

**BRONX COMMUNITY COLLEGE**  
**Of the City University of New York**  
**DEPARTMENT OF MATHEMATICS AND COMPUTER SCIENCE**

**SYLLABUS:** CSI 30 DISCRETE MATHEMATICS 1 **3 credits / 3 hours**  
**PREREQUISITE:** MTH 28 or 28.5  
**COREQUISITES:** ENG 110, if required  
**TEXT:** **Discrete Mathematics and its Applications**, Eighth Edition,  
 by Kenneth H. Rosen, published by McGraw-Hill 2019  
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This course is a **Pathways Flexible Core E (Scientific World) Course**.

**Goals of the course:** CSI 30 is an introduction to mathematical methods in computer science. It begins with basic concepts of mathematical logic, continues with an introduction to algorithms and programming, and concludes with an introduction to counting techniques and probability. The emphasis is on computational, hands-on experience. The material on set theory reinforces and complements parallel topics covered in Precalculus (MTH 30). It is highly recommended that MTH 30, if required, and CSI 30 are taken in the same semester.

**Objectives:** A successful student in this course will learn to:

1. Understand the idea of an algorithm and computer program;
2. Write and analyze simple programs;
3. Understand the use of formal logic in mathematics and programming;
4. Understand basic concepts of set theory, particularly those of a function;
5. Use basic combinatorial counting techniques, particularly permutations and combinations;
6. Understand basic concepts of probability theory, and the way counting techniques are used there.

<b>Chapters and sections</b>	<b>Suggested in-class examples</b>	<b>Suggested Homework</b>
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**Chapter 1 The Foundations: Logic and Proofs (5 weeks)**

1.1 Propositional Logic.	Examples All	13/1, 3, 7, 9, 13, 17, 19, 25, 29, 33, 39, 47
1.2 Translating English sentences. System specifications. Boolean Searches. Logic Puzzles.	Examples 1-9	23/5, 7, 11, 13, 21, 25
1.3 Propositional Equivalences	Examples All	38/1-21 (odd)
1.4 Predicates and Quantifiers	Examples 1-18, 20-24, 28	56 /1-27 (odd), 31, 33, 35, 53, 55
1.5 Nested quantifiers.	Examples 1-15	68/1, 3, 5, 9, 15, 25, 27, 33
1.6 Rules of Inference. Fallacies.	Examples 1-11	82/1-9 (odd)

**Chapter 2 Basic Structures: Sets, Functions, Sequences, Sums (3 weeks)**

2.1 Sets, power sets, Cartesian products.	Examples 1-19	131/1-11 (odd), 15-25 (odd), 29, 33, 37
2.2 Set operations. Set identities.	Examples 1-16	144/1, 3, 13, 27
2.2 Computer representations of sets.	Examples 18, 19, 20	145/58-62 (all)
2.3 One-to-one and onto functions.	Examples 1-17	161/1-7 (odd)
2.3 Inverse and composition of functions. Graphs. Some important functions.	Examples 18-32	161/9, 12, 13, 15, 23, 31, 38, 45
2.6 Matrix Arithmetic. Transposes and powers of matrices. Zero-one matrices.	Examples 1-9	193/1, 3, 5, 19, 20, 26, 27

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<b>Chapter 3 Algorithms (1 week)</b>		
3.1 Algorithms. Pseudocode. Searching algorithms	Examples 1-3	213/1, 3, 5
3.1 Sorting. Greedy algorithms.	Examples 4-6	213/2, 7, 13, 19, 37
<b>Chapter 4 Number Theory and Cryptography (2 weeks)</b>		
4.1 Division. The division algorithm.	Examples 1-4	258/1, 13
4.1 Modular arithmetic.	Examples 5-6	258/27, 35
4.5 Applications of congruences (hashing functions). Pseudorandom numbers.	Examples 1-3	308/3, 5
4.3 Primes. Fundamental Theorem of Arithmetic. The Infinitude of Primes. The Euclidean Algorithm.	Examples 1-5, 16	288/3, 15, 17, 33
4.2 Representations of integers.	Examples 1-7	269/1, 3, 5, 7
4.2 Algorithms for integer operations. Modular exponentiation.	Examples 8, 10, 12	269/25
<b>Chapter 6 Counting (3 weeks)</b>		
6.1 Basic counting principles	Examples 1-14	416/1-17 (odd)
6.1 More complex counting problems. Exclusion inclusion principle. Tree diagrams.	Examples 15-24	416/19-33 (odd)
6.3 Permutations and combinations.	Examples 1-15	434/1-19 (odd), 20
6.4 Binomial coefficients. Pascal's triangle.	Examples 1-4	443/1-9 (odd), 16, 17
<b>Chapter 7 Discrete Probability (1 week)</b>		
7.1 Introduction to probability	Examples 1-9	475/1-27 (odd)

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