I. GENERAL COURSE INFORMATION

Subject and Number: Mathematics 210
Descriptive Title: Introduction to Discrete Structures
Course Disciplines: Mathematics
Division: Mathematical Sciences
Catalog Description: This course blends mathematical reasoning, combinatorial analysis, discrete structures, algorithmic thinking and modeling to study the problems that occur in computer science and mathematics. Topics covered include: logic, sets, proofs, functions, relations, number theory, counting, probability, graphs and trees.

Conditions of Enrollment: Prerequisite
Course Length: X Full Term O Other (Specify number of weeks):
Hours Lecture: 5.00 hours per week TBA
Hours Laboratory: 0 hours per week TBA
Course Units: 5.00

Grading Method: Letter
Credit Status: Associate Degree Credit
Transfer CSU: X Effective Date: Prior to July 1992
Transfer UC: X Effective Date: Prior to July 1992
General Education:
El Camino College: 4B – Language and Rationality – Communication and Analytical Thinking
Term: Other:
6 – Mathematics Competency
Term: Other:

CSU GE: B4 - Mathematics/Quantitative Thinking
Term: Fall 2000 Other:

IGETC: 2A - Mathematical Concepts and Quantitative Reasoning Term: Fall 2000 Other:

II. OUTCOMES AND OBJECTIVES

A. COURSE STUDENT LEARNING OUTCOMES (The course student learning outcomes are listed below, along with a representative assessment method for
Student learning outcomes are not subject to review, revision or approval by the College Curriculum Committee.

1. **CONCEPTS** - Students will explain and demonstrate an understanding of the key principles of logic, number theory, combinatorics, probability and graph theory.

2. **PROBLEMS** - Students will use logic, functions, number theory, and combinatorics to solve a variety of problems, including application problems and computer science algorithm analysis.

3. **GRAPHS** - Students will analyze and solve problems in graph theory.

4. **PROOFS** - Students will analyze and construct proofs in logic, number theory, combinatorics, probability and graph theory.

The above SLOs were the most recent available SLOs at the time of course review. For the most current SLO statements, visit the El Camino College SLO webpage at http://www.elcamino.edu/academics/slo/.

### B. Course Student Learning Objectives (The major learning objective for students enrolled in this course are listed below, along with a representative assessment method for each)

1. Use the standard operations and techniques of propositional logic and set theory to analyze statements and arguments.
   - Written homework

2. Use functions, sequences, and series to analyze computer science structures such as strings and hash functions.
   - Homework Problems

3. Analyze the growth of functions and the complexity of algorithms.
   - Objective Exams

4. Use the Division and Euclidean algorithms, and related techniques, to find prime factorizations, least common multiples, and greatest common factors, to change bases, and to perform modular arithmetic.
   - Other exams

5. Prove mathematical theorems using direct or indirect proofs, trivial proofs, proofs by contradiction or contraposition, proofs by cases, combinatorial proofs, counterexample, and mathematical induction.
   - Written homework

6. Define and evaluate sequences and sets recursively.
   - Objective Exams

7. Model and solve counting, combinatoric, and probability problems using permutations, combinations, inclusion-exclusion, the pigeonhole principle, and recurrence relations.
   - Objective Exams

8. Represent relations using matrices and digraphs, and determine if a relation is an equivalence relation.
   - Objective Exams

9. Solve problems and prove theorems in graph theory that relate to connectivity, isomorphisms, planar graphs, Euler and Hamilton paths, and spanning trees.
III. OUTLINE OF SUBJECT MATTER (Topics are detailed enough to enable a qualified instructor to determine the major areas that should be covered as well as ensure consistency from instructor to instructor and semester to semester.)

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Total Lecture Hours 90
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IV. PRIMARY METHOD OF EVALUATION AND SAMPLE ASSIGNMENTS

A. PRIMARY METHOD OF EVALUATION:
Problem solving demonstrations (computational or non-computational)

B. TYPICAL ASSIGNMENT USING PRIMARY METHOD OF EVALUATION:
Let P(x) be the statement “student x knows calculus” and let Q(y) be the
statement “class y contains a student who knows calculus.” Express each of the
statements below as quantifications of P(x) and Q(y) in symbolic form, negate it,
then translate the negation back to regular English.

(a) Some students know calculus
(b) Not every student knows calculus
(c) Every class has a student in it who knows calculus
(d) Every student in every class knows calculus
(e) There is at least one class with no students who know calculus

C. COLLEGE-LEVEL CRITICAL THINKING ASSIGNMENTS:

1. A bagel shop has onion, poppy seed, egg, salt, pumpernickel, sesame seed,
   raisin, and plain bagels. How many ways are there to choose
   (a) A dozen bagels?
   (b) A dozen bagels with at least one of each kind?
(c) A dozen bagels with at least three egg bagels and no more than two saltbagels.

2. A new breeding pair of rabbits is placed on an island. A pair of rabbits does not breed until they are two months old. After they are two months old, each breeding pair of rabbits produces another breeding pair each month. (a) Find a recurrence relation for the number of breeding pairs of rabbits on the island after n months, assuming that rabbits never die. (b) Find a solution to this recurrence relation.

D. OTHER TYPICAL ASSESSMENT AND EVALUATION METHODS:

- Objective Exams
- Other exams
- Quizzes
- Written homework
- Homework Problems

V. INSTRUCTIONAL METHODS

- Demonstration
- Discussion
- Group Activities
- Lecture

Note: In compliance with Board Policies 1600 and 3410, Title 5 California Code of Regulations, the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, and Sections 504 and 508 of the Americans with Disabilities Act, instruction delivery shall provide access, full inclusion, and effective communication for students with disabilities.

VI. WORK OUTSIDE OF CLASS

- Study
- Answer questions
- Skill practice
- Required reading
- Problem solving activities
- Written work

Estimated Independent Study Hours per Week: 10

VII. TEXTS AND MATERIALS

A. UP-TO-DATE REPRESENTATIVE TEXTBOOKS

**B. ALTERNATIVE TEXTBOOKS**

**C. REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY READINGS**

**D. OTHER REQUIRED MATERIALS**

Graphing or scientific calculator

**VIII. CONDITIONS OF ENROLLMENT**

**A. Requisites (Course and Non-Course Prerequisites and Corequisites)**

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<td>1. Problem solving using a computer algebra system. MATH 190 Use computing software to solve calculus problems.</td>
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<td>2. Knowledge of how to use theorems to solve problems and to prove theorems. MATH 190 Calculate definite integrals, both using evaluating the limit of Riemann sums and using the fundamental theorem of calculus.</td>
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**C. Recommended Preparations (Course and Non-Course)**

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