

Pre-Cal including Trigonometry

Mathematics Curriculum Framework

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Course Title: Pre-Calculus Including Trigonometry (Fourth-year Course)
Course/Unit Credit: 1
Course Number:
Teacher Licensure: Secondary Mathematics
Pre-requisite: Algebra II
Grades: 9-12

Pre-Calculus including Trigonometry

Pre-Calculus including trigonometry is designed for students who have successfully completed Algebra II and Geometry. Students will use symbolic reasoning and analytical methods to represent mathematical situations, to express generalizations, and to study mathematical concepts and the relationships among them. Students will use functions and equations as tools for expressing generalizations. This course will emphasize a study of trigonometric functions and identities as well as applications of right triangle trigonometry and circular functions. Students will be introduced to polar coordinates in this class. Arkansas teachers will be responsible for integrating appropriate technology in the Pre-Calculus curriculum.

| Strand | Standard |
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| Polynomial and Rational Functions | |
| | 1. Students will analyze polynomial and rational functions graphically and algebraically. |
| Exponential and Logarithmic Functions | |
| | 2. Students will solve real world problems involving logarithmic and exponential functions. Draw and analyze graphs and find inverse functions. |
| Conics | |
| | 3. Students will identify, analyze and sketch the graphs of the conic sections and relate their equations and graphs. |
| Sequences and Series | |
| | 4. Students will use sequences and series to represent, analyze, and solve real world problems and mathematical situations. |
| Trigonometric Functions | |
| | 5. Students will use different perspectives to develop and apply the definitions of the six trigonometric functions. They will sketch and analyze graphs, find inverse functions, and solve real world problems. |
| Oblique Triangles | |
| | 6. Students will identify, create, and solve real world problems involving oblique triangles and vectors. |
| Trigonometric Equations and Identities | |
| | 7. Students will verify trigonometric identities and solve trigonometric equations. |
| Polar Coordinates | |
| | 8. Students will define polar coordinates and relate them to rectangular coordinates. |

Polynomial and Rational Functions

CONTENT STANDARD 1. Students will analyze polynomial and rational functions graphically and algebraically.

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| PRF.1.PCT.1 | Investigate and sketch, with and without appropriate technology, the graphs of <i>polynomial</i> and <i>rational functions</i> using the characteristics of domain and range, upper and <i>lower bounds</i> , <i>maximum</i> and <i>minimum</i> points, <i>asymptotes</i> and <i>end behavior</i> , <i>zeros</i> , <i>multiplicity of zeros</i> , y-intercepts, and <i>symmetry</i> |
| PRF.1.PCT.2 | Solve, with and without appropriate technology, polynomial equations utilizing techniques such as Descartes' Rule of Signs, upper and lower bounds, Intermediate Value Theorem and Rational Root Theorem |
| PRF.1.PCT.3 | Describe, with and without appropriate technology, the fundamental characteristics of rational functions: <i>zeros</i> , <i>discontinuities</i> (including <i>vertical asymptotes</i>), and end behavior (including <i>horizontal asymptotes</i>) |
| PRF.1.PCT.4 | Apply the concepts of polynomial and rational functions to model real world situations using appropriate technology when needed |

Exponential and Logarithmic Functions

CONTENT STANDARD 2. Students will solve real world problems involving logarithmic and exponential functions. Draw and analyze graphs and find inverse functions.

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| ELF.2.PCT.1 | Establish the inverse relationship between <i>exponential</i> and <i>logarithmic functions</i> |
| ELF.2.PCT.2 | Develop and apply the laws of logarithms and the change-of-base formula to simplify and evaluate expressions |
| ELF.2.PCT.3 | Solve graphically, algebraically and numerically, with and without appropriate technology, equations and real world problems involving exponential and logarithmic expressions |
| ELF.2.PCT.4 | Find, with and without appropriate technology, the domain, range, intercepts, and asymptotes of logarithmic and exponential functions |
| ELF.2.PCT.5 | Draw and analyze, with and without appropriate technology, graphs of logarithmic and exponential functions |

Conics

CONTENT STANDARD 3. Students will identify, analyze and sketch the graphs of the conic sections and relate their equations and graphs.

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| C.3.PCT.1 | Identify, graph, write, and analyze equations of <i>conic sections</i> , using properties such as symmetry, intercepts, foci, asymptotes, and <i>eccentricity</i> , and when appropriate, use technology |
| C.3.PCT.2 | Solve, with and without appropriate technology, systems of equations and inequalities involving conics and other types of equations |
| C.3.PCT.3 | Solve, with and without appropriate technology, real world problems involving conic sections |

Sequences and Series

CONTENT STANDARD 4. Students will use sequences and series to represent, analyze, and solve real world problems and mathematical situations.

