Math417: Partial Differential Equations for applications
Course Information

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Office Hours: Krieger 222, Thursdays 2--4 PM, or by appointment
Lecture: TTh 12:00 PM--1:15 PM, in Krieger 304
Grader: Xuehua Chen (xchen@math.jhu.edu) (Help room on Fridays 3-5PM)

A hard copy will be on reserve in the library.

We anticipate covering Chapters 1-5 and 7, and selected material from Chapters 8, 10 and 12.

Grading Policy: 30% Homework, 30% Midterm Exam, 40% Final Exam.

Your final grade will be roughly determined according to the following criterion:
100-85%: A range
84-65%: B range (i.e. from B+ to B-)
64-50%: C range
49-40%: D range
below 40%: F

Grades will be distributed on a curve, if necessary, to ensure that A-level work is rewarded with an A-level grade.

Regrades: Disputes regarding homework grading should be discussed with your grader.
For midterm exam, if you believe a grading error was made, return the test paper to me before the class of Mar 25, together with a note explaining which problem is in dispute and what correct work of yours was overlooked.

Homework: Homework will be posted on course homepage, and will be collected on the Tuesday of the next week, before class.
The following rules apply to homework:

- Turn in homework on time. No late homework will be accepted.
- Study groups are encouraged, but homework has to be written down independently.
- Write clearly, staple your homework, with your name clearly at the top. The grader might choose not to grade your homework if it is too messy.
- The lowest score will be dropped when computing your overall homework grade.
Additional Supports

**Math Help Room** at Krieger 213: Monday--Thursday from 9AM--9PM and Fridays from 9AM--5PM.

**Exams**
There will be one in-class Midterm examination. The final exam will be held on May 11, 2-5 PM in Krieger 304.

Exams are closed book, closed notes. There will be no make-up exams. You are expected to attend class and take exams as they are scheduled. If you have time conflicts with an exam or need special arrangements, you must notify the instructor in writing at least one week in advance. For excused absences (for mid-term), the grade for a missed exam will be a weighted average of the grades for all subsequent exams. Unexcused absences count as a 0. Documentation of illness etc. must be obtained from the Office of Academic Advising.

**Special Aid**
If you are a student with a disability or believe you might have a disability that requires accommodations, please contact Dr. Richard Sanders, in Student Disability Services, 385 Garland, (410) 516-4720, studentdisabilityservices@jhu.edu.

To arrange for testing accommodations, the request must be submitted to the instructor at least 7 days (including the weekend) before each of the midterm or final exam. You may make this request during office hours, after class or by sending me an email.

**Academic Ethics**
Cheating is wrong. Cheating hurts our community by undermining academic integrity, creating mistrust, and fostering unfair competition. The university will punish cheaters with failure on an assignment, failure in a course, permanent transcript notation, suspension, and/or expulsion. Offenses may be reported to medical, law, or other professional or graduate schools when a cheater applies.

Violations can include cheating on exams, plagiarism, reuse of assignments without permission, improper use of the Internet and electronic devices unauthorized collaboration, alteration of graded assignments, forgery and falsification, lying, facilitating academic dishonesty, and unfair competition. Ignorance of these rules is not an excuse.

The strength of the university depends on academic and personal integrity. In this course, you must be honest and truthful. See the guide on "Academic Ethics for Undergraduates" and the Ethics Board Web Site (http://ethics.jhu.edu/) for more information.