

MATH 371: Physiology and Medicine *Fall 2018 Course Syllabus*

NJIT Academic Integrity Code: All Students should be aware that the Department of Mathematical Sciences takes the University Code on Academic Integrity at NJIT very seriously and enforces it strictly. This means that there must not be any forms of plagiarism, i.e., copying of homework, class projects, or lab assignments, or any form of cheating in quizzes and exams. Under the University Code on Academic Integrity, students are obligated to report any such activities to the Instructor.

COURSE INFORMATION

Course Description: Mathematical models of organs and organ systems: the heart and circulation, gas exchange in the lungs, electrical properties of excitable membranes, neuro-biological clocks, the renal countercurrent mechanism, muscle mechanics. The biology is introduced with each topic. Emphasis is on quantitative problem solving, model building, and numerical simulation.

Number of Credits: 3

Prerequisites: **MATH 222** with a grade of C or better.

Course-Section and Instructors

| Course-Section | Instructor |
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| Math 371-001 | Professor A. Bose |

Office Hours for All Math Instructors: [Fall 2018 Office Hours and Emails](#)

Required Textbook:

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| Title | <i>Modeling and Simulation in Medicine and the Life Sciences</i> |
| Author | Hoppensteadt and Peskin |
| Edition | 2nd |
| Publisher | Springer |
| ISBN # | 978-0387950723 |

University-wide Withdrawal Date: The last day to withdraw with a W is **Monday, November 12, 2018**. It will be strictly enforced.

COURSE GOALS

Course Objectives

- Students should learn what a mathematical model of a physiological process is.
- Students should learn various mathematical techniques to analyze models.
- Students should be able to interpret mathematical results in terms of the model.

Course Outcomes

- Students have improved logical thinking and problem-solving skills.
- Students are prepared for further study in mathematics as well as science, engineering, computing, and other areas.

Course Assessment: The assessment of objectives is achieved through homework, exams and possibly projects.

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:

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| Homework | 30% |
| Project | 20% |
| Midterm Exam | 20% |
| Final Exam | 30% |

Your final letter grade will be based on the following tentative curve.

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| A | 90 - 100 | D | 60 - 69 |
| B/B+ | 80 - 89 | F | 0 - 59 |
| C/C+ | 70 - 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.

Homework Policy: There will be weekly homework assignments which will be corrected and graded. As part of your homework grade will be the required attendance of at least one research seminar (Mathematical Biology Seminar, Biology Colloquium, BME Seminar) with a two page description of the topic.

Project: There will be one computer based research project due toward the end of the semester. This project can be chosen from many that are listed in the textbook or can be something you independently come up with. Preliminary choice of topic should be discussed with me no later than November 1. The project report should be in the form of a research paper and should be 12-15 pages long including any figures. More details will be provided in class.

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

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| Midterm Exam | October 22, 2018 |
| Final Exam Period | December 15 - 21, 2018 |

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 Cullimore, Room 214 (See: [Fall 2017 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: Disability Support Services (DSS) 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 Disability Support Services at [973-596-5417](tel:973-596-5417) or via email at lyles@njit.edu. The office is located in Fenster Hall Room 260. A Letter of Accommodation Eligibility from the Disability Support Services office 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 Disability Support Services (DSS) website at:

- <http://www5.njit.edu/studentsuccess/disability-support-services/>

Important Dates (See: [Fall 2018 Academic Calendar, Registrar](#))

| Date | Day | Event |
|------------------------|--------|------------------------------|
| September 4, 2018 | T | First Day of Classes |
| September 10, 2018 | M | Last Day to Add/Drop Classes |
| November 12, 2018 | M | Last Day to Withdraw |
| November 20, 2018 | T | Thursday Classes Meet |
| November 21, 2018 | W | Friday Classes Meet |
| November 22 - 25, 2018 | R - Su | Thanksgiving Recess |
| December 12, 2018 | W | Last Day of Classes |
| December 13 & 14, 2018 | R & F | Reading Days |
| December 15 - 21, 2018 | Sa - F | Final Exam Period |

Course Outline

Tentative Topics

Mathematical Models of the Heart and Circulation

A Model of Gas Exchange in the Lung

Model of the Renal Countercurrent Mechanism

Properties of Cell Membranes

Genetics

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