

**MAT 682 (Numerical Linear Algebra), Spring 2018**  
**TuTh 8am-9:20am in 120 Carnegie**

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**Office hours:** TuTh 2pm-3pm or by appointment.

**Textbook:** *Numerical Linear Algebra* by Trefethen and Bau, SIAM 1997

**Course Description:** the fundamentals of matrix analysis, singular value decompositions (SVD), QR factorizations, conditioning, stability and floating point arithmetic, least squares problems, eigenvalue problems and iterative methods.

**Course webpage:** Please check Blackboard frequently for course announcements and materials.

**Calculator policy:** You are allowed to use a scientific calculator on homework and exams. You still need to show work to receive any credit. You are not allowed to use a more sophisticated calculator such as a graphing calculator.

**Programming language:** MATLAB. Please make sure that you will have access to a computer with MATLAB installed on it. For example, you can use the computers in the lab located on the second floor of the Carnegie building. It is likely that there are other options on campus.

**Homework:** A set of homework problems will be posted on Blackboard after most lectures. It will be collected at the beginning of the next lecture. There will be 25 sets of homework and each is worth 10 points. Many homework will have a programming component.

**Mid-term exam:** There will be two in-class mid-term exams: one on Thursday, February 15<sup>th</sup> and the other on Thursday, March 29<sup>th</sup>. Each exam is worth 100 points.

**Final exam:** 3pm-5pm in 120 Carnegie (same room as lectures) on Tuesday, May 8<sup>th</sup>. The final exam is cumulative and worth 150 points.

**Mark your calendar now: mid-term exams on Thursday, February 15<sup>th</sup> and Thursday, March 29<sup>th</sup>, and final exam on Tuesday, May 8<sup>th</sup>.**

*There will be no make-ups for homework, quizzes, or exams unless you have a truly exceptional excuse, which has to be corroborated by a statement from your doctor, coach, etc.*

**Grading Policy:** Total points possible is  $600 = 250$  (homework) +  $200$  (mid-term exams) +  $150$  (final exam). A letter grade will be assigned based on the percentage of points that you earn: 93% to 100% → A, 90% to 93% → A-, 87% to 90% → B+, 83% to 87% → B, 80% to 83% → B-, 77% to 80% → C+, 73% to 77% → C, 70% to 73% → C-, 60% to 70% → D, below 60% → F.

**Students with Disabilities:** If you believe that you need accommodations for a disability, please contact the Office of Disability Services (ODS) at <http://disabilityservices.syr.edu>, located in Room 303 of 804

University Avenue, or call 315-443-4498 for an appointment to discuss your needs and the process for requesting accommodations. ODS is responsible coordinating disability-related accommodations and will issue students with documented disabilities Accommodation Authorization Letters, as appropriate. Since accommodations may require early planning and generally are not provided retroactively, please contact ODS as soon as possible. You are also welcome to contact me privately to discuss your academic needs although I cannot arrange for disability-related accommodations.

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