Math 125 Fall 2020—Elementary Linear Algebra

Section F1 is held virtually.

Contact Information
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Office Hours: Discussion boards will be monitored, and by appointment.
Tutoring Support: Zoom tutoring hours will be staffed by graduate assistants (TAs) at the
days/times listed in the Moodle “welcome” section; who will also provide additional monitoring
of discussion boards.

Textbook Information and WebAssign: The textbook is an e-text, *Linear Algebra for Business*,
by Bob Muncaster. It is available at the University Webstore ($16) at
https://webstore.illinois.edu/shop/product.aspx?zpdi=4090. The e-text is non-refundable. It had
been previously available for purchase as a non-refundable bundle with a WebAssign access
code, but the purchase format has been updated by the Webstore, so that these items are now
to be purchased a la carte. We will be using WebAssign for individualized homework sets. To
register for WebAssign, follow the link to the dedicated UIUC WebAssign login page found on
our learn@illinois webpage, or Google "UIUC WebAssign." Note that there is a free two-week
trial period for WebAssign; thus, you can use it during that time without purchasing an access
code from Cengage. If you do not purchase WebAssign access prior to the trial period ending,
your work will not be lost and will be accessible to you again upon purchase.

Course Policies
Homework: Individualized homework sets will be at https://www.webassign.net/uiuc/login.html
for which there is a free two-week trial period. To register, use the link to the system on
your learn@illinois webpage. You can buy the access code and e-text bundled as described
above (non-refundable). Typically homework sets will be due on Friday night at 11:59 PM (exam
weeks may differ). You are welcome to work with other people on the homeworks, but we
expect you to be able to solve similar problems confidently on your own.
Midterm Exams: There will be three hour exams administered via Moodle, tentatively 9/28,
10/26, and 11/30 (see the "Exams" tab in Moodle), and proctored via Proctorio and/or graduate
assistants. Typically students will be granted a several-hour timeframe in which to access the
exam via Moodle, and upon opening the exam, another "clock" will begin which reflects the
allotted time for the exam and upload process. Details on this and very brief exam syllabi will be
announced in advance of each exam.
Final Exam: The final exam will be cumulative and proctored via Proctorio on TBA (see "Exams"
tab).
Policy on Missed Midterm Exams: There will be no make-up exams given the flexibility in
exam start times that will be outlined in Moodle in advance of the exams. Medical conditions,
religious time conflicts and university related sports competitions are examples of eligible
reasons for a justified absence, and will require an official letter from the Office of the Dean of
Students confirming the student was not able to participate at the ascribed time to receive
consideration.
Calculator Policy: TBA

Academic Integrity Violations (Cheating): Cheating on exams or indeed any aspect of the course will result in serious implications. University policy dictates that any charge of cheating that results in a guilty decision, however small, MUST be documented both with the student’s college and also the Senate Committee on Academic Discipline. **Cheating instances will follow you and may influence decisions made about you in the future.**

DRES Accommodations: If you are recommended for exam accommodations by DRES, your instructor must be notified and presented with official documentation NO LATER THAN one week before the first exam for which an accommodation is requested.

Grading Policy

**Computation of Course Grade:** The ranking in the course will be determined by your homework, hour exams, and final exam grades, weighted as follows: 25% homework (one/lowest will be dropped), 45% hour exams, and 30% final exam.

**Assignment of Grades:** We will use the Moodle gradebook throughout the semester so that you will know your course standing. Maximum cutoffs for letter grades will be at the traditional 90%, 80%, etc., with plus and minus grades given at the following intervals (**curves will be used to maintain historical grade distribution for Math 125**):

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