic mathematical operations using whole numbers up to three digits (add, subtract, multiplication and division).
- Use beginning estimation knowledge and units of measurement skills to solve mathematical problems.
- Apply mathematical vocabulary and concepts to solve specific word problems.
Student Expectations:
1. Students are encouraged to attend every class with the desire to gain, grow, and develop the necessary concepts, skills and understanding needed to successfully pass the GED tests.
2. Students are expected to be in class on time ready to work and participate in activities and provide input.
3. Students are expected to complete all assignments and homework.
4. The Adult Education Department follows CCC & ICCB rules regarding attendance. Students who are absent for six consecutive days will be dropped from the class immediately.

Evaluation Methods:
1. Skills Inventory Pre- & Post tests
2. Quizzes
3. *Mid-term exam
4. Final exam (TABE or Skills)
* Makeup quizzes and Mid-term exam must be taken prior to the next class meeting.


Web based resources:
http://www.ntlf.com/htm/lib/bib/91-9ig.htm
http://icarus.ubetc.buffalo.edu/etc/tlr/whatis.html
http://www.woer.wisc.edu/archive/cl1/cl/doingcl/sndprob.htm
http://slincs.coe.utk.edu/gtelab/learning_activities/34check.html
http://slincs.coe.utk.edu/gtelab/learning_activities/74bowl.html

Supplies and Supplementary Materials: Handouts, TV/VCR, computer lab, and other math manipulatives, as needed.
Topical Outline/Course Calendar (Week-by-Week Schedule)

Math Tutoring in the Math Computer Lab meets directly after class.

| Week 1 | Introduction to course content, overview of Syllabus, and Course expectations  
Skills Inventory Pre-test  
Video tape “Passing the GED Math Tests”  
How to Make Sense of Numbers  
What is the purpose of the Progress Chart & Math Journal |
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| Week 2 | Mad Math Drills (Tables 1-5)  
Review of Skills Inventory Pre-test & Number sense  
Introduction: Addition & Subtraction Properties  
Journal: In your journal, describe what images come to mind when you think about jobs involving math  
Share journal with class  
Cooperative Group Activity – Identify and match math properties |
| Week 3 | Mad Math Drill (Tables 6-7)  
Review of Addition & Subtraction Properties  
Mental math Addition & Subtraction problems  
Introduce/Review Mode, Mean & Median  
Journal: In your journal, describe how you might teach someone to add or subtract  
Share Journal with class  
Review strategies for Quiz One (Number Sense, Mode, Median, and Mean, Addition & Subtraction)  
Quiz one & review results from quiz one  
Introduction: Understanding Multiplication  
Video tape “Understanding Multiplication”  
* Makeup quizzes and Mid-term exam must be taken prior to the next class meeting |
| Week 4 | Mad Math Drills (Tables 6-9)  
Mental Math (Cooperative Group Activity)  
Mental Math Challenge (multiplication)  
Journal: In your journal, complete sentences:  
Share journal with class  
Review strategies for mid-term exam (Number Sense, mode, median and mean, addition, subtraction & multiplication)  
Mid-term exam, review mid-term results and distribute mid-point progress charts  
Introduction: Understanding Division & Video “Understanding Division”  
* Makeup quizzes and Mid-term exam must be taken prior to the next class meeting |
| Week 5 | Mad Math Drills (Tables 6-11)  
Review of Division strategies and Order of Operations  
Mental math (Simple-one step word problems)  
Journal: In your journal, describe how you used math this week outside of class  
Review strategies for quiz two (Number Sense, addition, subtraction, multiplication, division, mode, median and mean)  
Introduce dimensional shapes & basic metric conversions |
| Week 6 | Quiz two & review results from quiz two  
Journal: In your journal, create a short word problem that a student could solve  
Cooperative Group Activity – create 4-6 short simple word problems; problems should incorporate dimensional shapes,  
* Makeup quizzes and Mid-term exam must be taken prior to the next class meeting  
basic metric conversions, the four operations, mode, median and the mean  
Mental math: Simple-one and two-step word problems. These problems will incorporate dimensional shapes, basic  
metric conversions, the four operations, mode, median and the mean  
Introduction: Simple decimals and fractions and video tape “Simple Decimals and Fractions” |
| Week 7 | Mad Math Drills (Tables 6-12)  
Journal: In your journal, explain how you feel about math now as compared to the first week of class, share journal in class  
Cooperative Group Activity – create simple one & two-step word problems (see above & include simple decimals and  
fractions). Each group will submit 2 one-step word problems and 2 two-step word problems/w steps to compute  
and answers  
Review for quiz – Work-out word problems submitted by each group on the board  
Review strategies for final exam  
Review will focus on: Number sense, simple conversions, dimensional shapes,  
four operations, simple decimals & fractions |
| Week 8 | Final exam: Skills Inventory Post test – Tuesday only  
Review final exam during Individual student-progress conferences (Wednesday – Friday) |

**Methods of Instruction:**

1. Discussions & Lectures: Contextualization & Active learning strategies are used throughout instruction. Strategies are designed to  
meet the adult learners’ needs based on ability levels.

2. Cooperative learning groups, independent study, and technology are incorporated in assignments, depending on the student-  
learning activities assigned.

**College Resources:** Each CCC provides a variety of services to assist students achieve their academic goal(s). Please visit the following depts.: Academic Resources, Advising  
Resources, and Technology Services or visit the CCC website at [www.ccc.edu](http://www.ccc.edu).

Students with disabilities who believe they may need accommodations are encouraged to contact the Dean of Adult Education or the College’s Special Needs Office at (312) 553-xxxx, as soon as  
possible to determine eligibility.