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| SS.4.PCT.1 | Develop, with and without appropriate technology, a representation of <i>sequences recursively</i> |
| SS.4.PCT.2 | Define and discriminate between <i>arithmetic</i> and <i>geometric sequences and series</i> and use appropriate technology when needed |
| SS.4.PCT.3 | Solve, with and without appropriate technology, problems involving the sum (including <i>Sigma notation</i>) of <i>finite and infinite</i> sequences and series |
| SS.4.PCT.4 | Determine the n^{th} term of a sequence given a rule or specific terms and use appropriate technology when needed |
| SS.4.PCT.5 | Use, with and without appropriate technology, sequences and series to solve real world problems |

Trigonometric Functions

CONTENT STANDARD 5. Students will use different perspectives to develop and apply the definitions of the six trigonometric functions. They will sketch and analyze graphs, find inverse functions, and solve real world problems.

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| TF.5.PCT.1 | Define the six trigonometric functions as <ul style="list-style-type: none">• <i>circular functions</i>• ratios of sides of right triangles• functions of an angle in <i>standard position</i> when given a point on the terminal side of the angle |
| TF.5.PCT.2 | Use degrees and <i>radians</i> interchangeably to represent angle measure |
| TF.5.PCT.3 | Sketch an angle in standard position and determine the <i>reference angle</i> and <i>coterminal angles</i> |
| TF.5.PCT.4 | Find the values of the trigonometric functions given the value of one trigonometric function and an additional piece of qualifying information or given the coordinates of a point on the terminal side of an angle |
| TF.5.PCT.5 | Develop and become fluent in the recall of the exact values of the trigonometric functions for special angles |
| TF.5.PCT.6 | Solve, with and without appropriate technology, real world problems involving applications of trigonometric functions |
| TF.5.PCT.7 | Graph the six trigonometric functions, identify domain, range, intercepts, <i>period</i> , <i>amplitude</i> , and asymptotes as applicable and use symmetry to determine whether the function is <i>even</i> or <i>odd</i> through appropriate technology when needed |
| TF.5.PCT.8 | Determine, with and without appropriate technology, the amplitude, period, <i>phase shift</i> , and vertical shift, and sketch the graph of transformations of the trigonometric functions |
| TF.5.PCT.9 | Identify and graph, with and without appropriate technology, the inverse of trigonometric functions including the restrictions on the domain |

Oblique Triangles

CONTENT STANDARD 6. Students will identify, create, and solve real world problems involving oblique triangles and vectors.

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| OT.6.PCT.1 | Develop and use the Law of Sines and the Law of Cosines to solve <i>oblique triangles</i> and use appropriate technology when needed |
| OT.6.PCT.2 | Solve real world problems applying the Law of Sines and the Law of Cosines and appropriate technology when needed |
| OT.6.PCT.3 | Determine the area of an oblique triangle by using an appropriate formula and appropriate technology when needed |
| OT.6.PCT.4 | Use <i>vectors</i> to solve problems and describe addition of vectors and multiplication of a vector by a <i>scalar</i> , both symbolically and geometrically |
| OT.6.PCT.5 | Use vectors to model situations defined by magnitude and direction and analyze and solve real world problems by using appropriate technology when needed |

Trigonometric Equations and Identities

CONTENT STANDARD 7. Students will verify trigonometric identities and solve trigonometric equations.

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| TEI.7.PCT.1 | Develop the Pythagorean Identities and use to verify other identities and simplify expressions |
| TEI.7.PCT.2 | Develop and use trigonometric formulas including sum and difference formulas and multiple-angle formulas |
| TEI.7.PCT.3 | Solve trigonometric equations algebraically and graphically and use appropriate technology when needed |

Polar Coordinates

CONTENT STANDARD 8. Students will define polar coordinates and relate them to rectangular coordinates.

