

## Math 235H Sec 1 - Introduction to Linear Algebra - Fall 2018

TuTh 2:30 → 3:45 PM LGRT 141

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**Office hours:** (tentative) Tuesday 9:00 → 10:00 am, Thursday 4:00 → 5:00 pm, and by appointment.

**Text and online homework:** *Linear algebra and its applications (5th edition)* by David Lay, Steven Lay, and Judi McDonald. MyMathLab is required for this course. An electronic copy of the textbook is included in your purchase of MyMathLab. See instructions on Spire regarding purchase of the textbook and online homework packages. Online homework and quizzes will be assigned through MyMathLab

**Syllabus:** Posted on our web page.

**Hand Written Homework:** Will be assigned weekly and will be due each Thursday, unless mentioned otherwise. The homework will be graded by a special grader. Due to lack of funds, it will not be possible to grade all the homework problems assigned. A few of the homework problems will be corrected and graded every week. Nevertheless, for your own benefit, you will be asked to hand in *all* the homework problems assigned. Your grade on each homework assignment will be calculated as follows:

70% The grade on the corrected problems.

30% Credit for handing in *most* of the homework problems assigned. Partial credit will be given.

Late handwritten homework will not be collected. Instead, your lowest grade will be dropped.

### Grades:

Homework–20%

Two Midterms–50% (each 25%)

Final Exam –30%

**First Midterm:** Wednesday, October 10, 6:00 to 7:30 PM.

**Second Midterm:** Tuesday, November 13, 6:00 to 7:30 PM.

**Final:** To be scheduled by the registrar. Make sure to be around! Travel plans will **not** be accommodated!

**Calculators Policy:** Calculators will **not** be allowed in the exams. You may use calculators to check your homework solutions, but credit will be given only for answers showing all your steps (unless mentioned otherwise in the assignment).