

MATH 322: Differential Equations for Applications

Spring 2021 Course Syllabus

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COURSE INFORMATION

Course Description: An applied science study using differential equations as the vehicle for comprehension of the unknown. Introduction to first-order differential equations and their applications to motion, cooling and electromechanical systems followed by higher order differential equations and their solutions. Study of methods of undetermined coefficients, variation of parameters, and many series and numerical methods. Includes Laplace transforms, matrix methods, and eigenvalue problems.

Number of Credits: 3

Prerequisites: **MATH 112** with a grade of C or better or **MATH 133** with a grade of C or better or **MATH 238** with a grade C or better.

Course-Section and Instructors

Course-Section	Instructor
Math 322-002	Professor R. Plastock
Math 322-004	Professor R. Plastock
Math 322-006	Professor R. Plastock
Math 322-102	Professor R. Plastock

Office Hours for All Math Instructors: [Spring 2021 Office Hours and Emails](#)

Required Textbook:

Title	<i>Differential Equations w/ Boundary-Value Problems (Bundle w/ WebAssign)</i>
Author	Dennis G. Zill and Warren S. Wright
Edition	9th
Publisher	Pearson

ISBN #	978-1337604901
Technology	Laptop Computer

University-wide Withdrawal Date: The last day to withdraw with a W is **Monday, April 5, 2021**. It will be strictly enforced.

COURSE GOALS

Course Objectives

- Derive solutions of separable and linear first-order differential equations.
- Interpret solutions of differential equation models in mechanics, circuits, &c.
- Derive solutions of linear second order equations or systems that have constant coefficients.
- Apply the Laplace transform to solve forced linear differential equations.
- Determine the behavior of solutions near critical points of planar systems.
- Express the solutions of analytic differential equations in power series.

Course Outcomes

- Prepare students for further study in technological disciplines and more advanced mathematics courses.
- Students have an understanding of the importance of differential equations in the sciences and engineering.

POLICIES

DMS Course Policies: All DMS students must familiarize themselves with, and adhere to, the **Department of Mathematical Sciences Course Policies**, in addition to official **university-wide policies**. DMS takes these policies very seriously and enforces them strictly.

Grading Policy: The final grade in this course will be determined as follows:

Quizzes	15%
Midterm Exam I	25%
Midterm Exam II	25%
Final Exam	35%

Your final letter grade will be based on the following tentative curve. **NOTE:** This curve may be adjusted slightly at the end of the semester.

A	90 - 100	C	70 - 74
B+	85 - 89	D	50 - 69
B	80 - 84	F	0 - 49
C+	75 - 79		

Attendance Policy: Attendance at all classes will be recorded and is **mandatory**. Please make sure you read and fully understand the **Math Department's Attendance Policy**. This policy will be strictly enforced.

Exams: There will be two midterm exams held in class during the semester and one comprehensive final exam. Exams are held on the following weeks:

Midterm Exam I	Week 5
Midterm Exam II	Week 10

The final exam will test your knowledge of all the course material taught in the entire course. Make sure you read and fully understand the [Math Department's Examination Policy](#). This policy will be strictly enforced.

Makeup Exam Policy: There will be **NO MAKE-UP QUIZZES OR EXAMS** during the semester. In the event an exam is not taken under rare circumstances where the student has a legitimate reason for missing the exam, the student should contact the Dean of Students office and present written verifiable proof of the reason for missing the exam, e.g., a doctor's note, police report, court notice, etc. clearly stating the date AND time of the mitigating problem. The student must also notify the Math Department Office/Instructor that the exam will be missed.

Cellular Phones: All cellular phones and other electronic devices must be switched off during all class times.

ADDITIONAL RESOURCES

Math Tutoring Center: Located in the Central King Building, Lower Level, Rm. G11 (See: [Spring 2021 Hours](#))

Further Assistance: For further questions, students should contact their instructor. All instructors have regular office hours during the week. These office hours are listed on the Math Department's webpage for [Instructor Office Hours and Emails](#).

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Accommodation of Disabilities: The Office of Accessibility Resources and Services (OARS) offers long term and temporary accommodations for undergraduate, graduate and visiting students at NJIT.

If you are in need of accommodations due to a disability please contact Chantonette Lyles, Associate Director of the Office of Accessibility Resources and Services at [973-596-5417](tel:973-596-5417) or via email at lyles@njit.edu. The office is located in Kupfrian Hall, Room 201. A Letter of Accommodation Eligibility from the Office of Accessibility Resources and Services authorizing your accommodations will be required.

For further information regarding self identification, the submission of medical documentation and additional support services provided please visit the Office of Accessibility Resources and Services (OARS) website at:

- <https://www.njit.edu/studentsuccess/accessibility/>

Important Dates (See: [Spring 2021 Academic Calendar, Registrar](#))

Date	Day	Event
January 19, 2021	T	First Day of Classes
January 23, 2021	S	Saturday Classes Begin
January 25, 2021	M	Last Day to Add/Drop Classes
March 14 - March 21, 2021	Su - Su	Spring Recess - No Classes
April, 2, 2021	F	Good Friday - No Classes
April 5, 2021	M	Last Day to Withdraw
May 4, 2021	T	Friday Classes Meet
May 4, 2021	T	Last Day of Classes
May 5 & May 6, 2021	W & R	Reading Days

Course Outline

Week	Section	Topic
1	Review of Calculus	Differentiation, integration, Partial differentiation
2	1.1,.1.2, 1.3	Initial value probs.,Differential Equations
3	2.1,2,2,2.3,2.4	Separable Equations, Linear Equations, Exact equations
4	2.5,3.1,3.2,3,3	Solutions, Linear and Nonlinear Models Second order linear equations
5	4,1,4,2,4,3	Linear Equations, Homogeneous Equations
	REVIEW	
	MIDTERM EXAM I	
6	4.4,4.5, 4.6	Undetermined Coefficients, Variation of Parameter
7	5.1,5,2,5.3	Linear Models, Spring/Mass Systems, Nonlinear Models
8	6.1, 6.2,6.3	Power Series, Solutions about Ordinary and Singular Points
9	7.1, 7.2, 7.3	Laplace Transforms, Inverse Transforms
10	REVIEW	
	MIDTERM EXAM 2	
11	8.1,8.2	Homogeneous Linear Systems
12	8.3	Nonhomogeneous Linear Systems
13	9.1	Numerical Solutions, Euler Methods
14	9.2	Runga-Kutta Methods
15	Review	REVIEW FOR FINAL EXAM
FINALS	FINAL EXAM WEEK:	MAY 7 - 13, 2021

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