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| PC.8.PCT.1 | Convert <i>polar coordinates</i> to rectangular coordinates and rectangular coordinates to polar coordinates |
| PC.8.PCT.2 | Represent equations given in rectangular coordinates in terms of polar coordinates |
| PC.8.PCT.3 | Graph <i>polar equations</i> and use appropriate technology when needed |
| PC.8.PCT.4 | Apply <i>polar coordinates</i> to real world situations and use appropriate technology when needed |

Pre-Calculus including Trigonometry GLOSSARY

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| <i>Amplitude</i> | In the equation $y = A \sin x$ or $y = A \cos x$, the amplitude is given by the $ A $. |
| <i>Arithmetic Sequence</i> | A sequence in which each term after the first is found by adding a constant, called the common difference, d to the previous term |
| <i>Arithmetic Series</i> | The indicated sum of the terms of an arithmetic sequence |
| <i>Asymptote</i> | A line to which a graph becomes arbitrarily close as the value of x or y increases or decreases without bound (vertical, horizontal, slant) |
| <i>Circular Functions</i> | The six basic trigonometric functions defined using a unit circle |
| <i>Conic Section</i> | Any figure that can be formed by slicing a double cone with a plane |
| <i>Coterminal Angles</i> | Two angles in standard position having the same terminal side |
| <i>Discontinuity</i> | A point in the domain of a function at which the function is not continuous |
| <i>Eccentricity</i> | For a conic, the ratio of the distance of a point from a fixed point to its distance from a fixed line |
| <i>End Behavior</i> | A reference to the graph of a polynomial function as rising or falling to the right and rising or falling to the left |
| <i>Exponential Functions</i> | A function in which variable(s) occur in exponent(s) |
| <i>Finite Sequence</i> | A finite sequence with n terms is a function whose domain is the set of integers $\{1, 2, 3, \dots, n\}$ |
| <i>Finite Series</i> | The indicated sum of a finite sequence |
| <i>Geometric Sequence</i> | A sequence in which each term after the first is found by multiplying the previous term by a constant called the common ratio, r |
| <i>Geometric Series</i> | The indicated sum of the terms of a geometric series |

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| <i>Horizontal Asymptote</i> | A horizontal line to which a graph becomes arbitrarily close as the value of x increases or decreases without bound. |
| <i>Infinite Sequence</i> | An infinite sequence is a function whose domain is the set of positive integers. |
| <i>Infinite Series</i> | The indicated sum of an infinite series |
| <i>Logarithmic Functions</i> | A function of the form $y = \log_b x$, where $b > 0$ and $b \neq 1$ |
| <i>Lower Bound</i> | A number which is less than or equal to every number in the set |
| <i>Maximum</i> | The greatest value of the function if it has such an extreme value |
| <i>Minimum</i> | The least value of the function if it has such an extreme value |
| <i>Multiplicity of Zeros</i> | The number of times that a repeated zero of a function occurs |
| <i>Oblique Triangles</i> | Triangles that have no right angles |
| <i>Period</i> | The interval of the domain over which the function repeats |
| <i>Phase Shift</i> | The horizontal shift of a trigonometric function |
| <i>Polar Coordinates</i> | The system of coordinates in which a point is located by its distance from a fixed point and the angle that the line from this point to the given point makes with a fixed line, called the polar axis |
| <i>Polar Equation</i> | An equation in polar coordinates |
| <i>Polynomial Functions</i> | A function that can be described by an equation of the form $P(x) = a_0x^n + a_1x^{n-1} + \dots + a_{n-2}x^2 + a_{n-1}x + a_n$, where the coefficients $a_0, a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n$ represent real numbers, a_0 is not zero, and n represents a nonnegative integer |
| <i>Radians</i> | A central angle subtended in a circle by an arc whose length is equal to the radius of the circle |

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| <i>Rational Functions</i> | An equation of the form $f(x) = \frac{p(x)}{q(x)}$, where $p(x)$ and $q(x)$ are polynomial functions and $q(x) \neq 0$. |
| <i>Recursive Sequence</i> | When given one or more of the first few terms, all other terms of the sequence are then defined using previous terms. |
| <i>Scalar Multiplication (Vectors)</i> | The product of a scalar a and a vector v is the vector having the same direction as v and of length equal to the product of a and the length of v |
| <i>Sigma Notation</i> | Notation that uses the Σ symbol to indicate a sum of a series |
| <i>Standard Position</i> | The horizontal distance from any point on the graph of a function to that point where the graph begins to repeat |
| <i>Symmetry</i> | A figure has symmetry if the figure and its image coincide after a transformation. |
| <i>Upper Bounds</i> | A number that is greater than or equal to every number in the set |
| <i>Vector</i> | A quantity that is described by both magnitude and direction |
| <i>Vertical Asymptotes</i> | A vertical line to which a graph becomes arbitrarily close as the value of $f(x)$ increases or decreases without bound |
| <i>Zeros</i> | For any function $f(x)$, if $f(a) = 0$, then a is a zero of the function. |