North Carolina State University  Department of Mathematics
MA 305 Introduction to Linear Algebra  SU I 2019

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Lectures: MTWHF, 9:50–11:20, WI 150


There are roughly 18 days for lectures, 4 days for exams and 1 flexible. Memorial Day: May 27

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May 23 Th Test 1, (in class)
May 31 Fr Test 2, (in class)
Jun 7 Fr Test 3 (in class)
Jun 14 Fri Test 4 (in class)
Jun 20 Final (in class)

Attendance You are required to attend each class. Usually no permission is granted for skipping a test, unless this is entirely unforeseen medical condition or other similar situation. Proper documentation must be established, otherwise your score is deemed to be zero. If you miss a test by an excused reason, the mark for that test will be determined by your later performance. No make-up tests will be planned for any situation.

Grading Policy Your grades will be calculated by the following weight scale
Quizzes/Attendance 2%-5%+ Exams 60%+ & Final 35%-38%

Homework Homework consists of reading assignment and problems for understanding the materials and preparing for the tests.

Attendance is required. NCSU policy is strictly enforced. You may review the definition of excused absences at http://policies.ncsu.edu/regulation/reg-02-20-03 No quiz or test makeups will be granted.

Course Evaluations: Online class evaluations will be available for students to complete near the semester end. Students will receive an email message directing them to a website where they can login using their Unity ID and complete evaluations. All evaluations are confidential; instructors will never know how any one student responded to any question, and students will never know the ratings for any particular instructors.