Math 1090 Textbook Information

Textbook (available in e-book Format): *Business Algebra*


The textbook, *Business Algebra*, is written in a straightforward style with lots of examples. You are encouraged to read the textbook to supplement what you are learning in class or to prepare for class, so that you can absorb more in class. It is particularly useful to use if you miss class and need to learn about material on your own. The textbook also contains review materials for exams.

**Inclusive Access.** We are using the Inclusive Access Program for students to obtain the book. This will make the e-book available to you through your Canvas “bookshelf” from the first day of the course. You will be automatically billed for the textbook with your tuition. The cost is about $62.

**Reducing/eliminating the Cost.** There are alternative ways to access the material in the textbook that cost nothing or are less expensive. If you choose one of these ways, you can opt out of buying the textbook. Within the first two weeks of the semester, go to the “bookshelf” in Canvas and opt out. You would receive a refund in the third week of the semester. Here are alternative ways to access the textbook:

- Check it out on short-term loan from the Marriott Library
- Borrow a copy while visiting the Math Tutoring Center (you will likely need to leave an ID card while you borrow it).
- Share a copy with another student
- Buy 180-day access to the e-book from the publisher (Cost: about $52...yes, this is cheaper than the bookstore. [https://he.kendallhunt.com/product/business-algebra-4](https://he.kendallhunt.com/product/business-algebra-4))

**Printed Versions:** If you prefer a printed version of the text, it will cost around $81 from the publisher or $86 from the bookstore. Used hard copies may also be available. Getting the third edition is ideal (there were errors in the 2nd edition that are fixed in the third edition), but both would work.

**Repeating Course?** E-book access is for 180 days. If you are repeating Math 1090 from the previous semester and you bought e-book access in the most recent semester, you should have access for part of the semester. In this case, consider opting out, using the e-book until the 180 days are up, and then either switching to using the book through the library and tutoring center or repurchasing it.

**Additional Course Materials:** **Scientific Calculator.** You will need a scientific calculator for HW and on some quizzes and exams. There is a list of allowed scientific calculators here: [https://www.math.utah.edu/resources/bookinfo.php](https://www.math.utah.edu/resources/bookinfo.php). If you have a calculator that is not on the list, you can get it approved by your instructor. Financial, graphing, phone, or internet-connected calculators are not allowed.

**Additional course materials:** **Class Notes.** Some sections of Math 1090 require you to bring fill-in-the-blank notes to class. These can be purchased, printed for free at the Math Computer Lab, or, if you have a table, you can use a pdf version. Your instructor will let you know if your class is doing this.

**Need Help?** If you have any problems, please contact your instructor OR the course coordinator, Rebecca Noonan Heale, rebecca@math.utah.edu. We’ll do our best to help you.

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