

Time: T,Th 9:30–10:45  
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Textbook: *Linear Algebra with Applications*, 2nd edition,  
by Otto Bretscher

### Grading

- Quizzes (and Homework, if any) – 20%
- Two Midterm Exams – 25% each
- Final Exam – 30%

**Quizzes** will be given on Thursday every week or two at the beginning of class. Quiz problems will usually be taken out of homework for the previous week or two. One lowest quiz grade will be dropped. **Exams** will be announced 1-2 weeks in advance. All exams will be cumulative, but with emphasis on new material. The first midterm will be in late September; the second midterm, in late October or early November. **Homework** assignments will be given in class on most days. These should be done regularly but are not to be turned in unless explicitly stated.

Reserve 1-2 hours for homework between each pair of classes. You may find it useful to work on homework problems in groups of 2-5 people. In such groups, give-and-take is important. If you only give or only take (especially, the latter!), you are in a wrong group. Make sure you understand solutions to all homework problems, even those you did not solve yourself.