

SPRING 2015
MATH 351

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Office Hours: Mondays 2:15 - 3:15 pm and Wednesdays 2:45 - 3:45 pm, or by appointment.

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Course Page: For course pages please visit <http://www.math.purdue.edu/~patel376> and click on the “teaching” tab. There you will find a link to the course page.

Textbook: Richard C. Penney, Linear Algebra Ideas and Applications, 3rd Ed., Wiley (2008). This course will roughly cover chapters 1-6 of Penney. Of course, some sections may be omitted, and topics from other chapters may be included as I see fit.

Grading Policy:

Here is the short version of how your grade will be calculated:

Exam 1 - 25%

Exam 2 - 25%

Exam 3 - 25%

Written homework - 25%

Exams: There will be three, one-hour **evening** exams.

The first exam will be on Tuesday, February 17th at 6:30 pm in WTHR Room 172.

The second exam will be on Thursday, March 26th at 6:30 pm in WTHR Room 172.

The third exam will be on Thursday, April 23rd at 8:00 pm in WTHR Room 172.

Three classes will be cancelled since we are having evening exams. I will eventually let you know which two lectures they will be, and I will post an announcement on the course webpage.

Written Homework: I will assign written homework from the textbook to be handed in at the beginning of class each Thursday. These assignments are worth a significant portion of your grade so make sure you are handing in quality work. I will not accept late homework, as I will turn over the assignments to the grader for the course almost immediately. Assignments will be graded and returned by the following Tuesday.

Punctuality and Attendance: Class discussions are a central component of this course, serving as a way for students to engage with our course material together. Attendance is therefore mandatory, as is timely arrival and regular participation in these discussions. Should students need to arrive late or miss a class, please notify me ahead of time. Two or more unexplained absences or frequent tardiness (three or more late arrivals) will result in the lowering of your final grade.

Cell phones, iPads, etc: The use of cell phones, iPads, laptops and other electronic devices in the classroom is prohibited.

Makeup Policy: There will be no makeup homework or exams. No exceptions.

Students with Disabilities: If you have an Accommodation Letter from the Disability Resource Center, we should to meet during my office hours to discuss your needs. See office hours and location above.

Email Policies: When emailing me you should include a greeting, use proper English (write in complete sentences) and sign your name. For questions about homework problems, you must email me at least 12 hours before the homework is due.

Important Dates:

Last day for a student to drop a course

-without it being recorded: January 26, 2015.

-with a W or WF: March 23, 2015.

In the event of a major campus emergency, course requirements, deadlines, and grading percentages are subject to changes that may be necessitated by a revised semester calendar or other circumstances.