

**College Math-Fall 2011  
MGF1106  
Valencia College-East Campus**

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**Office Hours:**

**Monday-Wednesday: 10:30-11:30**

**Tuesday/Thursday: 1:00-2:00**

**Virtual Office Hours (email):**

**Mondays/Wednesdays: 4:00-5:00**

**Thursdays: 10:00-11:00**

**Fridays: 11:00-1:00**

**Credit/Contact Hours:** You will receive 3 credit hours.

**Meeting Times:** Monday-Thursday from 11:30-12:45 in Building 4 room 206

**Course Description:** Prerequisite: Minimum grade of C in MAT 1033C or MAC 1102 or MAC 1104 or MAC 1105 or satisfactory score on an approved assessment or departmental approval. Topics include systematic counting, probability, statistics, geometry, sets, logic, and the history of mathematics. Gordon Rule course. Minimum grade of C required if MGF 1106 is used to satisfy Gordon Rule and general education requirements. This course is not a prerequisite for any other mathematics course. Credit may not be given for both MGF 1106 and MGF 2106 not for MGF 1106 and MGF 2202.

**Required Materials:**

**Thinking Mathematically, 5<sup>th</sup> edition by Robert Blitzer**

**\*\*You will need a MyMathlab license\*\***

**Note:** If you purchased a new textbook, a MyMathlab license may be packaged with the book. If you purchased a used textbook or a version of the new text without the MML bundle, you will need to purchase a license separately. You can purchase a license at [www.coursecompass.com](http://www.coursecompass.com). The license includes access to an online version of the book.

**Withdrawal Policy:** Per Valencia Policy 4-07 (Academic Progress, Course Attendance and Grades, and Withdrawals), a student who withdraws from class before the withdrawal deadline of (*September 30, 2011*) will receive a grade of "W." A student is not permitted to withdraw after the withdrawal deadline. A faculty member MAY withdraw a student up to the beginning of the final exam period for violation of the class attendance policy. A student who is withdrawn by faculty for violation of the class attendance policy will receive a grade of "W." Any student who withdraws or is withdrawn from a class during a third or subsequent attempt in the same course will be assigned a grade of "F." For a complete policy and procedure overview on Valencia Policy 4-07 please go to:  
<http://valenciacc.edu/generalcounsel/policydetail.cfm?RecordID=75>.

**Make-up Policy:** Do not miss a test! If you must miss a test you may take it early if the instructor is notified in advance. Otherwise, you must take a cumulative final exam to replacement the missing grade and this will be done for at most one missed test-NO EXCEPTIONS!!

<b>Grading Policy:</b>	5 Tests	500 points
	Online Homework	100 point
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**Homework/MyMathlab (MML):** Homework will be facilitated online through MyMathlab. It is very important that you do homework on a regular basis. Studies indicate that you should spend at least two hours on homework outside of class for every hour spent in class. The schedule gives you the sections in the book that are covered in lecture and the online homework/quiz assignment dates for each lecture. Students will be expected to have access to a computer. All assignments will be due no later than 11:59PM on the due date. **The due dates will not be extended so please plan accordingly.** All of the online homework questions come directly out of the textbook exercises. Each homework problem can be repeated one time within the specified time period. The lowest homework grade will be dropped. In the unlikely event that you are unable to access My Math Lab through the website, please use the following: <http://www.mathxl.com>. Any student in need of extra practice is encouraged to complete additional exercises from the text. All of the computers in building 4 are equipped with the proper plug-ins to complete online assignments using MyMathlab. The website for online homework is <http://coursecompass.com/>.

\*quizzes will be available online to help you review for the tests\*

**\*\*\*\*My Mathlab Access Code: cohen85067\*\*\*\***

**\*\*Note:** In-class quizzes may be given on a random, unannounced basis, to determine and/or encourage your progress. All quizzes and additional assignments will be counted towards your overall grade..

<b>Grading Scale:</b>	90-100%	A
	80-89%	B
	70-79%	C
	60-69%	D
	Below 60	F

**Cell Phones:** Cellular phones must be turned OFF before entering class. You will be asked to leave if your phone rings during class-test days included. Please be considerate!

**Recording Devices:** Recording devices are permitted only with the explicit permission of the instructor.

**Absences:** Please try not to miss class. It is difficult to stay "on top" of the material if you are not present. The instructor will withdraw you after three absences. Attendance is *mandatory* and a crucial factor in your success in college. The college requires that I maintain records of attendance.

**Academic Honesty:** It is expected that the student will act with the utmost of dignity and respect for the classroom. This includes, but is not limited to any form of cheating. Any instance of cheating will be

directly reported to the school administration. All forms of academic honesty are prohibited at Valencia. Including, but not limited to: plagiarism, cheating, furnishing false information, forgery, or misconduct during a testing situation. Violations can result in failure of an assignment or the entire course. Each student is expected to be familiar with the college policy on academic honesty as stated in the Valencia Student Handbook

**Classroom Behavior:** Excessive talking, tardiness and walking in and out of the classroom during class will not be tolerated. The instructor reserves the right to excuse any student for inconsiderate behavior.

**Student Code of Conduct:** Valencia Community College is dedicated to not only to the advancement of knowledge and learning, but also are concerned with the development of responsible personal and social conduct. Violation of any classroom or Valencia's rules may lead to disciplinary action up to and including expulsion from Valencia. Disciplinary action could include being withdrawn from class, disciplinary warning, probation, suspension, expulsion, or other appropriate and authorized actions. You will find the Student Code of Conduct in the current Valencia Student Handbook. In addition, we ask that you follow college policy relating to children on campus. Please make arrangements for childcare outside of classrooms or labs.

**Student Competencies:** Valencia Community College desires their graduates to possess and demonstrate a set of global competencies including the ability to **THINK, VALUE, COMMUNICATE** and **ACT**. In an effort to help you acquire and improve your ability to demonstrate the competencies, this course will include activities that require you to:

1. Think clearly, critically and creatively
2. Make responsible commitments
3. Communicate with others in written and verbal form
4. Act purposefully, reflectively and responsibly

**Students with Disabilities:** If you have a disability or learning disability, please feel free to talk with me before or after class (or e-mail me). Students with disabilities who qualify for academic accommodations must provide a letter from the Office for Students with Disabilities (OSD) and discuss specific needs with the professor, preferably during the first two weeks of class. The Office for Students with Disabilities determines accommodations based on appropriate documentation of disabilities.

**Miscellaneous:** We ask that you follow college policy relating to children on campus. Please make arrangements for child care outside of classrooms or labs. This syllabus is subject to change, and will be done so in writing to the student. All lectures are protected under the intellectual copyright laws. Any use of recording devices requires the permission of the instructor. Any use (commercial or non-commercial) of the lectures or the lecture material may done only with the express consent of the instructor. Please make note of evacuation route from your Valencia classroom in case of an emergency. Interpret all audible alarms as valid and act accordingly.

**Tutoring:** Free tutoring is available in building 4.

**Disclaimer:** This syllabus and all dates are tentative and subject to change.

**REMINDER:** Please ask questions!!! Class participation is welcomed and essential for comprehension of the material.

**Final Exam:** June 20th, 2011