Math 314 - Linear Algebra

Policy handout for Section 004

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FINAL EXAM Wednesday, November 25, 10:00-12:00 noon

Textbook: Linear Algebra and its Applications, Fifth Edition, David C. Lay, Steven R. Lay and Judi J. McDonald, Pearson Publishing.

Course Modus Operandi: Starting on August 24, our Class will follow a "hybrid" model: For either one or two of the MWF Lectures of any given week, you will be designated to come to the Classroom to participate in the "live" Lecture. On a day that you are not designated to attend Lecture in person, you will instead have access to a videotape of the Lecture material covered during that day. This (asynchronous) lecture videotape will be posted on Canvas, in the "Discussions" Section. For any given week, you will be sent via email a schedule of the days when you are to be in the Classroom for the Lecture. (This schedule will be sent out sometime between Friday afternoon and Saturday morning.)

Calculators: Calculators will be allowed on all quizzes and exams in this Course. However, for the answer to a given problem, you *must* show all necessary work for the possibility of credit.

Homework: You are responsible for working all of the assigned problems on the syllabus after each Class, and before the next Class Meeting. Homework will not be collected for grading. The exercises suggested in the syllabus represent a minimal assignment. Some students may very well have to work additional exercises from the text to master the material.

Expectations: Performance at a high level is expected. At a minimum, this means knowing the material from the prerequisite courses, reading the textbook before lectures, taking notes during lectures, and doing the homework afterward.

Grading Policy:

- 1. Quiz: There will be a quiz every Thursday. Quizzes will be **not** given on exam weeks, or on the first and last week of Classes. Each quiz, except for the first, will be over the material covered from Wednesday (of the previous week) to Monday (the week of the quiz). Please see the separate document "Instructions for Exams and Quizzes", which has a detailed set of instructions on how the quizzes will be administered. There will be no makeup quizzes under any circumstances.
- 2. Exams: There will be two (regular) examinations during the semester, on the weeks indicated in the Syllabus. These examinations will be issued on Thursday evening before 6 pm and must be uploaded to Gradescope by the next Friday morning at 10 am. All work must be shown on these exams for the possibility of credit. Please consult the separate document "Instructions for Exams and Quizzes", which has a detailed set of instructions on how the exams will be administered. There will be no makeup quizzes under any circumstances.

NOTE BENE: Please consult your calendar to make sure that you can take all the exams as scheduled. If you have a conflict, it would behoove you to enroll in a different Course Section or take the Course at another time. There will be no makeup examinations.

- 3. Final Exam: The Final Exam will be comprehensive. To repeat: The time and date of the Final Exam is Wednesday, November 25, 10:00-12:00 noon.
- 4. Breakdown of the grading:

Two Semester Examinations 50%Quizzes 15%

Final Examination 35%

In accordance with UNL policy, the assignment of your Final Grade will be based on the numerical scale which is typically invoked in the United States – see; e.g.,

https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Academic_grading_in_the_United_States - with A+ being the highest, and F the lowest:

Average	100-97	96-93	92-90	89-87	86-83	82-80	79-77	76-73	72-70	69-67	66-63	62-60	< 59
Grade	A+	A	A-	B+	В	B-	C+	С	C-	D+	D	D-	F

NOTA BENE: If your score on the Final Exam is higher than the lowest of your three in-class examinations, then this lowest in-class exam score will be replaced by your Final Exam score.

Department Grading Appeals Policy: The Department of Mathematics and Statistics does not tolerate discrimination or harassment on the basis of race, gender, religion, or sexual orientation. If you believe you have been subject to such discrimination or harassment, in this or any other math course, please contact the department. If, for this or any other reason, you believe your grade was assigned incorrectly or capriciously, then appeals may be made to (in order) the instructor, the department chair, the department grading appeals committee, the college grading appeals committee, and the university grading appeals committee.