Norma M Agras* (nmacane@yahoo.com), 11520 SW 107 Court, Miami, FL 33176. CRAFTY’s College Algebra: Guidelines for the Nation.

Several members of the MAA/CUPM’s CRAFTY (Curriculum Renewal Across the First Two Years) subcommittee have written a set of guidelines with input from CRAFTY membership and stakeholders that aim to define College Algebra nationally. These guidelines include appropriate content, as well as suggested assessment tools and supportive pedagogy. It is our hope that College Algebra will be a gateway for students whose programs require the course. This course should serve students both in mathematics-intensive programs as well as to fulfill quantitative needs as a general education requirement. Completing such a course should serve the nation in improving the current state of quantitative literacy of our graduates as well as in fostering an interest in mathematics and in mathematics-dependent disciplines. The speaker will distribute and discuss the final version of these guidelines as well as the rationale for their creation. (Received September 26, 2006)