

## COURSE OUTLINE

FOUNDATION MATHEMATICS - BMA: 1106

Credit Hours: 3 Credits

Contact Hours: 42 Hours

**PURPOSE:** the learner to acquire Basic mathematical concepts in order to prepare for the advanced courses and acquiring positive attitude, knowledge and skills which will be relevant to her/his life in the university.

**COURSE OBJECTIVES:** By the end of the course the learners should be able to:-

- i. Develop a positive towards learning mathematics
- ii. Perform mathematical operations and manipulations with confidence, speed and accuracy
- iii. Think and reason precisely, logically and critically in any given situation
- iv. Develop investigative skills in mathematics
- v. Differentiate any given function

Apply the techniques of differentiation to determine the optimum values and rate of change

Apply differentiation in dynamics and higher derivatives

Define integration as a reverse of differentiation

Define, state and use the techniques of integration to any function

TOPIC	SUBTOPIC	CONTENT
NUMBERS	Numbers	Natural numbers, integers, rational numbers, real numbers, Surds- a rational number , rationalizing denominator Sets and sets operations
	Logarithms	Indices – exponents laws Logarithms – laws of logarithms, change of base, applications of logarithms and exponential to conversion of non- linear form, exponential and logarithmic functions
ALGEBRA	Equations and inequalities	Simple linear equation –linear inequalities, straight line graphs, algebraic fraction, simultaneous linear equation Quadratic equations – expansion, factorization, completing square, formula and discriminant, simultaneous equations, factor/remainder and its application to solutions of higher degree, disguised quadratic and linear equations involving exponentials and logarithms
	Expansions	Permutations and combinations Binomial expansions and their applications
	Functions	Mapping- domain, range and co-domain Composite function, inverse function Transforming of graphs of a function.
Matrices	Matrix algebra	Definition of a matrix, operations with matrices, matrix method of solving linear simultaneous equations, transition matrices
DIFFERENTIALS	Derivative of functions	Derivatives of polynomials, logarithms and exponentials
	Differentiation rules	Sum, product, quotient and chain rules

	Optimum	Maximum, minimum and point of inflexion. Increasing and decreasing function.
	Anti – differentiation	Definite and indefinite integrals using inspection , summation
	Techniques of integration	Substitutions, partial fractions, integration by parts
EVALUATION	COURSE	Assignments and CATS 30% Final examination - 70% Total -100%

Teaching/ Learning methods lectures and tutorials, group discussion, demonstration and assignments

Recommended text books

- i) Pure mathematics 1 by backhouse
- ii) Basic mathematics by Brittinger and keedy
- iii) Finite mathematics by Howard L. Rolf