

# Math 201 Online Math in Society Welcome Letter

Dear Student,

Welcome to Math 201 Online! This letter will give you an overview of the course to help you decide if an online learning format is right for you. Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions.

## Is Online Math For You?

Online math is an exciting new offering at Skyline College. Online classes are appealing because they are often more convenient than on-campus classes, especially for students with busy schedules. Successful online students are self-motivated, independent, organized learners. You can see if you are a candidate for online learning by taking the self-assessment at:

<http://www.skylinecollege.edu/distanceeducation/newstudents.php>

## Getting Started:

1. Register for the course on Websmart <https://websmart.smccd.edu/> then go to my website <http://www.smccd.edu/accounts/moss/> and there you will find all the course details including the syllabus, schedule, homework assignments, homework guidelines, MyOpenMath navigation, and letters from past students.
2. Complete the mandatory online orientation by February 1. The orientation information is on my website and will be available January 28 if you want to get an early start.
3. The course login information will be given to you after completion of the orientation. Technical support for WebAccess can be found at <https://smccd.mrooms.net/mod/page/view.php?id=3828> The supported browser for WebAccess is Firefox or Google Chrome.

## Course Overview:

This course uses several online multimedia tools using a free course management system, MyOpenMath. See the syllabus for detailed course content and Student Learning Outcomes. Course material will consist of a textbook, videos, and lecture notes. The book is free and can be downloaded from my webpage or on MyOpenMath. You can purchase a hard copy from [createspace](http://createspace.com) for \$15. I will be available by email, phone, discussion board, virtual classroom, and in person during office hours. Free tutoring is offered on-campus in [The Learning Center](#) Monday thru Friday.

## Course Pace

This course starts on February 1 and ends on May 21. Expect to spend about 9 – 12 hours per week. There will be four proctored exams and a proctored final. The exam dates and location are listed on the schedule found on my webpage. If you have a scheduling conflict, see the syllabus for alternatives.

I look forward to meeting you!

Sincerely,

*Professor Moss*

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