

THE UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS AT EL PASO
COLLEGE OF SCIENCE
DEPARTMENT OF MATHEMATICAL SCIENCES

Course #: 3323
Course Title: Matrix Algebra
Credit Hrs: 3
Term: Fall 2011
Course Meetings & Location: TTh 1:30-2:50 PM in LART 319
Prerequisite Courses: Math 1411
Course Fee: (if applicable)

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Textbook(s), Materials: Required: Introduction to Linear Algebra, Fifth Edition, by Johnson and Al, Addison Wesley
Suggested: Webassign account

Course Objectives (Learning Outcomes): This is a first course in Linear Algebra. This course will introduce the students to the theory concepts of matrix algebra and systems of linear equations, elementary vector space concepts, and the eigenvalue problem. The student will solve different types of exercises which involves matrices, using standard methods, proofs, connections with practical situations and/or using the technology (graphing calculator or PC graphing software).

The expected student learning outcome from this course is that students learn the material well enough to pass the course and to succeed in all math courses that require Matrix Algebra as a prerequisite.

Course Activities/Assignments:
Assessment of Course Objectives: There will be homework, grades from quizzes, three midterms, and the final exam.
Grading Policy: The in class quizzes, homework, and midterms count 50% and the final exam count for 50% towards your overall class average.
Make-up Policy: Make-up tests will only be given under extraordinary circumstances and only if you notify the instructor prior to the exam date.
Content: The course will cover Chapters 1, 3, 4, and 5 of the textbook.

- Fair Warning:** It is expected that you spend an absolute minimum of two hours outside of class for every in-class hour on solving homework problems, reading the textbook and reviewing your class notes. If you do not have the time necessary, you should take the course some other semester. The course's approach to Matrix Algebra is intended to be different. If you have had a Matrix Algebra course already you will probably find much that is unfamiliar and a very different emphasis on things you may think you know already. Be alert to this and remember that previous experience is unlikely to be enough to coast on. Treat each topic as if you were meeting it for the first time, and be alert to make sure you understand each day's material before the next class meeting.
- Attendance Policy:** It is a must you attend all lectures. Unjustified absences will result in points taken from the Part average.
- Academic Integrity Policy:** For more on this, please refer to UTEP's policy cited in:
<http://academics.utep.edu/Default.aspx?tabid=23785>
- Civility Statement:** As a general rule, anything that will disturb other students will not be admitted.
- Disability Statement:** If a student has or suspects he/she has a disability and needs an accommodation, he/she should contact the Disabled Student Services Office (DSSO) at 747-5148 or at dss@utep.edu or go to Room 106 Union East Building. The student is responsible for presenting to the instructor any DSS accommodation letters and instructions.
- Military Statement:** If you are a military student with the potential of being called to military service and/or training during the course of the semester, you are encouraged to contact the instructor as soon as possible.
- Course Schedule:** The final exam is comprehensive and will be held during the week December 5-9. The class schedule lists **Friday, October 28** as the last day to drop with an automatic "W". The instructor will NOT assign a "W" for students dropping the course after the deadline.