## MATHEMATICS

## GENERAL OBJECTIVES

The aim of the Unified Tertiary Matriculation Examination (UTME) syllabus in Mathematics is to prepare the candidates for the Board's examination. It is designed to test the achievement of the course objectives which are to:
(1) acquire computational and manipulative skills;
(2) develop precise, logical and formal reasoning skills;
(3) develop deductive skills in interpretation of graphs, diagrams and data;
(4) apply mathematical concepts to resolve issues in daily living.

This syllabus is divided into five sections:
I. Number and Numeration.
II. Algebra
III. Geometry/Trigonometry.
IV. Calculus
V. Statistics

## TOPICS/CONTENTS/NOTES <br> SECTION I: NUMBER AND NUMERATION. <br> 1. Number bases: <br> (a) operations in different number from 2 to 10;

(b) onver ion from one base to another in luding fra tional parts.
2. Fraction, Decimals, Approximations nd Percentages:
(a) fractions and decimals;
(b) significant figures;
(c) decimal places;
(d) percentage errors;
(e) simple interest;
(f) profit and loss percent;
(g) ratio, proportion and rate;
(h) shares and valued added tax (VAT).

## 3. Indices, Logarithms and Surds:

(a) laws of indices;
(b) standard form;
(c) laws of logarithm;
(d) logarithm of any positive number given base;

Candidates should be able to:
i. perform basic operations ( $\mathrm{x},+,-,-\dot{-}$ ) on fractions and decimals;
ii. express to specified number of significant figures and decimal places;
iii. calculate simple interest, profit and loss per cent; ratio proportion and rate;
iv. Solve problems involving share and VAT.

Candidates should be able to:
i. apply the laws of indices in calculation;
ii. establish the relationship between indices and logarithms in solving problems;
to a iii. solve problems in different bases in logarithms;
iv. simplify and rationalize surds;

| $\|$TOPICS/CONTENTS/ <br>  <br> NOTES |
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| (e) change of bases in logarithm <br> application; <br> (f) relationship between <br> logarithm; <br> (g) Surds. <br> 4. <br> Sets: <br> (a) types of sets <br> (b) algebra of sets <br> (c) Venn diagrams and their applications. |

## SECTION II: ALGEBRA.

1. Polynomials:
(a) change of subject of formula
(b) factor and remainder theorems
(c) factorization of polynomials of degree exceeding 3 .
(d) multiplication and division of polynomia $s$
(e) roots of polynomials not exceeding degree 3
(f) simultaneous equations including one quadratic;
(g) graphs of polynomials f degree $\mathrm{n} \quad \mathrm{t}$ greater than 3.
2. Variation:
(a) direct
(b) inver e
(c) joint
(d) p rtial
(e) percentage increase and decrease.
3. Inequalities:
(a) analytical and graphical solutions of linear inequalities;
(b) quadratic inequalities with integral roots only.
4. Progression:
(a) nth term of a progression
(b) sum of A. P. and G. P.

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d v. perform basic operations on surds.
and

Candidates should be able to:
i. identify types of sets, i.e. empty, universal, complements, subsets, finite, infinite and disjoint sets;
ii. solve problems involving cardinality of sets;
iii. solve set problems using symbols;
iv. use Venn diagrams to solve problems i volvi not more than 3 sets.


Candidates should be able to:
i. find the subject of the for ula of a given equatín;
ii. apply fact $r$ and re ainder theorem to factorize
iii multiply and divide polynomials of degree not more than 3;
iv fa torize by regrouping difference of two squares, perfect squares and cubic expressions; etc
solve simultaneous equations - one linear, one quadratic;
vi. interpret graphs of polynomials including applications to maximum and minimum values.

Candidates should be able to:
i. solve problems involving direct, inverse, joint and partial variations;
ii. solve problems on percentage increase and decrease in variation.

Candidates should be able to:
i. solve problems on linear and quadratic inequalities;
ii. interpret graphs of inequalities.

Candidates should be able to:
i. determine the nth term of a progression;
ii. compute the sum of A. P. and G.P;
iii. sum to infinity of a given G.P.




## RECOMMENDED TEXTS

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