

Class Policy

Course: Math 428, Introduction to Operations Research

Place/Time: AvH 12, 2:00-3:15 TR, Spring 2008

Preq: Math 314 and Stat 380 or equivalent.

Objectives: To help students achieve competence in the following areas:

- Basic principles of operations research techniques including linear programming, dynamic programming, decision analysis, simulation and queueing theory.
- Understanding of how to apply these techniques to real world problems.
- Use of numerical and computer tools for solving these problems.

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Class Attendance: Is required. If absent, it is incumbent upon the student to determine what has been missed as soon as possible. It is advisable to consult with the instructor.

Homework/Projects: Homework will be assigned in class and collected in accordance with the syllabus, and will be usually returned within one week. Although collaboration in solving most problems is encouraged, it is strictly forbidden to copy someone else's homework. It is expected that co-collaborators and other sources for the homework will be duly acknowledged. For some specified problems no collaboration will be allowed. There is no official programming language for this course and prior programming experience is not required. Current information about the course will be available through Blackboard and the 428 homepage. Using the web is strongly recommended for keeping track of current activities in the course.

Reading Assignment: Read the sections of the texts as, or before, they are covered in class lectures. This is a standing assignment throughout the semester.

Grade: One midterm will be given and will account for 130 points. The final exam will count 140 points. Each exam may have a take home component. In-class exams are closed book with calculators. Homework will count 230 points. The final grade will be based on these 500 points.

Final Exam: Will be comprehensive. To be given on Wednesday, May 7, 1:00 - 3:00 pm in AvH 12.

Grades of "I", "W" or "P": These grades will be given in strict accordance with University policy. (See any Schedule of Classes for the relevant information and dates.)

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