MATH 340 – Elementary Matrix and Linear Algebra
(section 004)

Course Book
Elementary Linear Algebra (9th Edition) by Kolman and Hill, Prentice Hall

Credits
3

Course Designations and Attributes
Breadth - Natural Science
Level - Advanced
L&S Credit - Counts as Liberal Arts and Science credit in L&S

Meeting Time and Location:
TR, 4:00-5:15PM, Van Vleck B102

Instructional Mode
Face-to-face

This class meets for two 75-minute class periods and one 50-minute discussion period each week over the fall/spring semester and carries the expectation that students will work on course learning activities (reading, writing, problem sets, studying, etc) for about 3 hours out of classroom for every class period. The syllabus includes additional information about meeting times and expectations for student work.

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**OFFICIAL COURSE DESCRIPTION**
Matrix algebra, linear systems of equations, vector spaces, sub-spaces, linear dependence, rank of matrices, determinants, linear transformations, eigenvalues and eigenvectors, diagonalization, inner products and orthogonal vectors, symmetric matrices. Prospective math majors should instead consider MATH 341 for a proof based introductory linear algebra course.

**Requisites**
MATH 222. Not open to students with credit for MATH 341 or 375

**LEARNING OUTCOMES**
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1. Recall and state the formal definitions, properties, and theorems associated to elementary linear algebra (e.g., matrix, eigenvector, rank, linear independence, vector space, etc.).
2. Verify if a mathematical object has a given property used in elementary linear algebra (e.g., that a matrix is invertible, that a set is a vector subspace, that a vector is an eigenvector, etc.).
3. Check the premises of theorems used in elementary linear algebra in order to apply their conclusions (e.g., that a given matrix has zero determinant and therefore cannot be inverted).
4. Resolve algebraic statements related to elementary linear algebra through appropriate computations.
5. Express informal mathematical arguments in English using appropriate mathematical terminology and notation.

**APPROXIMATE COURSE SCHEDULE:**
Week  | Material (in course book)  
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1. | Chapter 1.1-1.3  
2. | Chapter 1.4-1.6  
3. | Chapter 2.1-2.2  
4. | Chapter 2.3-2.4
GRADING
Exams: 25%
Quizzes: 20%
Final Exam: 30%

- Quizzes: during discussion sections.
- Exam 1: Thursday, Feb. 13\textsuperscript{th} (2/13/20). In class.
- Exam 2: Thursday, Apr. 2\textsuperscript{nd} (4/2/20). In class.
- Final Exam: Tuesday, May 5\textsuperscript{th} (5/5/20), from 5:05-7:05PM.

DO NOT MAKE TRAVEL PLANS THAT CONFLICT WITH THE FINAL EXAM.

HOMEWORK
Homework will be assigned but not graded.

ACADEMIC INTEGRITY
By enrolling in this course, each student assumes the responsibilities of an active participant in UW-Madison’s community of scholars in which everyone’s academic work and behavior are held to the highest academic integrity standards. Academic misconduct compromises the integrity of the university. Cheating, fabrication, plagiarism, unauthorized collaboration, and helping others commit these acts are examples of academic misconduct, which can result in disciplinary action. This includes but is not limited to failure on the assignment/course, disciplinary probation, or suspension. Substantial or repeated cases of misconduct will be forwarded to the Office of Student Conduct & Community Standards for additional review. For more information, refer to studentconduct.wiscweb.wisc.edu/academic-integrity/.

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Disabilities is a shared faculty and student responsibility. Students are expected to inform faculty [me] of their need for instructional accommodations by the end of the third week of the semester, or as soon as possible after a disability has been incurred or recognized. Faculty [I], will work either directly with the student [you] or in coordination with the McBurney Center to identify and provide reasonable instructional accommodations. Disability information, including instructional accommodations as part of a student's educational record, is confidential and protected under FERPA.” [http://mcburney.wisc.edu/facstaffother/faculty/syllabus.php](http://mcburney.wisc.edu/facstaffother/faculty/syllabus.php)

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